



# 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 6**

## Transfiguration of the Lord

How many bright faces, how many smiles, how many wrinkles, how many tears and scars reveal love around us! Let us learn to recognize them and to fill our hearts with them. And then bring the light we have received to others as well, through concrete acts of love, generously, loving, serving, and forgiving with greater earnestness and willingness. The contemplation of God's wonders must move us to the service of others.'

*Pope Francis, Angelus, 5 March 2023.*

**Now**

### Feast of the Transfiguration

Sunday 6 August

### World Youth Day

Sunday 6 August

## Coming up

### Feast of the Assumption of Mary

*Holy day of Obligation*

Tuesday 15 August

Mass 8.30am Home of Compassion

Mass 10am with the school St Anne's

Mass 5.15pm St Mary of the Angels

### 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.

Jesus knew the importance of prayer; He was a man of prayer. He experienced His Father's will and love during those profound moments. Here He now shares a very special experience with three close disciples Peter, James and his brother John.

Jesus takes them on a journey to the top of a high mountain to pray and in hearing the Gospel today we join Christ in that journey too.

In those times of personal daily prayer, we speak to God, but we also listen to Him. Deep prayer times are like climbing to the top of a high mountain. As we endeavour in our journey of prayer, we sometimes find it joyful and enlightening, but at other times hard, tiring and monotonous.

Yet when we persevere in prayer God will reveal Himself to us in unsuspecting ways. This is the most wonderful of all human experiences as we are transfigured

to Christ because God has revealed His Son Jesus to us. "This is My Son, the Beloved, who I am well pleased; listen to Him."

All we have to ask ourselves: Am I open to listening and following Christ, the Beloved Son of the Father.

*With every blessing*  
**Fr Doug**



### 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.

This will be followed by events, speakers, workshops and a Youth Rally.



**Responsorial Psalm:** The Lord is king, the Most High over all the earth

**Gospel acclamation:** This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

### Remembering the Holy Souls

**RIP:** Ma. Grace Anadon, Sr Marcia Wilson RSM, Nikolao Moors

**Anniversary:** Anne Richards, Sonia Ryrie, Antonino Basile, Ilma Ruocco, Giuseppe Volpicelli, Camillo Amitrano, Palma Aprea, Imacolata & Pasquale Belati, Antonietta Basile, Raffaele Muollo, Ida & Antonino Muollo



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



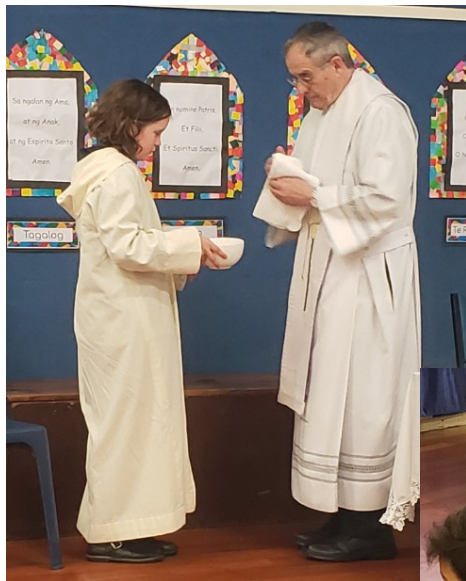
Congratulations to Ellen Frances Johns (second on the left), who was received into the Catholic Church this week at St Francis de Sales Church. Her family supporting her.



**St Catherine's College** seeks applications for the position of Finance Administrator. Accounts payable, accounts receivable, backup payroll and daily banking. Knowledge of Xero, and GST would be preferable.

This is a permanent position. Hours are: 10.30 am to 3.30 (22.5 hours per week) in the school term time.

Some hours will be required to be worked in the school holidays. Inquiries to [chris.perry@scc.school.nz](mailto:chris.perry@scc.school.nz). Closing date is Friday 18 August 2023 at 3.00pm



Wednesday morning Mass at St Bernard's school with Fr Doug. Some of the pupils are receiving training as Altar servers

#### Readings for this week

**Sun 6 Aug:** Daniel 7:9-10,13-14; Peter 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

**Mon 7 Aug:** Num 11:4-15; Mt 14:13-21

**Tues 8 Aug:** Col 3:12-17; Mt 6:25-34

**Wed 9 Aug:** Num 13:1-2,25-14:1,26-29,34-35; Mt 15:21-28

**Thurs 10 Aug:** Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26

**Fri 11 Aug:** Deut 4:32-40; Mt 16:24-28

**Sat 12 Aug:** Deut 5:23-6:13; Mt 17:14-20



**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](mailto:joshua.wgtn@gmail.com)

#### Royal Commission - St John of God Case Study

The Royal Commission into Abuse in Care has released a report into the Brothers of St John of God. This follows on from public hearings held in early 2022. The focus is on Marylands School, a residential school run by the Brothers in Christchurch from 1955-1983. Also investigated is Hebron Trust an organisation in Christchurch for at-risk youth run by a Brother of St John of God from 1986-1992. The report contains confronting material from the investigation and highlights the horrific abuse and failure to act on reports and disclosures of abuse appropriately. Te Rōpū Tautoko, the group coordinating Catholic responses to the Inquiry, are working through the findings alongside church leadership. They are updating the Tautoko roadmap of work to reflect the required actions. The aim is that all of us collectively implement meaningful change to the way we safeguard all those in care and respond to those who have suffered harm. For more information and to read the report visit [www.tautoko.catholic.org.nz/marylands](http://www.tautoko.catholic.org.nz/marylands)

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

**The Women in the Bible** with Kieran Fenn fms.

Mondays, 04/11/18 Sep, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Fee: \$20/session or \$90/series (incl. study material). <https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/04/25/mary-in-the-scriptures/>

**WELCOM News August 2023 edition** is out this week to parishes and schools for Sunday, 6 August 2023.

Contents include:

- New bishop for Palmerston North, Bishop-elect John Adams.
- Bishops urge New Zealand Catholics to study synod's working document.
- World Youth Day 2023 – pilgrimage from New Zealand to Portugal.

#### St Anne's school presents PETER PAN

7th - 8th August 2023 6.00pm - 7.30pm

St. Catherine's College Hall, Upper Bourke St, Kilbirnie

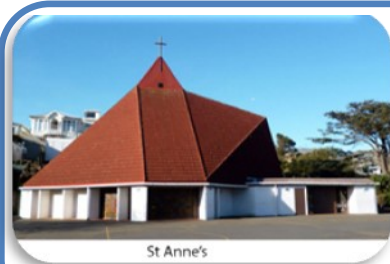
Tickets will be available from St Anne's School office

On Monday 24th July - onwards No Door sales

Adults \$10.00 / Children \$5.00



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St Francis de Sales