



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



24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 12 September 2021

Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience.

Pope Francis: Laudato Si' paragraph 217

Covid 19 Update

**We are at Level 2 Delta
See Cardinals message on next page**

Now

**All Masses cancelled
until further notice**

Zoom Sunday Liturgy

Sunday 12 September 10am

Join the Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88247100064?pwd=UnEzdXJVU1IzN0M1cUJLS1ZVcklDQT09>

Meeting ID: 882 4710 0064

Passcode: 018113

Season of Creation September

Social Justice Sunday

12 September

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

Saturday: 10am St Anne's

From Fr Cirilo

Dear Parishioners, Peace of Christ!

Making the journey of Faith. We have lots of journeys in our life. In the first reading from Isaiah we have this character of a servant of God, a faithful and great servant of God. This servant of God is prefigured by one that is suffering. He begins the description of the servant as one who listens. Full listening to God. Full attentiveness to God. This servant of God absorbs everything from God and after receiving what God has spoken to him, he preaches it to others. Not his own words but the words of God. He spent so much time listening to God. But what is the result.

Speaking God's word, this servant will be harassed, will be persecuted, he will be physically assaulted and he will be insulted. They will spit on him. What a journey. If I were this prophet, I would probably entertain the thought of interrupting the journey. I would probably say, "okay God I have done my share and I guess this is enough." This is as far as I can go. But not this servant of God. The suffering he undergoes does not the end on his journey. Instead, the suffering begins a new journey in faith. How is that possible?

What is the quality of a journey of faith arising from suffering. For the suffering servant of God within Isaiah, it is trusting in God. The God who speaks to him, the God who sends him. Believing that God is my help. And if God is the one who really matters, this servant can stand anything. He may not be honoured, adulated by others, but with God to protect him it is worth it. In the end, the journey of faith is the journey toward God, trusting in him and making him the joy of my life, making his help the reward for my mission. I will not interrupt my journey if I don't get earthly rewards. The journey of faith means that only God matters.

In the Gospel today, we are back to Sicilia Philippi. Jesus asking his disciples "who do people say that I am." Remember Jesus is a good teacher. Jesus is an expert in guiding people in the journey of faith. He knows that the disciples must grow in their knowledge of him. And so the first question was, "who do people say that I am?" And Jesus was associated according to the disciples with the prophets. Yet, they probably forgot the first reading of the prophet who will suffer.

But Jesus says, "who do you say that I am?" Peter speaks for the group, "you are the Messiah." But what type of the Messiah is he? The Messiah of the first reading? Peter said, that should not happen, God forbid. Jesus rebuked Peter saying, "get behind me Satan!" It was not faith anymore, Peter is judging not by God's standard but by human standards. Looking at this world with the vision and mission of God.

Looking at this world not according to human standard, not with the lens of the world, but according to the mysterious will and wisdom of God. That is faith. Looking at the world with the eyes of God. It is a gift and we receive that gift from God. In the end, "dominud est," it is the Lord!

Responsorial Psalm: I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living

Gospel acclamation: May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord through which the world.

Remembering the Holy Souls

RIP: Roni Gray

Anniversary: Nicolas Catalan and Frederick Savill, John Giovanni Muollo



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

Parish Liturgy of the Word, Sunday 12th September 2021 (via Zoom)

Topic: Liturgy of the Word (Zoom Service)

Time: Sep 12, 2021 09:45 AM

Join Zoom Meeting

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Message from Cardinal John

We do not know how long we will be in Level 2 or whether the increased restrictions in this level might be relaxed a little at a later date while still keeping us in Level 2.

Therefore these instructions apply in parishes until Tuesday 21 September, at which point I will communicate with you again:

- There are to be NO public Masses or other liturgical events or in-person parish gatherings in the Archdiocese.
- Churches are to be closed except for funerals, as it is difficult to monitor contact tracing, social distancing, mask wearing, and numbers.
- Funerals can take place with a maximum of 50 people in total, with the required social distancing, contact tracing, and wearing of masks. Funerals can take place in a church, and meetings with the family can take place with observance of the Level 2 requirements. The funeral director's instructions must be followed

Livestream and TV Masses for this weekend:

Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30pm from Marist Seminary Auckland with Fr Chris Skinner SM www.youtube.com/watch?v=LiJqA_CQ6ww

Sunday 9.00am Mass with Archbishop Paul Martin SM www.youtube.com/channel/UCbDyKPjjDeYWfpoz_hSDLfw

Sunday 2.00pm Mass on Shine TV: Mass will be broadcast on Shine TV Sundays 2pm until further notice. It can be found on Free-to-air TV Channel 25 or Sky TV Channel 201.

The Compassion **Soup Kitchen** is open Serving takeaway meals between 12pm and 1pm every day. If you are doing it rough and need a hot meal please come between 12 and 1 pm for a delicious and nutritious takeaway meal.

Readings for this week

Sun 12 Sept: Is 50:5-9a; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

Mon 13 Sept 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 7:1-10

Tues 14Sept: Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Wed 15 Sept 1 Tm 3:14-16; Jn 19:25-27

Thurs 16 Sept: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Lk 7:36-50

Friday 17 Sept 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday 18 Sept: 1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15



Help for Afghanistan families coming to Wellington

Please contact Catholic Social Services to help with-

1. Rental housing
2. Household and/or pantry items
3. Basic furniture eg. beds, drawers, dining table
4. **Direct donation.** Our CSS bank account number is BNZ 02-0560-0213864-00. Please include in the reference fields your name and Afghan so we can link it to this cause. *Contact Paul Alford at Catholic Social Services on 021 754145 or Email p.alford@wn-catholicsocialservices.org.nz*

Wellington South and St Mary of the Angels Social

Justice Group- initiative to help with the setting up of houses for Afghan families. Pantry items you may wish to donate:

Canned fruit, Rice, Chickpeas, kidney beans, canned tomatoes, Flour, couscous, sugar, salt, pepper, Olive oil, Eggs, tea, coffee, milk powder, turmeric, chilli, cinnamon, nutmeg.

(NOT baked beans or noodles or tinned meat.)

Contact office@wellingtonsouthcatholic.org for drop off instructions.



Message from the Finance committee

Thank you to all of you who are able to continue your planned giving by automatic payment. It is this income that will keep us going through the current Covid crisis.

We have recently received the wage subsidy from the government to assist in paying our staff. During level 2 if you are out and about we encourage any envelope givers to deliver their donation envelope to the following secure places.

- The letter slot of the St Anne's Hall.
- The letter slot in the front door of the Island Bay Presbytery

Mass intentions may also be delivered in this way

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>

Parish Office hours

As of next week the Parish office will be open from 10am until 12pm on Tuesday and Thursday only. Visitors should wear a mask and sign in. On other days staff will be working from home and can be contacted by email.

The **Confirmation Mass** scheduled for 19 September is postponed. We await a new date.

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