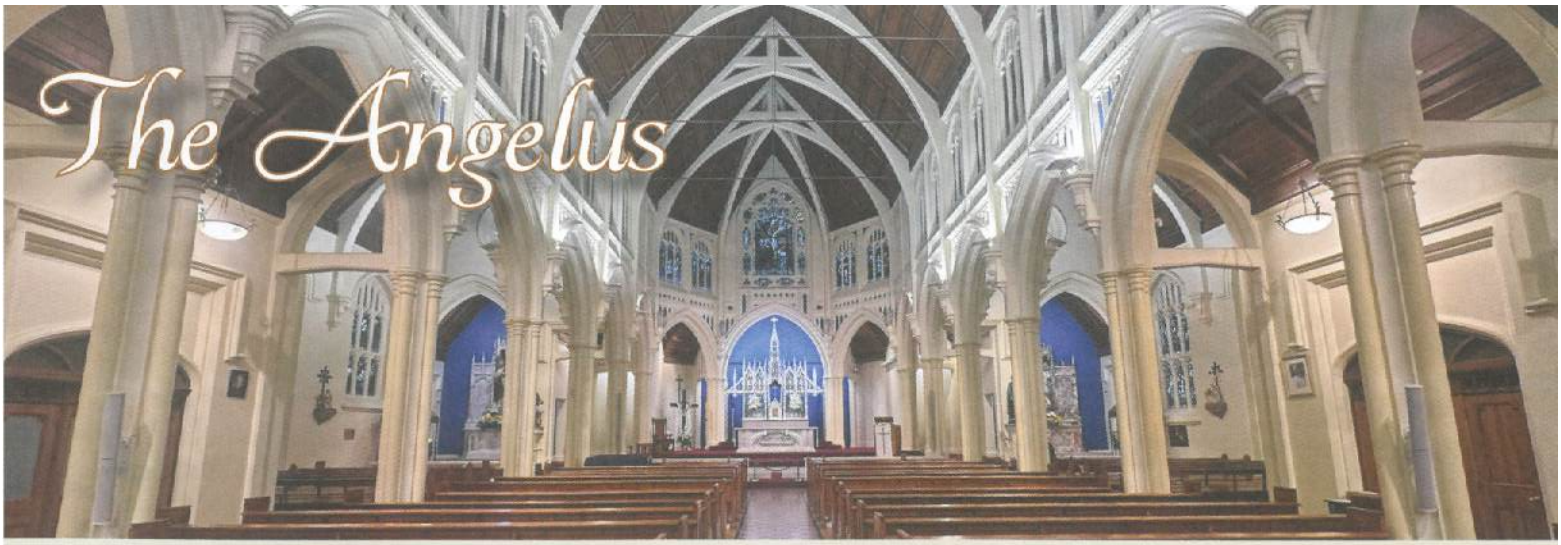

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St Mary of the Angels Church
MASSES

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

31 May 2026, The Most Holy Trinity

Rest in Peace – Kerry Barber

We mourn the death of Kerry Barber who passed away last Sunday at Karori Metlife Care retirement home, formerly Sprott House. Kerry and her late husband (Judge Paul Barber) who died in 2016, were faithful and committed members of this Parish since 1986.

Kerry suffered a severe brain aneurism in 2008 but recovered well enough to be able to continue attending Mass with Paul. She has been at Metlife Care since 2019. In the last few weeks her health deteriorated and she died last Sunday. Her Mass of Requiem was held in the Church last Thursday.

We pray eternal life for Kerry and remember her and her family in our prayers. May she rest in peace.

Recommissioning of Eucharistic Ministers and Readers

We are fortunate to have many generous parishioners who have served the Parish each week as special Eucharistic Ministers and Readers. Each year on the Feast of Corpus Christi we re-commission these people who serve in these ministries. We will do this again at all Masses next Sunday.

Adoration

On Sunday 7 June we will celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi. In honour of this occasion, Young Adults of the Parish are organising a 12-hour eucharistic adoration from 7pm on Saturday, 6 June, to 7am the following morning, concluding with the Mass. We are seeking volunteers/people to fill hourly slots throughout the adoration period.

For those interested in volunteering, please refer to the QR code below, which includes information linking to the sign-up form. Additionally, there is a log book at the back of the church where you can write your name and contact information to volunteer for a holy hour. Adoration is open to everyone, ensuring that each hour is covered by a volunteer is essential, especially from 11pm to 4am.

You will find an intercession box next to the log book. Please write your personal prayer intentions and place them in the box. We will include them in our prayers during the 12-hour adoration

Fr Barry Scannell sm
Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading **Exodus** **34:4-6, 8-9**
The Lord God, ruler of all, merciful and loving.

Second Reading **2 Corinthians** **13:11-13**
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Gospel Reading **John** **3:16-18**
God sent his Son to save the world through him.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading	**Deuteronomy**	**8:2-3, 14-16**
Psalm	**147**	
Second Reading	**1 Corinthians**	**10:16-17**
Gospel Reading	**John**	**6:51-58**

Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection:	$4,324
Automatic Payments:	$5,123
Total:	**$9,447**

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Program

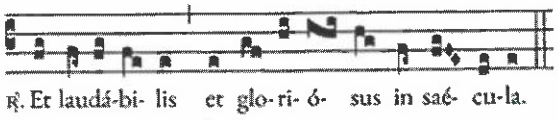
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) programme will commence again on the 3rd of September for anyone who is interested in joining our Catholic Community. This programme runs from September to April and involves weekly group meetings to learn about and discuss our Catholic Faith. If anyone is interested in joining this programme please make contact with Fr Michael on mlyoungsm@gmail.com for a meeting before the programme starts. Registration closes on 27 August 2026.

Responsorial Psalm: Daniel 3:52-56

1. You are blest, Lord God of our fathers.
Response: Glory and praise for ever!
Blest your glorious holy name.
Response: Glory and praise for ever!

2. You are blest in the temple of your glory.
Response: Glory and praise for ever!
You are blest on the throne of your kingdom.
Response: Glory and praise for ever!

3. You are blest who gaze into the depths.
Response: Glory and praise for ever!
You are blest in the firmament of heaven.
Response: Glory and praise for ever!



Glory and praise for ever.

Kings Birthday Holiday

Tomorrow (Monday 1 June) is a Public Holiday to honour the birthday of King Charles III. There will be only one Mass tomorrow at 12.05pm.

Late Night Mass

Come join us for Late Night Mass for Young People on **Friday 5 June** at 8pm at the Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hill Street, Wellington. Please bring a plate for supper.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Kerry Barber

Anniversaries: Nadja Argus, Robert Gilmer (Bob), Bronius Grinskis, Corazon Owen, Andrew Fawcett, Claire Abbott, Lindsay Haas

Prayers for the Sick: Terry Pohlen, Kirwan sisters, Losalia Leo, John Mora, Pam Finlayson, Pat Mahony, Saturino Viloria, 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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Promoting the National Shrine / Te Ara a Maria

he icon image of Our Lady Assumed into Heaven - Te Ara a Maria, which was commissioned by the Catholic Bishops of New Zealand and gifted to St Mary of the Angels church to look after and display, has been in place for a couple of years now. A plan to promote the icon and St Mary's as the National Shrine of NZ has yet to be developed, and specific responsibilities for St Mary's as the guardian of the image have yet to be finalised.

We propose that a small group of three or four people be convened to develop a draft promotional plan and offer recommendations to the Bishops as to how the parish of St Mary of the Angels would be involved.

If you wish to be a participant in this small group, please contact Suzanne O'Rourke by 14 June (email: suzanneor@gmail.com). Thank you.

Church Guardians

We are blessed in our Parish to have several generous people who act as guardians so that our Church can remain open to visitors during the day. We are very grateful to these people, because without their generous commitment the Church would not be able to remain open each day for people to visit and pray. We have a couple of "spaces" during the week where we need new guardians. It means coming to the Church for an hour.

Hōhepa Suzanne Aubert: An Afternoon with Jessie Munro

You are warmly invited to *Meri Hōhepa Suzanne Aubert: An Afternoon with Jessie Munro*, a special Rau Tau Pūaroha event celebrating 100 years since the passing of Meri Hōhepa Suzanne Aubert. Join biographer Jessie Munro for an engaging reflection on the life, legacy, and enduring compassion of Suzanne Aubert on **Saturday 20 June, 2–4pm**, at the Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay. All are welcome to attend this commemorative gathering.

St Carlo Acutis

We are honoured to host a relic of St Carlo Acutis, the first millennial saint, from **Sunday 7 June** to **Tuesday 10 June** at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hill Street, Wellington!

You are all invited to visit the relic and join in the events prepared. Events include Holy Mass, adoration, talks, youth events, and a small exhibition in the foyer.

"We don't need superpowers to be saints, we just need to love."
– St Carlo Acutis

Wairarapa Parish, 150th Anniversary

Saturday and Sunday, 20/21 June 2026.

You are cordially invited to the celebrations commemorating the appointment of Fr Antoine Halbwachs SM as the very first official Catholic priest in the Wairarapa Valley. The celebration includes an anniversary Mass, book launch, lunch and concerts. Please see the poster information or contact Helen Morgan on Ph. 027 2256722 or Email: helenm808@gmail.com

WelCom

The May edition of WelCom, the monthly newspaper of the Archdiocese of Wellington, is available. WelCom is a publication featuring stories of faith, community, social justice, and news from around our parishes and schools. Printed copies are free and available at the tables in our Churches.

You can read the latest edition, explore past issues, or learn more about WelCom here:
wn.catholic.org.nz/welcom

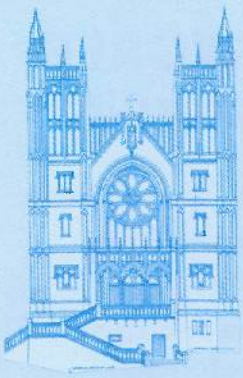
New Web-Site for the Archdiocese

The Wellington Archdiocese has a new website which will make it easier to navigate, accessible and simpler to understand. The design is also softer, with an emphasis on being welcoming and inclusive. All the information from the old website such as Mass times, information about our parishes and schools is on the new website.

The website can be accessed at: cadw.nz

Liturgy Workshop Opportunity

US liturgist and parish priest, Fr Paul Turner, will lead a liturgy seminar on **Saturday, 1 August 2026** (10.00am - 2.30pm), in Connolly Hall, Hill Street, Wellington. Clergy, liturgy teams, school staff, and all involved in Eucharistic preparation are encouraged to join us for *Ars Celebrandi: The Art of Celebrating Mass*. Inspired by Pope Francis', *Desiderio Desideravi*, the day will explore how we can celebrate liturgy with reverence and fidelity. Fr Turner will offer practical guidance to deepen understanding of the Eucharist and strengthen parish and school celebrations.



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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! Next week there will be a potluck. Please bring a plate to share.

Catholicism Series Bible Study

Join us every second Tuesday with the next session on Tuesday 2 June from 6-7pm at St Mary of the Angel's Parish Hall. This session will be on Theology of the Body. 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.

Retreat Day at Pā Maria

Take some time and space for a guided day of prayer and reflection.
On Saturday 27 June from 9am-3.15pm, Neil Vaney SM, Chris Skinner SM, and Judith Moroney RSM will lead participants in a day of prayer on "Peace".

Please bring your own lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. Entry is by koha.

Location: Pā Maria, 78 Hobson St, Thorndon, Wellington 6011
RSVP: By 23 June to pamariabookings@gmail.com

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 June, September and November 2026. For queries please email: marriage@wn.catholic.org.nz

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