



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 18 Aug 2024

20th Sunday Ord Time

'The Eucharist is Jesus himself who gives himself entirely to us. Nourishing ourselves of Him and abiding in Him through Eucharistic Communion, if we do so with faith, transforms our life, transforms it into a gift to God and to our brothers and sisters. Nourishing ourselves of that "Bread of Life" means entering into harmony with the heart of Christ, assimilating his choices, his thoughts, his behaviour. It means entering into a dynamism of love and becoming people of peace, people of forgiveness, of reconciliation, of sharing in solidarity. The very things that Jesus did.'

Pope Francis, Angelus, 16 August 2015.

Now

Next meeting of the Parish Council

Wed 21 August

Coming up

Day of prayer for Care of Creation

Sunday 1 September

Social Justice week

8-14 September

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

True Wisdom and the Bread of Life.

In the First reading today, wisdom is personified as a woman who has prepared a banquet and sent out her servants to call all those who are ignorant, who lack wisdom, saying: "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed." That meal is a foreshadowing of the Eucharist.

Similarly on the theme of wisdom, Paul urges us in the Second reading: "Be careful about the sort of lives you live, like intelligent and not senseless people... do not be thoughtless, but recognize the will of the Lord...So that always and everywhere you are giving thanks to God...".

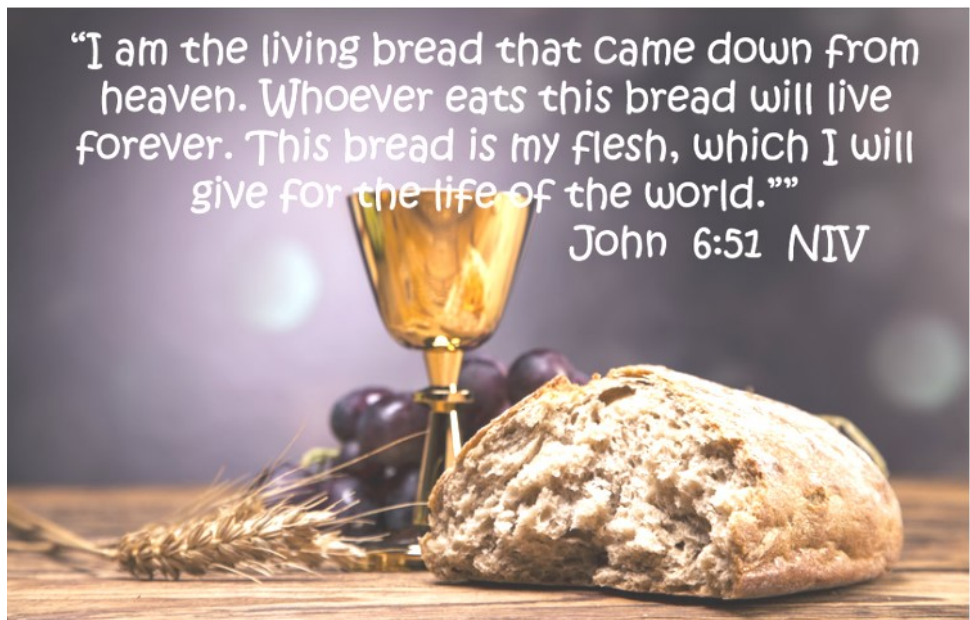
Today's Gospel reading is the third in a series with the Bread of Life theme. Jesus declares he is the living bread from heaven, offering eternal life through his body and blood. When his words are taken literally and questioned by some, Jesus doubles down in his response. "If you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and Drink of his blood, you will not have life in you." These are stark words. There are no ifs, buts or maybes.

Let us pray that we can partake in the wisdom and understanding of what it truly means to receive Christ in the Eucharist and have life within us.

Shane Connolly

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."

John 6:51 NIV



Responsorial Psalm: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Gospel acclamation: Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Remembering the Holy Souls

RIP: Fr Dennis O'Hagan

Anniversary: Raffaele Muollo, Antonino & Antonietta Basile
Antonino & Ida Muollo



For the latest information visit the Parish Website - wellington.southcatholic.org

Feast of the Assumption 15 August

We had a combined Mass with the children and staff of St Anne's school at 10am on Thursday 15 August to celebrate Mary's ascension into heaven.



Hope and Act with Creation

Start preparing now for our PUT AND TAKE table in the foyer of St Anne's Church during the Season of Creation 1Sept-29 Sept. Further details next week'

St Anne's Samoan Youth featured at a special Mass on 27 July at 11am to celebrate the Feast Day of St Anne. Special thanks to Leu Ulu who helped to prepare our young people to participate in the Mass with readings and worship.



Readings for this week

- Sun 18 Aug:** Prov 9:1-6; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58
- Mon 19 Aug:** Ez 24:15-24; Mt 19:16-22
- Tue 20 Aug:** Ez 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30
- Wed 21 Aug:** Ez 34:1-16,23-27; Mt 20:1-16
- Th 22 Aug:** Ez 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14
- Fri 23 Aug:** Ez 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40
- Sat 24 Aug:** Apoc 21:9-14; Jn 1:45-51



ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITY IN THE ARCHDIOCESE.

Are you looking for an opportunity to dig deeper into your faith, and to learn how to share it with others? Would you like to know more about Church teaching, and what it means for us today? Do you want to serve in your parish community, but feel you lack the formation and training? JOIN US on an exciting, new formation journey that offers personal faith formation and equips you for ministry and service. CALLED & EQUIPPED is a new archdiocesan Adult Formation Programme starting in February 2025. If you think this could be you, talk to your parish leadership team or Parish Council. Contact Lucienne Hensel at l.hensel@wn.catholic.org.nz for details.

Orpheus Choir

Experience the awe and wonder of Haydn's The Creation at the Michael Fowler Centre presented by the mighty Orpheus Choir Wellington. Saturday 24 August

LIFE TEEN LEADERSHIP CONVENTION: 30th August - 1st September 2024. Sacred Heart College Lower Hutt, Wellington Year 13 + \$120 Per Person Go to <https://lifeteen.nz/convention> to register.

We are delighted to announce that our Parish will be sponsoring 2 of our young people to attend this convention

Monday 26 August | 7pm – 9pm | Home of Compassion, Wellington. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to hear Fr Shenan Boquet (USA) give an informative and engaging presentation about Proclaiming the Gospel of Life in a Post-Christian Culture. For more info contact Simon Archer: 021 400 729 simon@fli.org.nz or visit fli.org.nz/speaking-tour-2024

Suzanne Aubert Tertiary Scholarship 2025

The Suzanne Aubert Tertiary Scholarship applications for 2025 open on 1 September 2024. This scholarship is designed to support students within the Catholic Archdiocese of Wellington and the Diocese of Palmerston North who will be studying in their second year of tertiary studies in 2025. For more details and to apply, please visit our website: www.compassion.org.nz If you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact: felicity.g@compassion.org.nz.

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

Craft Gathering at the Home of Compassion Wednesday, 12:00 pm
Venue: Suzanne Aubert Heritage Centre, 2 Rhine Street, Island Bay. Join us for our weekly craft gathering. Join us for our weekly craft gathering.

Fr Doug Shepherd - Parish Priest

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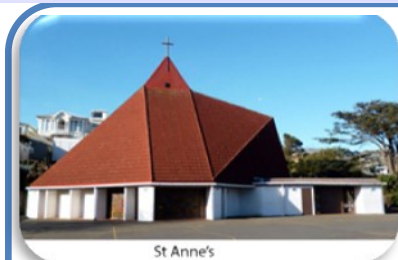
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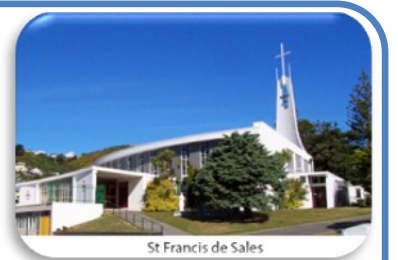
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St Anne's



St Francis de Sales