

# Wellington Central Pastoral Area

Sacred Heart Parish, Thorndon

Otari Parish

St Mary of the Angels Parish, CBD

The Ascension of the Lord

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## TOGETHER WE ARE ONE

A special moment in the journey from conflict to reunion between Lutherans and Catholics will be witnessed next Sunday afternoon (4 June) in Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Lutheran Bishop, Mark Whitfield, and Cardinal John Dew will lead the two communities in a service commemorating the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Year of Reformation. Themes of thanksgiving, repentance, common witness and commitment will draw on traditions we hold in common.

A highlight will be the introduction of a formal dialogue between Lutherans and Roman Catholics in New Zealand.

It is wonderful to note that the journey towards each other has grown in momentum these past 50 years through what is obviously a Holy Spirit-driven ecumenical season. We have come to appreciate that what unites us is far greater than what divides us. With greater understanding, trust has blossomed while old prejudices have faded.

Two weeks ago I spoke at St Paul's Lutheran Church about the relationship between Luther and Rome. In my preparation I was surprised to discover Luther's "Theology of Joy" which he expressed in his pastoral letters and preaching. It sits easily with Pope Francis' emphasis on joy, as he encourages everyone to open themselves to the "Joy of the Gospel" and the "Joy of Love".

Our times are witnessing a definite climate shift from intolerance to an atmosphere of friendly contact and participation in everything we can share together. The unity for which Jesus Christ prayed is surely within our grasp.

Next Sunday's service at the cathedral is at 3.00pm. Please come and support this timely initiative. Be part of an historic moment in New Zealand inter-church relationships.

*Fr James*



## Otari Parish

### Collectors Needed on Friday 16 June - St Vincent de Paul Street Day Appeal

The annual St Vinnies Street Day Appeal is taking place on Friday 16 June and we need volunteers to collect at Karori Mall between the hours of 8am and 6pm. If you are able to assist please contact Anastasia Montague on 022 6568136 or [anastasia.montague@gmail.com](mailto:anastasia.montague@gmail.com)

### Movie Night

Cardinal McKeefry School have a movie fundraiser "**The Zookeepers Wife**" on **8th June** at 8pm The Penthouse Cinema in Brooklyn. It is based on a true story and directed by NZ director Niki Caro. Tickets are \$25 (includes raffle and a goodie bag) If you would like to support this fundraiser please email the School Office: [admin@cardinalmckeefry.school.nz](mailto:admin@cardinalmckeefry.school.nz) State your Full Name and the number of tickets you require.



### Otari Parish monthly morning tea Friday 2nd June

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

It has been suggested that it would be good to have **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** in the chapel. It could be weekday or a Sunday afternoon. A suggested time might be to start initially on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month, after the 9.30am Mass until 5 or 6pm. Fr Ron would appreciate feedback on the timing of this.

### Otari Parish Pentecost Cultural Mass



Otari parish are proud to once again be celebrating our many cultures and heritages with our Cultural Mass on **Sunday 4th June at 10:00am**.

We extend a warm welcome to all members of our pastoral area to join us in this celebration, which will be followed by a morning tea in the church foyer.

Many people join us in national dress at this Mass. This is a welcome addition to the celebrations and highlights the significance of the Mass and our many cultures.

Parishioners from Otari parish are invited to bring a plate of finger food for the morning tea, perhaps something from your own culture to share with others. Any contributions can be left in the foyer before Mass.

*Please note that there is NO 8.30am Mass at St Thomas More on this day.*

## St Mary of the Angels Parish

### Catholic Faith Documentary Viewing

The St Mary of the Angels Young Adult Group (SMAYAC's) are hosting a 10 part documentary series on the Catholic Faith. It will be held in the Parish Hall every Thursday evening for 10 weeks from 6 to 7pm beginning 25 May (excluding 1 June as we are holding Adoration).

You will witness a vision of the Catholic Faith that has never before been seen. Spanning over 50 locations in 50 countries from the lands of the Bible to the great shrines of Europe, from the heartland of America to the mysteries of Asia and the beating heart of Africa, see the passion and glory of the Faith that claims over 1.1 billion of the earth's people. This week's episode is called - "Amazed and Afraid: The Revelation of God Become Man" It is suited to Catholics who are interested in learning more and to those who are curious about what Catholics believe. Invite someone to come along!

### Home of Compassion

#### **Taizé Prayer** - Fri 2 June

Join us for an hour of meditative singing, scripture and prayer in the Taizé tradition. First Friday of every month, 7pm-8pm, Crombie Chapel, Our Lady's Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay. Ph. 04 383 7134 or 04 383 7769.

#### **Quiet Day with Suzanne Aubert** - Thursday 1 June.

An invitation to spend time resting and reflecting on an aspect of the life and vision of Suzanne Aubert. 10.30am - 2.30pm, Our Lady's Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay, Wellington. Suggested offering \$30 includes lunch. Register at [retreat@compassion.org](mailto:retreat@compassion.org) or Ph 04 383 7769.

### Welcoming Former Refugees to Wellington June 2017

Thanks to all parishes and volunteers who have assisted to prepare homes for former refugees. The next group of refugees will arrive in Wellington on 23 June

We are looking for volunteer teams to help with:

- Putting together a pack of essential household items (by 18 June, from a prepared list)
- Putting together a pantry pack of essential food items (by 18 June, from a prepared list)
- Setting up a new home (you would need to be available on the evenings of Tuesday 20 June and Thursday 22 June)
- Assisting with sorting and organising household lots (on Monday 19 and Tuesday 20 June)

Can you help with one of these tasks? Please contact 04-385-8642 or [refugees@wn-catholicsocialservices.org.nz](mailto:refugees@wn-catholicsocialservices.org.nz) by 1 June

### ABLAZE 2017 -

**Celebrate 50 years of Charismatic Renewal Pentecost Sunday 4th June, 2 - 4pm at St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria.**

Includes Praise & Worship, testimonies, teaching, fellowship and ministry. Guest Speaker Fr John Rea.

For more info call Rainer on 021 155 8258 or email [lucienne.hensel@gmail.com](mailto:lucienne.hensel@gmail.com)

## Sacred Heart Parish

### Sacred Heart Cathedral School's world famous quiz night

Where: Shepherds Arms, Tinakori Road,  
When: Thursday 8 June 2017, 7pm for 7.30 start  
Cost: \$10 per person

Enjoy an evening of quizzical fun, a few drinks and prizes for the leading teams. Rally a table of six beforehand or let us know your child's class and we'll sort you into tables on the night.

If you can please register by the deadline below and pay on the night. Please register before Monday, 5 June 2017 by emailing Amanda Gregan with names for your table (if pre-arranged) or your children's year so we can allocate you a table. We'll gratefully take your entry money on the night and don't forget to bring some coins - you might even be able to buy yourself an answer! [amandagregan@hotmail.com](mailto:amandagregan@hotmail.com)  
Mobile: 027 9399 575

### **Bishop's Lent Appeal - Thank You**

Fr James has received the following from  
CARITAS Aotearoa New Zealand  
*"Dear Fr James,  
Thank you for your parish's generous donation to the 2017 Bishop's Lent Appeal. Your parish's donation of approximately \$6,171.50 will enable us to work towards peace and justice. Sincere thanks to your community for the support and prayers.  
Kind regards & God bless you.  
Roger Ellis, Community Engagement Manager"*



## ARCHDIOCESAN SYNOD 15-17 SEPT 2017

- Go you are sent...**  
to find leaders
- Go you are sent...**  
to the peripheries of society
- Go you are sent...**  
to deepen our bicultural relationship
- Go you are sent...**  
as members of the one Body of Christ  
(ethnic diversity)
- Go you are sent...**  
to your own peripheries (those who may feel  
unwelcome in the Church)
- Go you are sent...**  
to refugees and migrants
- Go you are sent...**  
to care for creation
- Go you are sent...**  
to fellow Christians
- Go you are sent...**  
to accompany one another (young people)
- Go you are sent...**  
to support marriage and families

***What's your priority?***

### Hospital Chaplaincy Volunteers

Wellington Regional Hospital Chaplaincy team is seeking volunteers to join their team of Chaplaincy Assistants.

The position will involve 1-2 hours a week visiting all patients in one ward.

The people we are looking for will have good pastoral skills and be willing to work within the terms of our contract with the Ministry of Health. These includes respecting the religious/spiritual beliefs of patients and their families by not imposing ones own beliefs or using chaplaincy as an opportunity to convert patients to any particular tradition. Rather it is about being with patients, helping them to make meaning of their hospital/health experience by drawing on their own spirituality. This can include referrals to religious leaders for appropriate sacramental/ritual ministries.

Applications can be made, accompanied with a letter of support from Priest/Minister/Pastor or equivalent, before 8<sup>th</sup> June 2017 to:

Chaplaincy Dept  
Wellington Regional Hospital  
Private Bag 7902  
Wellington

Or [joy.hamilton-jones@ccdhb.org.nz](mailto:joy.hamilton-jones@ccdhb.org.nz)



### Sonnets and Sweet Ayres at Te Ngakau Tapu

An unexpected combination of poems by James K Baxter and 17th Century English music for consort of viols will come together in the little church of Te Ngakau Tapu, Porirua.

Colin Durning reads from the Jerusalem Sonnets of James K Baxter.

Palliser Viols play music for 3-part consort of Viols Locke, Purcell, Gibbons, Lupo, Philips.

Music by Purcell, Locke, Gibbons, Philips, Hume and Lupo for treble, tenor and bass viols, each piece separated by some of the sonnets, makes for a compelling afternoon's listening.

Fr Colins' reading carries unmatched immediacy and authority.

Te Ngakau Tapu, Porirua. 2:00pm – 4:00pm Saturday 10th June. Admission by Koha

### 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: phone 212 4691 or 021 703 580 or email [bgcummings@xtra.co.nz](mailto:bgcummings@xtra.co.nz)

## Sacred Heart Parish

22-30 Hill St, Thorndon.  
Box 1937, Wellington 6140 www.mcshwellington.org  
Ph: 496 1700 Fax: 496 1719

**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.parity@wn.catholic.org.nz  
**Secretary** : Frank Doherty 8.30am- 4pm  
Cathedral.parity@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.  
Ph: 473 8074 Fax: 04 473 8066 www.smoa.org.nz

**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

## Archdiocesan Commission for Justice, Peace and Development

*We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean. But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop.- Mother Teresa.*



### Anniversaries

Peter Loughnan

### Readings for the Week



**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May - the Ascension of the Lord :**

Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May :** Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May :** Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May :** Zeph 3:14-18; Lk 1:39-56

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June :** Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June :** Acts 25:13-21; Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June :** Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June - Pentecost Sunday :**

*Vigil* - Gen 11:1-9; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39

*Day* - Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23