

Sacred Heart Parish

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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 20th as there is a Requiem Mass at
11am for Fr Pat McCullough - see opposite
page for further details.*

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

Baptism: By Appointment

*Deadline for newsletter material
is Wednesday midday.*

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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
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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 19th – Third Sunday of Lent

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

Monday 20th – St Joseph

2 Sam 7:4-5, 12-14, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24

Tuesday 21st Dan 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday 22nd - Deu 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday 23rd – Jer 7:23-28; Luke 11:14-23

Friday 24th – Hosea 14:2-10; Mark 12:28-34

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

Saturday 25th The Annunciation

Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Luke 1:26-38

Sunday 26th – Fourth Sunday of Lent

1 Sam 16:1, 6-7, 10-13; Eph 5:8-14; John 9:1-41



PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The Planned Giving envelopes for the 2016-17 year are now available for collection in the Cathedral foyer. This includes special envelopes for those who donate by automatic payment. Many thanks for your continued support. There are an extra two months (April and May 2018) included to bring sets in-line with the issuing of the Tax Receipts for next year. This hopefully will encourage more people to pick up their envelopes and save the parish the extra postage expenses.

WELCOME TO RCIA CANDIDATES

At the 10.30am Mass today, the Third Sunday of Lent, those preparing for reception into the Catholic Church in our parish are introduced to the community. This year we have four candidates: Tihany Ibrahim, Michael Balthazar, Paul Francis and Sheibah Sethubathi. Three of them are being prepared for baptism and today will be anointed with the Oil of Catechumens. Over the following Sundays they will formally receive the Creed and the Lord's Prayer, each step carrying them closer to full initiation at the Easter Vigil.

MASSES OFFERED FOR

- Fr Pat McCullough
RIP Wellington, 14 February

Anniversaries:

- Anastasia Esposito, 13 March
- Maurice Carbonatto. 15 March
- Beverley Howie,
17 March
- John Murray
18 March
- Dr Winston Perera
20 March



YOUR CASH DONATIONS MAY BE TAX DEDUCTIBLE

If you are a taxpayer and are regularly putting cash into the Sunday Collection Plate, please consider going onto our envelope system. There is no obligation to donate a certain amount, we will track your contributions and provide you with a summary statement at the end of each tax year so you can claim your rebate (up to a third of the total donated) from the IRD. For further information please contact the Parish Secretary Frank Doherty, on 496 1700 or cathedral.parish@wn.catholic.org.nz



WELCOMING REFUGEES TO WELLINGTON March 2017

Wellington Archdiocese Catholic Social Services wish to thank everyone who donated household and food items for the families who arrived in Wellington on 3 March, or contributed to set up homes and to sort and check donated goods. Fourteen houses were set up for the families and also a pantry pack full of basic food items provided. It is inspiring what can be done together. Thank you to everyone who contributed items, time and effort to make new New Zealanders welcome.

PLEASE NOTE...

There will be no 12:10pm Mass in the Cathedral on Monday, March 20th as there is a Requiem Mass for Fr Pat McCullough at St Peter and Paul's Church, Lower Hutt at 11.00am. All welcome.

LIGHT A CANDLE

Many parishioners have told me they are unaware of the invitation to light a candle at Our Lady's statue in the cathedral. They have either not seen the statue (it is not in full view from every part of the cathedral) or they didn't realise there was public access.



The tradition of lighting a candle for a special intention, for a deceased loved one, or in praise or thanksgiving, is a long and beautiful tradition. Candles are available at the site. Leaving an offering is optional but helps defray expenses and enables upkeep of the sanctuary.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: 1 March to 9 April. Pray and fast for unborn children, abortion-vulnerable women in our community and abortion workers. 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.

THE FAMILY AND YOUNG CHURCH VICARIATE: warmly invites all **young adults** to ***The Rising Tide: I have a dream.*** We pray "your kingdom come" every time we say the Lord's Prayer, but how often do we stop to think about what his Kingdom means? And what it would look like "on earth as it is in heaven". This night will be a discussion based around the promise of God's Kingdom in the now, but not yet fully realised. Doors open at 6.30pm, Monday **20 March** at the Catholic Centre, 22-30 Hill Street, Thorndon.

SIDE-BY-SIDE MENTORING: is an initiative that offers training to interested church community members who want to connect with and support families with children. If you are interested in family ministry then come to the information evening on Monday **20 March** at Cardinal McKeefry School Hall, 66 Albemarle Rd, Northland, 7-9.30pm For further information contact Chris Duthie-Jung 0-4-496 1759.

LEGION OF MARY: The Annual Acties (Consecration Service) of the Legion of Mary will take place at St Joseph's Church Mt Victoria on Sunday, **26 March** at 2:00pm. The celebrant will be Legion of Mary Spiritual Director Reverend Father Denis O'Connor. All Religious, active, auxiliary members and parishioners are warmly invited to attend and once again consecrate themselves to Our Blessed Lady in honour of the Feast of the Annunciation of Our Lord.

SYDNEY MALE CHOIR: Concert in the Cathedral next Sunday, 26 March at 2pm. Please see the poster on the noticeboard for further information.



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.