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Catholic Parish of Wellington South

In the spirit of Suzanne Aubert

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We are a community of joyful disciples growing tagether and sharing Christ's message Ko tātou tetahi hāpori o ngā ākonga harikoa, e whakatupu ngātahi ana, e ruia ana te karere o Hēhu Karaiti

Sunday 10 Nov 2024 32nd Sunday Ord Time

Faced with the needs of our neighbours, we are called... to deprive ourselves of essential things, not only the superfluous; we are called to give the time that is necessary, not only what is extra; we are called to give immediately and unconditionally some of our talent, not after using it for our own purposes or for our own group.'

Pope Francis Angelus 8 Nov 2015

Now

World Day of the Poor

Sunday 17 November

Coming up

Treaty Workshop

7.30pm Tuesday 26 November at St Josephs Church, Mt Vic

Simbang Gabi

starts 7pm Sunday 15 December at St Anne's Church

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

Our Gospel today focuses on what Jesus observed when scribes in their long robes showed off their importance and pretentious behaviours. Then at the Temple, rich people proudly put large amounts of money as offerings.

A poor widow on the other hand, shyly put in her 2 small coins. Jesus told the disciples that the widows contribution was worth more than those given by the rich people because she gave all of what little she had.

What messages can we gather from these behaviours? Are these behaviours still true today? I think the Lord is telling us that whatever we do, must come from our humble hearts. We need to shape our habits and actions so we enrich each other.

Just as in the first Reading when a widow gave the prophet Elijah water to drink and bread to eat in spite of her meagre provisions. These acts of kindness and generosity from both widows come from the heart. This is what Jesus noticed regarding the widow at the Temple, small actions that help others. It is not the amount of money or help we offer but the love with which we give these offerings. It highlights our task as a community to help others, to be active members helping to bring about the kingdom of God. Our acts of charity however small, provide us opportunities to be part of a caring Christian community.

In our society today, we can reflect on what we can do in our small ways to help others, to help the environment and to have a voice even a tiny one to make this world a better place.

Zenaida Catalan Savill



Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord, my soul!

Gospel acclamation: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Remembering the Holy Souls RIP: Barbara Hoskins (*Funeral Thurs 7 Nov at SFdS*) Anniversary: Noel Tindall





All Souls' Day is celebrated as the day to remember and pray for our departed loved ones. Last Saturday we paid tribute to our deceased family members with a special remembrance Mass. Thank you to the Liturgy committee and the music group for a wonderful celebration.

The Treaty Principles Bill.

Common Grace is soon to release another video Speak up for Te Tiriti: Christian Perspectives on the Treaty Principles Bill. Common Grace says: We're working alongside tangata whenua advisors in our Common Grace network and external experts like Dr Carwyn Jones of Te Wānanga o Raukawa to prepare concise and accessible submission guides and video content. Our aim is to help Christians of all backgrounds understand what the bill proposes, why many people are deeply concerned, and how they can have their say. There will be information on how to write submissions. **St Joseph's Church** Community and **Wellington South Parish** are jointly hosting a workshop to view the video and follow-up discussion. This will be held at St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria, on **26th November at 730pm**.

Everyone is very welcome.

For more information contact Carolyn Carr, 0274777558 or email, carolynkaa@hotmail.com ; or Lesley Hooper email, hooper.lesley@gmail.com

Last meeting for 2024 for **Joshua Wellington** in Connolly Hall, next to Sacred Heart Cathedral in Guildford Terrace. Come and join other men on Thursday 21st November from 7:00pm for a cuppa and a 7:30pm meeting start followed by supper. Speaker: Jeff Drane SM on "Recognise your opportunity" Want to know more? Ring David Monastra 027-4477-280 or email: joshua.wgtn@gmail.com

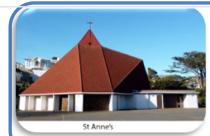
Readings for this week

Sun 10 Nov: 1Kings 17:10-16; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 **Mon 11 Nov:** Titus 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6

Tue 12 Nov: Titus 2:1-8,11-14; Lk 17:7-10 **Wed 13 Nov:** Titus 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19 **Thur 14 Nov:** Philemon 7-20; Lk 17:20-25 **Fri 15 Nov:** 2John 4-9; Lk 17:26-37 **Sat 16 Nov:** 3John 5-8; Lk 18:1-8

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Et Francis de Sales

Congratulations to Vincent and Natalie from St Bernard's primary School who were awarded **Scholarships from the St Bernard's Legacy** to cover their fees at Catholic Colleges in Wellington.





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.

The Catholic Parish of Wellington South invites you to this year's **Simbang Gabi** on 15 - 23 December, 7:00 PM at St. Anne's Church, 22 Emmett



St., Newtown. Simbang Gabi, which literally translates to "Night Mass," is a popular Filipino tradition in anticipation of Christmas that dates back to the

country's Spanish colonial time. This 9-day novena Mass honours the Blessed Virgin Mary, the expectant mother of our Lord. We join her in reflecting on the great mystery of the Incarnation and the fulfilment of the promise of salvation.

Join us as we celebrate this meaningful celebration of welcoming the birth of Jesus Christ!

Congratulations to Sofia Opiniano who received her **First Holy Communion** at St Anne's last week. May God bless her and her family.

Mass with the new Apostolic Nuncio

The new Apostolic Nuncio to New Zealand and the Pacific, Archbishop Gábor Pintér, will formally present his letter of introduction to the President of the New Zealand Bishops Conference in the presence of New Zealand's other bishops at the 7pm Mass at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, on **Sunday 10 November**. The Nuncio will be the main presider at the Mass. All are welcome.

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