



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 ngōtahi ana, e ruia ana te karere o Hēhu Karaiti



Sunday June 9 10th Sunday Ord Time

'Let us lift up our hearts to Christ, and become singers of hope in a culture marked by much despair. By our actions, our words, the decisions we make each day, our patient efforts to sow seeds of beauty and kindness wherever we find ourselves, we want to sing of hope, so that its melody can touch the heartstrings of humanity'

Pope Francis, Homily, Ascension, 9 May 2024.'

Now

**2nd Children's session
Confirmation**

Sunday 9 June

1st Session

'Belonging in this Land'

Monday 10 June 7-8.30pm

St Anne's Church

Coming up

South Coast Prayer Trek

10am Saturday 22 June

Matariki at St Anne's

Friday 28 June

Weekend Mass

Vigil Mass

6pm at St Francis de Sales,

Sunday Mass:

9am St Anne's

10.30am St Francis de Sales

5pm St Anne's

Samoan Mass 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

Wed: 9am St Bernard's in Term time

Thurs: 10am St Anne's Mass

Fri: 9.15am St Francis De Sales Mass

Sat: 10am St Anne's Mass

Gospel Reflection

I have struggled with this Sunday's bulletin reflection.

When I am a proclaimer I often photograph the reading and practice reading it, even when I have read it a number of times, I often don't understand its message.

So it is truly a challenge to hear the readings and the gospel once and understand.

The first reading comes from Genesis and describes Adam and Eves temptation and sin. It is not an easy story to read "the serpent tricked me into it, so I ate it". The serpent was banned from all animals and told its belly would crawl and it would have to eat dirt for the rest of its life. Then God explains because of this first sin there will be disharmony between the man and woman and their offspring. This doesn't end well.

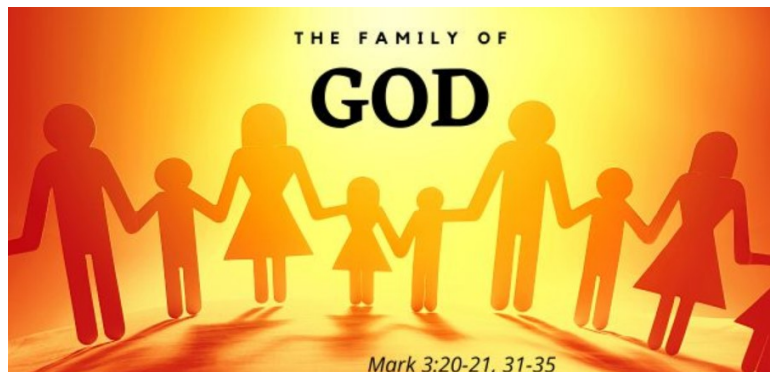
The second reading is from Corinthians and talks of Jesus's presence, to not be discouraged, that although our outer self might be wasting away that our inner self is being renewed every day through his presence. What is seen is transitory but what is unseen is eternal. That if our simple dwellings are destroyed we have a building from God which is not made with human hands and is eternal in heaven.

Jesus speaks to his disciples in parables in the Gospel. If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. Which makes sense. Jesus explains that whoever does the will of God is his brother and sister and mother.

So apologies I cannot give much insight into today's readings.

I enjoy mass for many reasons but simply, I am forced to stop, to sit, to reflect. It is at this time I do get distracted and I think about the week that has passed, worry about the week to come but I am in the presence of God, in the presence of the community and I find that an incredible comfort, and gain strength and hope and faith.

Virginia McCabe



Responsorial Psalm: With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

Gospel acclamation: Now the ruler of the world will be driven out, says the Lord; and when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself.

Remembering the Holy Souls

RIP:

Anniversary: Giuseppina, Giuseppe, and Gerardine Mollo.
Gino Di Leva, Francesco (Mini) Di Leva, Nina & Antonino De Gregorio



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

Treaty discussions

Following widespread concern about the present government's attitude to all things Māori, not least Te Tiriti, a group called Common Grace Aotearoa is offering a programme '**Belonging in this Land** - Treaty Basics from a Christian Perspective'. This consists of two video presentations followed by group discussion. The programme is an opportunity for us to learn more about Te Tiriti, and what it means to be Tangata Tiriti in the face of the Treaty Principles Bill. It is very important that all of us: Māori, Pākehā, Pacifica communities, recent migrants as well as those whose ancestors came to this country in the 1800s, have an understanding of te Tiriti and the Treaty (note they are separate documents). Sir David Moxon, former Anglican Archbishop of NZ is one of the presenters.

Date Session 1 Monday 10 June at 7pm -8.30pm

Date Session 2 Monday 24 June at 7pm -8.30pm

Venue St Anne's Church

Common grace would be very grateful for any donation. Go to treatyandbelonging.nz/resources There will also be a donation basket at the back of the church Please let the parish office know if you wish to attend so a participant's booklet can be prepared for you. Email: office@wellingtonsouthcatholic.org (You can also download the booklet from the above website.). Further questions contact Elizabeth, Carolyn, Christine or Maria.

Our Ecumenical Youth Group at Island Bay met recently for an evening of fun and activities.

We meet every 2nd Friday evening from 7-9pm, at the 88 The Parade. During the year we also go on adventures like kayaking trips, bonfires at Princess Bay, scavenger hunts



around town, movie nights, and camps. Come along, meet new people, catch up with old friends & hang out! All welcome.

Readings for this week

Sun 9 June: Gen 3:9-15; 2Cor 4:13-5:1; Mk 3:20-35

Mon 10 June 1Kings 17:1-6; Mt 5:1-12

Tue 11 June: Acts 11:21-26,13:1-3; Mt 10:7-13

Wed 12 June: 1Kings 18:20-39; Mt 5:17-19

Thurs 13 June: 1Kings 18:41-46; Mt 5:20-26

Fri 14 June: 1Kings 19: 9,11-16; ;Mt 5:27-32

Sat 15 June: 1Kings 19:19-21; Mt 5:33-37



Celebrate Matariki

On Friday 28th June Starting with a Liturgy at 11.00am at St Anne's Church.

This will be followed by a Hangi in the Hall

All Parishioners welcome to this special Parish event.

On-going training of Altar Servers for the St Francis de Sales Church. If there are any children still interested in becoming altar servers, they are most welcome and can still join the training every Tuesday at 12:30 pm



Fr Doug blessed the children at St Francis de Sales as they went out to receive their preparation for the Sacrament of **Confirmation**



Joshua Wellington invites men to join us on Thursday 20th June at 7:30pm in 'Loaves and Fishes' next to Anglican Cathedral of St Paul, corner Hill and Molesworth Streets followed by supper.

Speaker: Steve Ready on "Pray with meaning" Want to know more? Ring David Monastra 027-4477-280 or email: joshua.wgtn@gmail.com

South Coast Prayer Trek - Sat 22 June

Our theme is water, sharing thoughts and prayer on how we need it and how we use it, and how nature manages. A two hour trek over Island Bay hills. Meet at 10am at the Paekawakawa track entrance, 46a Derwent Street. Wear good walking shoes, and bring walking poles plus your trusty water bottle. Contact Liz - 022 185 5357.

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St Anne's



St Francis de Sales