

For Your Diaries : 2017

23 July, Marist St Pats Rugby Football Club

Senior and Junior Players and Supporters of MSP are invited to attend the Clubs Annual Mass, St Mary of the Angels Church at 11.00am.

24 July, The Archdiocesan Young Church Ministries

The Catholic Centre 22-30 Hill Street Wellington. Monday 24 July. Doors open at 6.30 pm and event starts a 7.00pm.

25 July, Holy Hour

Beginning at 7.30 pm in the Cathedral Chapel to pray for vocations to priesthood and consecrated life.

27 July, SMAYAC's Catholic Faith Documentary Viewing

from 6-7pm in the St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall. This week's episode is titled "A Vast Company of Witnesses: The Communion of Saints". Please come along and invite someone to come with you.

27 July, Welcoming Strangers in a World of Migration

7pm Lecture, refreshments from 6.30pm. Cathedral of the Sacred Heart Thorndon.

30 July, Seasons for Growth

A programme of six weekly sessions, 2.00 – 4.30pm, at KAC Church Offices, 8 Fancourt Street Karori. Cost \$25 for the workbook. For more information or to register please contact Bridgett on 934-1811 or email: baparkin@clear.net.nz.

30 July, Thank you to St John's Presbyterian Church

We will celebrate a short liturgy in the Church at 11.30am followed by lunch. The 9am and 11am Masses will be cancelled that day and we will have one Mass at 10am. Masses on Sunday 30 July will be at: 7am, 10am and 5pm.

1 August, Help Katherine Manfield's Legacy Live On

RSVP now to secure your tickets to this exclusive fundraising event. 5.30pm – 7pm, Marsden Auditorium, Samuel Marsden Collegiate School, Marsden Avenue, Karori. Tickets \$50pp. Book online at www.katherinemansfield.com

3 August, What is it like to be a Prophet in Today's World?

Mons. Gerard Burns will address this on at 7.00 - 8.30pm at St. Anne's Church Hall, Emmett St. Newtown.

3 August, A Caring Space

An invitation for those who care for a loved one. 11am-2pm at the Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay. Or Monday 14th August at St Andrew's, 11 Steyn Avenue, Plimmerton, 11am – 2pm.

6 August, Palliser Viols

The next concert is Sunday 6 August from 3-6pm, in the Newtown Community Centre. Admission \$25 (\$15 concessions).

10 August, The Hope of Pope Francis

Join a challenging eConference streamed live free over the internet. Group participation will be facilitated by the Parish Leadership Ministry team and The Catholic Institute, Wellington. Thursday 10 August 12 noon - 4.30pm at the Catholic Centre, 22-30 Hill St, Thorndon, Wellington.

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St Mary of the Angels is a diverse community which seeks to praise and thank God in a place of calm and beauty and strives to be Christ alive in Central Wellington

23 July 2017, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thank you to St John's Presbyterian Church

As you are aware St John's were very generous to us during the time our Church was closed for seismic strengthening. Next Sunday 30 July we will celebrate a short liturgy in the Church at 11.30am followed by lunch to thank them for their generosity and hospitality over the past four years.

I hope that all those who attended mid-day Mass in St John's over the last 4 years will come next Sunday to thank them for their wonderful generosity and hospitality. Maybe other parishioners will also come to express a big 'thank you'. After the short liturgy and a showing of the 10 minute video of the work we will adjourn to the Parish Hall for a light lunch.

Masses Next Sunday 30 July

Next Sunday there will be a change in Mass times so that we can host our wonderful friends from St John's at 11.30am. The 9am and 11am Masses will be combined into one Mass at 10am. Masses in our Church next Sunday will be:

7am 10am 5pm

Catholic Bishops' Statement on the 2017 General Election

"We embrace the bicultural nature of Aotearoa New Zealand. We ourselves are growing in our understanding that this is much more than questions of language. Bicultural partnerships and participation enrich any group because they anticipate an expansion of understanding of the fundamental elements of human society including **land, people and purpose**. Every absence of bicultural partnership is an impoverishment of our society.

We welcome the completion of iwi treaty claims and rejoice in the renewed mana that these agreements unleash."

Can I also add to the Bishop's message a vote of thanks to our parishioner, the Hon Christopher Finlayson for the wonderful work he has achieved as the Minister for Treaty Settlements. He is passionate about this work and has worked tirelessly to rectify the injustices of the past.

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MASSES

Sunday 7am, 9am, 11am, 5pm

Monday to 7:30am, 12:05pm,
Friday & 5:15pm

Saturday 11am

EACH MONTH

4th Saturday 11am Mass with
Sacrament of Anointing

ADORATION

Monday to 6:45am-7:30am
Friday

Friday 11am-noon

RECONCILIATION

Monday to 11:30am-noon
Thursday 12:30pm-1:00pm
4:30pm-5:00pm

Friday 11:00am-noon
12:30pm-1:00pm
4:30pm-5:00pm

Saturday 10:30am-11:00am
4:00pm-5:00pm

This Week's Readings

First Reading Wisdom 12:13. 16-19
In the place of sin you give repentance.

Second Reading Romans 8:26-27
The Spirit himself pleads for us in a way that could never be put into words.

Gospel Reading Matthew 13:24-43
Let them grow together until the harvest.

Next Week's Readings

First Reading Kings 3:5. 7-12
Psalm 118

Second Reading Romans 8:28-30
Gospel Reading Matthew 13:44-52

Responsorial Psalm 85

R. Lord, you are good and forgiving

O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of love to all who call.
Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer and attend to the sound of my voice. **R.**

All the nations shall come to adore you and glorify your name, O Lord: for you are great and do marvellous deeds, you who alone are God. **R.**

But you, God of mercy and compassion, slow to anger, O Lord, abounding in love and truth, turn and take pity on me. **R.**



Quóniam tu Dómine su-á-vis et mi-tis es.

For thou O Lord art sweet and mild.

Becoming Catholic?

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) program will begin on Tuesday 29 August. If you know of anyone who is interested in the Catholic faith and being received into the Church please encourage them to make contact. We invite those that are interested in becoming a Catholic to register interest by getting in contact with the parish office. The program involves meeting once a week on Tuesday evenings and runs till Easter of 2018 when candidates are received into the Catholic Community. Flyers and posters will be posted, so keep an eye out for these.

Parish Preparation for the Archdiocesan Synod – Update

The Wellington Archdiocesan Synod will be held on the weekend of 15-17 September. Cardinal John has explained that preparation for the Synod should be “a discernment process, listening to the Spirit then to one another as we seek to understand where God is leading us.”

Discernment involves reflection, not discussion or debate, and being open to the wisdom of the Holy Spirit, focusing on what we can do to help build our archdiocese of the future. Most Synod topics are drawn from Pope Francis’ priorities - leadership, people at the edges of society and of the Church, ethnic diversity, relations with Māori, refugees and migrants, care for creation, ecumenism, young people, marriage and family.

At St Mary of the Angels we will follow a two-step process for parishioners to reflect on any of the topics and then share responses with your representatives so they can take these to the Synod.

First, during August we invite you to take time for prayer and meditation on the topics either individually or by arranging small groups with others. We will provide more details and support materials at the beginning of August.

Second, in September, we invite you to share your reflections with the parish representatives at meetings after masses or in writing if you prefer.

The St Mary of the Angels Young Adults will host an information and discernment session on Sunday, 30 July at 6.15pm in the St Mary of the Angels parish hall. It will be an opportunity to find out about the Synod, and get some initial thoughts. Some of our parish representatives to the Synod will be there.

Last Sunday's Collection

Total: \$4,883



Welcoming Strangers in a World of Migration

Hear Julianne Hickey, Director of Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand speak on global migration, Kiwi immigration policies, as well as the biblical obligation to welcome the stranger. Thursday 27 July 7pm Lecture. 6.30pm refreshments. Cathedral of the Sacred Heart Thorndon.

The Archdiocesan Young Church Ministries

Inviting all Young Adults to ‘The Rising Tide: The human unit: marriage, family and community’ at the Catholic Centre 22-30 Hill Street Wellington. Monday 24 July. Doors open at 6.30 pm and event starts a 7.00pm. Discussion will explore how to live and love the changing reality of what a modern family is. For more information contact Josh Nerona 496 1701 j.nerona@wn.catholic.org.nz.

Mass has been offered for:

Recently Deceased: Maureen Ayling

Anniversaries: Thomas O’Shaughnessy, Veronica Nolan, Agnes Mora, James Healy, John Gordon

Prayers for the Sick: Dianne Sweet, Margaret Such, Bryce Toimata, Colleen Kennedy, Gil Lescher, Mary Crompton, Jenni Rowell, Jeanette Parker, Teresa Jeong, Dr Peter Brooke, Fr Kevin O’Donoghue sm, Richard Wright, Losalia Leo, Patricia Smyth, John Foden, Imelda Reeve, Jan Tuinman, John Mora, Maria Kim, Carol Aldridge, Maureen McDonald, Leo Buchanan

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.



Postcard Campaign in Opposition to Euthanasia Parliament Bill

You may be aware that David Seymour’s private members bill in support of Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide has been drawn from the parliamentary ballot. This is a grave moral matter as the vague wording of the bill could allow virtually any New Zealander 18 years or older to access assisted suicide and euthanasia. It is vital we send a message to our local Member of Parliament letting them know that we oppose the bill. The Nathaniel Centre for Bioethics has organised a postcard campaign for all those who oppose the measure to send to their local MP. After all masses today there will be yellow post cards available for signing. You can sign and hand in your postcard today, or take the postcard home and send to Parliament free post. If you know of others who would like to send a postcard to their local MP you can ask for extra postcards from the Nathaniel Centre <http://nathaniel.org.nz/>.

Holy Hour

You are invited to a Holy Hour on Tuesday 25 July beginning at 7.30 pm in the Cathedral Chapel to pray for vocations to priesthood and consecrated life. This Holy Hour will include prayers, Scripture, praise and worship, times of silence and conclude with Benediction followed by supper.

Catholic Faith Documentary Viewing

The SMAYAC’s invite you to watch the eighth instalment of the documentary series on the Catholic Faith this Thursday 27 July from 6-7pm in the St Mary of the Angels Parish Hall. This week’s episode is titled “**A Vast Company of Witnesses: The Communion of Saints**”. Please come along and invite someone to come with you.

Help Katherine Mansfield’s Legacy Live On

Katherine Mansfield is New Zealand’s most famous short story author whose writing is admired and studied throughout the world.. Help us keep Katherine Mansfield’s legacy alive by attending this fundraising event to launch the house and garden restoration project. New Zealand’s foremost literary house museum, the Katherine Mansfield House and Garden, educates and inspires New Zealanders about Katherine Mansfield and her internationally acclaimed works. Come and enjoy a glass of bubbles and canapés with the Prime Minister and hear him speak about his love of literature. RSVP now to secure your tickets to this exclusive event. With all proceeds going towards the Katherine Mansfield House and Garden restoration project. Tuesday 1 August 2017 5.30pm – 7pm, Marsden Auditorium, Samuel Marsden Collegiate School, Marsden Avenue, Karori. Tickets \$50pp. Book online at www.katherinemansfield.com

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