



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 harikoa, e whakatupu ngātahi ana, e ruia ana te karere o Hēhu Karaiti



21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 22 August 2021

God is eternal newness. He impels us constantly to set out anew, to pass beyond what is familiar, to the fringes and beyond.

Pope Francis: Gaudete et Exsultate (paragraph 135)

Now

Parish Hui

Sunday 22 August after the 9am Mass at St Anne's

Coming Up

2nd COVID Vaccination Event

Saturday 28 August
Cnr Constable & Daniell St

School/Church Mass

Sunday 29 August
10.30am St Francis de Sales

Season of Creation

September

From Cardinal John

I have been surprised lately at how many people have been writing to me asking why we still do not have holy water in the fonts in our churches, why they are not able to receive Communion from the chalice or on the tongue, and why they cannot exchange the Sign of Peace by shaking hands or a hug.

We are in the midst of a world-wide pandemic; we know it is dangerous and deadly. I believe we are obliged to take every precaution we can to keep others safe. Some have written to me saying that I have given in to a Marxist Government and that the pandemic is all a hoax. My response to them is always the same, we are obliged to keep everyone safe.

The coronavirus has dramatically changed our world and has altered the way we worship, but in level One we are still able to go to Mass and we are still able to receive Holy Communion. Because we cannot receive the Precious Blood at the moment does not mean that we are not receiving the Risen Lord in the Eucharist. Even if we were to receive only a tiny part of the host, we are actually receiving the whole Christ. We are transformed into Christ himself. Remembering that and giving thanks for the gift we receive may help us to look for ways to keep others safe.

The delta variant of the virus is rampant, and it is easy to see that it would not take much for it to spread here rapidly as it is in Australia and out of control in other parts of the world.

Please be assured that the measures we are taking have been recommended to us by the Ministry of Health and we have asked everyone to do this specifically to keep one another safe.

Nāku noa. Nā
+ John

Weekend Mass Times

Vigil Mass

6pm St Francis de Sales

Sunday Mass:

9am St Anne's

10.30am St Francis de Sales

5pm St Anne's

Weekday Mass Times

Monday: 9am Mass St Francis de Sales

Tuesday: 10am Liturgy at St Anne's

Wednesday: 9am at St Bernard's Hall

Thursday: 10am St Anne's **Not 19th**

Friday: 9am St Francis De Sales **Not 20th**

Saturday: 10am St Anne's

Covid 19 Update

We are at Level 4 until Friday midnight, and await information from the Government about what Level we will move to on Saturday.

**In the Archdiocese of Wellington, at Alert Level Two or above there can be NO MASS
Mass can be accessed online at**

<https://kapiti-catholic.org.nz/kapiti/mass-times>

Responsorial Psalm: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Gospel acclamation: Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life.

Remembering the Holy Souls

RIP: Fr Don Morrison

Anniversary: Rosalia DeGreggorio, May Earskine-Shaw



For the latest information visit the Parish Website - wellingtonsouthcatholic.org

First Holy Communion



Last Sunday a group of children from our Parish celebrated their First Holy Communion. A big thank you to

everyone involved in helping out last Sunday. What a wonderful day we made for our young people!

Fifth Parish Hui at St Anne's This Sunday, provided we are back to Level 1, we will hold our fifth parish hui in the St Anne's church foyer after the 9am Mass. We have changed our regular Hui schedule to the fourth Sunday of each month in response to requests from parishioners from Brooklyn and the Samoan community in Newtown who wish to attend. We would like to encourage more parishioners from both Brooklyn and Island Bay to join us. We usually meet for one hour and discuss whichever topics those attending suggest.

Hearing Loops in our Churches

In order to assess just what hearing assistive technology is best for St Anne's, those who are hearing impaired are most welcome to meet at St Anne's Church, 1.30pm on 31 August. The purpose is to discuss what hearing assistance best meets the requirements of those who wear hearing aids.

The Chris Skinner concert at St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria, on Sunday 22 August is cancelled as Father Chris Skinner cannot come from Auckland to Wellington.

Readings for this week

Sun 22 August: Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b. Ephesians 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32. Gospel John 6:60-69

Mon 23 Aug: Rv 21:9b-14. Gospel John 1:45-51

Tues 24 Aug: Genesis 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Gospel Mk 8:14-21

Wed 25 Aug: 1 Thes 2:9-13 Gospel Mt 23:27-32

Thurs 26 Aug: 1 Thes 3:7-13 Gospel Mt 24:42-51

Friday 27 Aug: 1 Thes 4:1-8 Gospel Mt 25:1-13

Saturday 28 Aug: 1 Thes 4:9-11 Gospel Mt 25:14-30

From St Anne's liturgy Committee: Celebrating the 2021 Season of Creation 'A home for all? Renewing the Oikos of God' (1 Sept-4 Oct) Something for everyone at St Anne's!

1. **Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion** to begin the Season of Creation, Wednesday, 1 September at 9.00.
2. **Sunday Eucharist** throughout the Season will include creation focused hymns and prayers, taking into account **Social Justice Week**. A culture of encounter (12 – 18 September and **Māori Language Week** 13-19 September.
3. Each Sunday (1 Sept-4 Oct) there will be a recycling table in the foyer. Please bring an item(s) that you no longer need or want but may be useful for someone else. Leave it on the table. There may be an item on the table that you want. Please feel free to take it.
4. Each Monday at 7pm there will be a half hour of prayer (including singing) beginning with a **traditional Catholic prayer** (Rosary, Stations, Litany, Lectio Divina, Examen) all with a *Laudato si'* focus.
5. All parishioners are encouraged to commit to a local **sustainability project** (e.g., local park, beach, street, or parish peace garden clean-up).
6. Parishioners will also be encouraged to display and use the Season of Creation daily calendar available here <https://institute.mercy.org.au/mia-season-ofcreation-calendar-1-september-4-october/>
7. On Tuesday 29 September at 7pm we will host an **Ecumenical Prayer Service** followed by a cup of tea.



Te Ara a Maria: Mary's Way.

New Zealand's Catholic bishops gathered on Sunday 15 August in an overflowing St Mary of the Angels church in Wellington for a special Mass to rededicate Aotearoa New Zealand to Mary Assumed into Heaven. An Aotearoa-themed artwork depicting Mary and the child Jesus, was welcomed to St Mary of the Angels and unveiled during the Mass.

CHURCH/SCHOOL SUNDAY MASS + BAPTISM

SUNDAY 29 AUGUST We are having a School/Church Sunday Mass on Sunday 29 August at St Francis de Sales at 10.30am. If you or someone you know is interested in participating in the sacrament of baptism this year, please email vanessa.mccormack@sdfs.school.nz



Baptisms:

We welcome into our Parish Family Kyah Larsen, Maia & Mason Tyrrell Who were Baptised at St Francis de Sales last weekend

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