



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



22nd Sunday in Ordinary

Time

Sunday 28 August 2021

Jesus wants to caution us too, today, against the belief that outward observance of the law is enough to make us good Christians. It is not the external things that make us holy or unholy, but the heart which expresses our intentions, our choices, and the will to do all, for the love of God.

Pope Francis – Angelus, 30 August 2015

Now

All Masses cancelled until further notice

Zoom Sunday Liturgy Sunday 29 August 10am

Coming Up

Fathers Day

Sunday 5 September

Season of Creation September

From Fr Doug

"Compassion is born from contemplation", Pope Francis said, and by learning to truly rest we can be authentically compassionate. By staying close to the Lord and true to who we are, all of our activities and outreach will not have the better of us, the Pope said, summarizing it by saying "We need an 'ecology of the heart', that is made up of rest, contemplation and compassion".

Jesus in all His teachings taught the 'primacy of the heart.' He knew all goodness and love were outpourings of a pure heart just as all evil and indifference were outpourings of an unclean heart. Later in Mark's Gospel Jesus invited everyone: 'Set your hearts first on the Kingdom of God.' Jesus believed that when people's hearts are centred on God, they are set free from the so-called human rules and regulations that would script their every move and action just as the Pharisees had done to the Jewish people. So, Jesus places great emphasis on the human heart, and we can see why. The heart is the source from which all our thoughts, words, and deeds flow. If our heart is clean, then all that flows from it will be clean, like 'water flowing from a pure stream.' The Pharisees paid more attention to the outside of the person rather than the inside. They were more preoccupied with having clean hands than having clean hearts.

The 'ecology of our hearts' centred on God gives us the courage and compassion to live through the trials and tribulations of the present. It is the strength of our faith communities that keeps us connected and supported. Wonderful parishioners have been phoning our more vulnerable members of the parish. Thank you for your care and compassion.

I hope everybody is getting the most out of their bubble. I am lucky to have Fr Cirilo and Mons Gerry in our bubble, and we are able to have a community Mass here. Be assured that our prayers are with you and your loved ones. I am looking forward to when we can all be together again.

With every blessing

Fr Doug

No 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

No Weekday Mass

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

Friday: 9am St Francis De Sales

Covid 19 Update

We are still at Level 4 until Friday midnight, and await information from the Government about what Level we will move to next. In the Archdiocese of Wellington, at Alert Level Two or above there can be NO MASS

Mass can be accessed online at

<https://www.cdh.org.nz/livestream>

Responsorial Psalm: The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Gospel acclamation: The Father willed to give us birth by the word of truth.

Remembering the Holy Souls

RIP: Philippa McCullough Funeral Saturday 11am (Priest only)

Anniversary: Ruth Spelman (*Sara's sister*) Patrick Bruce

Francesco (Mimi) Di Leva and Gino Di Leva. Victor Clive George

Efren Rudolpho



For the latest information visit the Parish Website - wellington.southcatholic.org

A parish response in a time of COVID lockdown:

As we enter into the second week of level 4 lockdown it is timely to turn our minds to the well-being of our fellow parishioners.

In the Gospel of the Feast of St Bartholomew the following words from Jesus stood out for me, "Before Phillip came to call you, I saw you sitting under the fig tree". Such a simple statement – Jesus takes ownership.

In this time of COVID lockdown, when people may need additional support, we might again turn to the most simple of actions in supporting each other.

Pivotal to a parish response is each parishioner taking responsibility for those in our "network of relationships", "jointly living out our mission and service", exercising our "ministries and competencies" (to quote the International Theological Commission writing about what is a parish). Chairpersons and coordinators of groups might take the opportunity to touch base with those in the groups they lead.

Now is the time to reach out to others. We are able to do more than we think we can, if we act as the collective a parish is. Between that and our parish email network, we will have considerable coverage. If we find people in need, we have points of contact that might be able to assist.

Joe Green



Last Wednesday the newly refurbished St Francis de Sales Hall was used as a **Vaccination Centre**. There was a very good turn out and many locals attended.

2022 Applications for Suzanne Aubert Tertiary Scholarships are open

Tertiary students in the Archdiocese of Wellington and Palmerston North entering their third year of study are invited to apply for a scholarship. Each student selected receives \$3,000 towards their studies. Closing date 1 Oct.

<https://compassion.org.nz/latest-news/suzanne-aubert-tertiary-scholarship-2022>

Catholic Social Services have provided a list of agencies that can help people in need

https://cdn.fld.nz/uploads/sites/wn-catholic-social-services/files/Documents/Wellington_Hutt_Valley_and_Porirua_list_of_services.pdf

Readings for this week

Sun 29 August: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8 ; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Mon 30 Aug: 1 Thes 4:13-18 ; Lk 4:16-30

Tues 31 Aug: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37

Wed 1 Sept Col 1:1-8 ; Lk 4:38-44

Thurs 2 Sept: Col 1:9-14 ; Lk 5:1-11

Friday 3 Sept: Col 1:15-20 ; Lk 5:33-39

Saturday 28 Aug: Col 1:21-23 ; Lk 6:1-5

Liturgy. Malia and Steve from the Catholic Parish of Wellington South are inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Liturgy of the Word Zoom Service Time: Aug 29, 2021 09:45 AM

Join Zoom Meeting [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7941311701?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7941311701?pwd=RzNmYnd0UGx2MmWY3cnVGyKlOeHBrUT09)

[pwd=RzNmYnd0UGx2MmWY3cnVGyKlOeHBrUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7941311701?pwd=RzNmYnd0UGx2MmWY3cnVGyKlOeHBrUT09)

Meeting ID: 794 131 1701

Passcode: 6hCkSq

Look for the Handy Hints on Using Zoom being sent out with this Newsletter

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. (*Only if we are back to Level 1*)
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-of-creation-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.

The Compassion Soup Kitchen

If you or someone you know are facing difficulties with putting a meal on the table, please remember that the Soup Kitchen is serving takeaway meals between 12pm and 1pm every day. As an essential service, we are able to remain open at level 4. This year, we are serving on average 230 meals a day which is a significant increase from our usual 60-100 meals a day. We have had great support from the community and city council.

Zoom Liturgy Invite for Sunday 29 August:

The CPWS Liturgy Committee has organised an online Liturgy of the Word to be held on Sunday 29 August via Zoom. We decided to begin the meeting at 9.45am to give people time to gather and say hello to each other before the liturgy starts at 10am. Below you will find the link that you need to click on (on Sunday morning) in order to join the

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