



# 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 July 23**

## 16th Sunday Ordinary Time

This field then, involves reconciling, with great trust in God and in his providence, two seemingly contradictory approaches: decision and patience. Decision is that of wanting to be good wheat — we all want this — with all our might. Patience means preferring a Church that acts as leaven in the dough, that is unafraid to sully her hands washing her children's clothes, rather than a Church of "purists" who presume to judge ahead of time who will be in the Kingdom of God and who will not.'

*Pope Francis, Angelus, 23 July 2017.*

## Now

### Climate change workshop

Sunday 23 July St Anne's

### World Day for Grandparents

Sunday 23 July

### Feast of St Joachim and Ann

Wednesday 26 July

## Coming up

### Feast of the Assumption

Wednesday 15 August

### 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** 11am every 3rd Sunday

**St Bernard's Mass** 10.30am every 1st Sunday at the school Hall

### 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

## From Fr Doug

Dear Parishioners

A Church that only welcomed and admitted saints would make as much sense as a hospital that only admitted people who are well and in no need of healing. The Church therefore is not a museum for saints but a school, even for sinners. It is a Temple with a hundred gateways, and believers enter from every angle. Through every door from all kinds of paths, we enter the house of God. Our Church is not for just those who are righteous but for those who know that they are not. We are a mixed bag of good and sinner.

Christ's parable in today's Gospel addresses this and its message still challenges the Church today. As Christians we have no authority to pronounce a final judgement on anyone. It is God and God alone that will do that.

St Paul underlines the same point when he tells the church in Corinth: "There must be no passing of premature judgement. Leave that until the Lord comes" 1 Corinthians 4:5.

St Paul changed from persecuting and weeding out the followers of Christ to become an amazing apostle.

We are asked to share in the same spirit of God and act with kindness to our fellow human beings. God's mercy and leniency gives hope as enshrined in the Our Father: 'Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.'

Lord, grant that we may help one another to grow towards what you have called us to be. Amen.

With every blessing

**Fr Doug**



## Weeds Among the Wheat

**Responsorial Psalm:** Lord, you are good and forgiving.

**Gospel acclamation:** Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

### Remembering the Holy Souls

**RIP:** We pray for all the people killed in Auckland on Thursday.

**Anniversary:** Johnny Silveira, Palma Mollo, Carmela Mollo  
Michele Rachele Gaeta, Raffaele Muollo, Clelia Muollo, John Gifford



For the latest information visit the Parish Website - [wellington.southcatholic.org](http://wellington.southcatholic.org)



### Grandparents Day Mass

Wednesday 26 July is the feast day of St Joachim and St Anne, the Parents of Mary.

To celebrate Grandparents Day, there will be the following Masses  
**WEDNESDAY 26 JULY**

**9am Mass** at St Bernard's School in the Hall

**9.45am Mass** at St Francis de Sales Church with the school

**10.30am Mass** at St Anne's Church with the school.

All Grandparents are welcome to join in.



**Climate change workshop.** Sunday 23rd July 1.30pm at St Anne's Church Hall. Newtown. Please join us to listen and reflect on the impact on climate change in the Pacific. Peter Lang from Caritas NZ and Ruth Coleman a Presentation Sister will be speaking.

*From the Social Justice Group.*



The Samoan Aulotu/Community of the Catholic Parish of Wellington South leadership team (St Anne's Newtown) met with Archbishop Paul Martin on Thursday afternoon, 13th July 2023 to present to Archbishop

Paul and the Metropolitan Cathedral of the Sacred Heart parish a donation of \$15,000 to assist with the building fund of the restoration work on the Cathedral. The Samoan families within the CPWS aulotu and parish community have been fundraising for the last 3 months.

### Readings for this week

**Sun 23 July:** Wis 12:13,19-19; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43

**Mon 24 July:** Ex 14:5-18; Mt 12:38-42

**Tues 25 July:** Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28

**Wed 26 July:** Ecc 44:1,10-15; Mt 13:16-17

**Thurs 27 July:** Ex 19:1-2,9-11; Mt 13:10-17

**Fri 28 July:** Ex 20:1-17; Mt 13:18-23

**Sat 29 July:** John 4:7-16; Jn 11:19-27



### Matariki

celebrations at St Anne's Church last Friday.

Thank you to all those who planned this beautiful celebration and to all those who attended and stayed for the cuppa afterwards.



**MATARIKI**



**WORLD YOUTH DAY:** Sunday, 6th August 2023. Wellington Celebration for World Youth Day. 1pm – 8pm, in Bishop Viard College, Porirua. Join us for Worship from 1pm, Mass from 1.45pm celebrated by Archbishop Paul Martin. Followed by events, speakers, workshops and a Youth Rally.

### Healing Service – Titahi Bay

Fr John Rea will conduct a Healing Service in St Pius X Church Titahi Bay on **Friday 28 July** beginning at 7.30 pm. All are invited and especially those who need Jesus' healing. Jesus still heals today.

**Engaged Encounter** is a weekend experience for couples intending to be married.

Weekends for 2023 are on 19 & 20 August, and 25 & 26 November. Venue is Otari Parish presbytery, 301 Karori Road, Karori, Wellington. Registrations close 2 weeks before.

For more details go to the website <http://www.cee-wellington.co.nz/> Phone Kate and Simon Olson. Call 027 486 0700 or email [simonolsen@gmail.com](mailto:simonolsen@gmail.com)

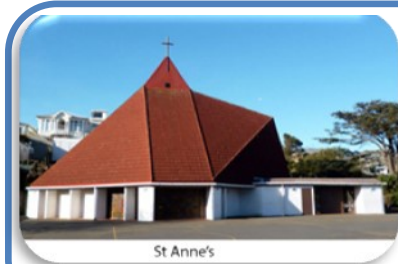
### HOLY HOUR

You are invited to come to a Holy Hour on Tuesday 25 July at Connolly Hall Chapel beginning at 7.30 pm to pray for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Included in the hour will be prayers, praise and worship, scripture reading and silence, concluding with Benediction. All are welcome.

**Divine Mercy** at St Francis de Sales starts 9.10am before the 10.30 Mass every Sunday. All welcome

**Divine Mercy** at St Anne's starts at 6pm after the 5pm Mass every Sunday. All welcome

**St Francis de Sales Rosary Statue** is with Tony & Eileen Muollo. Contact the Parish Office for info.



St Anne's

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St Francis de Sales