



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 ngōtahi ana, e ruia ana te karere o Hēhu Karaiti



1st Sunday of Advent

Sunday 28 November 2021

Never stop seeking the light, amid whatever darkness we may often bear in our hearts, or see all around us.

Pope Francis: Homily 21 November 2021

Now

Special Collection for Sick and Elderly Priests

28 November

Synod Discussions

November

Coming Up

Rite 3 Reconciliation

3pm Sunday 5 December

Christmas Mass Times

See over

Covid 19 Update

We are about to move to the Traffic light system. From December 2nd at ORANGE you must show a My Vaccine Pass at Vaccine only Masses

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

Weekday Mass

Monday: 9am Mass St Francis de Sales

Tuesday: 10am Liturgy at St Anne's

Wednesday: 7pm at St Anne's

Thursday: 10am St Anne's

Friday: 9am St Francis De Sales

Saturday: 10am St Anne's

From Joe Green

"The future of the Church is in those not currently in it".

Said Daniel Ang, Director of the Sydney Centre for Evangelisation in the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney, to the Divine Renovation conference on Saturday 20 November 2021. Daniel was on a panel with Fr James Mallon, well known founder of Divine Renovation.

Fr James pointed to two major aspects of Church life: maintenance, and mission. We need both. However if our focus tends to be on maintenance only – looking after those already in the Church, maintaining buildings and the like – with no or little mission outreach, then, as Daniel reminds us, our parishes will be closing within a generation (if you don't believe him, have a quick look around!).

Fr James pointed out that the Eucharist (going to Mass), will not of itself move a parish toward mission. What is needed is the power of the Holy Spirit, the Primacy of Evangelization and the Best of Leadership.

While we have 'positional leaders' in the Church, what we need more than anything are 'character leaders': influencers, people who lead out of love and respect for others.

Fr James pointed out that "the call to mission is addressed by Jesus to all the baptised". He suggests the clergy have assimilated what is proper to the priesthood of all the baptised: the result, you hear people offering to "do for Father", or people will "do nothing without the permission of Father".

And our kids have walked away from the Church in droves, not from Faith, but from the Church. It's up to us to bring their voice into our future. You know what your kids and grandkids are saying about the Church, about why they may not go to Mass, why they get married outside the Church, why they don't get their kids baptised.

One thing we can do is give them a voice – contribute to the *Synod*. Pope Francis wants the 'positional leaders', the Bishops to hear from them.



Responsorial Psalm: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul .

Gospel acclamation: Show us, Lord, your love; and grant us your salvation.

Remembering the Holy Souls

RIP: Annalisa Schuster

Anniversary: Gerard Hoskins, Maryann Jones, Antonietta & Antonino Basile, Ida & Antonino Muollo, Giuseppina & Giuseppe Mollo, Almondo Gilmore, Les Doldorizac, Carol Dolan



Worshipping with Covid-19 in our midst.

The new **traffic light system** will allow people to gather in churches under certain conditions **after 2 December**; Wellington South is expected to be on ORANGE. This means there will be no restriction on numbers in the Church and no need for registration.

- All parishioners must show a My Vaccine Pass at the door, which will be verified. (*You can download this onto your phone, or produce a paper copy with the QR code on it*) **To get a My Vaccine Pass** call 0800 222 478. Please have your NHI number ready — you can find this on a hospital letter, a prescription or prescription receipt. **OR** go to <https://mycovidrecord.health.nz/> to sign up for a My Health Account.
- From 4 December a separate **6pm Vigil Mass at St Anne's** will be open to vaccinated and unvaccinated alike (*no proof of vaccine required*). A maximum of 50 people allowed and you may need to register.
- We will also continue with measures designed to minimise the risk of transmitting Covid-19.
 - ◆ Please bring your own mask
 - ◆ Scan in at the door
 - ◆ Communion only in the hand
 - ◆ No holy water for blessing
 - ◆ No shared hymn or other books.

Catholic Social Services Kotahitanga Annual Appeal

We need your help again.

This year, our communities need our help even more. For most of us, we have had our variety of challenges and hardships due to the COVID19 pandemic, but for the vulnerable in our community - this past year has been their most challenging yet. Continue trusting in this new way forward and join us in our work by making a financial gift to the Kotahitanga Annual Appeal.

Go to: wn-catholicsocialservices.org.nz/donate

Cardinal Johns message is on facebook
<https://fb.watch/9tkmOOpsG/>

National March for Life will be ONLINE. JOIN IN WHEREVER YOU ARE! December 4th. This year, due to Covid restrictions, our National March for Life is going to look a little different.

Instead of coming together to march at Parliament on Saturday 4 December, we're asking you to be a voice for the voiceless at your home AND to join us online for an exciting, motivating event. **Saturday 4 December @ 2pm**
www.marchforlife.nz/online

Readings for this week

Sun 28 Nov: Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thes 3:12—4:2; Lk 21:25-28,

Mon 29 Nov: Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11

Tues 30 Nov: Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22

Wed 1 Dec Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37

Thurs 2 Dec: Sir 50:22-24; Lk 17:11-19

Friday 3 Dec Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31

Sat 4 Dec: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8



Vaccination event

This Sunday 28 Nov, from 10am- 2pm, Tū Ora Compass Health is holding a vaccine clinic at the Rintoul St Community Room (273 Rintoul St, Berhampore).

City Housing and wider WCC will be supporting a family-friendly outdoor event to give it a party atmosphere, with music, free kai, and play activities for youth (and youthful older people).

This event is being targeted to all of Berhampore but of course we will welcome anyone keen to get their vaccine. Tenancy Advisors will be getting flyers up on noticeboards at Rintoul, Granville, and Newtown Park Apartments asap.

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve

6pm Family Mass at St Francis de Sales
7.30pm Family Mass at St Anne's
9pm Mass St Francis de Sales



Christmas Day

9am at St Anne's
10.30am at St Francis de Sales

All Christmas Masses will require a Vaccine Pass

YC Tuakana 2022: We're looking for our next College Youth Ministers for 2022. If you love Youth Ministry, want to work with college students and contribute to the mission of the Young Church, then this is for you! 20 hours a week paid youth ministry.

Contact ADWYoungChurchyouth@wn.catholic.org.nz

Senior Social Worker: Catholic Social Services is seeking an experienced social worker to join their dynamic team in Wellington. This full time role is 37.5 hours per week. For a copy of the job description or additional information please phone 043858642. Please email your CV and covering letter to reception@wn.catholic.org.nz. Applications close at 3pm on Monday 10th January

Aotearoa New Zealand Bible Diaries 2022

This Bible diary consists of daily prayers, readings, short reflections, Saints of the day and short quotes for the whole year. Order now from <https://www.cognitofirms.com/AlexBailey1/AotearoaNewZealandBibleDiaries2022>

Note: For those that do not use electronic devices, please contact Fr Prakash, directly on 022 585 2875.

The Word in other words—A bible diary containing the Daily Gospel Reading and a short reflection penned by missionaries. We are raising funds to help with the essential needs of Dioceses in 155 countries.

Cost is \$20 per copy. All proceeds to MISSIONZ
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St Francis de Sales Rosary Statue is with Anne's School. Contact the Parish Office for info.

Reconciliation available Saturdays 10.30 @ St Anne's

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