



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 October 8

27th Sunday Ord Time

In any age, those who have authority, any authority, also in the Church, in the People of God, may be tempted to work in their own interests instead of those of God. And Jesus says that true authority is when one performs service; it is in serving, not exploiting others. The vineyard is the Lord's, not ours. Authority is a service, and as such should be exercised for the good of all and for the dissemination of the Gospel. It is awful to see when people who have authority in the Church seek their own interests.'

Pope Francis, Angelus, 4 October 2020

Now

Support Life Sunday

Sunday 8 October

Coming up

World Mission Sunday

Sunday 22 October

All Saints Day

Thursday 2 November

All Souls Day

Thursday 2 November

Weekend Mass

Vigil Mass

6pm St Francis de Sales

Sunday Mass:

9am St Anne's

10am 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: No Mass

Tues: 10am Liturgy at St Anne's

Thurs: 10am St Anne's Mass

Fri: No Mass

Sat: 10am St Anne's Mass

Gospel Reflection

All of us are vines in the kingdom of God with Jesus the true vine.

So, what is the good fruit that God wants from his vines? This is the third Sunday in a row that Jesus has used the vineyard as the backdrop for his message.

In the gospel, Jesus turns Isaiah's love song for his friend's vineyard into a more personal parable about the wicked tenants. He was trying to make a point to the chief priests and the elders of the Jewish people about their spiritual blindness. The vineyard was entrusted to the care and responsibility of tenants who were expected to provide a share of the grape-harvest that was due to the landowner. Instead, they abused their responsibility in a callous and ruthless way by attacking and killing the landowner's servants and finally, the landowner's son. In the process, they mistakenly thought the vineyard would become theirs.

In the story, the owner of the vineyard represents God; the vineyard, People of God; the servants, the prophets whom God sent regularly to Israel, only to see them rejected, abused and sometimes killed and the tenants, the leaders who were an obstacle to the people of Israel knowing God in a personal way. At the end of the parable, Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders: 'When the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' After the leaders had condemned the tenants, Jesus had this to say 'The kingdom of God will be taken away from you (leaders) and given to people who will produce the fruits of the kingdom.'

So, what is the good fruit that God is looking for in his vineyard?

While in prison, Paul wrote to the Philippians encouraging them and us too, to fill our minds with everything that is true, good and pure; everything that we love and honour and consider just and worthy of praise so 'the peace of God that surpasses all understanding' would be part of our lives.

This peace comes from the presence of the Holy Spirit in each of us. Besides peace, the Holy Spirit blesses us with the fruits of love, joy, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness, self-control and a forgiving heart. How many of us can relate to the Holy Spirit in this way in our personal lives?

Steve



Responsorial Psalm: The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

Gospel acclamation: I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord, to go and bear fruit that will remain.

Remembering the Holy Souls

RIP: Angela James, Jimmy Gardner, Claire Higgins

Anniversary: Tafili Fuiono,



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

SUPPORT LIFE SUNDAY—7th- 8th OCTOBER

The Bishops' chosen focus is The Consistent Ethic of Life. The bishops are revising their 1997 statement Te Kahu o Te Ora – the 'Garment of Life'. This statement explores the application of what is a uniquely Catholic ethical framework to contemporary moral issues.

...THIS MEANS
RESPECTING THE
RIGHT TO LIFE;
CONSISTENTLY
TREATING
EVERYONE WITH
UNCONDITIONAL
LOVE.

...THIS MEANS
CARING FOR
OUR COMMON
HOME - OUR
SISTER, MOTHER
EARTH - AND THE
MYRIAD OF LIFE
IT SUSTAINS.

...THIS MEANS
FOSTERING
INCLUSION AND
ACTIVELY OPPOSING
ALL FORMS OF
PREJUDICE
AND UNJUST
DISCRIMINATION.

...THIS MEANS
WORKING FOR
PEACE WITHIN
OURSELVES, OUR
FAMILIES AND
COMMUNITIES
AND BETWEEN
NATIONS.

2023 Clergy Assembly

Our Priests will be away from 9 to 13 October to attend the National Clergy Assembly in Rotorua.

There will be no Monday or Friday Mass at Island Bay that week.

Refugees family coming to Wellington. Can you help with donating specific household items for a family of 4 coming mid October. There will be a list of the goods we need in the church porch next Sunday with items to be brought to the 9 am mass Sunday 15th October. If you have a vacuum cleaner or microwave oven in good order that you could donate please phone John Feeney 04 3864956.

St Anne's Hall Saturday 14 October 10am to 1pm

A **fabric sale** from lovers of projects, who just have too many projects! This event is for fabric-lovers and sewers - if you are looking for modern or vintage fabric, haberdashery, patterns and all things sewing-related - Fabric-a-brac is for you. Tea, coffee and sweet treats that you can enjoy in our seated area.

All proceeds go to Mary Potter Hospice.

Readings for this week

Sun 8 Oct: Isaiah 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

Mon 9 Oct: Jonah 1:1-2; 1,11 Lk 10:1-25-37

Tue 10 Oct: Jonah 3:1-2-10; Lk 10:38-42

Wed 11 Oct: Jonah 4:1-11; Lk 11:1-4

Thurs 12 Oct: Malachi 3:13-20; Lk 11:5-13

Fri 13 Oct: Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Lk 11:15-26

Sat 14 Oct: Joel 4:12-21; Lk 11:27-28



Last
Sunday we
**Celebrated Suzanne
Aubert Day**
with a whole of Parish Mass
at 10am followed by a
shared morning tea.
We thank everyone who
helped to make this a great
celebration especially the
Liturgy Teams.



Engaged Encounter is a weekend experience for couples
intending to be married.

Weekends for 2023 are on 25 & 26 November.

Venue is Otari Parish presbytery, 301 Karori Road, Karori,
Wellington. Registrations close 2 weeks before.

For more details go to the website <http://www.cce-wellington.co.nz/> Phone Kate and Simon Olson. Call 027 486 0700 or email simonolsen@gmail.com

All Wellington South Parishioners
are invited for an **Anointing Mass**
at the Home of Compassion,
Thursday 19th October at 1.30pm
followed by afternoon tea. RSVP:
events@compassion.org.nz
or Sister Rachel - Phone 282:1959



CHRISTIAN MEDITATION COMMUNITY DAY

Meditation and Embodiment, facilitated by Jo Ward.
Saturday October 14 starting at 10am with a cuppa, finishing
by 2:30pm.

Home of Compassion, 2 Rhine St, Island Bay
Bring your lunch, hot drinks will be provided. Koha to cover
the cost of the venue.

We welcome new and experienced meditators!

Any queries: contact Jo Ward 022 071 5881

Pope Francis has written a follow-up letter to his encyclical
Laudato 'Si. You can find **Laudate Deum** here: https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_exhortations/documents/20231004-laudate-deum.html

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



St Anne's

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St Francis de Sales