

# Wellington Central Pastoral Area

Sacred Heart Parish, Thorndon

Otari Parish

St Mary of the Angels Parish, CBD

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

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## Meeting Jesus on the Way to Emmaus

Today's Gospel (Luke 24/ 13-35) gives us insights as to how we can meet the Lord in our everyday lives, and how we can best lead others to him.

Sharing the Gospel is essentially about relationship. Jesus joins the 2 followers, acts dumb, listens, and then gradually contributes, until 'their hearts burn within them.' What a wonderful way to evangelize! The men contribute also. They show hospitality and invite Jesus to stay with them. Only then is their sight restored as they recognise Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

Jesus shares food with the disciples to signify that the Kingdom has come, because previously he has said, "I shall not eat again until there is fulfilment in the Kingdom of God" (Lk 22:16,18).

The disciples had all the "facts": They saw Jesus' wonderful words and deeds, and they were told about the empty tomb. Yet they give up, leave Jerusalem, and cannot even recognise Jesus. Why? Because they hold on to their own and erroneous hope, namely that Jesus would "set Israel free" politically. Jesus was able to teach them pretty quickly because they already know the Jewish Scripture.

The main point for us in this beautiful story is that Discipleship is a story of journey, including coming and leaving (Jerusalem), walking along, staying together, and returning. Our Discipleship journey will have the same characteristics - meeting, recognising, sharing, and listening.

Some things we might like to think about in our own lives:

Do I show hospitality to Jesus so that he will stay with me and open my eyes?

Do I have false hopes that blind me from seeing Jesus?

In what direction am I walking on the journey toward discipleship?

*God Bless,  
Fr Ron*



## Sacred Heart Parish

### Organ Recital

**Today at 2:30pm** the Cathedral hosts Johann Vexo, Organist Nancy Cathedral and Choir Organist Notre-Dame Cathedral, Paris and Damien Rivière Tenor, Notre-Dame Cathedral Choir, Paris as they present a concert of music by Bach, Alain, Vierne, Durufle and Langlais in support of our organ fundraising campaign. Tickets \$23 at the door.

### Parish Retreat

"Go You Are Sent" is the theme not only of the Archdiocesan Synod, but of our Parish Retreat, which will be at the Cathedral on Saturday 20 May, 1.30 - 5.30 pm, led by Fr Jim Dooley SM.

It will be a time of prayer and reflection on the two fundamental aspects of being a disciple of Jesus, the invitation to form an intimate relationship with Jesus and the instruction to go forth and evangelise.

The retreat will draw on the Scripture passages where Jesus invites us to "Come to me and find rest for your souls" (Mat 11/28) and where he instructs his disciples to "Go and make disciples of all nations". (Mat 28/19).

All very welcome. Any queries to Jim McAloon, email: [jmcaloon@xtra.co.nz](mailto:jmcaloon@xtra.co.nz)

### Friends of Sacred Heart Cathedral Music

This Sunday being the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month, there will be a collection after Mass for the Friends of Sacred Heart Cathedral Music. There will be a short address after Communion about developments, including grants to be made by the Friends."



### Frozen Meals

In the past our parish has maintained a stock of frozen meals which was used to support parishioners in need. Unfortunately our stock is almost exhausted so we need your help. When preparing meals, are you able to make one or two extra portions that can be donated to the parish?

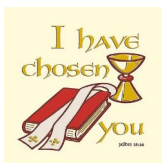
Plastic containers are available in the Cathedral Foyer. Please write on the container what the food is and the date it was prepared and then the food can be taken to the Parish Office for freezing. Please contact the Parish Office 04 496-1700 for further information.

**Young Church Mass** : The St Mary of the Angels young adults are celebrating the reopening of St Mary of the Angels Church by hosting the Young Church Mass on Sunday 7 May at 5pm. The Young Church Mass is held each month, and hosted by different young Catholics groups in the Wellington area. They are a great opportunity to meet other young Catholics and share our faith. After Mass we will go over to the Parish Hall, where Cardinal John Dew will talk about the upcoming Synod. We will be providing Beef Stroganoff and bread, and would love it if some people bring along either a salad or dessert. We would love to have a big turnout to help make this event a success.

### ORDINATION

Deacon Cirilo Barlis will be ordained to the priesthood by Cardinal John at the cathedral next Saturday (6 May) at 10.30am.

Please remember Cirilo in your prayer especially during this week as he makes his final preparation. His ordination will commit him to pastoral service in the Archdiocese of Wellington. Following the Good Shepherd, he is called to gift himself for the care of God's people, to watch over them, nourish them with the word of God and Bread of life, and assure them of the unending mercy of God. For such service to be faithful and effective, the loving support of those he is sent to serve, and ongoing prayer for him is both invaluable and necessary.



**The Bach Choir of Wellington** proudly present their major concert of the year with a return to the Baroque on **Sunday May 14, 3:30pm** at St Andrews on the Terrace.

The concert opens with Vivaldi's Gloria (RV 589), and ends with J.S Bach's Missa (the Kyrie and Gloria from his Mass in B minor). Interspersed are works by members of J.S Bach's extended family: one of his cousins, and his youngest surviving son.

The choir is excited to be under the direction of Peter Walls, and the choir is grateful to him for stepping in following the resignation of our Musical Director Peter de Blois, who is pursuing a new job opportunity overseas. The choir will be accompanied by the Chiesa Ensemble, with Douglas Mews on the organ, and soloists Nicola Holt, Megan Hurnard, Ken Trass and David Morriss.

### **The Caritas Challenge and Life Teen.**

When: 6/7 May 2pm Saturday to 2pm Sunday. Where: Saint Patrick's church hall, Kilbirnie. Who? Youth (and young at heart!) aged: 13+. What: We are doing the Caritas Challenge this year to raise funds that help Caritas continue to support the people of Kiribati and the Pacific. Come Live it in a cardboard box house, Sweat it in a sweat shop bakery, Move it with dance workshops and performances... Find out more about Kiribati and spend some time in solidarity with the people in the Pacific affected the most by climate change!! To join or to support us in some way, contact Life Teen on facebook (Life Teen Wellington), Vicky on 0273274893 or Rain on 0212560608



## Otari Parish

### Planned Giving Envelopes & Tax Receipts

Envelopes and tax receipts are awaiting collection from the church foyers.

Thank you to all who have contributed to our clergy and our parish over the past year. If you would like to join the planned giving programme please contact the Parish office.



### Otari Parish monthly morning tea

**Friday 5th May**

All are welcome to join the parish staff for morning tea in the Presbytery after the 9.30 Mass (starts approx. 10am).

### CWL

Posy making for Mother's Day flowers, Saturday afternoon 6 May 2pm, St Teresa's Church Foyer. Bring greenery, ribbon and scissors/secateurs. All welcome.



**St Patrick's College** "Taste of St Pat's Day" on **Tuesday 9 May** for Year 8 Catholic boys interested in attending St Pat's in 2018. This day will provide a good insight into life at St Patrick's College and what we

can offer the boys next year. It will run from 10am to 2pm. Parents would need to transport their son to and from St Pat's on the day. If parents would like to register their son please email [admin@stpats.school.nz](mailto:admin@stpats.school.nz) or phone Gerardine Parkinson on 939 5417. **Our official Open Day is on Sunday 11 June from 1.30-4pm.**

### First Spiritual Exercises Retreat in daily life

*"Inner Peace in the Service of God"*

The 2017 Retreat will be held at St Peter and Paul Church, 60 Knights Road, Lower Hutt from 1st to 29th June 2017. Participants pray the First Spiritual Exercises at home during the week and meet weekly in small groups through the period of the Retreat. The small groups are led by experienced guides.

Cost \$30 plus \$25 for the guide book (essential). Reservations or enquiries contact Sarah Dench 04 389 1038 or 021 0814 4424 [srahdench@yahoo.com](mailto:srahdench@yahoo.com)

### Events at Pa Maria

Pā Maria Marist Spirituality Centre, 78 Hobson Street, Thorndon:

- *Non-Residential Guided Retreat:* "Companions on the Journey". July 10-14, 9.30am-4.00pm each day. \$200.
- *Winter Film Series:* "Called Beyond Ourselves". 5 Evenings, 7.00pm-9.30pm. Two seasons available: 7, 14, 21, 28 August & 4 September OR 10, 17, 24, 31 August and 7 September. Kōha.

For further information and/or to register please contact Fr Brian Cummings SM: ph 212 4691 or 021 703 580 or [bgcummings@xtra.co.nz](mailto:bgcummings@xtra.co.nz)

### House available for short term rent

Three-bedroom, warm and sunny home in Ngaio Fully furnished, modern and well-maintained, \$500 per week plus bills. Close to Ngaio village and public transport. Available 1 June to 1 September due to overseas travels. Contact 0275586561 or email [pahldsmith@gmail.com](mailto:pahldsmith@gmail.com)

**Flatmate wanted** to share furnished 2 bedroom Parish flat in Northland. Christian non-smoker preferred. Contact Mike 022 027 3464 (evenings).



### St Mary's College Open Day

Wednesday 31 May 2017,  
8.30am-10.00am or  
10.45am-12.20pm

### Home of Compassion

Become a volunteer at Our Lady's Home of Compassion, Island Bay.

Information session Sunday 28 May

We are seeking volunteers who would like to share the story of Suzanne Aubert and the Sisters of Compassion, and the charism of Compassion. A range of roles are available from greeting to guiding tours to providing a presence in the Chapel. Our next Compassion Volunteering information session is on the afternoon of Sunday 28 May. To register your interest in volunteering, contact Deirdre Hanlon, Visitor Experience Manager, at [heritagecentre@compassion.org.nz](mailto:heritagecentre@compassion.org.nz) or phone 282 1953.

### A Caring Space

An invitation to spend a few hours exploring with God the blessings and burdens of the caregivers role. This time is offered to those who care for a loved one at home.

Led by Gill Schaap and Veronica Parton

Thursday 18th May at The Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay, Wellington OR Thursday 25th May at Our Lady of Grace Church, 5 Palmer Street, Heretaunga, Upper Hutt

Time: 11am – 2pm - Hot drinks provided, please bring your own lunch

Cost: \$10. For more details and to register contact Veronica Parton [vjpdap@gmail.com](mailto:vjpdap@gmail.com) or 021 238 6675

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** has good news to share: 637 babies around the world, including **ONE in Wellington**, are known to have been saved during this year's recent Lenten campaign. Also 12 abortion workers around the world are known to have had a change of heart and left their jobs. To God be the Glory and Thanks! Please pray that more Christians will join with God's will to end abortion and please also keep this brave Wellington mum in your prayer. **THANK YOU TO EVERYONE** who supported the prayer and peaceful vigil outside Wellington Hospital during this campaign, you are all such a blessing! "With God all things are possible" Enquiries to 237 8343 or [clare.fli@xtra.co.nz](mailto:clare.fli@xtra.co.nz)

## Sacred Heart Parish

22-30 Hill St, Thorndon.  
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**Mass Times: Saturday 5.30pm, Sunday 10.30am, 7pm**  
Monday to Friday: 8am, 12.10pm  
Saturday 8.30am in Cathedral Chapel

**Reconciliation** : before 12.10pm Mass (Mon-Fri); after Sat Mass

**Baptism**: By Appointment

**Parish Priest**: Fr James Lyons  
cathedral.pariah@wn.catholic.org.nz  
**Secretary** : Frank Doherty 8.30am- 4pm  
Cathedral.pariah@wn.catholic.org.nz  
Parish office: Catholic Centre, Hill St  
**Hall Bookings**: Frank Doherty Ph: 496 1700  
**Parish Council Chair**: Nicholas Burley  
**Sacred Heart Cathedral School** Guildford Tce, Thorndon  
**Principal: Bernadette Murfitt** Ph: 472 4047  
**DRS**: Jane Regan

*Deadline for Cathedral Connection material is midday Wed.*

## Otari Parish

Box 17-011, Karori  
Ph: 476 6131 Fax: 476 8131 www.otariparish.co.nz

**St Teresa's Church, 301 Karori Rd, Karori.**

**Mass Times: Saturday 5.30pm, Sunday 10.00am**  
Mass: Tuesday - Friday 9.30am;  
Saturday 9am

**St Thomas More Church, 30a Worcester St, Wilton.**

**Mass Times: Sunday 8.30am**

**Reconciliation and Baptism**: by appointment

**Parish Priest** : Fr Ron Bennett  
rbennett@actrix.gen.nz  
**Priest in residence** : Fr Sanele Finau  
frsanele@gmail.com  
**Administration** : office@otariparish.co.nz  
**Parish Council Chair**: Erwin Palado  
**St Teresa's Hall Bookings** : Mira Ph: 476 2851  
**St Thomas More Lounge Bookings** : refer to website  
**St Teresa's School** 299 Karori Rd, Karori  
**Principal**: Mary-Angela Tombs Ph: 939 1725  
**DRS**: Ingrid Jacobs  
**Cardinal McKeefry School** 166 Albemarle Rd, Wilton  
**Principal**: Tania Savage Ph: 475 3262  
principal@cardinalmckeefry.school.nz  
**DRS**: Mary Ryan

## St Mary of the Angels Parish

17 Boulcott Street, Wellington.  
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**Parish Priest**: Fr Barry Scannell sm  
**Assistant Priests**: Fr Kevin Conroy sm, Fr Joe Savesi sm,  
Fr John Allardyce sm,  
**Pastoral Worker**: Sr Frances Gibbs

**Mass Times: Sunday 7am, 9am, 11am, 5pm**  
**Monday - Thursday**  
Exposition: 6.45am - 7.30am  
Mass: 7.30am, 12.05pm, 5.15pm  
Reconciliation: 11.30am - 12pm, 12.30pm - 1pm, 4.30pm - 5pm

**Friday**  
Exposition: 6.45am - 7.30am, 11am - 12pm  
Mass: 7.30am, 12.05pm, 5.15pm  
Reconciliation: 11.30am - 12pm, 12.30pm - 1pm, 4.30pm - 5pm  
**Saturday**  
Reconciliation: 10.30am - 11am, 4pm - 5pm  
Mass: 11am



## Papal Tweet

*"Let's promote friendship and respect between men and woman of different religious traditions in order to build a world of peace"*

## MASS OFFERED FOR

Qui de Leon  
RIP 9 March



Steven Morley RIP 15 April

Bernadette Munn, RIP 21 April,  
Mother of Robert, William, Jessica  
and Tomas

## Readings for the Week



**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter** :  
Acts 2:14, 22-23; 1 Peter 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35  
**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May** : Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29  
**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May** : Acts 7:51 - 8:1; Jn 6:30-35  
**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May** : 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14  
**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May** : Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51  
**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May** : Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59  
**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May** : Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69  
**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter** :  
Acts 2:14, 36-41; 1 Peter 2:20-25; Jn 10:1-10