



The Cathedral Connection



2nd Sunday Lent

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THE GIFT OF YOU

Mark your calendar for the afternoon of
Saturday 29 April.

Stewardship

TIME - TALENTS - TREASURE
A way of life, a way to live

That's the day Cardinal John will be with Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish to lead us towards a deeper appreciation of the principle shaping the future of our Archdiocese: Stewardship.

From 1.30 – 4.30pm, all parishioners are invited to Connolly Hall to hear Cardinal John explain Stewardship as a way of life. You will hear him speak of it as “a disciple’s response” – the reaction of anyone who realises that their life is held in being by gifts poured out by a generous, ever-loving God.

There will be an opportunity for those present to share ideas as to why and how we might embrace this principle. Gifting yourself back to God as a helper and friend, especially through the gift that makes you uniquely you, and with your “time and treasure”. What could our parish look like if we took the Stewardship principle seriously?

Then, between 4.30 and 8.30pm, the parish “Leadership Team”, including the principals and Board reps from Cathedral School and St Mary’s College, will meet to prepare a pastoral plan, based on your afternoon input.

There will be further reminders as Stewardship Day approaches. The first thing is the mark it on your calendar. Commit now to be a part of it. In the meantime, when you think of Stewardship think of Gratitude, and these words of St Peter:

*Each one of you has received a special grace,
so, like good stewards responsible for all
these varied graces of God, put it at
the service of others. [1Peter 4:10]*

Fr James

Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish is a partner in the Wellington Central Pastoral Area with St Mary of the Angels (CBD), and the Catholic Parish of Otari (Wilton and Karori)

Sacred Heart Parish

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Sacred Heart Cathedral School
Guildford Tce, Thorndon
Principal: Bernadette Murfitt Ph: 472 4047
DRS: Jane Regan

Mass Times:
Saturday 5.30pm

Sunday 10.30am, 7pm

St Mary of the Angels Parish Mass: 9am

Monday to Friday: 8am, 12.10pm
Saturday 8.30am in Cathedral Chapel
*There will be no 12:10pm Mass tomorrow,
Monday 13th as there is a Requiem Mass at
11am for Br Edward Jones sm —All
welcome.*

Reconciliation: 11:50am to 12:05pm
Monday to Friday (Not Public Holidays)

Baptism: By Appointment
*Deadline for newsletter material
is Wednesday midday.
Frank ph: 0-4-496 1700
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Activities:



Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 7.30am prior to 8am Mass
Thursday and Friday

Rosary Mondays 11.30am in
Cathedral Chapel

Music Group plays on 2nd and 4th
Saturdays of month at 5.30pm Vigil
Mass

Liturgy Committee meet 1st Tuesday
of every month

Finance Committee meet 2nd
Thursday every 2nd month

Parish Council meet 1st Thursday of
every month

Bible Study Group Wellington
Sacred Heart Bible Study Group
Contact: Elisapeci Waqanivalu
ph: 021 207 6978

Divine Mercy Devotions every
Sunday at 6.30pm

Prayer Group Meeting 1st, 3rd and 5th
Mondays, Connolly Hall 7.30pm

Holy Hour 4th Tuesday of every month
at 7.30pm

Readings for the Week



Sunday 12th – Second Sunday in Lent

Gen 12:1-4; 2 Tim 1:8-10; Mt 17:1-9

Monday 13th – Dan 9:4-10; Luke: 6:36-38

Tuesday 14th – Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday 15th - Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday 16th – Jer 17:5-10; Luke 16:19-31

Friday 17th – St Patrick

Jer 1:4-9; Acts 13:46-49; Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

Saturday 18th – Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32

Sunday 19th – Third Sunday in Lent

Exodus 17:3-7 Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; John 4:5-42

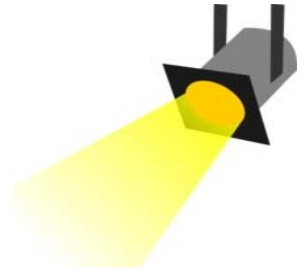


Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish spotlight on....

Sacred Heart Prayer Group

Our group meets on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Monday evenings of each month except January. The meeting begins at 7.30 pm and finishes at 9 pm followed by supper during which we get to know each other. The group began in 2002.

Our meeting begins with a time of prayer and praise followed by a speaker one meeting and the next meeting would include a time of intercession, sharing or praying as the Spirit leads. The structure of each meeting is very loose allowing for the Spirit to lead. Some of the fruits of our time of prayer are spiritual growth, refreshment of spirit, a deepening love of Scripture and encouragement of each other. We welcome anyone who would like to join us. Please contact Sr Marie Gore mariegore@xtra.co.nz or the Parish Office.



Catholic Social Services Street Day Appeal

Thank you to all those who volunteered to collect on Thursday 23 February 2017. This year \$6,400 was raised. This money will be used to help the agency in its work to assist former refugees settle in Wellington, and our ongoing work of assisting individuals and families in need.



Please don't forget the Caritas Lenten Appeal. Envelopes are still available in the foyer.

MASSES OFFERED FOR

- John Coughlan
RIP Brisbane, 23 February
- Joy Gloria Murphy
RIP 3 March
- Laarni Pineda Caceres
RIP 7 March
- Br Edward Jones sm
RIP 8 March

- Francis Pavlas
Anniversary 12 March



The March 12 - 25 issue of **NZ Catholic** is out now. Some headlines are: Kiwis going to Rome for youth-focused meeting. Seminarians make hikoi to Hamilton diocese. Call for abuse cases to be dealt with regionally.

food bank

Please remember to bring either a non-perishable food item, toiletries (soap, toothpaste etc) or laundry items (nappies, washing powder, cleaning products etc) for the food bank. There are collection boxes beside the doors in the foyer. Thank you.

ST PATS COLLEGE OLD BOYS ASSN - AGM (for both Town & Stream Old Boys) will be held in the staff room of St Patrick's College Wellington, Evans Bay Parade, on Tuesday **14 March** 2017 at 6pm. Mass in the Chapel will commence at 5.30pm. The AGM will be followed by refreshments and a chance for attendees to catch up with other Old Boys. WWW.SPCOBA.ORG.NZ

DEAF CAFE - for deaf and hearing impaired people. Deaf Cafe is for anybody – just turn up. You can meet and chat with new people or catch up with old friends over a cuppa and cake and biscuits. Deaf Cafe is free. When: Wednesday **15 March**. Time: 10am to 12pm. Venue: St Peter and Paul's Hall, 60 Knights Road, Lower Hutt.

JOSHUA CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP WELLINGTON: Last reminder! Come along and join us on Thursday **16 March** in Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace, Thorndon at 7.30pm for fellowship and prayer. The guest speaker is Michael Powell on DVD about "Following Jesus". For further information contact John Taylor on 0-4-389 8915 / 021 107 8538 or email: jnigtaylor@paradise.net.nz

OUR LADY OF KĀPITI SCHOOL, formerly St Patrick's School, opened on 7th February in brand new classrooms on a brand new site, 3 Presentation Way (off Milne Drive). The official opening and blessing will be carried out by Cardinal John Dew on **17 March**.

DOVE WELLINGTON invites all women to their meeting from 1.15pm to 3pm on Saturday **18 March** at Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace, Wellington. Their guest speaker this month is Father John Rea; who will be speaking into our scripture for the year: Genesis 3:8-9. We look forward to seeing you there. Please contact Shura Price for any queries on (04) 389 9938.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE - 1 March to 9 April. Pray and fast for unborn children, abortion-vulnerable women in our community and abortion workers. Volunteers are needed to take shifts at the Vigil outside the hospital. To sign up, please visit fli.org.nz/40daysforlife or text "40 Days" to 021 231 7954. For more information, telephone 04 237 8343. ***Be a Sign of Hope - Midpoint Event for 40 Days for Life.*** 6-7 pm Sunday **19 March** Outside Wellington Hospital on Riddiford Street. Unite in prayer at the half-way mark.

SISTERS OF MERCY CONFERENCE CENTRE, Guildford Terrace, Thorndon has a vacancy for a retired handyman on paid casual basis. Work requires transporting of chairs (trolley provided) and small tables for setting up of larger groups of over 50 people and other handyman jobs. Please contact Alexis Davidson-Johnstone, email: alexisdavidsonjohnstone@mercy.org.nz or tel: 0-4-819 8351.

The Lord will ask us, "Do you remember that time on the road from Jerusalem to Jericho? That man, who was half-dead, was me. Do you remember that hungry child? It was me. Do you remember that migrant who so many people wanted to chase away? It was me. Those grandparents, abandoned in rest homes, were me. Those sick people in the hospital, whom no one went to visit, were me."

Pope Francis