



The Cathedral Connection



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Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Hearts on fire, feet on the move”

Over one billion Catholics all over the world observe today as *World Mission Sunday*. This annual observance was instituted 97 years ago in 1926 by Pope Pius XI's Papal decree. Every year since then, the universal Church has dedicated the month of October to reflection on, and prayer for the missions. Pope Francis invites all of us on this World Mission Sunday to reflect on the gospel story of Emmaus (Lk 24:13-35) to walk along with Jesus and to keep our “Hearts on fire, feet on the move”.

The journey of Emmaus reminds us of our journey with Jesus. When the disciples realised that it was Jesus they recalled “were not our hearts burning within us, while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us? That same hour they got up...” (Lk 24:32-33). It is the same call that we have received to strengthen our faith and commitment to Jesus to bear witness to his Gospel and mercy wherever we live or work. As the Lord commanded his disciples to preach the Gospel everywhere, we are also called with the same mission and zeal to ignite our minds and hearts to spread the mission to all nations.

The Emmaus disciples began their missionary work by spreading the message of the resurrected Lord to their next-door neighbours, companions, and acquaintances. It is the day to remember and rediscover our baptismal call to spread the Gospel. Let us also work in our capacity to spread the love of God in our families, workplace, and neighbourhood.

On this World Mission Sunday in a very special way, we are called to pray for all the missionaries in and around the world. Through our prayers, let us accompany them in their struggles, hardships, pains, and sufferings in spreading the Gospel. Let us also partake in the missionary activities of the Church through our spiritual and material contribution.

In his message for the World Mission Sunday Pope Francis writes: “The primary and principal resource of the mission are those persons who have come to know the Risen Christ in the Scriptures and in the Eucharist, who carry his fire in their heart and his light in their gaze. They can bear witness to the life that never dies, even in the most difficult of situations and in the darkest of moments.”

May we be people who constantly encounter the Risen Christ in the Scriptures and in the Eucharist and whose hearts are on fire and feet on the move to make him known!

Fr. Joy Raphael



Readings for the Week

Sunday 22nd - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 45:1,4-6; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5; Matthew 22:15-21

Monday 23rd - Romans 4:20-25; Luke 12:13-21

Tuesday 24th - Romans 5:12,15,17-21; Luke 12:35-38

Wednesday 25th - Romans 6:12-18; Luke 12:39-48

Thursday 26th - Romans 6:19-23; Luke 12:49-53

Friday 27th - Romans 7:18-25; Luke 12:54-59

Saturday 28th - Ephesians 2:19-22; Luke 6:12-19

Sunday 29th - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 22:20-26; 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10; Matthew 22:34-40

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)

‘From the question posed to him by the Pharisees, Jesus draws a more radical and vital question for each of us, a question we can ask ourselves: to whom do I belong? To family, to the city, to friends, to work, to politics, to the State? Yes, of course. But first and foremost — Jesus reminds us — you belong to God. This is the fundamental belonging. It is He who has given you all that you are and have.... Christians are called to commit themselves concretely in the human and social spheres without comparing “God” and “Caesar”; comparing God and Caesar would be a fundamentalist approach. Christians are called to commit themselves concretely in earthly realities, but illuminating them with the light that comes from God. The primary entrustment to God and hope in him do not imply an escape from reality, but rather the diligent rendering to God that which belongs to him. This is why a believer looks to the future reality, that of God, so as to live earthly life to the fullest, and to meet its challenges with courage.’ Pope Francis, *Angelus*, 22 October 2017

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, please complete the form at: <https://mcshwellington.org/join-the-parish/> or contact the parish office ph. 496 1700. We look forward to welcoming 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 from 5pm-5.45pm 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.



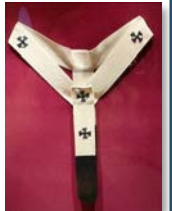
Anointing Mass: The Mass on every **Second Saturday of the month** will be an Anointing Mass. (8.30am in the Connolly Hall Chapel). All are welcome to participate and be blessed and healed by the Lord.

Labour Day As Monday 23 October is a Public Holiday for Labour Day, Mass will be at 8.30am in our Connolly Hall Chapel. There will not be any 8.00am Mass, Rosary, or 12.10pm Liturgy of the Word on that day.

PRESENTATION OF PALLIUM

On Sunday 5th of November at St Mary of the Angels 5.00pm Mass, the Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Novatus Rugambwa will invest Archbishop Paul with the Pallium. All are welcome.

The Pallium is a white woolen band with pendants in front and back worn over the chasuble by the Pope or a Metropolitan Archbishop. It symbolizes the close relationship between the Bishop of Rome and the local Church. The Pallia for all newly appointed Metropolitan Archbishops were blessed by Pope Francis in Rome on 29 June 2023, the feast of Ss Peter and Paul. The bishops of New Zealand will be present as the bishops' conference starts in Wellington the following day.



NOVEMBER – THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

During the month of November we especially remember our family members and friends who are now with God. From the beginning of the month a box will be provided in the entrance where you can place the names of your deceased loved ones. The box will be placed before the Altar during the entrance procession where the names are offered up as part of our Masses.

Parish Memorial Mass: Each year during November, the month of the Holy Souls, the Parish celebrates a Mass in memory of those who were called home to God in the previous 12 months and have a connection with the Cathedral.

This year we will celebrate this memorial as part of the **5.30pm Mass on Saturday 11 November**.

Everyone is very welcome as we remember those who have died and prayerful support those who grieve their passing. All are very welcome to join us for this special commemoration. At the beginning of Mass, we will invite a representative from those families to light a candle of remembrance that will shine in memory of their loved one throughout the Mass.

All Souls Remembrance Service

Thursday, 2 November 6.00pm

We write to invite you and your family and friends to a special All Souls joint service between Metropolitan Cathedral of the Sacred Heart and Wellington Cathedral of St Paul.

The Choir of Wellington Cathedral of St Paul will be leading our sung worship, which will feature MIHA, a new setting of the Requiem Mass in Latin and Te Reo Māori by Auckland-based composer Takarei Komene.

During the service we will remember in prayer those who have died in the last year. Cards will be available for you to fill out the name of a loved one you would like to be read out during our prayers of remembrance. There will also be an opportunity to light a candle in remembrance of your loved one.

The service will last around 75 minutes, providing time and space for reflection, and seeks to bring comfort in offering God's peace and the reassurance of our Christian faith and hope. We do hope you will be able to attend, and look forward to welcoming you. **This service is in addition to our regular Masses in our Connolly Hall Chapel which will be at 8.00am and 12.10pm on that day.**



HOLY HOUR

You are invited to come to a Holy Hour on **Tuesday 24 October** at the Connolly Hall Chapel beginning at 7.30 pm to pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Included in the hour will be prayers, praise and worship, scripture reading and silence, concluding with Benediction. All are welcome.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Mission Sunday

Today's Gospel tells us to repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God. We are reminded of our need to integrate our lives as faithful citizens with our lives as disciples of Christ. We are obligated to bring our faith and our values to all our responsibilities in life. As we celebrate World Mission Sunday this weekend, may we recognize our call to be missionary spirit no matter where we are in life.



Lord Jesus - you sustain us with the word of life.

Christ Jesus - you call us to bring your Gospel message to the world.

Lord Jesus - your word is justice for all who hunger and thirst for righteousness.

Your support for this cause is greatly appreciated.

For those of you with 'giving envelopes' there is a brown coloured envelope in your envelope pack you can use with the details of the Special Collection on it. Please ensure you put your giving number on the envelope. If you give by cash in the plate, please place your cash in an envelope and write 'Mission Sunday' on the outside.

If you give by automatic payment to the parish planned giving programme, you can still give electronically by using the same bank account you currently use, but you do need to change the transaction details for this one-off transaction to show the following:

Particulars = Your Initial and Surname

Code = Your Planned Giving Number (please contact the parish office if you are unsure of your number), and

Reference = "Mission Sunday" (this is to ensure that your donation goes to the specific cause).

"May the LORD reward your work, and your wages be full from the LORD" Ruth 2:12

BAKE SALE

MCSH Earthquake Strengthening Fundraiser

Our next Fundraising Bake Sale will be on the weekend of 4 - 5 November. Donations of baking for sale will be greatly appreciated. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Advent Liturgy Workshop

Fr Patrick Bridgman, Archdiocese of Wellington Liturgy Advisor will be presenting a Liturgy Workshop focusing on Advent. *History... Sounds and images... Relevance to today's world...*



Where: **St Bernadette's Hall, 190 Naenae Rd, Naenae**

When: **Saturday 28th October, 10am to 12pm**
Tea and Coffee from 9.30am

Please Register: **Contact Chris Walkerdine** by Wednesday 25th October.

Email: c.walkerdine@wn.catholic.org.nz
Phone: 04 496 1706



Sacred Heart Metropolitan Cathedral, the spiritual home for many Catholics in New Zealand, has been closed for earthquake strengthening and restoration for over five years.

The restoration budget was approximately \$14 million to complete the project. We have a shortfall of approximately \$1.8 million.

There are a number of fundraising initiatives in place and we ask for your support at a level that suits you. Here's one:

The Sacred Heart Cathedral RESTORATION CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

PRIZES:

1st, 2nd & 3rd each **\$1,000 New World Gift Card**

4th, 5th, 6th, 7th each **\$500 New World Gift Card**

Ticket Price: \$5 per ticket | 3 for \$10 | a book of 8 for \$20

TO BUY TICKETS:

email bobhouston@xtra.co.nz

Tell us your requirements, we will forward you the pay-in account details and send your tickets to you.

To make a donation online: www.cathedralcampaign.org.nz

Authorised by the Sacred Heart Cathedral Restoration Committee



Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy

The Gospel of Mark with Kieran Fenn frms.
Mondays, 13 and 20 November, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.
Free. Donations/Koha are appreciated.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/10/10/the-gospel-of-mark/>

YouTube Recordings

Muffin Talk radio programmes are available online at:
<https://www.studyjoy.nz/category/resources/muffin-talk/>
For more information: www.studyjoy.nz

Healing & Evangelisation – Brother Johnson Sequiera

"Brother Johnson Sequiera is the most amazing minister I have ever met. Full of healing gifts and understanding of the scriptures." Fr Dr Kevin Connors. With the approval of Archbishop Paul, International Catholic Healing Evangelist, Brother Johnson Sequiera will be ministering at St Joseph's Church, Upper Hutt on Tuesday **24th October at 7:30pm** and Wednesday **25th October at 6:30pm**. Brother Johnson will also be in the church foyer on Tuesday from 4pm–6:30pm and Wednesday 3pm–6:30pm.

SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL PARISH

Please keep in your prayers

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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, Thorndon

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

8.00am Tuesday to Friday

12.10pm Tuesday to Friday

Saturday / Public Holiday

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=240>

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

Ron Fowler

Phil Hickey



Gabrielle McLeavey

Raquel Panganiban

June Swain

Wilijono Tanudjojo

Barbara Gore
(Sister of Sr Marie)



Remembering the Dead

Recently Deceased:

Tonina Pasquale - 22
September in Italy. Sister of
Bianca Cassino

Kevin Whooley - 28 September,
brother of John Whooley.

Sara Parker - 28 September,
Wife of Tony Parker

Graham Dee - 4 October

Betty Lai - 10 October

October Anniversaries:

Paul (Budgie) Jacobsen (4 Oct)

Joseph Claude Fernando (4 Oct)

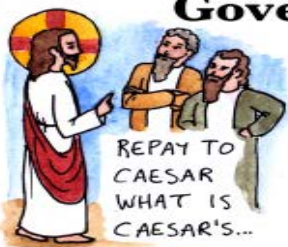
Sr Marcellin Wilson RSM (24 Oct)

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



CHILDREN'S CORNER

Should we Obey the Government?



REPAY TO
CAESAR
WHAT IS
CAESAR'S...

The Pharisees in today's Gospel reading were trying to trick Jesus and make Him say something wrong. They asked Him whether they should pay taxes to the pagan emperor. If He said no then He would be speaking against the emperor, but if He said yes then it would seem like He was saying that it was good for the Jews to be ruled by the pagan Romans.

But Jesus knew what the Pharisees were trying to do. He told them to show Him a coin, and asked them whose picture was on it. They said it was Caesar's (the Roman emperor's,) so Jesus told them, "Then repay to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's." He was telling them that they should obey the rulers of the land, but also that they should obey God.

We have two kinds of laws: God's laws and the laws of our governments. Both are for our own good, but God's laws are more important. We should obey the government's laws as long as they agree with God's laws, but we must always obey God's laws. Can you think of some laws that the government makes that are for our good?



The Kids' Bulletin

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 22nd, 2023



In today's Gospel reading, some men asked Jesus if it was right to pay tax. What did Jesus ask them to show Him? Connect the dots to find out!

Answers to math puzzle: words are in this order: 8:Lord, 5:song, 6:sing, 9:hands, 7:glory, 2:nations, 3:peoples, 4:deeds.

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