



Catholic Parish of Wellington South

In the spirit of Suzanne Aubert

We are a community of joyful disciples growing together and sharing Christ's message

Ko tātou tetahi hāpori o ngā ākonga harikoo, e whakatupu ngātahi ana, e ruia ana te karere o Hēhu Karaiti



Sunday August 14

20th Sunday Ordinary Time

The door of God's mercy is narrow but is always open to everyone! A narrow door to restrain our pride and our fear; a door open wide because God welcomes us without distinction.

Pope Francis: Angelus 21 Aug 2016

Now

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday 15 August

9am Mass St Francis de Sales

Coming Up

Samoan language Mass at St Anne's

Sunday 21 August 11am

Next meeting of the Parish Council

Wednesday 24 August

Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

Thursday 1 September

Weekend Mass

Vigil Mass

6pm St Francis de Sales

Sunday Mass:

9am St Anne's

10.30am St Francis de Sales

5pm St Anne's

Samoan Mass: Every 3rd Sunday
11am at St Anne's

Weekday Mass

Mon: 9am Mass St Francis de Sales.

Tues: 10am Liturgy at St Anne's

Thurs: 10am St Anne's Mass

Fri: 9.15am St Francis De Sales Mass

Sat: 10am St Anne's Mass

Gospel Reflection

I have come to set the earth on fire

In today's gospel Jesus tells the crowds that he came to bring fire – a blaze across the earth!

On these cold winter days, when we think of fire it brings images of comfort, a glow, light and warmth. However, as we've seen in the recent wildfires in California, fire can be dangerous and cause destruction.

What does 'fire' mean in the context of today's Gospel? It is said to mean the fire of the divine love of God, the fire of the Holy Spirit. This holy fire burns, purifies, transforms, overwhelms, thrills and energises.

Jesus spoke with an intensity about the holy fire, with power, and an eagerness to accomplish God's will.

God's will demands service for common good – no matter the risk. Making a decision to serve God and each other, doesn't always make everyone happy. It can challenge injustice and bother those who don't want to change for good. There may be misunderstanding or ill treatment. This could divide families and households. As Christians we don't tend to like division. In these situations, take time to invite the Lord to be with you. Ask him to guide and strengthen you as you need. Stay close to him as you make a stand for what is right and good. By doing this you will be a blessing and light for others. When we bring light to others it multiplies, then suddenly, the earth is a blaze.

Today, what are the ways we can kindle a light?

Lord that we might experience the fire of your love in our hearts today.

Christine Ammunson



Responsorial Psalm: Lord, come to my aid!

Gospel acclamation: My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

Remembering the Holy Souls

RIP: Anne Richards (*Mother of Penny and Emma*) Stanko Barbalich

Anniversary: Felomina Catalan, Rosita Dacuyan, Esmeralda Cornelia, Regina Sison, Rosendo Corsame, Argio Cimafranca, Nina De Gregorio, Assunta De Gregorio, Liberato De Gregorio, Pasquale De Gregorio, Maria Mollo, Antonio Mollo, Ruffy Mollo, Cataldo De Gregorio, Tina Cuccurullo, Genaro Cuccurullo, Aldo Cuccurullo, Bruce Kelly, Norma Harris, Iris Albrecht, Giuseppe Muollo, May Earskine-Shaw, Guy Famularo, Vlado Barbalich



Te Ara a Maria

The arrival of the Icon was delayed because of the bad weather and Ferry cancellations.

However with the help of Kory Wilson and the year 8 students at St Anne's school, the Icon was successfully installed and opened for devotions at St Anne's Church.



A **Mass of the Dedication** of St Mary of the Angels in Wellington as the National Shrine to Mary, Mother of God, Assumed into Heaven will be held at St Mary of the Angels on **Sunday 14 August 2022 at 2pm.**

The Mass will be the culmination of the year-long nationwide hikoī of the artwork Ko Hāta Maria, te Matua Wahine o te Atua (Holy Mary, Mother of God) by the artist Damien Walker (Studio of Saint Philomena, Rangiora). The hikoī began with a Mass at St Mary of the Angels on the Feast of the Assumption last year. The artwork will go on permanent display in St Mary of the Angels after the 14 August Mass.

Young Church Mass is back in August!!

The Young Church are excited to be joining Cardinal John and Life Teen Petone for Young Church Mass on Sunday 21st August 5.30pm at Sacred Heart Church, Petone. Come and bring your friends along.

Catholic Foundation Scholarships for students entering their first year of tertiary education opened on 01 August – the application and criteria are available on our website. www.catholicfoundation.org.nz

Readings for this week

Sun 14 August: Jer 38:46,8-10; Hew 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53
Mon 15 August: Apoc 11:19,12:1-6,10; Cor 15:20-26; Lk 1:39-56
Tues 16 August: Ez 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30
Wed 17 August: Ez 34:1-11; JMt 20:1-16
Thurs 18 August: Ez 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14
Fri 19 August: Ez 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40
Sat 20 August: Ez 43:1-7; Mt 23:1-12



St Bernard's School Masses

Wednesday 17th August to celebrate The Assumption
Wednesday 14th September celebrating The Holy Cross.
Our class masses continue to be held in Room 3 at 9am on every Wednesday of the term when there is no Whole School Mass. All parishioners are most welcome to attend any of these celebrations of Eucharist. Masks continue to be required when attending masses in hall and in Room 3. We would love to see parishioners joining us again.



Social Justice Week- Sunday 4th Sept to Saturday 10th Sept, focuses on the topic of racism in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Whakakāhoretia te kaikiri. Kotahi anō tātou i roto i te Karaiti / say no to racism. We are one in Christ. The NZ Bishops want us to reflect on the question, 'How are we becoming one in Christ?'
Log into <https://www.caritas.org.nz/parishes/social-justice-week> to look at/ download the material

Social Justice Week Racism Workshop

The combined Social Justice group of SMOA and CPWS invites you to the workshop:

Topic: 'Recognising racism and taking personal responsibility'

Date: Sunday 4th Sept

Venue: St Anne's Hall

Time 2.00 – 4.30pm

Presenter: Danielle Webb. Danielle is a former Archdiocesan staff member and member of the Ecology, Justice and Peace Commission.

To enrol contact CPWS office or John Feeney: 04 3864956 Elizabeth Julian: 3892553, Or see them after Mass. You can also just turn up on the day but we are just wanting an indication of how many people may attend.

Joshua Wellington invites men to join us on Thursday 18th August 2022 starting 7:30pm sharp followed by a cuppa.

Venue: 'Loaves and Fishes' next to Anglican Cathedral of St Paul, corner Hill and Molesworth Streets

Intro talk and activity: "What can we learn from Joshua OT in Joshua 2022?" Want to know more? Ring Steve Ready 027-356-9555 email: joshua.wgtn@gmail.com

The Chrism Mass for this year will be celebrated at St Teresa's Pro-Cathedral on Wednesday 14th September at 7pm. Parishes are requested to have representatives appointed to collect the Holy Oils at that Mass.

Baptisms: We welcome into our Parish Family Henry Cho who will be Baptised at St Anne's this weekend



Reconciliation available Saturdays 10.30 @ St Anne's

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St Francis de Sales