

The Angelus

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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

2 August 2026, 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Census

Many thanks for all parishioners who completed a Parish Census form last Sunday. The Parish Office is currently working on processing the data which will take some time. We may contact some parishioners to confirm their details as some of the writing is challenging to decipher. We will email the Angelus to those parishioners who requested it from next week.

If you didn't have the opportunity to complete a 'census form' last Sunday there are forms and pens on the tables in both Churches. Please return the form in the collection basket or give it to a member of the Pastoral Team.

Archdiocesan Priest's Assembly

Over the past week all priests serving in the Archdiocese of Wellington have been attending an Assembly with Archbishop Paul. It has been a very enjoyable week with many speakers from various Church groups such as the Catholic Enquiry Centre, Safeguarding, Youth, and Synodal implementation. Father Paul Turner, a liturgist from the United States has been here discussing liturgy with the priests.

We are very blessed to have so many generous priests from all parts of the world serving in the Archdiocese.

Catholic Archdiocese of Wellington - Expressions of Interest

Lead Evaluator (Primary Schools)

The Catholic Archdiocese of Wellington invites Expressions of Interest for the role of Lead Evaluator – Catholic Character Evaluations of Primary Schools.

This rewarding contract position is suited to an experienced Catholic educator with strong leadership experience, a deep understanding of Catholic Character, and a passion for authentic Catholic education. Working on behalf of the Proprietor, the Lead Evaluator will undertake external Catholic Character evaluations across Catholic primary schools within the Archdiocese and provide professional advice and comprehensive evaluation reports. To express your interest, please email and request an application pack: Kelly Ross, Vicar for Education, Archdiocese of Wellington. Email: k.ross@cadw.nz Applications close: **Monday, 24 August 2026**

Fr Barry Scannell sm

Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading	Isaiah	55:1-3
<i>Hasten and eat.</i>		
Second Reading	Romans	8:35, 37-39
<i>No creature can separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ.</i>		
Gospel Reading	Matthew	14:13-21
<i>They all ate and were satisfied.</i>		

Next Week's Readings

First Reading	1 Kings	19:9, 11-13
Psalm	84	
Second Reading	Romans	9:1-5
Gospel Reading	Matthew	14:22-23



Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection:	\$4,068
Automatic Payments:	\$5,587
Total:	\$9,655

Special Ministers of the Eucharist

After the winter period we intend to re-introduce Holy Communion under both kinds. This is at the request of Archbishop Paul.

When we re-introduce the Chalice again we will need several more special Eucharistic ministers for each Mass. We need two ministers of the chalice for each minister of the host.

If you consider that you would like to serve the Parish as a special minister of Holy Communion please contact one of the Pastoral Team.

Responsorial Psalm 144

**R. The hand of the Lord feeds us,
he answers all our needs.**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. **R**

The eyes of all creatures look to you
and you give them their food in due time.
You open wide your hand,
grant the desires of all who live. **R**

The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
call on him from their hearts. **R**



Á- peris tu manum tuam, Dó- mine, et sá-ti- as nos.

You open your hand, O Lord, and feed us.

St Patrick's College The Big Sing Fundraising Concert

The St Patrick's College Wellington Choir, Con Anima, is one of the top 24 choirs in the country. They compete at The Big Sing Finale in Christchurch in late August and will be holding a fundraising concert at the College at 6:30pm on Tuesday 18 August. We warmly invite our community to attend the concert. Tickets (\$15 adult; \$10 school students) can be purchased here:
<https://www.trybooking.com/nz/20591>

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Titi Fanatanu Ah Chong

Anniversaries: John L'Estrange, Zita Outtrim, Joan Ciurlionis, Aiden McLean, James Baird, Paul Veltman, Scott Fraser, Kenneth Bates, Barbara Ross, Rosina Walker

Prayers for the Sick: Terry Pohlen, Kirwan sisters, Losalia Leo, John Mora, Pam Finlayson, Pat Mahony,



Saturino Vilorio, Dr Bill Glass, Greg Hayward, Cecelia Cha, Joan Wolland, Julia Choquette, João Pereira, Stephanie Butler, Pauline & Brian Wilkins, Kathryn McIver, Peter Crompton, John Kee

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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St Thomas More Church, Wilton

The Church is to close permanently on Sunday, 30 August 2026. The organising Committee have some events planned for that weekend to mark this farewell and would like to invite any ex parishioners or people associated with the Church to join them. The Open day is on **Saturday, 29 August** from 11am until approx. 5pm, and the Farewell Mass will be celebrated on **Sunday, 30 August at 4pm**. Please see more details on the Parish Noticeboard.

Guardians Needed

St Mary of the Angels is cared for each day by Guardians who spend an hour in the church welcoming visitors and helping maintain the reverence of our sacred space.

We currently have vacant slots on:

- **Monday 2.30pm-3.30pm**

- **Thursday from 10am-11am**

If you're interested in being part of this important ministry please contact the parish office.

WelCom

The July 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

Passionist Family Group

Passionist Family Groups have organised a combined group and parishioners event at Our Lady's Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine St, Island Bay on Sunday 16 August as part of the Compassion 2026 100 years commemoration of Venerable Meri Hōhepa Suzanne Aubert's death.

We will begin with a soup and roll lunch at Cloisters Cafe at 1pm (cost \$10) followed by a guided tour of the Suzanne Aubert exhibition, finishing with a short liturgy in the chapel.

Please RSVP to Mary-Ellen maryellenleen@icloud.com by Sunday 9th August (for catering purposes) and please also let her know if you need a ride.

Support for the Living Wage: Election Forum

Thursday 2nd September, 6.00pm Kai 6.30pm Start
Naenae College, 910 High Street, Lower Hutt

Our Faith's Social Justice teachings ask us to actively promote Social Justice in our community. The Living wage movement values align with the principles of the importance of work, subsidiary and the dignity of individual.

At the recent Member Organizations Council (MOC) decisions were made about how members could support the election forum being organized in Lower Hutt. At this meeting politicians would be challenged to support the living wage.

St Mary of the Angels and St Josephs social justice group are organising a group to attend this meeting. We would like as many as possible to attend. Please calendar this date. We are trying to organise transport to attend this meeting. This will be confirmed at a later date. Register to attend

Retreat Days and Themes at Pā Maria 2026

Take time and space for a guided day of prayer and reflection.

Prayer days at Pā Maria during the year. 9.00am-3.15pm

19 September Season of Creation

17 October Mary

5 December Advent

Presenters: Neil Vaney SM, Chris Skinner SM and Judith Moroney rsm.

Pā Maria. 78 Hobson St, Thorndon, Wellington 6011

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

Maximum of 20 people so please **RSVP by the Tuesday before the prayer day** to pamariabookings@gmail.com and indicate which prayer day you wish to attend.

Late Night Mass

After an incredible Youth Festival, come join us next week, **Friday, 7 August** at 8.00pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hill Street, Wellington for the Late Night Mass for Young People! Bring a plate to share for fellowship and a friend to gather for Holy Eucharist together with other young Catholics across Wellington. We can't wait to see you there!



ST MARY OF THE ANGELS PARISH ONGOING MAINTENANCE APPEAL

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Ongoing Maintenance Fund

St Mary of the Angels Parish

17 Boulcott St, Wellington 6011

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SMOA - Parish Account

02-0536-0003242-24

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St Mary of the Angels is registered with the Charities Commission. All donations are tax deductible and a receipt issued.

Young Adults

Come join us for faith and fellowship every Wednesday evening. We begin with the Rosary at 5.45pm and go then go to the Hall for a talk with Fr Ben. There is no Mass this week at 5.15pm

Catholicism Series Bible Study

Join us every second Tuesday with the next session on Tuesday 11 August from 6-7pm at St Mary of the Angel's Parish Hall. This session will be The Apparitions. Koha appreciated; light supper provided. If you need more information, please contact Donaldson at dlukose001@gmail.com

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.

Save the Date - Marriage Seminar

To be held on **Wednesday, 19 August**, hospitality from 6.30pm, session will start 7.00pm. Venue is at Connolly Hall, 10 Guildford Terrace, Thorndon, Wellington. 'Happily Married in a Tech Obsessed World'. Explore how we can be present and nurture a healthy marriage in a world where so much demands our attention.
Queries to: marriage@cadw.nz

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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