



The Cathedral Connection



Palm Sunday

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FROM DEATH TO LIFE

From Palm Sunday to Easter Day the Church travels from Hosanna! to Alleluia! – from adulation to hatred, from acclaim to denial, as death shows its true colours, and then to awe and wonder as life proves victorious. Hope shines through the darkest of nights.

This week is named “Holy Week” as it holds the kernel of our faith – the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is less a time of celebration than of commemoration, a time to remember and reflect on the wonderful things God has done for us, most notably in and through the gift of Jesus.

The highlights of Holy Week include the **Chrism Mass** (Tuesday evening) when the Oils used for the Sacraments are consecrated by Cardinal John and entrusted to representatives from each parish; the **Mass of the Lord’s Supper** (Thursday) when Jesus enables the continuation of his presence through the Eucharist; **Good Friday**, when we commemorate his death, and the **Easter Vigil**, with the welcome of new Catholics and the Mass of Resurrection.

This year, the ceremony of Holy Thursday will combine the Cathedral and St Mary of the Angels parishes, marking the reopening of St Mary’s following a four-year closure for earthquake strengthening.

Try to be part of this Holy Week. Use these holy days to thank God for the gift of faith and for the blessings in your life which faith makes visible. Be thankful, too, for the goodness that surrounds you in people and in creation. Let the power of this Week permeate your spirit, strengthening you as a bearer of mercy, peace and forgiveness. There is no better way to celebrate Easter.

Fr James

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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

*If a Requiem is scheduled there may be no
12:10pm Mass on that day.*

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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FIRST RECONCILIATION:

This afternoon the Parish of Cathedral, Otari and St Mary of the Angels welcome 46 Children and their families to the

celebration of First Reconciliation at St Thomas Moore Church, Wilton, 3pm. The group will complete their initiation with Confirmation on 18 June and First Communion in November.

THE LUTHER STORY A reminder that the Lutheran Church series of presentations commemorating 500 year since Martin Luther, continues Today, 9 April. This is an open invitation to hear Very Rev Digby Wilkinson (Dean, St Paul's Anglican Cathedral) as the presenter in the 2-4pm programme in the series, **FAITH SUNG FAITH SPOKEN – REMEMBERING THE REFORMATION.** Next month the presenter is Fr James Lyons.

THE LAST DAYS! This week, after an absence of nearly four years, St Mary of the Angels' parishioners return to their spiritual home. They have celebrated their 9am Mass at the Cathedral during this time as honoured guests, and this parish wishes them every blessing as they resume worship in their newly strengthened and refurbished church. The first formal Mass there will be on Holy Thursday Evening, when our two parishes combine for the Commemoration of the Lord's Supper.

CAN YOU HELP? Our parish needs a Minute Secretary for the Parish Pastoral Council and Finance Committee. Are there two people in our community that could offer this service? Also, the parish needs the help of an accountant, who could serve on the Finance Committee. Familiarity with Xero & Charities Commission compliance would be an advantage. Please contact Fr James or Parish Office for further details.



HOLY WEEK / EASTER SCHEDULE

Monday	MASS: 8:00am & 12:10pm Reconciliation: 11:45am – 12:05pm
Tuesday	MASS: 8:00am 7.30pm CHRISM MASS
Wednesday	MASS: 8:00am & 12:10pm Reconciliation: 11:45am – 12.05pm & 7:00pm – 8:00pm
Thursday	MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: 7:30pm At St Mary of the Angels Church, Boulcott Street. (No Mass today at the Cathedral)
Good Friday	STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 10:00am Reconciliation: 10:45am – 12.00noon COMMEMORATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION: 3:00pm
Holy Saturday	Reconciliation: 11:00am – 12.00noon EASTER VIGIL: 7:30pm
Easter Sunday	MASS: 8:00am & 10:30am (No Evening Mass)
Monday 17th & Tuesday 18th April	MASS: 8:30am each day

Readings for the Week



Sunday 9th April – PALM SUNDAY (Entrance: Mt 21:1-11)

Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66

Monday 10th Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday 11th Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33

CHRISM MASS - Is 61:1-3, 6, 8-9; Apoc 1:5-8; Lk 4:16.21

Wednesday 12th - Is 50:4-9; Mt 26:14-25

Thursday 13th – MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

Friday 14th – GOOD FRIDAY Is 52: 13 - 53:12; Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 - 19:42

Saturday 15th - MASS OF THE RESURRECTION Gen 1:1-2:2;
Gen 22:1-18; Ex 14:15 - 15:1; Is 54:5-14; Is 55:1-11,; Baruch 3:9-15, 32 - 4:4; Ezek 36:16-28; Rom 6:3-11; Mt 28:1-10

Sunday 16th – EASTER SUNDAY Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4 or
1 Cor 5:6-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

MASS OFFERED FOR:

Pa Henare Tate RIP 1 Apr
Ligaya Sevilla RIP 4 Apr
Veronica Heather RIP 4 Apr
Kathleen Mary Lyons (Ann. 5 April)



TAX RECEIPTS for the financial year just ended are available for collection in the Cathedral foyer.

The Cathedral Parish is very grateful for the faithfulness and generosity of these regular contributors.



TOGETHER WE STAND

Closing Event for 40 Days for Life.
Sunday 9th April.

4.00 p.m. Combined Prayer at the Vigil Site.

4.30 p.m. Procession to St Paul's Lutheran Hall

5.00 p.m. Brief Address Followed by Food and Fellowship

Join in this beautiful prayer time together. For everyone: family, friends, supporters irrespective of where you prayed. All welcome!
Enquiries: 237 8343

DOVE WELLINGTON

invites all women to our meeting from 1.15pm to 3pm on Saturday 22 April at Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace, Wellington. This meeting, we are blessed to have Jayne Sutherland as our guest speaker. She will be sharing her testimony with us of her journey of faith. It will be a wonderful time of sharing, caring and community. We look forward to seeing you there. Please contact Rachel Blackaby for any queries on (04) 389 9938



ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE is holding a "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 or phone Gerardine Parkinson on 939 5417. Our official Open Day is on Sunday 11 June from 1.30 – 4pm.

JOSHUA CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP WELLINGTON: Come along and join us on Thursday 20th of April 2017 at 7:30pm for fellowship and prayer in CONNOLLY HALL, Guildford Terrace, Thorndon (behind Sacred Heart Cathedral). Speakers: John Taylor & Steve Ready on Joshua-Dove Leaders' Weekend. Want to know more? Ring John Taylor (04) 389-8915 or 021-107-8538 or email: jinjtaylor@paradise.net.nz



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.