



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 August 13 19th Sunday Ordinary Time

'Faith in the Lord and in his Word does not open a way for us where everything is easy and calm; it does not rescue us from life's storms. Faith gives us the assurance of a Presence, the presence of Jesus who encourages us to overcome the existential tempests, the certainty of a hand that grabs hold of us so as to help us face the difficulties, pointing the way for us even when it is dark. Faith, in short, is not an escape route from life's problems, but it sustains the journey and gives it meaning.'

Pope Francis, Angelus, 13 August 2017

Now

Assumption of Mary

Tuesday 15 August

Mass 8.30am Home of Compassion

Mass with the school 10am St Anne's

Mass 6pm St Francis de Sales

Coming up

Season of Creation

Starts September 3

1st Holy Communion Session

Sunday September 3

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

Gospel Reflection

In today's readings Elijah, Paul and Peter are all experiencing some form of torment. Recognising the presence of God is also a common theme in all of the readings.

For Elijah, fleeing from the threat of persecution, God's presence was recognised in the sound of a gentle mountain breeze/whisper and not the mighty wind, thunder, lightning and earthquake.

For Paul, the torment comes from knowing that despite their history, his own people failed to recognise Jesus as the Messiah.

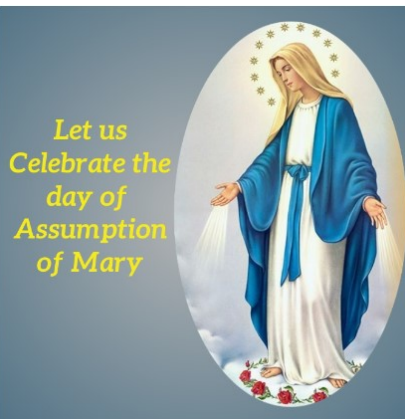
In the Gospel, the disciples fear for their lives in a storm buffeted boat. They are terrified when they see a figure walking across the water towards them. It is only after Jesus



identifies himself and reassures the disciples that their situation improves.

How do we recognise God's presence during the storms in our lives? It may be in a way that we are not expecting.

Shane Connolly



Let us
Celebrate the
day of
Assumption
of Mary

Feast of the Assumption Tuesday 15th August

Assumption and Christmas are the only two Holy Days of Obligation in New Zealand. There will be 3 Masses in our Parish for the Feast of the Assumption, as follows:

8.30am at the Home of Compassion

10am at St Anne's with the school

6pm at St Francis de Sales

Everyone is welcome at any of these Masses

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Gospel acclamation: I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for his word.

Remembering the Holy Souls

RIP: Sonia Ryrle

Anniversary: Rosalia DeGregorio, Ammielyn Cabral, Tafil Faala Fuiono, Laura Mollo, Giuseppina, Giuseppe & Geradine Mollo, Salvatore Volpicelli, Gaetano Amitrano, Tina, Genaro & Aldo Cuccurullo, Nina, Assunta, Liberato, Cataldo & Pasquale DeGregorio, Maria, Antonio & Ruffy Mollo.



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

World Youth day 2023

Last Saturday our Samoan youth attended a World Youth Day Celebration at Bishop Viard College. It was a great day with Mass and students performances to follow



St Francis de Sales Rosary Statue is with St Anne's School Contact the Parish Office for info.

News from our Youth Group.

On the weekend of July 28th the Ecumenical Youth Group went on a long-awaited ski trip to Whakapapa, along with



other local youth groups from Berhampore and Island Bay. It had been planned for 2022 but was postponed due to a lack of snow. Around 30 youth attended, many of whom had their first experience in the snow. The weather was perfect and it was a great time of bonding and experiencing the wonder of God's creation.

Readings for this week

Sun 13 Aug: 1Kings 19:9,11-13; Romans 9:1-15; Mt 14:22-33
Mon 14 Aug: Deut 10:12-22; Mt 17:22-27
Tue 15 Aug: Apoc:11-19;12:1-6,10; Cor 15:20-26; Lk 1:39-56
Wed 16 Aug: Deut 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20
Thurs 17 Aug: Josh 3:7-11; Mt 18:21-19:1
Fri 18 Aug: Josh 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12
Sat 19 Aug: Josh 24:14-29; Mt 19:13-15



Joshua Wellington invites men to join us on Thursday 17th August at 7:30pm at the 'Loaves and Fishes' next to Anglican Cathedral of St Paul, corner Hill and Molesworth Streets followed by supper.

Theme: "Forgive your brother from the heart"

Guest speaker: Fr James Lyons

Want to know more? Ring David Monastra 027-447-7280 or email: joshua.wgtn@gmail.com

Baptisms

We welcome into our Parish

Dexter Kennach

who was Baptised at St Anne's Church last Saturday by Fr Gerry Burns.



The Catholic Foundation Scholarships opened on 01 August and close on 30 September.

Eight Catholic Foundation Scholarships are available to students residing in the Wellington Archdiocese who are in their final year of secondary education. Scholarships of \$2,000 each for the first year of tertiary education are available.

Apply online at <https://www.catholicfoundation.org.nz/grants-and-scholarships/>

Caritas NZ Social Justice Week: 3-9 September 2023.

Caritas has introduced a new 3 year structure for Social Justice Week: 'Imagine Peace for all'. This year's focus is "Peace begins with you". A reflection booklet about conflict, peace and different ways to build personal peace is available online and in hardcopy for parishioners taking part in a weekly discussion group on the 4 Thursdays in September from 7-8pm in St Anne's Hall meeting room. Please contact Sr Elizabeth 0276805002 or Luwi Buchikel after 9am Mass. For resources and more information visit www.caritas.org.nz/parishes/social-justice-week

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

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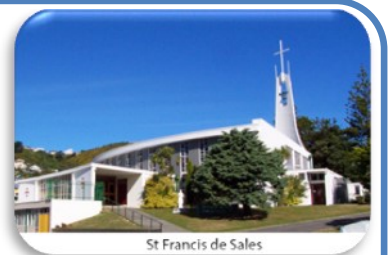


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St Francis de Sales