



# 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 September 17 24th Sunday Ordinary Time

'It becomes ever clearer that the path of forgiveness can truly renew the Church and the world. The world needs forgiveness; too many people are caught up in resentment and harbour hatred, because they are incapable of forgiving. They ruin their own lives and the lives of those around them. Let us ask Saint Francis to intercede for us, so that we may always be humble signs of forgiveness and channels of mercy.'

*Pope Francis, Homily at Assisi, 4 August 2016*

## Now

### 1st Holy Communion

September 17

### Season of Creation

7pm Thursdays during September  
at St Anne's Hall

## Coming up

### Church Life Survey

Sunday 24 September

### Suzanne Aubert Day

10am Mass Sunday October 1st  
at St Francis de Sales Church

### 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,

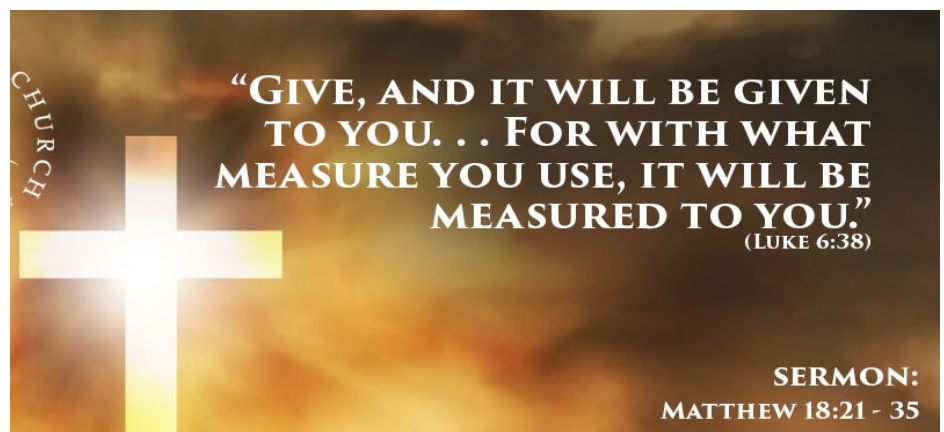
Forgiveness implies an understanding of our own inner poverty, brokenness and sin, and therefore our need for forgiveness and reconciliation. This enables us to forgive with understanding and humility. To forgive and be willing to admit at times that we may have been at least partly to blame for what happened.

And it is not just good enough to forgive in word. We must forgive, as the Gospel says, from the heart.

It is forgiveness that clears a path for God to forgive us of our own wrongdoings, the only obstacle that we can possibly put in the way of God's forgiveness is our own inability to forgive the wrongs of others. At the beginning of each Eucharist, we are invited to be mindful of our own sins. Only when we do that can we pray sincerely the 'Our Father': 'forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.'

Blessed are those who forgive; they shall obtain forgiveness for their own sins.

With every blessing  
Fr Doug



**Responsorial Psalm:** The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

**Gospel acclamation:** I give you a new commandment, says the Lord; love one another as I have loved you.

## Remembering the Holy Souls

**Anniversary:** Jack Chan Fong, Francesco Di Leva, Annie Casey, Salvatore Volpicelli, Gaetano Amitrano, Michael Petagna, Con O'Regan, Francesca (Ciccina) Famularo, Harry Stafford



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



CELEBRATION

## SUNDAY

Meri Hōhepa Suzanne Aubert

October 1st 2023

He wahine whakapono nui

A women of great faith

## WHAKAPONO FAITH



Kia rite tō whakapono ki tō  
Te rahi o te kākano mātete.

Have faith the size of a  
mustard seed

### Celebrate Suzanne Aubert Day

with Wellington South Parish and the Home of Compassion

**Sunday October 1st at 10am**

at St Francis de Sales Church.

A whole of Parish Mass at 10am followed by a shared morning tea. On that weekend there will be no 9am Mass or 6pm Vigil.



### Church Life Survey 2023

The Bishops of NZ have asked all parishes to

complete this nationwide survey by the end of September. This is a confidential opportunity for you to have your say on the life of our church. If you are a Wellington South Parishioner, please take 10-15 minutes to fill it out - online using the QR code above or the link below:

<https://clsnz.org/Xr5BVEcSzYZqm5wm/01GZD8QMJRH7K1544C6FH1GQHG>

Limited paper copies will be available from the table in the foyer next weekend



### 1st Holy Communion

This Sunday we celebrate along with 52 of our Children receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time. We thank the coordinators Fran Peters and Christine Amundsen for all their hard work preparing the children. We also thank the Liturgy teams and the music groups and to everyone for their prayers and support.

Inviting all youth to participate in **Voice For Life Youth** Wellington's PRO-LIFE programme. We meet once a month to see how we can better protect and promote the pro-life message. The first session will take place on the **30th of September** at Saint Mary of the Angels Parish Hall from 5pm to 6:30pm. Please bring a gold coin donation for pizza.

### Readings for this week

**Sun 17 Sept:** Ecus 27:30-28:7; Romans 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

**Mon 18 Sept:** 1Tim 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10

**Tue 19 Sept:** 1Tim 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17

**Wed 20 Sept:** 1Tim 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35

**Thurs 21 Sept:** Eph 4:1-7,11-13; ;Mt 9:9-13

**Fri 22 Sept:** 1Tim 6:2-12; Lk 8:1-3

**Sat 23 Sept:** Tim 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15



### Caritas NZ Social Justice Week:

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 Buchike after 9am Mass. For resources and more information visit [www.caritas.org.nz/parishes/social-justice-week](http://www.caritas.org.nz/parishes/social-justice-week)

### COME and SEE Priesthood Vocations Morning

Could God be calling you? Are you searching for your purpose? Come and be inspired! Meet priests and seminarians, find out their vocation stories... Ask those burning questions... Talk with other guys on the same journey...

Join us for a morning of prayer, sharing and fellowship. Starting at 9am on Saturday 23 September at **St Francis de Sales Presbytery**, 173 Clyde Street, Island Bay.

To register, text 021 164 5800 or

email [l.hensel@wn.catholic.org.nz](mailto:l.hensel@wn.catholic.org.nz)

Visit our Facebook page (Wellington Priests)

link: [www.wellingtonpriests.org](http://www.wellingtonpriests.org)

**Joshua Wellington** invites men to join us on Thursday 21st September at 7:30pm at the 'Loaves and Fishes' next to Anglican Cathedral of St Paul, corner Hill and Molesworth Streets followed by supper. Speaker: Fr Peter Ewart SM on "Make Unity Our Target" Want to know more? Ring David Monastra 027-447-7280 or email: [joshua.wgtn@gmail.com](mailto:joshua.wgtn@gmail.com)

Everybody is welcome at the **Current of Grace** Wellington event "I am moving over the nations will you follow me?" on Saturday 7th October 2023 at **St Joseph's Church** Mt Victoria between 10:00am and 3:30pm. Speaker; Josie Olsen. Healing service led by Fr John Rea SM. Bring your own lunch. Refer to poster on the noticeboard.

Want to know more? Ring Steve Ready 027-356-9555 or email: [currentofgracewellington@gmail.com](mailto:currentofgracewellington@gmail.com)

**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

### PROGRAMME

FEAST OF ROSARY PRAYERS  
PRAISE & WORSHIP  
TALK INCLUDES FEEDBACK FROM INTERCESSORS' CONFERENCE IN AFRICA  
SMALL GROUPS  
LUNCH [BRING YOUR OWN]  
SMALL GROUPS - FEEDBACK/DISCERNMENT  
HEALING MINISTRY

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St Anne's

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St Francis de Sales