



The Cathedral Connection



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CELEBRATION SUNDAY

This weekend we mark Celebration Sunday and remember Meri Hohēpa, the Venerable Suzanne Aubert, founder of the Sisters of Compassion. Suzanne Aubert's life was a long act of faith. She believed that God should be given credit for everything she did and she abandoned herself to God and thought only of pleasing Him. Duty was the hallmark of her life. This weekend is an opportunity to honour the wonderful works of this great woman, to take her legacy as a guide for our lives.

The readings for the weekend fit well with her life. The second reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy could have been written with Suzanne Aubert in mind. 'Fan into a flame the gift that God gave you'. Suzanne Aubert spent her life following this edict. But we should listen to the exhortation of St Paul too. He wrote this to Timothy from prison and this could be considered to read as a master instructing his apprentice on how to carry on his work in his absence. But it is also directed at us. Can we ignore the statement that follows: 'God's gift is not a spirit of timidity but the Spirit of power, and love, and self control.' How can we stay silent and hide our gifts and talents in the background letting others take lead having heard these words. We need to act!

What follows are strong authoritative words that we cannot ignore. 'Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious, guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.'

Suzanne Aubert had a simple, blind, trusting faith in God and it was her example of using her gifts of love and compassion that inspired others to join her in religious life. She constantly extolled all to see God in the ordinary people that needed care and attention on the periphery of society. While we pray for the true recognition of Suzanne Aubert that would come with Sainthood we cannot ignore the call to follow her lead by having our actions directed by a true compassion. May her words be our guide: "Let us love God alone. Let Him be really ours and let us be really His. Let Him reign in us, and let us live in Him. He is ever near us with His kindness and mercy, which He desires to pour on souls."

Jane Kelly - Liturgy Committee Chair



Readings For The Week

Sunday 2nd – Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14; Luke 17:5-10

Monday 3rd – Galatians 1:6-12; Luke 10:25-37
Tuesday 4th – Galatians 1:13-24; Luke 10:38-42
Wednesday 5th – Galatians 2:1-2,7-14; Luke 11:1-4
Thursday 6th – Galatians 3:1-5; Luke 11:5-13
Friday 7th – Galatians 3:7-14; Luke 11:15-26
Saturday 8th – Galatians 3:22-29; Luke 11:27-28

Sunday 9th – Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
2 Kings 5:14-17; 2 Timothy 2:8-13; Luke 17:11-19

The seed of our good works can seem like a small thing, yet all that is good pertains to God, and thus it humbly, slowly bears fruit. Good, let us remember, always grows in a humble way, in a hidden, often invisible way.
Pope Francis: [Angelus June 2021](#)

OUR MISSION & VISION

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



METROPOLITAN CATHEDRAL
OF THE SACRED HEART

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)

YOUR PARISH NOTICES AND EVENTS

Divine Mercy Devotions - Sunday 6pm-6:30pm in the Connolly Hall Chapel. All welcome.

Rosary - Every Monday (except Public Holidays) from 11.30am in our Connolly Hall Chapel, all welcome.

Scripture Reflection - Every Tuesday evening from 5pm-5.30pm there is an opportunity to be nourished by the Word of God, coming together in an online Zoom gathering. All are welcome. <https://tinyurl.com/3xhax96d> Meeting ID: 848 2624 7342 Passcode: 404496

Sacred Heart Cathedral Prayer Group - We meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month in Connolly Hall Chapel from 7.30pm-9pm. All are welcome.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday



Every Thursday from 7.00am until 7.00pm at Connolly Hall. Please contact Sr. Marie Gore if you would like to participate on a regular basis and commit to one hour, or just pop in for a visit for a few minutes. mariegore023@gmail.com

New to this parish? Nau Mai Haere Mai - Welcome

If you would like to become a member of our parish or know more about us then please complete the form at: <https://mcshwellington.org/join-the-parish/> or contact the parish office Ph. 496 1700 **You and your parish working together.**

Season Of Creation 1st September to 4th October



Listen to the
Voice of creation
SEASON OF CREATION 2022

In *Laudato Si'* Pope Francis emphasised the importance of social justice as well as ecological justice: 'we have to realize that a true ecological approach always becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor'. This theme appears often in the Scriptures.

The Hebrew Scriptures warned against over-farming and over-exploiting. In Psalm 85 we read:

*God's help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land.
Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven.
The Lord will bestow his goodness
and our earth shall yield its fruit.*

Jim McAloon

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2022/23

Children's Sacramental Programme 2022/23 - Registration is now open for the 2022/23 programme which begins with **CONFIRMATION** this coming Term 4 followed by **FIRST RECONCILIATION** in Term 1 and **HOLY COMMUNION** in Term 2 of 2023.

For your child to be eligible, he/she must already be baptised and be at least 8 years old. The first parent's session is at 7.00pm on 18 October 2022 at St Thomas More Church in Wilton.

For registration and/or further enquiries, please contact Geraldine mcsh.sacramentalprogramme@gmail.com or the parish office at cathedral.parish@wn.catholic.org.nz

FEAST OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Rosary Aotearoa

We celebrate the feast of the Holy Rosary on 7th October. There is to be an online rosary prayed across New Zealand on Sunday 2 October at 3 pm. We invite you to join in this rosary if you are able, to pray in solidarity for Our Lady's intervention in our world that so sorely needs her help. Please see link: <http://www.rosarynewzealand.org.nz>

HEALING SERVICE

A Healing Service with **Fr John Rea** will be conducted at **St Joseph's Church, Upper Hutt** on Thursday **06 October** beginning at **7.30 pm**. This is the first we have been able to have since Covid struck. Please invite and bring with you all those in need of healing. Contact: (Ph. **022 6390240**)

COVID, COLDS, AND FLU

Although Covid case numbers are dropping rapidly, it is as well to remember that we still need to be careful of our own health and that of each other. The current variants of Covid are not to be viewed lightly, and we are still in the season of winter colds and influenza. All are contagious, and all are easily passed on.

So, as well as the measures which we continue to take as we gather for Mass and other events, please remember: if you are not well, PLEASE STAY HOME. And if you should find yourself with a coughing or sneezing fit at Mass or a meeting, please step out of the gathering, at least until you're ok. We all want to be as safe as possible.

SUPPORT LIFE SUNDAY

9 Oct 2022 | Liturgical Year- *You are not alone: Accompanying and caring for people living with mental illness*

On the twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary time we consider ways we can accompany and care for those living with mental illness. The scriptures for this Sunday give an ideal foundation to our 2022 national focus. St Pope John Paul II noted that "Whoever suffers from mental illness 'always' bears God's image and likeness in Godself, as does every human being. In addition, each human 'always' has the inalienable right not only to be considered as an image of God and therefore as a person, but also to be treated as such."(1996) <https://www.nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/support-life-sunday-2022-you-are-not-alone/>

LAUDATO SI' ACTION PLATFORM



It's seven years since Pope Francis issued his landmark encyclical letter 'Laudato Si' – **Caring for our Common Home**. We've reflected on this encyclical from time to time in our parish newsletter. The Vatican's Dicastery for Integral Human Development has established the Laudato Si' Action Platform, working with all people of goodwill to address the ecological crisis. Our Archdiocese has signed up to this platform, which means working together to discern appropriate ways of doing this. Cardinal John, and some members of the archdiocese Ecology Justice and Peace Commission and other friends, will join us for our **Sacred Heart Cathedral parish Mass at 10.30am, Sunday 2nd October at St Thomas More Church**, Wilton, to mark this commitment. This is the last Sunday in this year's Season of Creation, and the feast of St Francis of Assisi is Tuesday 4 October.

ANOINTING MASS

The sacrament of Anointing the Sick is administered to bring spiritual and physical strength during an illness, especially near the time of death.

"The special grace of the sacrament has as its effects: the uniting of the sick person to the passion of Christ, for his own good and that of the whole Church; the strengthening, peace, and courage to endure in a Christian manner the sufferings of illness or old age; the forgiveness of sins, if the sick person was not able to obtain it through the sacrament of penance; the restoration of health, if it is conducive to the salvation of his soul; the preparation for passing over to eternal life" (CCC 1532).



If you or someone you know would like to avail themselves of this Sacrament, please come along to the **8.30am Saturday morning Mass in the Connolly Hall Chapel on 1 October. Fr Alliston will be the celebrant.**

CELEBRATING VENERABLE SUZANNE AUBERT



Sunday **2 October** will be marked as a day of celebration for the **Venerable Meri Hōhepa-Suzanne Aubert**.

The purpose of this important national day of celebration is to promote and celebrate the spirituality and good works of Suzanne Aubert to as many people as possible. This year it will be on 2 October. The National Liturgy Office has produced readings, prayers and other resources for this wonderful Sunday. Please visit the website for more information:

<https://nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/national-day-for-meri-hohepa-suzanne-aubert/>



Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is holding a free online event, "*No hope in hell: How a real Gospel view of the afterlife can make us better missionaries*" on **Thursday 13 October at 6:30-8:00pm via Zoom**. The speaker is Cameron Surrey of the Auckland Catholic Tertiary Chaplaincy. Come along with your whanau and friends.

Register for free at <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlqce-ggzsvH9Eu8vW8t9BLNz7ZvTkGFOM>

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- Fr Ron Bennett: **Parish Moderator**
- Fr Alliston Fernandes

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Appointment pending

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If you would like your child to attend Sacred Heart Cathedral School please download an enrolment form

<https://sacred-heart.school.nz/enrolment/>

MASS TIMES

Weekdays

(Except Public Holidays)

All held in the Connolly Hall Chapel

8.00am Tuesday to Friday

12.10pm Monday (Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion)

12.10pm Tuesday to Friday

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, Thorndon

Reconciliation: by appointment.

Baptism: by appointment. Please contact Parish office.



The latest edition of our parish school newsletter is available at <https://sacredhcs.schoolzineplus.com/schoolnews?nid=188>



Brian Dunn

Gabrielle McLeavey

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



Marie Byrne

June Swain

Mass offered for

Oliver Sonny Liwanag
RIP 19 Sept 2022
Philippines

Esma Commissaris RIP
24 Sept 2022. Aunt of Sr Marie Gore

Jodi Woodcock RIP 29 Sept 2022
Nephew of Fr James Lyons

Anniversaries

Joseph Claude Fernando - 4 Oct

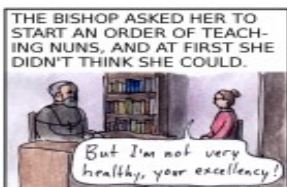
For all the dead. Those near and dear to us and those who have no one to pray for them.



CHILDREN'S CORNER

Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher

October 6



Blessed Marie-Rose lived only six more years. She did much penance and was quite strict with the other sisters. They were poor and often people spoke badly about them but she would not give up her work to bring children to God. Sister Marie-Rose died when she was 38.

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Mustard Seed Word-Find

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Here is part of today's Gospel reading. See if you can find all the words written in CAPITALS. Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end.

The APOSTLES SAID to the Lord, "INCREASE OUR faith." The Lord REPLIED, "If you HAVE FAITH the SIZE of a MUSTARD SEED, YOU would SAY to THIS MULBERRY TREE, 'Be UPROOTED and PLANTED in the SEA and it would OBEY you."

