

The Cathedral Connection



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BE KIND, BE FRIENDLY

In last Sunday's *Cathedral Connection* Debbie Matheson wrote: "Our baptism tasks us with sharing in the mission of the Church; sent with, and to, those with whom we worship – sent to serve, to welcome, to receive, to teach, to advocate, to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ, and to share our time, talent and treasure with our neighbour." Debbie also suggested that we should consider how we grow our ministry, skills and faith.

Taking up this challenge is not easy and we may wonder where to start. I am reminded of the advice that Cardinal John often gives to priests – "be kind, be friendly". It's simple and good advice in line with that given by St Paul. In his letter to the Ephesians Paul wrote: "Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God has forgiven you in Christ" (Eph. 4:32). Jesus placed a lot of emphasis on welcoming people and being kind and hospitable. One of the ways that we share the Good News (Gospel) is by showing kindness and offering hospitality. This may seem very simplistic, but it's a fundamental way of introducing others to Jesus.

Every priest is called to mould his human personality in such a way that it becomes a bridge and not an obstacle for others so they may encounter Jesus. The call to be bridge-builders, however, is not just to priests. It's the task of every Christian to draw people to Jesus. If we are grumpy, rude or arrogant we will not attract people to Jesus and the Church. Instead, we will hurt, shock and scare people away.

One of my seminary professors used to say: "Grace builds on nature, but it doesn't substitute for it!" We have to make an effort to be kind, friendly and hospitable. Our humanity can be a bridge, a magnet to draw people to Jesus and the Church, but only if we allow ourselves to be moulded and reflect the kindness and hospitality of God.

E te Atua kia whakapaingia (God bless you)

Fr David Dowling

Readings For The Week

Sunday 11 July – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Amos 7:12-15; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:7-13 Monday 12 – Exodus 1:8-14, 22; Matthew 10:34-11:1 Tuesday 13 – Exodus 2:1-15; Matthew 11:20-24 Wednesday 14 – Exodus 3:1-6, 9-12; Matthew 11:25-27 Thursday 15 – Exodus 3:13-20; Matthew 11:28-30 Friday 16 – Exodus 1:10-12:14; Matthew 12:1-8 Saturday 17 – Exodus 12:37-42; Matthew 12:14-21 Sunday 18 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Jeremiah 23:1-6; Ephesians 2:13-18; Mark 6:30-34

Psalm Response:

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

OUR MISSION & VISION

To joyfully share God's love. To be a missionary people united in the hearts of Jesus and Mary.



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) "Goodness always tends to spread. Every authentic experience of truth and goodness seeks by its very nature to grow within us, and any person who has experienced a profound liberation becomes more sensitive to the needs of others. As it expands, goodness takes root and develops. If we wish to lead a dignified and fulfilling life, we have to reach out to others and seek their good. "

Pope Francis Evangelii Gaudium - Paragraph 9

PARISH EVENTS

Our Parish at Level 1

Please note that the following guidelines for our liturgical practices remain in place for the meantime:

Holy Communion—The faithful are to receive Holy Communion in the hand only, and not from the chalice.

Sign of Peace—The exchange of peace can be by spoken word, by a gesture such as bowing, or by a pause for silent prayer for peace. **Holy Water Fonts**—are to remain without Holy Water.

These guidelines are to remain in place until further advice is received from Cardinal John.

Parish AGM (Rescheduled)

Our annual parish AGM will be held **after the 10:30am Mass Sunday, 25 July**. AGM documents will be sent out electronically via email the week before, with limited printed copies available on the day. If you do not have access to a printer and would like a printed set of the documents please contact Frank in the Parish Office. Because of the AGM there will be no morning tea after Mass or after the meeting.

Chapel.

Adoration every Thursday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is available every Thursday from 8:30am, after the 8am Mass, until 7pm in the Connolly Hall Chapel. We encourage everyone to take advantage of this very special time. Come and spend a few minutes, or longer if you are able, to increase your intimacy with our loving God. It is an opportunity to come away to a place of quiet reflection away from the busy-ness of life. All are welcome.

Prayer Group meetings

1st and 3rd Mondays of the month in the Cathedral foyer at 7:30 pm.

CATHEDRAL STRENGTHENING UPDATES

CATHEDRAL RESTORATION DINNER

Thursday 19 August The Wellington Club on The Terrace

Hosted by Cardinal John Dew

140 Tickets @ \$250.00 each, available from: cathedralrestorationdinner@gmail.com

An auction will be held during the evening and items include a Ralph Hotere painting. Donations of further items welcome (please contact Fr James Lyons - 021 537 298).

Donations for Sacred Heart Cathedral strengthening, and restoration campaign can be made to bank account number: 02-0506-0138488-025

Particulars: Your surname & initials Code: Your phone number. Reference: REOPEN.

Check the Cathedral Fundraising Campaign website: <u>www.cathedralcampaign.org.nz</u> and please mention it to your friends too.

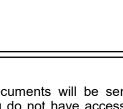
Quote of the week

Divine Mercy Devotions - Sunday 6:00pm-6:30pm in the Connolly Hall

Rosary - Mondays from 11:30am in the Connolly Hall Chapel (not on Public Holidays)

Scripture Reflection - Tuesdays 5:00-5:30pm by Zoom <u>https://</u> zoom.us/j/94186740914? pwd=WlgwbkYyT2pvbGhKdHBLZDFYSIRBZz09

Meeting ID: 941 8674 0914







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NOTICES						
Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday 13 July.						
Bach Choir of Wellington presents "Mozart's Vesperal Solem Confessor, K. 339 with Evening Music and Lullabies"Saturday 24 July, 4pm at St Andrews on the TerraceThe choir is pleased to welcome soloists from the New Zealand Te Koki to the stage: Shanah Chambers (soprano), Kate Ar Crichton (tenor), and Samuel McKeever (baritone). The choir is a	School of Music – nahi (mezzo), Lila					
Shawn Michael Condon.						
Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy Online Sessions (Evening): Psalms - From the Heights of Hymns to the Lows of Laments! With Br Kieran Fenn. Monday 19 and 26 July, 7:00pm—8:30pm. Fee: \$25/session. For more information and registration: info@studyjoy.nz KIA KAHA TE REO MÃORI	CWL Winter Raffle Winners: Bill English, Estelle Henrys, Susan Apathy Congratulations and thank you to all parishioners from St Teresa's, St Thomas More and Cathedral Parish. \$584.20 was raised for NZ Down Syndrome Assoc.					
Pax Christi—Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow	XLT Youth Worship—Now on Friday 23 July					
Pax Chrisii Aotearoa invites you to join a three session online study reflection, looking at the history of the Pax Christi peace movement from its beginnings in 1945 to the present day and offering a workshop of peace spirituality founded in traditional Maori spirituality appropriate to our own day and to the future. Tuesdays 20 July, 27 July & 3 August , 7:30pm—9pm. Present- ed by Kevin McBride & Rangi Davis Please enrol by Friday 16 July via email: <u>paxchristiaotearoa@gmail.com</u> Enquiries to Bridget Crisp Ph.021 729 944	7pm—9:30pm, Friday 23 July at St Joseph's Mt Victoria Due to Covid Alert Level 2, the June XLT was postponed to 23 July.					
	Join us for fellowship, prayer, food, live praise & worship, Reconciliation and Eucharistic Adoration, all centred around a theme and aimed at Year 9-13 students (but open to young and old alike!).					
Passionist Youth & Young Adult Retreats 2021						
 Passionist Youth & Young Adult Retreats 2021 Did you know the words SILENT and LISTEN have exactly the same letters? Passionist retreats invite you to step away from the noise and demands of life to just be! Youth Retreat 15-18 years old: Mon 19 July - Thurs 22 July at Camp Rangi Woods, Manawatu. Cost \$110. Young Adult Retreat 19 years plus: Fri 9 July - Sun 11 July at the Magnificat, Wairarapa. Cost \$140 						
Check it out: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zURnZTv_eTc</u> For more info and to register visit: <u>www.passionistretreats.co.nz</u> , or call Paul 022 682 6004 for further enquiries.						
Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving for Priestly Anniversaries 11am, Wednesday 14 July 2021; St Patrick's Church, Kilbirnie	Winter Film Screening: Sisters of the River Introduced by Sr Sue Cosgrove					
This years' celebrations will include 2020 and 2021 anniversaries as Covid-19 meant there was no Jubilee Mass last year. Those with milestone anniversaries this year are:	Join us for a showing of this documentary which follows the 1992 pilgrimage hīkoi of the Sisters of Compassion to Hiruhārama-Jerusalem, to mark the centenary of the founding of Aotearoa's home-grown religious order.					
 65 Years - Fr John Rea SM (2020) 60 years - Monsignor Charles Cooper, Fr Des Darby (2020), Fr Frank Twiss SM, Fr Frank Whitaker, Fr Petelo Mauga (2020) 50 years - Fr Ede Condra, Fr Maurice Carmody (2020), Fr Pat 	Entry by koha. Wednesday 4 August and Saturday 7 August, 11:00am, Suzanne Aubert Heritage Centre, Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay, Wellington					
 So years - Fr Ede Condra, Fr Madhee Carnody (2020), Fr at McIndoe CP, Fr Arthur Toothill SM, Fr John Joliffe SM (2021) 25 years - Fr Colin Durning, Fr Joe Savesi SM (2021) 25 years - Cardinal John Dew (consecration as bishop 2020) 	For more details email <u>events@compassion.org.nz</u> or ph (04) 383 7769.					
Retreat Weekend with Raymond Pelley—Waypoints To Freed	om					
Friday 6 August 8:00pm - Sunday 8 August 12:30pm Venue: The Chapel of Our Lady of Compassion, 2 Rhine Street,	Island Bay, Wellington.					
In silence and through music, prayer and story, Raymond invites you to explore our responses to God in the realities of life at this weekend retreat. Residential and non-residential enquiries welcome.						

REGISTRATION REQUIRED - ph (04) 383-7769 or events@compassion.org.nz

SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL PARISH

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Sacred Heart Cathedral School

Guildford Tce, Thorndon Ph: 472 4047 Principal: Bernadette Murfitt DRS: Jane Regan

"I invite all Christians everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ." Pope Francis

MASS TIMES

Weekdays

(Except Public Holidays) 8:00am Monday to Friday 12:10pm Tuesday to Friday 12:10pm Monday Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion All in the Connolly Hall Chapel

Saturday

8:30am – Connolly Hall Chapel 5:30pm (Vigil for Sunday) -St. Thomas More, Wilton

Sunday

10:30am - St. Thomas More, Wilton 7:00pm – Connolly Hall Chapel

Reconciliation: Saturday after 8:30am Mass, or by appointment.

Baptism: by appointment. Contact Parish office.

Please keep in your prayers

Gabrielle McLeavey Brian and Moira Dunn Ken Matheson



Nicholas & Thomas Dyne (Graham & Rosaleen Taylor's grandsons)

Simon Lai

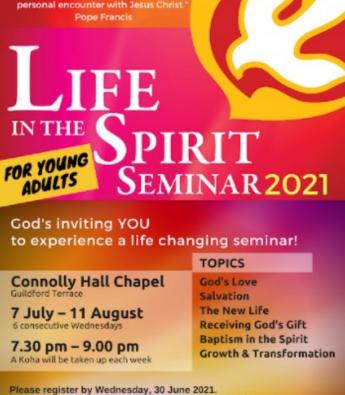
New to this Parish?

Nau Mai Haere Mai - Welcome

If you would like to become a member of our parish then please complete the form at: <u>https://mcshwellington.org/join-theparish/</u> or contact the parish office Ph. 496 1700. You and Your Parish -Working Together.

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https://sacredhcs.schoolzineplus.com/schoolnews? nid=122