

The Angelus

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7 June 2026, Corpus Christi

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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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for the Feast of Corpus Christi

The young adults of our Parish have organised 12 hours of Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament leading up to the Feast this Sunday of Corpus Christi.

The Adoration will begin on Saturday evening (6 June) in the Church before moving over to the Parish Hall when people are invited to spend time in prayer throughout the night. The Adoration will end with the 7am Mass on Sunday.

If you are reading this online or on the Parish App you may wish to join the young adults in prayer in preparation for the Feast of Corpus Christi.

Holy Communion under both Kinds

Archbishop Paul and the Council of Priests recently discussed the reception of Holy Communion under both kinds for the people. As parishioners you are aware that since COVID-19 most parishes have not offered Holy Communion with the Chalice.

There are variety of practices currently going on in the Archdiocese. However, Archbishop Paul is keen that the precious blood is made available especially at Sunday Mass. Parishioners are of course free to choose whether or not to receive the precious blood and decide accordingly.

Archbishop Paul writes:

"It is important that people receive the host and precious blood separately. They are not to take the host and then move to the chalice and intinct (self-communication)".

I will take this request by the Archbishop to our Liturgy committees for their comments. This change will provide challenges to the Parish in terms of recruiting additional special eucharistic ministers who are willing to minister with the chalice.

I will keep you informed after the June Liturgy Committee meetings.

Fr Barry Scannell SM
Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16

He gave you food which you and your ancestors did not know.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Though we are many, we form a single body because we share this one loaf.

Gospel Reading John 6:51-58

My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading Exodus 19:2-6

Psalm 99

Second Reading Romans 5:6-11

Gospel Reading Matthew 9:36-10:8

Responsorial Psalm 147

R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!

Zion, praise your God!

He has strengthened the bars of your gates,
he has blessed the children within you. **R**

He established peace on your borders,
he feeds you with finest wheat.

He sends out his word to the earth
and swiftly runs his command. **R**

He makes his word known to Jacob,
to Israel his laws and decrees.

He has not dealt thus with other nations;
he has not taught them his decrees. **R**



Lau-da, * Ie-rú-sa-lem, Dóminum.

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem.

Homemade Food Fundraiser – Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver warmly invite you to their Homemade Food Fundraiser on Saturday, 20 June 2026, from 11.00am to 2.00pm at the Convent grounds, 1 Mersey Street, Island Bay.

Proceeds will support the Franciscan Tertiary Sisters of Lahore in Pakistan, helping provide education for underprivileged children through stationery, books, uniforms, and school fees.

Come along, enjoy delicious homemade food, and support this important mission. For more information, please contact the Sisters on (04) 383 8401.

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.

Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection: \$4,322

Automatic Payments: \$5,123

Total: \$9,445

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries:

Kevin Reeve, Fr John O'Dowd sm, Peter Gilbert, Hilary Proctor, Michael Dunn, Joanna Heemskerck, Nola Griffin, Sharon Cowan, Marie Robinson, Anthony Mackle (Tony), Joan Olson, Arie Roskam, John Woods, Krystine Tomaszuk, Da Van Luyn, Gino Di Leva

Prayers for the Sick:

Terry Pohlen, Kirwan sisters, Losalia Leo, John Mora, Pam Finlayson, Pat Mahony, Saturino Vilorio, 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

The 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 Pūaroa 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

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

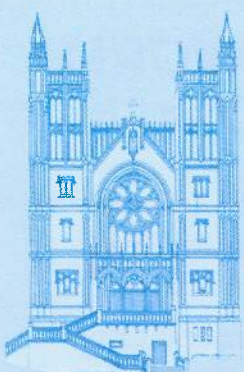
New Web-Site for the Archdiocese

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 is on the new website such as Mass times, information about our parishes and schools.

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 Fr Ben will be speaking on "The Virtue of Justice".

Catholicism Series Bible Study

Join us every second Tuesday with the next session on Tuesday 16 June from 6-7pm at St Mary of the Angel's Parish Hall. This session will be on Catholic Discovery. 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.



Job Vacancy for Religious Education Advisor

The Catholic Schools Education Services team at the Archdiocese of Wellington are seeking a passionate Religious Education Advisor (Primary) to uphold and advance the mission of the Catholic Church in our schools by inspiring, strengthening, and supporting Catholic character and the Religious Education curriculum. Please refer to the ADW website link: [Job opportunities - Catholic Archdiocese of Wellington](#) Contact Kelly Ross, Vicar for Education, Email: k.ross@cadw.nz to submit your application by Monday, 22 June 2026 or for further information.

The Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation Love is a Decision

Register online on the Archdiocesan website for the next course, consecutive **Sundays, 6 & 13 September 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 September and November 2026. For queries please email: marriage@wn.catholic.org.nz



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