



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 harikoa, e whakatupu ngātahi ana, e ruia ana te karere o Hēhu Karaiti



Sunday 11 May 2025

4th Sunday of Easter

The sheep who hear, and who discover they are known, follow : they listen, they feel they are known to the Lord. They go where he goes, along the same path. They go to seek those who are lost, they know how to weep with those who weep, they reach out their hands to their neighbours, carrying them on their shoulders.'

Pope Francis, Angelus, 8 May 2022

Now

Good Shepherd Sunday

Sunday 11 May

Golden Jubilee Sr Rachel

Sunday 11 May 10.30

Mothers Day

Sunday 11 May

Coming up

Children's Day Mass

St Anne's

Sunday 25 May 9am

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 monthly
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

Fri: 9am St Francis de Sales

Sat: 10am St Anne's

From Fr. Biju

Today is the Good Shepherd Sunday, is also the "World Day of Prayer for Vocations." The title "Pastor" means shepherd. A shepherd leads, feeds, nurtures, comforts, corrects, and protects his flock—responsibilities that belong to all Church leaders, parents, civil leaders, and all who are in charge of others. Good Shepherd Sunday invites us to recognise the universal reach of God's love, appreciate the diversity within the community of believers, listen to the voice of the Good Shepherd, find security in His eternal promises, and cherish the gift of eternal life offered by the One who knows each of His sheep by name.

We become good shepherds by loving those entrusted to us, praying for them, spending our time and talents for their welfare. At the same time let us be good sheep in the fold of Jesus, the Good Shepherd: Our local parish is our sheepfold, and our pastors are our shepherds. Hence, as the good sheep of the parish, parishioners are expected to hear and follow the voice of their shepherds through their homilies, Bible classes, and advice; receive the spiritual food their pastors provide by regular participation in the Holy Mass, by frequenting the Sacraments, cooperate with their pastors by giving them positive suggestions for the welfare of the parish, by encouraging them in their duties, and by praying for them always. Let us pray for vocations to priestly and religious life so that we may have more good shepherds to lead, feed, and protect the Catholic community. Let us commit ourselves to Jesus our Good Shepherd who will never fail us.

Today, we also thank our mothers, pray for them, and honour them by celebrating Mother's Day, offering our mothers on the altar of God, and praying for them. Our mothers are the good shepherds we all experienced. They gave us life, nursed us, fed us, taught us, disciplined us and showed Christ's self-sacrificing love for us. Let us entrust our earthly mothers to our Heavenly Mother, Mary.

*Happy Feast Day
to all.*

Fr Biju



Responsorial Psalm : We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Gospel acclamation : I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Remembering the Holy Souls

RIP: Eleanor Cody

Anniversary: Constanzo Greco, Bernice Crane, Russel Cook



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

On Tuesday, 6 May 2025 with joyful hearts we celebrated **Fr. Biju's 25th Priesthood Anniversary.**



Congratulations and heartfelt thanks for your faithful ministry. Thank you for your devotion, guidance and tireless ministry. May God continue to bless you abundantly in the years to come!

"You are a priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek"
- Psalm 110:4 -



College Open Days

St Mary's College: Open Day on Tuesday 20 May.
St Pats College: Open Day tours are coming. Tuesday 27 May or Thursday 29 May
St Catherine's College: Open Evening Wednesday 11th June 2024. Time: 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.

To arrange a preference certificate please contact the Parish office. You will need to live within the Parish boundary and be able to produce a copy of your child's baptism certificate.

Hours of Mercy – Eucharistic Adoration at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Thorndon on Fridays 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 May and 6 June from 10am – 2pm. Please register as per the poster attachment or call 0225178988.

Readings for this week

Sun 11 May: Acts 13:14-43-52; Apoc 7:9.14-17; Jn 10:27-30
Mon 12 May: Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10
Tue 13 May: Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30
Wed 14 May: Acts 1:15-17.20-26; Jn 15:9-17
Thurs 15 May: Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20
Fri 16 May: Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
Sat 17 May: Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14: 7-14



Prayer carrying Cardinal Dew towards the start of the conclave. Cardinal John said he is relying on prayer – his own, and that of others – in helping him prepare for the "immensity" of the task of being one of 133 people about to elect Pope Francis' successor.



Like most of the cardinal-electors, Cardinal Dew will be participating in a conclave for the first time.

Cardinal Dew expressed his gratitude to the Catholic community in New Zealand for their prayers for him and the other cardinals. He mentioned in particular the uptake of the Litany of the Saints prayer prepared especially for the Church in New Zealand and for the intention of the conclave.

Joshua Catholic Men's fellowship

Come and join other men at Joshua this coming Thursday 15th May from 7:00pm for a cuppa and 7:30pm start. Venue : St Joseph's Mt Victoria 152 Brougham Street.

(Venue change for this month only)

Speaker: postponed from April; Michael Powell on "Power to do good in Jesus' name"

Want to know more? Ring David Monastera 027-4477-280 or email: joshua.wgtn@gmail.com.

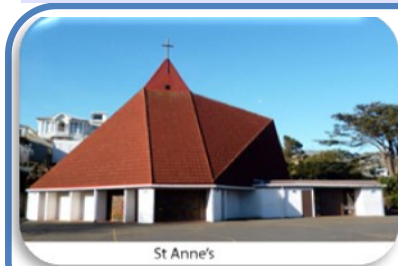
Pentecost Sunday, 8 June 2025:

The Jubilee of Ecclesial Movements, Associations and Communities will be on Pentecost Sunday, 8 June 2025. The afternoon programme will be held in the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Hill Street. Beginning at 2.30pm and includes a shared dinner (please bring something to share) and will finish with 7pm Mass celebrated by Archbishop Paul. If you are interested in more information or contributing to the day, please contact: Bern McCabe 0211655463. This event is part of the Archdiocesan Celebration of the Jubilee Year 2025: Pilgrims of Hope.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:

In his message for the 62nd World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Pope Francis wrote: "A vocation is a precious gift that God sows in our heart, a call to leave ourselves behind and embark on a journey of love and service. Please pray for our seminarians Kinh, Emilio, Gerson, Dyester and Kham, and for all those discerning the call to priesthood and religious life. Pray too that more young people will generously say "Yes" to God's call. Vocations are fostered within faith communities. So, who can you encourage? Pray for them | Invite them to consider priesthood or religious life | Affirm their gifts and qualities Encourage them to be open to God's call.

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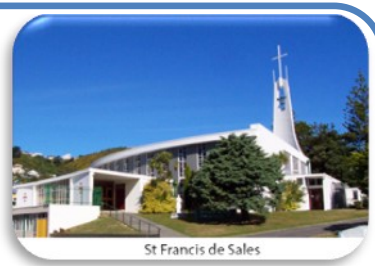
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St Francis de Sales