



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 20 20th Sunday Ordinary Time

It is important to nurture our faith every day, listening attentively to the Word of God, with the celebration of the Sacraments, with personal prayer as a "cry" to Him — "Lord, help me!" — and with concrete attitudes of charity to our neighbour.'

Pope Francis, Angelus, 20/08/2017

Now

Feast of St Pius X (Pope)

Monday 21 August

Coming up

Social Justice Week

September 3 to 9

Holy Communion Programme

1st Children's session September 3

9am St Anne's

10.30am St Francis de Sales

Season of Creation

Starts 10 September

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

The theme of the First Reading and the Gospel is that of inclusiveness. At the time Isaiah was writing there were lots of non-Jews who were considered foreigners in Israel. The question arose as to whether or not the benefits of salvation should be extended to them also. Isaiah gave a clear and definitive answer: "My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples," says the Lord.'

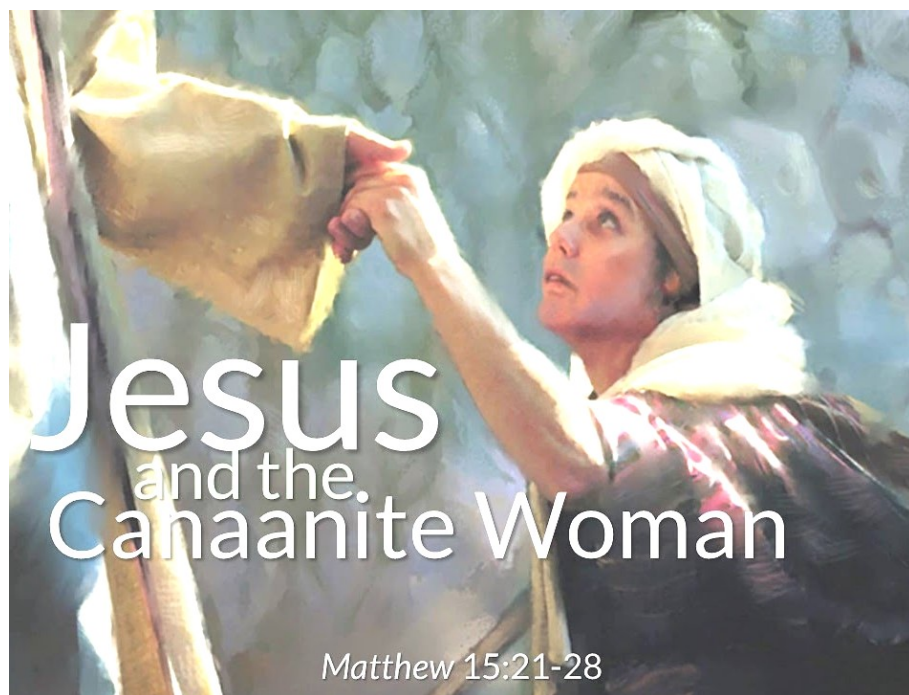
The Early Church faced a similar question regarding the Gentiles.

Matthew sees Jesus as having broken down the barriers between Jews and Gentiles. Even though His mission was first to Israel and the Jewish people, Jesus did reach out to others such as the Canaanite woman in this Gospel. She had extraordinary faith in what Jesus could do and the courage in her demand for dignity and attention for the Lord to heal her daughter.

If we believe Christ died for everyone. No one should be excluded from the all-embracing reach of God's love.

With every blessing

Fr Doug



Responsorial Psalm: O God, let all the nations praise you!

Gospel acclamation: Jesus proclaimed the Gospel of the kingdom and cured every disease among the people.

Remembering the Holy Souls

RIP: Angela Russo-Gaeta (in Italy)

Anniversary: Liberato and Cristina Vinaccia and Luigi Cacace
Josepho Marie Junior Antonio, Patrick Bruce



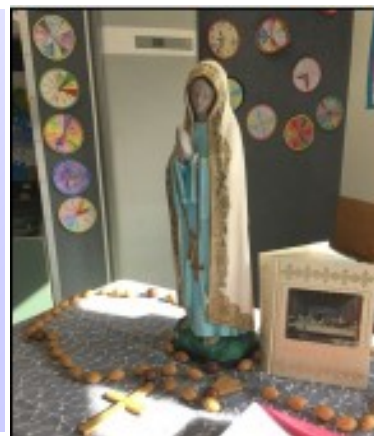
For the latest information visit the Parish Website - wellingtonsouthcatholic.org

St Bernard's Legacy.

St Bernard's Church was sold last year, and the proceeds were invested in the CDF until suitable projects were identified. Over the past months we have received feedback from Parishioners listing their ideas about what they would like to use the funds for. At our recent Annual General Meeting the list of ideas the Parish is considering was circulated. The Parish Council and the Finance committee have agreed that a Catholic presence in the Brooklyn community is a priority for our Parish. St Bernard's school have been given the approval to upgrade the exterior frontage of the school hall, and to install custom signage for the front of the school to further promote the school and the hall. More projects will be announced as we work through the practical issues and consult with stakeholders. The St Bernard's Legacy has given our Parish a unique opportunity to give back to the community as well as to ensure our future.



St Anne's school is privileged to have the St Francis de Sales **Rosary Statue** this week. All classes are able to learn and pray the Rosary.



HOLY HOUR

You are invited to come to a Holy Hour on Tuesday 22 August at the 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.

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

Join us for Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother at St Teresa's Pro-Cathedral in Karori beginning 6th September at 6.30pm - 8.30pm and continuing every Wednesday till 25 October. Each session consists of a rich small group discussion, followed by a short tea break and a 30 minute video. For more information or to register for the study, call the Otari Parish office on 04 476 6131 or email office@otariparish.co.nz

Manawakarioi Tree Planting & Ecological Restoration in Island Bay

When: Sundays 1pm to 3pm in August.

Where: Meet at the Information Shelter in the Tapu te Ranga car park at the end of Danube Street in Island Bay. All welcome. Bring along sturdy shoes - tools are provided. For more information go to <https://www.manawakarioi.nz/working-bees>

Cathedral restoration campaign: Thank YOU to those of you who have generously contributed to the campaign. On behalf of ADW and Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish, we invite those of you who are able to be a part of the future by making a gift to support this historic place. We need another \$1,871,023. Donate at <https://www.cathedralcampaign.org.nz/donation-form>

St Anthony's School, Seatoun We would love to have you join us at our **centenary weekend** events on 13th-14th October 2023. Click the link below to book your tickets and tables! BOOK YOUR TICKETS NOW <https://www.trybooking.co.nz/OUW>

Readings for this week

Sun 20 Aug: Is 56:1,6-7; Romans 11:13-15,29-32; Mt 15:21-28
Mon 21 Aug: Judges 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22
Tue 22 Aug: Judges 6:11-24; Mt 19:23-30
Wed 23 Aug: Judges 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16
Thurs 24 Aug: Apoc 21:9-14; Jn 1:45-51
Fri 25 Aug: Ruth 1:1,3-6,14-16,22; Mt 22:34-40
Sat 126 Aug: Ruth 2:1-3,8-11,4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12



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

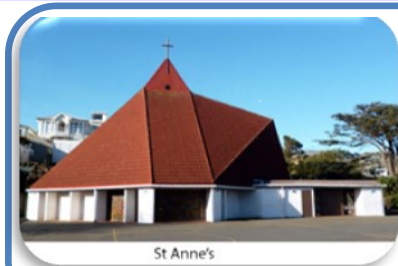
Eight Catholic Foundation Scholarships are available to students residing in the Wellington Archdiocese who are in their final year of secondary education. Scholarships of \$2,000 each for the first year of tertiary education are available.

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

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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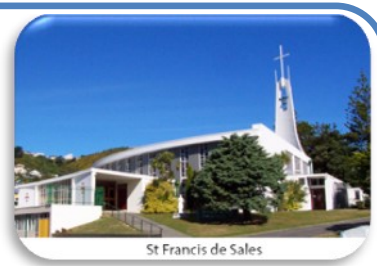


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St Francis de Sales