



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 24 25th Sunday Ord Time

"The Church needs to be like God: always going out; and when the Church does not go out, she becomes sick with the many evils we have in the Church. And why are these illnesses in the Church? Because she does not go out. It is true that when someone goes out there is the danger of getting into an accident. But better a Church that gets into accidents because she goes out to proclaim the Gospel, than a Church that is sick because she stays in."

Pope Francis, Angelus, 20 September 2020

Now

Church Life Survey

Sunday 24 September

Season of Creation

Final meeting. 7pm Thursday 28th
at St Anne's Hall

Coming up

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

Gospel Reflection

On first reading the gospel I can totally understand how the workers found it unfair that they were paid the same amount of money no matter how long they worked.

What the parable is trying to teach us is that we all come to God at different times in our lives. That no matter when you come to God you will be treated the same.

Kathleen Rushton explains that Jesus is teaching us about God – convincing us to lay aside jealousy and our sense of unfairness and invite God into our lives the God of Jesus. That we are called to a way of life in which all human beings have equal value.

In the news last week we saw 6800 migrants land in Lampedusa. More than its whole population. How desperate must these people be? This would be the latest stop in a much longer journey. How do they recover from this trauma? How is it fair some people are born into poverty and war and others into wealth and peace? I do hope they have faith.

Thus the last will be first and the first will be last – everyone who has faith, no matter how long or how hard they work during their life will receive eternal life. Salvation is not earned through works but is a gift from God.

The parable also warns against envy and jealousy, encouraging a spirit of contentment and gratitude for God's generosity. This is quite a big statement. I am often a long way from feeling contented, I want more and although God always provides and protects I am again often not always grateful.

Probably my biggest failure when it comes to the 10 commandments is "Thou shall not covet the neighbours goods".

I totally covet my neighbours goods. For this reason I don't like watching Location Location Location because of the houses. Or Country Calendar with all the seemingly perfect families! I think we need to constantly remind ourselves that God is a God of love. God's love for us is so enormous it is truly hard to comprehend. "That you may be transformed by the power of his love which is deeper than the deepest pain".

Virginia McCabe

The Parable of the Laborers in the Vineyard

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

Gospel acclamation: Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son.

Remembering the Holy Souls

RIP:

Anniversary: Helen Powell, Weronika Swalkowski



For the latest information visit the Parish Website - 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://cls.nz.org/chis96Be2rIdawic/01GZD8QMJR7K1544C6FH1GQHG/en-rc> Limited paper copies will be available in the foyer



St Bernard's Legacy.

The next projects funded by the St Bernard's Legacy are:

- A Heat pump has been installed in the Presbytery this week to help keep our Priests warm and dry.
- A new Computer has been purchased for St Anne's church. New up to date software is being installed and will be ready to use soon.
- \$500 grants will be allocated to all the Youth Groups currently active in our Parish.



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.

Compassion Soup Kitchen Fundraiser

"DEATH AND TAXES" at the Gryphon theatre Ghuznee st. Wednesday 27th is the FUNDRAISERNIGHT from 6.45pm.

Tickets \$35.00 with a complimentary glass of wine.

Bookings at www.newplayers.org.nz

Readings for this week

Sun 24 Sept: Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20-24,27; Mt 20:1-16

Mon 25 Sept: Ezra 1:1-6; Lk 8:16-18

Tue 26 Sept: Ezra 6:7-8,12,14-20; Lk 8:19-21

Wed 27 Sept: Ezral 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6

Thurs 28 Sept: Haggai 1-8; Lk 9:7-9

Fri 29 Sept: Daniel 7:9-10,13-14; Jn 1:47-51

Sat 30 Sept: Zech 2:5-9,14-15; Lk 9:43-45



Wellington South HOLY COMMUNION Celebrations

Last Sunday our 2 Churches were full with the children and families who participated in this years Sacramental Programme. First came Reconciliation followed by Confirmation which prepared them for the highlight of Holy Eucharist.

Fr Doug spoke to the families encouraging them not to let their first communion be their last. It was a joyful event.



Not so long to go now to the **Current of Grace** Wellington event 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 lunch to share. Everybody welcome.

Contact Steve Ready 027-356-9555 or email: currentofgracewellington@gmail.com

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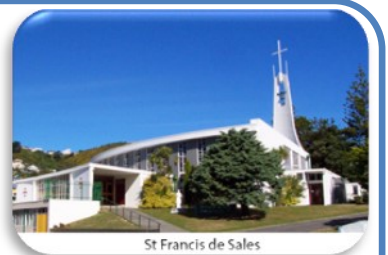
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St Francis de Sales