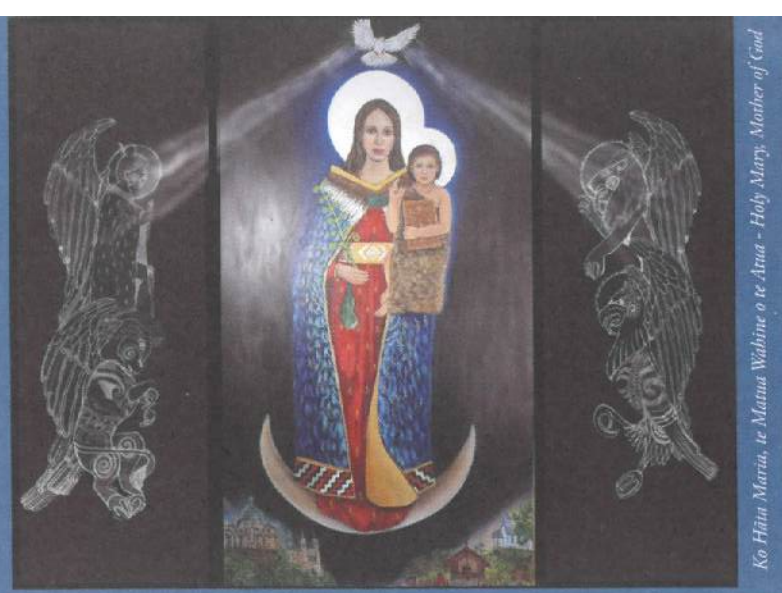


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St Mary of the Angels Church

MASSES

Sunday 7am, 9am, 11am, 5pm
Mon-Fri 7.30am, 12.05pm, 5.15pm
Saturday 11am
Mass of Anointing - 4th Sat of the month

ADORATION

Mon-Fri 6.30am - 7.20am
Friday 11am - Noon

RECONCILIATION

Mon-Thurs 11.30am - Noon
12.30pm - 1pm
4.30pm - 5pm
Friday 11am - 11.50am

12.30pm - 1pm
4.30pm - 5pm
Saturday 10.30am - 10.55am
4pm - 5pm

St Joseph's Church

MASSES

Sunday 9.30am
Tuesday 8.30am

In Thanksgiving for the Newly Initiated into Our Catholic Family

This is the day the Lord has made. We rejoice and are glad!

This Easter Vigil we rejoice and are glad to have welcomed eleven of the Elect into full initiation and communion of the Catholic Church. We pray that they will continue to deepen their call to follow Christ in and through our Catholic family tradition. May the Holy Spirit, who has enlightened them on their journey of faith, continue to touch the minds and hearts of people to hear and embrace the Good News of salvation.

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

We offer warm congratulations to all who were welcomed into full communion with our Church at the Easter Vigil.

I wish to sincerely thank the members of the RCIA team led by Father Michael Young sm who have prepared these 'elect' during the past several months in their journey of faith. I also thank their 'sponsors' who have supported them.

May the risen Christ bless you all.

Thank You

I thank so many people who have given so generously of their time to help prepare for our Easter liturgies. There has been so much effort during the past few weeks by many people to prepare for Easter.

Working bees have prepared the Churches and grounds so that they look pristine for Easter. The Choir's and singing groups have practised with extra effort to enhance our liturgical worship. There are many different ministries such as readers, special ministers of Holy Communion, data projector operators and others. Our Church guardians faithfully take turns to ensure our Church can remain open for those visiting the city and for parishioners to pray.

May God especially bless each of you this Easter.

Daylight Saving Time

This weekend Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday at 2am. This means that the clocks go back one hour. You will be able to have an extra hour of sleep.

Fr Barry Scannell sm
Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading Acts 10:34, 37-43.
We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Second Reading Colossians 3:1-4
Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Gospel Reading John 20:1-9
The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading Acts 2:42-47

Psalm 117

Second Reading 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel Reading John 20:19-31



Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection: \$4,718

Automatic Payments: \$5,198

Total: \$9,916

St Joseph's – Tuesday Mass

Please note that there will be no Tuesday Mass at St Joseph's Church on 7 April and 14 April due to the unavailability of Priests.

Joshua Wellington

Come and join other men at Joshua Wellington's next meeting on Thursday 16 April 2026 from 7:00pm for a cuppa and a 7:30pm start in Connolly Hall (next to the Sacred Heart Cathedral).

Lislie Pietersz, Current of Grace Wellington leader, will be speaking on "Seek and witness Jesus' love". If you want to know more contact David Monastra 027-4477

280 email: joshua.wgtn@gmail.com

Responsorial Psalm 117

**R. This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.' **R**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds. **R**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. **R**



Al-le-lú-ia, al-le-lú-ia, al-le-lú-ia

Projector Operators Needed

We are in need of volunteers to operate the laptop at the 9am and 5pm Sunday Masses at St Mary of the Angels. Full training will be provided. If you are available please contact Abby in the Parish Office on 04 473 8074 or office.manager@smoa.org.nz

World Youth Day 2027

Interested in going to South Korea? Come join us for World Youth Day 2027 in Seoul! Please fill out the expression of interest form: <https://forms.gle/cz2MF9QGfjxRSTSB> and email Regina Fernandes at r.fernandes@cadw.nz for any questions.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries: Marion Hyland, Gerard O'Brien, Birja Nand, Patricia Wallis, Leo Connolly, Adrienne Avery-Forbes

Prayers for the Sick: Cecilia Cha, Terry Pohlen, Kirwan sisters, Losalia Leo, John Mora, Kerry Barber, Pam Finlayson, Pat Mahony, Saturino Vioria, Dr Bill Glass, Greg Hayward, Yvonne D'Souza, Joan Wolland, Julia Choquette, João Pereira, Stephanie Butler, Pauline & Brian Wilkins, Kathryn McIver



Please remember these and any others in the Parish who are ill. If you know of anyone confined to their home or who needs a visit with Holy Communion, please contact Sister Frances at the parish office.

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Women Alive Retreat

You are warmly invited to the **Women Alive Retreat**, a day of prayer, inspiring teaching, powerful testimonies, and joyful fellowship for Catholic women.

This retreat's theme, *"The Joy of the Lord Is My Strength"*, invites women to encounter the strength and joy that comes from living in God's presence.

The retreat will be led by Anastasia Rebello, a commissioned Minister of the Word from the Archdiocese of Mumbai who has spent over 20 years preaching internationally to lay and religious. She will be joined by Rupa Fernandes, also a commissioned Minister of the Word and a core member of the Women Alive team.

Monday, 27 April 2026, 10:30am–4:30pm at St Theresa's Catholic Parish, 210 Saint Andrews Road, Plimmerton. Lunch and afternoon tea will be provided. This is a free event.

To register email Sarah Pinto Nazareth at pintosarahann@gmail.com or call 022 394 9899 by 23 April (calls only between 6:00pm-8:00pm).

Come along for a beautiful day of prayer, inspiration, and community. All women are welcome!

Vacancy—Chief Finance Officer

The Diocese of Christchurch is seeking an experienced and forward-thinking Chief Finance Officer (CFO) to lead a passionate and committed team and contribute meaningfully to the strategic direction of the Catholic Diocese of Christchurch. We invite applications from leaders who share the Diocese's sense of purpose, who value meaningful work, and who are energised by contributing to a mission-driven organisation.

For more information, or to apply, email applications@cdoc.nz. Applications close on **April 12**.

Faith Rosaries

We sell rosaries in the Parish Office designed and hand made by Ngaire Greger from Faith Rosaries. If you are looking for a rosary as a gift or for yourself, please contact the Parish Office to arrange a time to come in.

St Francis de Sales 120th Jubilee

The Catholic Parish of Wellington South is inviting former and current parishioners to a celebration of several historical milestones on Saturday 18 April and Sunday, April 19, 2026. The area's first Catholic church, St Francis de Sales in Island Bay, was built in 1906, 120 years ago, and the current church was blessed and opened on 17 April 1966, 60 years ago.

For more info: email:

office@wellingtonsouthcatholic.org

CathNews New Zealand

CathNews New Zealand shares the big news from the Catholic Church and stories of relevance to Catholics every Tuesday and Friday. Sign up for the free digital newsletter and read the latest stories. Website: www.cathnewsnz.com

Mass of Anointing

The next Mass of anointing will be on Saturday 18 April at 11am. Please note that we are unable to have the anointing on the 4th Sunday in April because that is ANZAC Day and we have a special celebration of Mass for this day.

Planned Giving Envelopes

The new set of Planned Giving Envelopes for this financial year are available in our two Churches today. Please collect them from the tables in the respective Churches.

If you wish to be part of our planned giving system and contribute to the Parish using direct credit or planned giving envelopes please contact Abby in the Parish Office.

The Parish is totally reliant on the generosity of parishioners and we are very grateful to all those who contribute through the planned giving programme. A receipt is issued at the end of each financial year which may be used for a tax refund.

Be assured that all our benefactors are remembered in the prayers of the Marist community.

Easter Monday

Easter Monday is a public holiday and there will be only one Mass held at 12.05pm



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Young Adults

Come join us for faith and fellowship every Wednesday evening. We begin with Mass at 5:15pm and then go to the Parish hall for a talk on the faith, a chat and some food! At our next meeting on the 8th of April there will be a Potluck, bring a plate to socialise with others.

Catholicism Series Bible Study

Join us every second Tuesday with the next session on Tuesday 7 April from 6-7pm at St Mary of the Angel's Parish Hall. This session will be on Understanding Fatima - Explaining the Faith. Koha appreciated; light supper provided. If you need more information, please contact Donaldson at dlukose001@gmail.com

Joshua 40-Year Celebration

All Men are invited to the 40 Year Celebration on Friday 14 August to Sunday 16 August. At Keswick Christian Camp, Rotorua.

Robert Falzon, Leader of Australia's menALIVE and Author of "Importance of a Present Dad" will be the keynote speaker. \$247pp including accommodation and meals.

To register, scan the QR Code or contact Mike Lobo (021) 2809285 or Greg Sullivan (021) 437747.



Seasons for Growth Adult Programme, April 2026

Catholic Social Services is offering the Seasons for Growth Adult Programme this April. This four-week small-group course helps adults understand and respond to experiences of change, loss and grief. Sessions will run on **Wednesdays on 8, 15, 22 and 29 April** from 10.00am to 12.30pm at Level 2, 204 Thorndon Quay. Morning tea is provided. For more information or to register, please contact Jess at Catholic Social Services on 04 385 8642 or email: seasons@cadw.nz.

The Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation Love is a Decision

Register online on the Archdiocesan website for the next course, consecutive **Sundays, 7 & 14 June 2026**. Please note that couples attend both Sundays together in person to complete the course. Courses are offered four times a year - they will run in March, June, September and November 2026. For queries please email: marriage@vn.catholic.org.nz



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