



4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MOVING AND CHANGING

This weekend we welcome Fr Doug Shepherd to our parish community as Assistant Priest. Fr Doug was previously at St Benedict's in Khandallah, within St Francis of Assisi Ohariu Parish. Fr Doug, we look forward to working with you and getting to know you.

We are also beginning, this weekend, the new arrangements for Sunday Masses. The Saturday evening Vigil Mass and the Choral Mass at 10.30am on Sunday will be celebrated in St Thomas More Church, Wilton, and the Sunday evening 7.00pm Mass in the Cathedral Chapel.

The Parish Pastoral Council and Liturgy Committees thought very carefully about this arrangement. As St Thomas More is designed for worship, we will no longer have to set up and pack down every weekend. Furthermore, music will be much better provided for. As well as thanking St Mary's College, I should like to thank all our musicians for 'keeping things going' while we were in the college hall. The Sunday evening Mass is the 'last Mass of the weekend' in Wellington city, and an important ministry; we hope the chapel will be a suitable place for this celebration.

As the notice inside this newsletter says, there are some transport arrangements offered for getting to St Thomas More. In addition, if anyone is experiencing difficulties with the new arrangements, *please* let the parish office know; we cannot assist if we do not know.

As a community, we can only wait patiently for the time when we will be able to return to a strengthened cathedral. We might remember that Scripture often speaks of times of wandering, of times of exile, and of times of waiting – as well as the joy of returning.

Jim McAloon
Chair, Parish Pastoral Council

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).

Thank you and Farewell to Fr James –

A Parish farewell to Fr James will be held on Sunday 17 February. We will mark the occasion with a combined Vigil and Choral Mass to be held at 12.00 noon at St. Paul's Cathedral, followed by a picnic lunch on the lawn at Parliament. Bring your own food and drink — and some spare chairs for those who don't wish to sit on the grass would be appreciated. If wet, we will have our meal in Connolly Hall.

A **retiring collection** will be taken after Masses this weekend and next (1-2 and 8-9 February) so that anyone who wishes to may contribute to a gift for Fr James.

Back to normal — the weekday Mass timetable has resumed — 8.00am and 12.10pm Monday to Friday and 8.30am Saturdays, in the Cathedral Chapel.

Please continue to support the food bank in this new year with donations of non perishable food items, or toiletries (soap, toothpaste etc.) or laundry items (washing powder, cleaning products, nappies, etc.). Collection More and the Cathedral Chapel from next weekend. Thank you.



Debbie Matheson, our Lay Pastoral Leader, is on leave until 13 February. Please direct any parish-related enquiries to the parish office.

Divine Mercy Devotions will be held at the new time of 6.00 pm from next Sunday, 10 February.

Children's Sacramental Programme begins Thursday 7 March for all children in year 4 or 8 years plus. Please register your interest with the Parish Office.

Liturgy Workshops:

This We Believe: Music for Sacraments of Initiation with Children. Songs for the preparation & celebration of Baptism, Confirmation & First Communion and Reconciliation for children—led by Michael Mangan, liturgist and musician from Brisbane. **Tuesday 26 February 7.00pm-9.00pm** Ss Peter & Pauls Church Lower Hutt. **Please register** before Friday 22 February with Ann Williams a.williams@wn.catholic.org.nz. Entry by Koha.

A 'Good Friday' Liturgical Workshop on **Thursday 14 March, 6.45pm-9.00pm at the Catholic Centre.** This will be an interactive workshop, with Fr Patrick Bridgman, Archdiocesan Liturgy Advisor. Fr Patrick will help us unpack the symbolism and rituals associated with Good Friday. Everyone welcome. **Please register** before Friday 8 March with Ann Williams a.williams@wn.catholic.org.nz.

'To create a "home" is to create a family. It is to learn to feel connected to others... in such a way so as to feel that our life is a bit more human... It is to create bonds by simple, everyday acts that all of us can do. A home, and this we all know very well, demands that everyone work together. No one can be indifferent or aloof, since each is a stone needed to build the home. And that also means asking the Lord to grant us the grace to learn to be patient...'

—Pope Francis, Angelus, Panama, 27 January 2019.

Mass Venues and Transport

From this weekend, the Saturday 5.30pm Vigil Mass and the 10.30am Sunday Mass will be celebrated at St Thomas More Church, 36 Worcester St, Wilton— with morning tea as usual after the Sunday morning Mass. The Sunday 7.00pm Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral Chapel.

Parking around St Thomas More includes a considerable area of on-street parking; please leave the off-street carpark by the church for those with mobility or other needs.

During this month we are trialling a shuttle bus from Sacred Heart at Hill St to St Thomas More. This will leave at 5.00pm and 10.00am and return directly after the Vigil Mass and at 12.00noon on Sunday. If you would like to use this service, it would be helpful if you advise the parish office to confirm your seat. If you can offer to transport a fellow parishioner, please contact the parish office.

On the first Sunday of each month, St Thomas More invites our parishioners to join them for breakfast (by koha or donation) from 9.30 to 10.15am.

Celebrate Love on St Valentine's Day! - Mons. Gerard Burns on behalf of Cardinal John Dew invites you to join in a celebration of love on St Valentine's Day, Thursday 14 February, 6.00pm at St Joseph's Church, 152 Brougham Street, Mt Victoria For further details please contact Felicity Giltrap at ADW Marriage Ministries (04) 496 1719 or email marriage@wn.catholic.org.nz

Waitangi Day,

Wednesday 6 February. Mass will be celebrated at St Mary of the Angels Church, 9.00am, Cardinal John presiding.

All welcome. You are invited to bring a small plate for a shared morning tea. No Mass at the Cathedral that day.



Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women meets Saturday 16 February, 1:30pm at Connolly Hall, Guildford Tce. Come and make a joyful sound before the Lord, the King. All women welcome. Enquiries: Shura 3899938.

Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship invites men and women to Mass followed by supper (Please bring some finger food to share!) on Thursday 21 February at 7:30pm in St Joseph's Church, 42 Ellice Street, Mount Victoria. Information: David Monastra 027 4477 280 or e-mail: mqscl@xtra.co.nz.

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The first issue for 2019 is out this week, containing news and opinion from parishes, schools and communities, including:

*World Youth Day 2019 in Panama with Bishop Charles Drennan and young New Zealand pilgrimage.

*Cardinal John Dew's column – 'See every person as a beloved daughter or son of God'.

*Waitangi Day reflections – Monsignor Gerard Burns and Deacon Danny Karatea-Goddard.

* Caritas Lent Appeal 2019 – 'Living Our Lives With Love'.

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Mass Times

MONDAY-FRIDAY

8:30am (8am & 12:10pm start 1 Feb)

**Blessed Sacrament Chapel
of the Sacred Heart Cathedral**

SATURDAY

8:30am - Blessed Sacrament Chapel

5:30pm - St Thomas More, Wilton

SUNDAY

10:30am - St Thomas More, Wilton

7:00pm - Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Reconciliation and Baptism by appointment

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Music Group plays on 2nd and 4th
Saturdays of month at 5:30pm Vigil
Mass.

Liturgy Committee next meeting
Tuesday 5 March.

Finance Committee Next meeting
Thursday 21 February.

Parish Pastoral Council Next
meeting Thursday 28 February.

Divine Mercy Devotions

Sunday 6:00pm-6:30pm

Meet in the foyer of the Mercy
Centre (Guildford Terrace). Entry by
the steps that lead up to the gate to
the Mercy Centre – not the first set
of steps but the ones closer to St
Mary's College.

Rosary Monday 11:30am-12:00pm
in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel of
the Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Prayer Group 1st, 3rd and 5th
Mondays, 7.30 pm in the Catholic
Centre lecture room 1st floor.

Newsletter items should be sent to
cathedral.parish@wn.catholic.org.nz
by Wednesday midday.

Readings for the Week



Sunday 3rd February – 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Lk 4:21-30

Monday 4th – Heb 11:32-40; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday 5th – Heb 12:1-4; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday 6th – Waitangi Day

Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday 7th – Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Mk 6:7-13

Friday 8th – Heb 13:1-8, 11-15; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday 9th – Heb 13:1-8; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday 10th – 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 6:1-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 5:1-11