

The Angelus

St Mary of the Angels Church 17 Boulcott St, Wellington Central

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5 July 2026, 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

Matariki

This Friday (10 July) our country celebrates Matariki. There can be some confusion about this in terms of Maori religion and what it is celebrating. Archbishop Paul offers some insights in his latest newsletter to priests and seminarians.

Archbishop Paul writes:

"Matariki allows us to strengthen relationships with Maori communities; celebrate the unique identity of the Church in New Zealand; reflect on gratitude, remembrance and hope; pray for the nation and a deepening care of creation. The National Liturgy Office provides blessings and prayers specifically for Matariki. A Catholic understanding of Matariki might be expressed this way:

Matariki is not viewed simply as an astronomical event or merely a public holiday. Nor is it seen as an alternative religious festival. Rather, it is a treasured expression of the wisdom of Maori culture that offers Catholics an opportunity to give thanks to the Creator, remember those who have gone before us, renew our commitment to one another and to creation, and to celebrate the Gospel within the culture of this land".

Mass on Friday 10 July

This is a public holiday. There will be only one Mass in the Church at 12.05pm.

Masses on Tuesday mornings at St Joseph's Church

There will be no Masses on Tuesday mornings at St Joseph's Church during the month of July. This is because of the unavailability of priests during the next four weeks.

The priests will be making retreats, having some days of leave and then gathering with Archbishop Paul for a Priests Assembly from 28 to 31 July.

We regret any inconvenience. Mass will still be celebrated at St Mary of the Angels Church each day during this time.

Census of the Parish

The Pastoral Parish Council is organising a 'Parish Census' on Sunday 26 July. It is many years since we had a 'census' and many new parishioners have not yet had the opportunity of registering on our Parish Roll. More information will be provided in the coming weeks in the 'Angelus'

Father Barry Scannell sm

Parish Priest

This Week's Readings

First Reading	Zechariah	9:9-10
<i>Now humbly your king comes to you!</i>		
Second Reading	Romans	8:9, 11-13
<i>If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body, you will live.</i>		
Gospel Reading	Matthew	11:25-30
<i>I am gentle and humble of heart.</i>		

Next Week's Readings

First Reading	Isaiah	55:10-11
Psalm	64	
Second Reading	Romans	8:18-23
Gospel Reading	Matthew	13:1-23



Last Sunday's Collection

Sunday Collection:	\$3,952
Automatic Payments:	\$5,107
Total:	\$9,059

Delargy Awards 2026

Nominations are now open for the 2026 Delargy Awards, which recognise significant and outstanding ministry with young people. In addition to identifying key contributors to youth ministry, the awards provide a chance to highlight the Church's outreach to teens and young adults. The awards are named for Cardinal Reginald Delargy, former Archbishop of Wellington and Bishop of Auckland. Nominations close on 31 July. Find out more at: www.cadw.nz/community/delargy-awards-2026/

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries: Ron Finlayson, David Allan, Tadeusz Braczek, Paul Sparnaay, Ruth Garland, Maureen Ayling, Ngavaine Goodwin, Gillian Wills, Maria Blue

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, Peter Crompton

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.



Responsorial Psalm 144

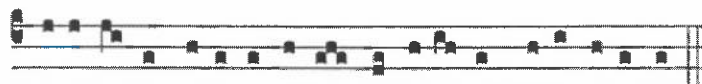
R. I will praise your name for ever,
my king and my God.

I will give you glory, O God my King,
I will bless your name for ever.
I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever. **R**

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**

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God. **R**

The Lord is faithful in all his words
and loving in all his deeds.
The Lord supports all who fall
and raises all who are bowed down. **R**



Bene-dí-cam nó-mi-ni-tu-o in sæ-cu-lum, Deus meus rex.

I will praise your name forever, O God my King.

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/cz2MF9QGfjxRSTsBA> and email Regina Fernandes at: r.fernandes@cadw.nz for any questions.



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Matariki Celebration - Thursday 9 July 2026

Matariki is a time of companionship, thanksgiving and remembrance and will be celebrated with a social gathering at St Joseph's on Thursday 9 July. Please join us at 6pm for "bring your own" kai and enjoy them in the fellowship of others. We will conclude with a beautiful candlelight liturgy.

WelCom

The June 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:

Seafarer Sunday

Stella Maris Wellington (previously known as Apostleship of the Sea) will be celebrating Seafarer Sunday on 12 July 2026. Volunteers offer practical and spiritual assistance to seafarers visiting our port. We urgently seek people to assist in this important service, especially those with languages other than English, particularly Tagalog, Indonesian, Mandarin and/or Cantonese, Hindi and Vietnamese.

Donations can also be made to: Apostleship of the Sea Account Number 01-0527-0312182-00 To receive a receipt or to learn more, please email stellamariswellington@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.

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.

Special Ministers of the Eucharist

After the winter period we intend to re-introduce Holy Communion under both kinds, i.e. both the Body and Blood of Christ. 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.

St Thomas More Church, Wilton Events

The church is to close permanently on Sunday, 30th 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 events are on **Saturday, 29th August** and the Farewell Mass on **Sunday, 30th August**. Please see more details on the Parish Noticeboard.



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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 Mass at 5:15pm and then go to the Parish hall for a talk on the faith, a chat and some food! Next week we will be having a pot luck.

Catholicism Series Bible Study

Join us every second Tuesday with the next session on Tuesday 14 July from 6-7pm at St Mary of the Angel's Parish Hall. This session will be Parts of the Mass and what they mean. 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.



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.

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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