

# Catholic Parish of Wellington South

From the coast to the harbour

St Anne's  
St Bernard's  
St Francis de Sales  
St Joseph's

*We are a community of joyful disciples growing together and sharing Christ's message  
Ko tātou tetahi hāpori o ngā ākonga harikoa, e whakatupu ngātahi ana, e ruia ana te karere o Hēhu Karaiti*

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### St Anne's

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**Office open:** Mondays & Fridays  
9:30am to 12:30pm

### St Joseph's

Ellice Street, Mt Victoria. Tel: 385 0915  
**Office open:** Tuesdays & Thursdays  
9:30am to 12:30pm

### St Bernard's

Taft Street, Brooklyn. Tel: 934 4099

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

24th September 2017

## How can our faith communities respond to Synod '17's command "haere, tukuna – go, you are sent"?

This was the question 350 Catholics from the Wellington Archdiocese explored last weekend at Synod '17. The weekend – a culmination of months of prayer, planning, discussion, submissions, inspiration and hard work – was an inclusive and culturally diverse event.

Prayers and readings were offered by representatives in the Maori, Tongan, Tamil, Samoan and Tagalog languages; the music was described as "superb"; and young people featured strongly in leading prayers, contributing to discussions and adding to the vibrant and hopeful mood.

Beginning with Vespers at Wellington's Sacred Heart Cathedral – which opened with Cardinal John reading an encouraging message from Cardinal Pietro Parolin on behalf of Pope Francis – a weekend of goodwill, fellowship, discussion and discernment followed.

Throughout Saturday and Sunday, participants worked in a series of small groups to explore the 11 topics identified in the planning process:

After intensive work summarising and analysing the results, the organisers presented Cardinal John with 120 recommendations for him to consider.

One of the organisers pointed out that these recommendations resulting from Synod '17 will form the bones of a long term plan for the archdiocese.

When discussing the weekend, many participants commented on how enlightening and stimulating they found it. "Fantastically well organised; hats off to the behind-scenes workers," a small group agreed. "Hearing from young people was refreshing," several people said.

Young people themselves were positive about the opportunity to contribute. "It was a very insightful experience. I'm honoured and privileged to be part of it," a young woman said. Her friend was just as positive: "It's inspiring and hopeful for the future of the Church". "Wonderful and uplifting," added the oldest participant.

Cardinal John is delighted with Synod '17's success. "A wonderful weekend with great participation and an appreciation for the discernment process used."

Source: Juliet Palmer  
CathNews New Zealand

### Psalm Response:

*The Lord is near to all who call him*

### Gospel Acclamation:

*Open our hearts, O Lord,  
to listen to the words of your Son.*

### Prayers of the Faithful:

*E te Ariki, Whakarongo mai ra ki a matou.*

*peripheries of society  
developing a spirituality of  
service  
finding leaders  
using assets wisely  
deepening bicultural relationship  
members of one Body of Christ  
your own peripheries  
caring for creation  
fellow Christians  
accompanying one another  
supporting marriage and families*

### Rest in Peace Fr Eric Ulrich

Our dear friend Fr Eric Ulrich, who worked for many years in the Wellington Archdiocese, died peacefully in Kaikoura on Saturday 16th September. His funeral was celebrated in the Church of Sacred Heart Kaikoura on Thursday 21st September. He will be remembered by many in prayers and Mass offerings at this time.

### Next Social Justice Meeting

Wednesday 11th October from 6pm to 7pm in the Bill Pearce Room at St Joseph's.

### Lectio Divina Sunday - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In his recent document "Misericordia et Misera", Pope Francis invites us to "make the Sacred Scripture better known". In response, the Archdiocese of Wellington has set aside 28/29 October, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, to be given over entirely to the Word of God. The practice of Lectio Divina will be used in our Masses that weekend to help support and strengthen our spiritual life. More details will be given closer to the time.

**St Francis de Sales Rosary Statue** will be with Tony & Eileen Muollo, 175 Clyde Street, Island Bay. Please consider having the Rosary Statue in your home for a week.

**Christian Life Programme** - Couples for Christ Wellington. Saturday afternoons 2pm to 4pm at St Francis de Sales Hall, Island Bay. Visit [www.couplesforchristwellington.nz](http://www.couplesforchristwellington.nz)

### Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship Wellington

Thursday 21st of September, 7:30pm in Connolly Hall, Guildford Terrace. Speaker: Fr Peter Ewart sm, on "The Holy Spirit" Call John Taylor: 389-8915 or 021-107-8538

### Multicultural Mission Concert

Hosted by the Sisters of St. Peter Claver on Sunday 15 October, 2pm to 4pm at St. Patrick's Hall, 15-19 Rongatai Road, Kilbirnie. Admission: \$5.00 For enquiries call 383 8401.

**Christian Meditation** on Monday, 7pm at the Home of Compassion. All are welcome.

**A time to explore a possible calling from God** to become a Sister of Mercy. Single women are invited to attend an event at Te Wāhanga Atawhai Mercy Conference Centre, Guildford Tce, Thorndon, Wellington on Saturday 30 September from 1.30pm – 5pm. For enquiries, please contact Sister Stephanie on 04-8198312 or [skit2@xtra.co.nz](mailto:skit2@xtra.co.nz). Come along and bring a friend!

### Monthly Teaching Night @ St Anne's Hall, Newtown

Next teaching night is on Wednesday 27th September, at 7:30pm. Theme: *Praying in Tongues* Speaker: Fr John Rea. Evening includes Praise & Worship, group discussion and fellowship. Everyone is welcome!

**Do you know a child who would benefit from being in a smaller class?** St Bernard's School Brooklyn has places available immediately in years 1-8 for both Catholic and non-Catholic children. Our average class size is 16 and children of all abilities achieve excellent academic results.

We are not zoned. Before and after-school care is available on-site. For more information, please contact us on [principal@stbernards.school.nz](mailto:principal@stbernards.school.nz) or 389 9377 or visit us at 40 Taft St, Brooklyn.



ST. BERNARD'S SCHOOL  
*be ara ki to ao*

### Liturgical Ministries Formation - Sunday 15th October

Following the Parish Gifting Sunday, we are running a Liturgical Ministries formation afternoon on Sunday 15th October from 2pm to 4pm at St Joseph's Church. Fr Joe Grayland will lead a reflection on the role of these ministries within the Mass. Those who have signed up and/or are currently serving in the ministries of Proclaimer, Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, Sacristan and RCIA are encouraged to attend. Practical sessions will be offered at a later date in each Church community. This formation is important for our own faith lives, and for the life of the community as we contribute to it in this way.

### Rest home liturgies

A training programme for those who are able to lead a liturgy for elderly in rest homes in the parish will start later this month. The training will include how to prepare, finding the correct readings, writing prayers, special needs of the elderly. Email Terry McAuliffe ([mcauliffes@xtra.co.nz](mailto:mcauliffes@xtra.co.nz)) or the parish office.

### St Joseph's Sunday Lunch Group

Bangalore Polo Club this Sunday 24th September at 12.00 pm. All welcome. Contact Kathleen on 027 665 8479.

### New initiative for our parish children from Scouting NZ

A special presentation will be made at the vigil Mass on Saturday 30 September and all Masses on Sunday 1 October regarding the Scouting organisation and the children and young persons of the parish. If you have school aged children then this presentation is not to be missed.

**Advent and Christmas Liturgy Workshop** – An interactive workshop with Fr Patrick Bridgman, looking at liturgies for the seasons of Advent and Christmas, including symbols and resources. Registrations to [a.williams@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:a.williams@wn.catholic.org.nz) before 2nd October. Workshop, repeated on Thursday 5th October 7-9pm, Lecture Room 1, Catholic Centre, 22 Hill Street, Wellington. Saturday 7th October 10-12 noon, St Theresa's Parish Hall, 210 St Andrews Road, Plimmerton.

**David Haas Workshops** – David, a musician and composer of contemporary liturgical music, will present three workshops on 13th and 14th October in Wellington. Please see flyer on the church noticeboard for more information. Enquiries and registrations by 11 October to [a.williams@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:a.williams@wn.catholic.org.nz)

## Compassion Calendar Events

### Saturday 7 October

Pilgrimage within Wellington: Srs Jo Gorman and Sue Cosgrove will lead a pilgrimage around Wellington to the places special to Suzanne Aubert. This will begin at Island Bay and will include following in the footsteps of the remarkable Suzanne Aubert. 9am-4pm, starting from Our Lady's Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine St, Island Bay, Wellington. More information: [retreat@compassion.org.nz](mailto:retreat@compassion.org.nz)

### Saturday 14 October

Invitation: You are invited to gather for the Karakia Whakatūwheratanga the Rededication of Our Lady's Home of Compassion and the Blessing of the Final Resting Place of Ko te Kaurangi nei a Meri Hōhepa the Miha to celebrate the 125th founding of the Sisters of Compassion by the Venerable Suzanne Aubert. 6am-3pm, 6am-6.15am gather for the Karakia Whakatūwheratanga (Dawn ceremony) to commence at 6.30am, 11am Miha (Mass), breakfast and lunch provided, rsvp by 30 September: [islandbay@compassion.org.nz](mailto:islandbay@compassion.org.nz) or Ph. 04 383 7769.

"Gratitude is the most beautiful ornament of the human heart." **Venerable Suzanne Aubert**

# Life Teen Summer Camp Aotearoa

Are you 18+ and looking for your next faith-related adventure? Life Teen Summer Camp is currently looking for Summer Missionaries for their upcoming camp! Camp will run from the 13th till 21st January 2018 in Otaki. Life Teen Summer Camp is a great way for young people to engage in their Catholic faith (and serve teenagers from all over New Zealand). For information visit <https://lifeteen.nz/mission> or email [lifeteensummercampnz@gmail.com](mailto:lifeteensummercampnz@gmail.com)

## Compassion Soup Kitchen needs your support.

October 13th - 14 Hours Homeless - everybody Deserves a Home. Sleep out to raise awareness and funds to create positive change for Wellingtonians experiencing homelessness. Go online to find out more and to register. Join Sister Lusiana, staff and volunteers at the Compassion Soup Kitchen participating in this event. Be with us and stand in solidarity with people who find themselves homeless. <http://www.14hourshomeless.org.nz/event/Wellington>

## Hearts Aflame 2018: Faithful to His Promises

December 29, 2017 - January 7, 2018 @ 12:00 pm  
Hearts Aflame Catholic Summer School:  
ten days of inspiration, prayer, community, learning & encounter. Register now for the best summer experience of your life! Early Bird Registration: \$495. 11 September – 29 October

## Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, 3-5 November

A retreat weekend for those whose lives have been touched by abortion. An opportunity for healing to any woman or man who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of abortion. All enquiries are strictly confidential.  
Contact Wendy Hill [rvnzretreats@gmail.com](mailto:rvnzretreats@gmail.com) or 027 2549222 or visit [www.rachelsvineyard.org.nz](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org.nz)

## Holy Hour

You are invited to a Holy Hour on Tuesday 26 September beginning at 7.30 pm in the Cathedral chapel to pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. This Holy Hour will include prayers, Scripture, times of silence, praise and worship and conclude with Benediction followed by supper.

## Grace Anointing Retreat

Fr Dominic Valanmanal- International Catholic preacher will conduct a healing spiritual retreat on Wed 27th & Thursday 28th September from 9:30 am – 1:00 pm at St Teresa's Catholic Church, Karori. On 27th Wednesday September Cardinal John will be celebrating Holy mass at 9:30 am. Only street parking available. For further information contact Ted Jordan [ted.j@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ted.j@xtra.co.nz)

## Vinnies Book Fair

Saturday 30 September – Sunday 1 October, at St Anne's Hall You are all invited to join us for a browse through the collection OR if you are available to assist during the event please email Ana, [community@vinnieswgtn.org.nz](mailto:community@vinnieswgtn.org.nz); we appreciate the ongoing support and being generous with your time.

## 2040 SOCIAL CLUB

Outdoor activities and social events for 20 to 40 year olds. Walk: Saturday 30 Sept, Meet at Wendy's, Reading Cinemas, Courtenay Place at 11.00am. Walk to Oriental Bay.



**SYNOD '17**

## Go, you are sent...

*Our Synod is over,  
and now the work begins...*

*"Go, you are sent:  
to live your life gratefully,  
to give God thanks always.*

*Go, you are sent:  
to do your job well.*

*Go, you are sent:  
to enjoy this life's pleasures and promises.  
Yes, and even more.*

*Go, you are sent:  
to heal the earth of polluted  
waters and poisoned skies.*

*Go, you are sent:  
to resist the purchase of military  
armaments with money that could  
buy milk or books for children.*

*Go, you are sent:  
to nurture and protect life,  
from conception to natural death.*

*Go, you are sent:  
to make sure that the sick have  
adequate healthcare,  
regardless of their ability to pay.*

*Go, you are sent:  
to welcome the immigrant,  
to embrace the foreigner.*

*Go, you are sent:  
to forgive the one who has wronged you  
and to seek forgiveness from  
those you have wronged.*

*Go, you are sent:  
to love, and to love some more.*

*Go, you are sent. You are sent. You are sent.  
Thanks be to God."*

**Parish Bank  
Details:  
ADW - CPWS  
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## Our Vision Statement

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Visit us on Facebook at Catholic Parish of Wellington South



Sunday 24	9:15am 2pm / 6pm 5:00pm	Divine Mercy Devotions @ St Francis de Sales Divine Mercy Devotions @ St Anne's Life Teen @ St Anne's Church + Hall
Monday 25	4:00pm 7:00pm	Prayer Group @ St Francis de Sales Church Meditation @ Home of Compassion Island Bay
Tuesday 26	1:45pm	Ladies' Auxiliary @ St Francis de Sales Presbytery
Wednesday 27	7:30pm	Teaching Night with Fr John Rea @ St Anne's Hall
Thursday 28	9:30am	Mothers' Prayers @ St Francis de Sales Presbytery
Friday 29	2:30pm	Adoration with the Missionaries of Charity @ St Anne's
Saturday 30	2:00pm 6:00pm	Couples for Christ Seminar @ St Francis de Sales Hall Vigli Mass @ St Francis de Sales
Sunday 1	9:15am 2pm / 6pm	Divine Mercy Devotions @ St Francis de Sales Divine Mercy Devotions @ St Anne's

Please remember in prayer all who are sick, those who are lonely and worried, and those who have died recently and their families.

**Masses offered for**

- Fr Eirc Urlich (RIP)
- Nawab bibi (Teresa Sardar's mother) RIP
- Laura Mollo
- Angelina Mollo
- Ferdinando & Michael Petagna
- Guadilla Madriaga
- Juan Madriaga

## Refugee Resettlement in Wellington

The next group of families will be arriving in Wellington in the week beginning Monday 9th October. Our Parish of 4 churches will be assisting with the set up of a house for a family of five (parents and 3 children). On Sunday 24th September and Sunday 1st October we will have a list in each of the 4 churches of household items required for this family.

The list of items includes- blankets, towels, duvets, plates and cutlery and kitchen appliances.

We are asking that any items being donated are new or in good order. Please consider signing up to bring one of the requested items and bring the items that you agree to donate to the Sunday morning masses on Sunday 8th October for collection. We appreciate the generosity of parishioners in supporting this initiative.

**Parish Social Justice Group - Phone John Feeney and Sue Johnson for further information on 386 4956**

### Parish Stewardship Day

led by Cardinal John Dew  
Saturday 18th November  
@ St Anne's Hall, Newtown  
1:30pm to 4:30pm



## Stewardship

a way of life

The day will focus on our future plans and direction as a parish. All are invited.

**Every life is precious!** 40 years since the passing of the Contraception, Sterilisation and Abortion Act almost 500,000 preborn New Zealanders have been aborted and countless women have been wounded physically, emotionally and spiritually. Join pro-life New Zealanders in Wellington Saturday 9th December at 2pm for a National March for Life. Be a voice for the voiceless and let New Zealand know that we love them both! The March starts at the Civic Square and will end in the Parliament Grounds.

*Blessed are the open hands that embrace the poor and help them: they are hands that bring hope. Blessed are the hands that reach beyond every barrier of culture, religion and nationality, and pour the balm of consolation over the wounds of humanity. Blessed are the open hands that ask nothing in exchange, with no "ifs" or "buts" or "maybes": they are hands that call down God's blessing upon their brothers and sisters.*

**Pope Francis, Message for the First World Day of the Poor, 2017**

### Masses this week

**Tuesday**  
8:15am St Joseph's

**Wednesday**  
9am St Bernard's School

**Thursday**  
10am St Anne's

**Friday**  
9:00am St Francis de Sales

**Saturday**  
10am St Anne's

### Weekend Mass Times

**Sunday Vigil Mass**  
Saturday 6pm alternating between

- St Francis de Sales every 1st, 3rd and 5th **Sunday** of the month
- St Bernard's every 2nd and 4th **Sunday** of the month.

**Sunday Mass**

9am Mass	St Anne's
9am Mass	St Joseph's
10.30am Mass	St Francis de Sales
10.30am Mass	St Bernard's
5pm Mass	St Anne's

### This week's readings

Sunday	Isaiah 55:6-9; Phil 1:20-24, 27; Matt 20:1-16
Monday	Ezra 1:1-6; Luke 8:16-18
Tuesday	Ezra 6:7-8. 12. 14-20; Luke 8:19-21
Wed	Ezra 9:5-9; Luke 9:1-6
Thursday	Haggai 1:1-8; Luke 9:7-9
Friday	Daniel 7:9-10. 13-14; John 1:47-51
Saturday	Zechariah 2:5-9. 14-15; Luke 9:43-45
Sunday	Ez 18:25-28; Phil 2:1-11; Matt 21:28-32

**Reconciliation** Saturday 10:30am @ St Anne's and before/after weekend Masses