



The Cathedral Connection



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Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Parish

Friday, the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart, is our parish's patronal feast day. It's a good time to reflect on parish life. We all know that our Cathedral parish has been through difficult times in the last five years. I doubt that anyone expected the building would be closed for so long.

It's often observed that New Zealand is a fairly secular society. I don't think that is a bad thing. It means that there is no special privilege attached to religious adherence. I think that it follows that all of us in this parish are here because we want to be. That's important. Whether because we live nearby, or work nearby, or for some other reason, we have made a choice to be part of this community.

For 1500 years, much monastic life in the Western church has been structured around the Rule of Saint Benedict. It might be described as the oldest (and best) management manual in the West. It has much wisdom about living in community – again, the point is that those within the community have chosen to be there. One theme is that the monastery – and by extension, any Christian community – is 'a school of the Lord's service', or as it's sometimes put, 'a school of charity'.

The purpose of such a community is that its members grow in faith, thinking always of the common good. There's particular emphasis on welcoming strangers. There are some excellent modern reflections on the Rule by the American Benedictine Sister Joan Chittister, and the Australian monk Michael Casey.

Back in February, Pope Francis' monthly intention was for parish life. He shared his hope that parishes should be 'schools of service and generosity, with their doors always open to those who are excluded. And to those included. To all'. Above all, 'a place where the gift of the sacraments can be found'.

In that way, I think, parish life supports us in our lives as people of faith. Recalling Jesus' words about being salt of the earth and light of the world, the Second Vatican Council emphasised the role of the laity – the vast majority of the people of God – as being not only in religious organisations but in our contexts of family, work, and whatever other ways we are involved in society.

Jim McAloon



Readings for the Week

Sunday 18th – 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 19:2-6; Romans 5:6-11; Matthew 9:36-10:8

Monday 19th – 2 Corinthians 6:1-10; Matthew 5:38-42

Tuesday 20th – 2 Corinthians 8:1-9; Matthew 5:43-48

Wednesday 21st – 2 Corinthians 9:6-11; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday 22nd – 2 Corinthians 11:1-11; Matthew 6:7-15

Friday 23rd – 2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30; Matthew 6:19-23

Saturday 24th – Isaiah 49:1-6; Luke 1:57-66, 80

Sunday 25th – 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 20:10-13; Romans 5:12-15; Matthew 10:26-33

"The experience of the Twelve apostles and the testimony of Paul also challenges us today. They invite us to verify our attitudes, to verify our choices, our decisions, on the basis of these fixed points: everything depends on a freely given call from God; God also chooses us for services that at times seem to exceed our capacities or do not correspond with our expectations; the call received as a free gift must be answered freely."

Pope Francis, [General Audience](#), 15 March 2023



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

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. We look forward to getting to know you.

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 5:00pm-5.40pm 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

is available every Thursday at the Connolly Hall Chapel from 7am until 7pm. Everyone is welcome to make a visit during these hours. Many people have expressed gratitude for this haven of peace in their day.

Anointing Mass: We are happy to inform you that we will be resuming the Anointing Mass in our cathedral parish. The Mass on every **second Saturday of the month** (starting June 10, 2023) will be an Anointing Mass. (8.30am at the Connolly Hall). All are welcome to participate and be blessed and healed by the Lord.

You are invited to celebrate the 188th Birthday of Meri Hōhepa Suzanne Aubert!

Join us on Monday, 19 June 2023, when we will celebrate the 188th anniversary of Meri Hōhepa Suzanne Aubert in a special celebration at St Anne's School, Newtown. Mass will be held at 2:00 pm, followed by refreshments.

We will appreciate your RSVP at events@compassion.org.nz

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Vacancy: Attendance Dues and Accounts Office – Archdiocese of Wellington

Do you enjoy working autonomously but at the same time enjoy getting involved in an agile accounting team? This position will see the successful candidate managing the collection of the Catholic school's attendance dues. You will develop an understanding of social and economic circumstances of families and have the autonomy to set up a bespoke payment plan whilst keeping aligned with the longer-term goals of the multiple stakeholders. The role also requires supporting accounting functions to facilitate an agile and nimble finance team. If you feel you can bring a compassionate ear and add value to this challenging and diverse role, we would like to hear from you.

Visit www.wn.catholic.org.nz/vacancies for more information.

Please email n.pinkham@wn.catholic.org.nz for a copy of the job description.

Applications close Thursday 22 June 2023.

Applications are open for Tindall Funding 2023

- Parish Groups, Agencies and Church Organisations which provide a helping hand by supporting Families and Social Services are now able to apply for the annual Tindall Funding through the Archdiocesan Allocation Committee.
- The priority is to fund Catholic and community organisations who are working in areas identified as priorities by The Tindall Foundation and aligned with the Archdiocesan goals.
- We are charged, by the Archbishop, with the funding support of groups committed to social, pastoral and charitable needs in our region.

Applications are judged on the basis of need, resource availability and the fulfillment of set criteria.

Applications are now open and are due by Friday 11 August 2023. Application forms and more information can be found here: https://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/adw_community/tindall/ or contact Kaisa at Tindall@wn.catholic.org.nz or 04-496-1752.



St Anthony's Catholic School Centenary

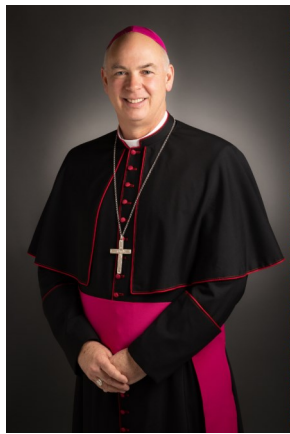
St Anthony's Catholic School, Seatoun, Wellington are gearing up to celebrate 100 years on **13 /14 OCTOBER 2023**. We invite all past and present students, staff, families and supporters to celebrate this amazing occasion.

Please register by completing the registration form [here](#) or you can find it on the [St Anthony's School Centenary Facebook Page](#). If you have any queries please email us at centenary@stants.school.nz or contact Julie O'Brien on 021 377 192. If you are planning on travelling to join us, there is accommodation held aside at Brentwood Hotel on a first in first served basis. [Fill out the accommodation form here.](#)

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St Thomas More Society, Wellington - Mass and dinner, Friday 23 June, 2023

The St Thomas More Society's annual Mass and dinner is an opportunity for members of the Wellington legal community (including non-lawyers) and law students to gather and celebrate the feast day of the Patron Saint of lawyers. This year, Mass will take place at 5.30pm in the temporary Connolly Hall Chapel (entrance and parking from Guildford Terrace). Drinks and dinner will follow at the Wellington Club for those who wish to book this. Our guest speaker this year is Brendan Malone, a Christchurch based media consultant and bioethics educator. If you are interested in attending and would like more information please email thomasmoresoc@gmail.com



Installation of Archbishop Paul Martin SM

Catholic Archdiocese of Wellington

Saturday 17 June 2023



Installation of Archbishop Paul Martin SM

Archbishop Paul will be installed as the Seventh Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Wellington at St Teresa's Pro-Cathedral 11.00am this Saturday 17 June. If you are unable to attend a live stream of the service can be viewed here:

[Installation of Archbishop Paul Martin SM on Vimeo](#)

This will also be on the Archdiocese of Wellington [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#) channel.

DEEPEN YOUR FAITH

Mary in the Scriptures with Kieran Fenn fms
Mondays, 19/26 June and 3/10 July, 7pm-8.30pm via ZOOM.
Fee: Free. A Donation/Koha would be appreciated.
For more information and registration:
www.studyjoy.nz/2023/04/25/mary-in-the-scriptures

Focus on Target - Draw Fresh Momentum with Laetitia Puthenpadath
Tuesdays, 27 June & 04/11/18 July, 12.30-1.30pm. ZOOM.
Fee: \$20/session or \$70/4 sessions.
<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/01/11/focus-on-target-draw-fresh-momentum/>
For more information: www.studyjoy.nz

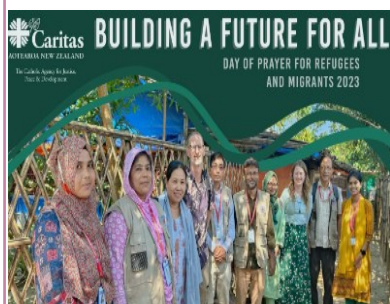
Day of Prayer for Refugees and Migrants 2023 : "Building a Future for All"

This Sunday is the 109th day of migrants and refugees. Pope Francis encourages us to reflect on building a future for all. There is a focus on the Rohingya people of Myanmar (Burma), hundreds of thousands of whom have been displaced since armed forces attacked them in 2017. Caritas is assisting with relief.

More generally, as an article by Irene Ayallo in *Tui Motu* points out, speaking of refugees and migrants together lumps in a vast range of people and their experiences (<https://tuimotu.org/a/Jtp7Q12>). Migrants usually have a degree of choice, although are also often leaving undesirable situations. Migrants and people of refugee backgrounds can alike experience prejudice and discrimination.

As Pope Francis says: 'In whatever place we decide to build our future, in the country of our birth or elsewhere, the important thing is that there always be a community ready to welcome, protect, promote and integrate everyone, without distinctions and without excluding anyone'.

Jim McAloon



Every year, Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand provides materials to mark the Day of Prayer for Refugees and Migrants (Sunday, 18 June 2023). This year we are encouraging communities to reflect on the theme of 'Building a Future for All' and reignite discussion and action to help the thousands of Rohingya that have been forced from their homes into temporary shelters and vulnerable conditions, facing the future with little hope. This is a time to pray for those who may have been forgotten, and for a future that includes every one of us.

Resources can be found at: <https://www.caritas.org.nz/day-prayer-refugees-and-migrants>

St Joseph's Catholic Church, 125 Years

St Joseph's Catholic Church Dannevirke is celebrating 125 years with a Jubilee weekend on 14 & 15 October 2023 at 32 Allardice Street, Dannevirke. Celebrations of 125 years of the foundation of St Joseph Parish are being held throughout 2023. A special Jubilee Mass & luncheon is being held on Saturday 14 October, followed by a special Mass Sunday 15 October. All past and present parishioners and their families, and supporters are invited to celebrate this wonderful occasion. Please register your interest by emailing stjodvke@xtra.co.nz with your details.

Updates from Te Rōpū Tautoko- The Royal Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in Care

- An extension until 28 March 2024 has been granted for the presentation of the final report.
- More information about the Redress Design Group and their terms of reference, Survivor Experiences Service, Research Report into Disability and Abuse & Work on Safeguarding standards can all be found at www.tautoko.catholic.org.nz

Donations for Sacred Heart Cathedral Strengthening and Restoration Campaign can be made to this bank account number: **02-0506-0138488-025**

Particulars: Your surname and initials . **Code:** Your phone number. **Reference:** REOPEN.

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Parish Pastoral Leadership Team

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- Fr Ron Bennett: **Parish Moderator**
- Fr Joy Thottankara: **Assistant Priest**

Secretary:

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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

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 the Parish office.



The latest edition of our parish school newsletter is available at

<https://sacredhcs.schoolzineplus.com/schoolnews?nid=223>

Brian Dunn

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

Erina Harding

Gabrielle McLeavey

Dan Phelon



Judith Shroff

June Swain

Wilijono Tanudjojo



Mass offered for

Anniversaries this month:

Anthony Wilson (4 Jun)

Kaka Lee (7 Jun)

Loreto Irinco (13 Jun)

Gerardine Mollo (13 Jun)

Mick Robbers (14 Jun)

Martin Murray (25 Jun)



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

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Jesus Sends Us to Do His Work

Today's Gospel reading tells the story of Jesus sending out His twelve apostles to do His work in the nearby towns. He was teaching them to do His work: healing the sick, raising the dead, and even driving out demons.

Do you think they might have been a bit nervous, or even scared, to do this work?



Did you know that you are also called to be a disciple of Jesus? Some people are called to be missionaries and bring Jesus' word to far away places, but most of us - especially when we are young - are called to do Jesus' work close to home.

What are some of the ways you can be an apostle for Jesus? Maybe you can pray for sick or hurt people that you know of. You can tell people the stories of Jesus that you know. And did you know that even by being a good example to others, you are teaching them about the love of Jesus by your actions?



Don't be scared - do Jesus' work for the people around you today!

Answer to Word Find: APOSTLES

www.thekidsbulletin.com

The Kids' Bulletin

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 18th, 2023



Jesus sent His Apostles to the surrounding towns to preach and heal. Can you find the way to the nearby town for the Apostles?