



# The Cathedral Connection



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## TRUST IN GOD

As a young boy in Primary School, the last lesson each Friday involved us reading and reflecting on the forthcoming Sunday's readings. This was followed by us each receiving three digestive biscuits, and if you were the one handing them out, five biscuits before leaving for the weekend!

I remember as a nine year old, listening to this Sunday's readings and feeling really scared that the world was about to end. I lived quite close to the school and contemplated running home so that I could give my mum a hug and be near her in case the world ended. I instead opted to excuse myself and sat out the session in the bathroom only because I was on biscuit hand out duty and was not going to let 5 biscuits slip away.

In our first reading Malachi talks about "...the day is coming, blazing like an oven, when all the proud and evildoers will be stubble." For many of us, these are confronting statements, however, we do get the assurance in the psalm that "the Lord comes to rule earth with justice." In the Gospel, when Jesus is asked what the signs will be to signal the end of time, he refers to wars, famine, plagues, persecution etc. These are all things that we see in our world today so it is easy to conclude that the end is near – really frightening stuff.

Jesus's message must have been really concerning to those listening to him that day. He talked about the Temple that they were admiring being destroyed, preachers who brought salvation, being imposters, the land that provides food and security being destroyed and the worst, our family, the ones we should rely on and trust, betraying us. Jesus is effectively saying that all these earthly things that we rely for security, power, etc is only temporary. but then he goes on to encourage us to persevere. My question is "persevere in what?"

Jesus is calling us to put our trust in him and surrendering ourselves to him and to never stop doing this. This calls for a level of trust that many of us are not comfortable with. Like most things, having trust in someone takes time. You need to "invest" in the relationship and the trust will build. The same applies for our relationship with God. So, as we come to the end of the Church's year, it is a good time to make some new year resolutions in how we are going to continue to build our relationship with God so that we can put our trust in him and experience the security and love that is never ending.

So, while the readings on the end of times may be frightening it does offer us hope, if only we were to abandon ourselves to the will of God.

Forty- year odd years on, with no mum to run too for a hug or comforting or the incentive of a biscuit or five, I am still scared by these readings but have started the journey towards trusting in God a little more, I have a long way to go but it is a start.

"Help me Jesus to continue to persevere and trust in you. Amen"

*Clint Ramoo (Finance Committee Chair)*



## Readings For The Week

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> – Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Malachi 3:19-20; 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12; Luke 21:5-19  
**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – Apocalypse 1:1-4,2:1-5; Luke 18:35-43**  
**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Apocalypse 3:1-6,14-22; Luke 19:1-10**  
**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> – Apocalypse 4:1-11; Luke 19:11-28**  
**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> - Apocalypse 5:1-10; Luke 19:41-44**  
**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – Apocalypse 10:8-11; Luke 19:45-48**  
**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> – Apocalypse 11:4-12; Luke 20:27-40**  
**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> – Christ The King**  
2 Samuel 5:1-3; Colossians 1:12-20; Luke 23:35-43

## 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

*"Where the poor are concerned, it is not talk that matters; what matters is rolling up our sleeves and putting our faith into practice through a direct involvement."*

*Pope Francis, [Message for the World Day of the Poor 2022.](#)*



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 Connolly Hall Chapel. All welcome.

**Rosary** - Every Monday (except Public Holidays) from 11.30am in 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto: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.**

## ADVENT RECOLLECTION



As we await Jesus' birth at Christmas the Church offers us the liturgical season of Advent to prepare for the same. To facilitate this there will be a recollection on the theme: "Let us prepare for Christ's Coming". It will be held between **9:30am to 12 noon on November 26 at Connolly Hall**. There will be a talk by Fr Alliston along with a time of Eucharistic adoration and possibility to avail yourself of the sacrament of reconciliation. Please do join us as we delve deeply into the meaning of the season of Advent and how one may use this season fruitfully to prepare for the coming of the Lord into our hearts.

## PRIESTS' ANNUAL RETREAT

As our diocesan priests will be on retreat from **Sunday evening 27 November until Friday 2 December** there will be some changes to our Weekday Liturgies during that week. Service times will remain the same. However, a Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion will be offered when no supply priest is available. All are welcome.

A Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion is provided in the absence of a priest to enable the Faithful, to offer praise and worship and to be nourished by Word and Holy Communion. Let us keep our priests in prayer especially during this time and many thanks to those who volunteer to nourish our faithful by leading our Liturgies of the Word.

## Wonderful E-Waste Collection Day!



Thank you everyone for the fantastic effort and results from the Nov 5 fundraising event. It was fun and a great chance to meet a bunch of new volunteers.

Everything came together nicely in the end with the weather being perfect, a truck showing up (with a driver!) that we were able to fit everything into (with space to spare) and lots of helping hands... even muffins and sausage rolls brought at the end for the team.

**Malcom Foo (Fundraising Chair)**

**A huge thanks to everyone who was able to help and especially to Joy for organizing the event! It**

**looks like something that could be repeated every year, that engages with our neighbours and the wider community. Success ! Total raised less expenses approximately \$2,000.00**

**PASSIONIST  
FAMILY GROUP  
MOVEMENT**



## PFG Get-Together for November

We are meeting **Saturday evening the 19th at Kaye-Maree's home from 6PM** onwards for a **Dessert Evening**. There is nothing better than Dessert for Dinner! Please let **Kaye-Maree** know if you are interested in joining us via Frank at the office. ALL are welcome !



## COVID, COLDS, AND FLU

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. Many thanks.

## REMEMBRANCE MASS THIS WEEKEND

A warm welcome is extended this weekend to families and friends of recently deceased members of our extended Cathedral Family who will join with our Vigil Mass Parishioners. Everyone is invited to join with them. During this Mass there will be a special opportunity to pray for, and remember those who have gone before us. There will be light refreshments and fellowship after the Mass.



## COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

**Have you ever wondered how a community can bring renewal to our parish? Join us to hear more about the importance of community as Christians.**

God did not create us to live alone. No man is an island to himself. Without friends around us, especially brothers and sisters in the Lord, we become lonely and isolated. It doesn't do us any good to go through life without a support system, and what better support system than the Body of Christ? There is something extraordinary about growing together in communion with one another. When God's people are living in unity together, we grow closer to Jesus. And this might be one of the most beautiful things ever.

Come and join us to hear more about COMMUNITY in our third FORMATION NIGHT on **Wednesday, 16 November 2022, from 7pm to 8pm at Connolly Hall.** For more information, please get in touch with [cathedral.parish@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:cathedral.parish@wn.catholic.org.nz)



## ADVENT RECONCILIATION

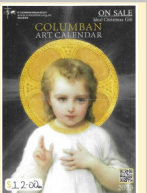
During the Season of Advent Rite I Reconciliation will be available before the Saturday Vigil Mass from 4.30pm on 26 November, 3 and 17 December, also before the 10.30am Sunday Mass from 9.30am on 24 November, 4 and 18 December.

Rite II Reconciliation will be offered as a joint parish liturgy at 4.00pm on Sunday 11 December at St Thomas More Church, Wilton.



## Now Available - 2023 Columban Art Calendars

The Columban Art Calendar is an iconic Calendar, well-known for its traditional religious paintings and liturgical information. It is a major fundraiser for Columban Missionaries. 2023 marks the 101st edition. **\$12.00ea available from our Connolly Hall Stall or the Parish Office.** These make a great Christmas Gift.



## OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG WELLINGTON CATHOLICS

### XLT NOVEMBER

Inviting Teens and Young Adults to come and experience the real presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Together we worship Him through music, receive true freedom through the Sacrament of Reconciliation and feel the love through the gift of each other.

Date: Friday, **18 November 2022, 7-9:30pm**

Venue: **St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria**

### SEEK – EXPLORE AND DISCERN

An invitation for young adults to explore their vocation and discern their role in the Church and in the world.

**Sunday 20 November, 1pm- 5pm at St Mary of the Angels.** The afternoon will conclude with the World Youth Day Mass at 5pm.

To register please email [youth@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:youth@wn.catholic.org.nz)



### WORLD YOUTH DAY MASS 2022

Come together with the Youth of Wellington to celebrate all that's happening in the Young Church! Join us for Young Church Mass and an evening of fellowship and celebration for World Youth Day 2022.

Date: **Sunday 20 November 2022, 5pm**

Venue: **St Mary of the Angels Church**

# SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL PARISH

Please keep in your prayers

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## Parish Pastoral Leadership Team

- Debbie Matheson: **Parish Leader / Lay Pastoral Leader**
- Fr Ron Bennett: **Parish Moderator**
- Fr Alliston Fernandes

## Music Coordinator/Leader:

Appointment pending

## Secretary:

Frank Doherty

## Office Hours:

10.00am - 4.30pm Tues, Thurs, Fri.

## Parish Council Chair:

Randy Reyes

## Sacred Heart Cathedral School

Guildford Tce, Thorndon

Ph: (04) 472 4047

**Principal:** Bernadette Murfitt

**DRS:** John Grevatt

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

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

**8.00am Tuesday to Friday**

**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=195>

Brian Dunn

Gabrielle McLeavey

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



Marie Byrne

June Swain

Wilijono Tanudjojo



## Mass offered for

Honora Paulin  
RIP 6 Nov 2022  
Wife of Herwig



## Anniversaries:

Janice Campbell 13 Nov

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

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

## God is With Us to the End



Jesus tells the people in today's Gospel reading some of the things that will happen before the end of the world. He says that some people will be arrested and have to speak about Him in front of the leaders and rulers of the people, but He will protect them.

Jesus doesn't want us to worry about what is going to happen at the end of the world, but He wants us to be ready for it when it comes. He also wants us to be ready for the end of our lives, because we don't know when that's going to happen either.



Do you find it kind of scary thinking about the end of the world or dying? Well, you don't need to be afraid about it! Jesus will give us all the strength we need for whatever happens. All we have to do is trust in Him!



Answers to Cross-Word Puzzle:  
Across: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 62, 64, 66, 68, 70, 72, 74, 76, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98, 100  
Down: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, 33, 35, 37, 39, 41, 43, 45, 47, 49, 51, 53, 55, 57, 59, 61, 63, 65, 67, 69, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, 83, 85, 87, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97, 99, 101

[www.thekidsbulletin.com](http://www.thekidsbulletin.com)

## The Kids' Bulletin

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Luke 21:5-19

In today's Gospel reading Jesus told the people some of the things that were going to happen before the end of the world. You'll find them as you go through the maze!