



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 4 May 2025 3rd Sunday of Easter

Today the Risen Christ invites us to a new impetus — everyone, each one of us — he invites us to dive into the good without fear of losing something, without calculating too much, without waiting for others to begin. Why? Do not wait for others, because in order to go towards Jesus, we need to go out on a limb. Am I capable of an outburst of generosity, or do I restrain the impulses of my heart and close myself off in routine, or in fear?

Pope Francis, Regina Caeli, 1 May 2022

Coming up

Golden Jubilee Sr Rachel

Sunday 11 May 10.30

Mothers Day

Sunday 11 May

1st Confirmation session

For Children

Sunday 18 May

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

Gospel Reflection

"We must obey God rather than men."

In today's gospel we meet our risen Lord, Jesus Christ who is revealing himself again to his disciples at the sea of Tiberias.

Simon Peter and six other disciples have gone fishing. Seasoned fishermen stay out on the sea all night and catch nothing.

"Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something."

Upon obeying Jesus to cast the net they were unable to pull it in because of a huge catch.

Brothers and sisters, Jesus, our risen Lord, is asking each one of us today, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?"

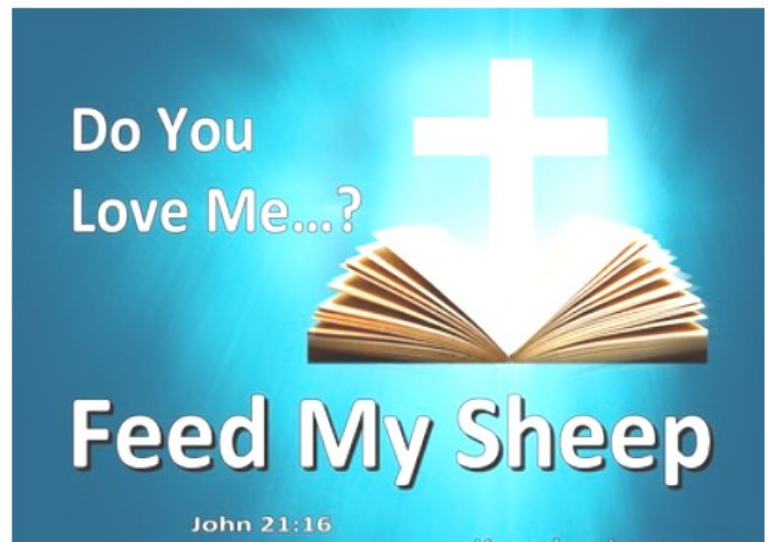
On personal level, family level, national level or as a Church, what is it that we aspire for and are trying to achieve — may we be attentive to the Holy Spirit who is always intervening and helping us make some breakthroughs for the glory of God the Father.

As to Peter, Jesus is also asking each one of us — "Do you love me?" — three times.

In his divine glory, our risen Lord is reaching out to all mankind and invites us to embrace his new commandment that we should love one another unconditionally as he does.

Happy third
Easter
Sunday!

Louis



Responsorial Psalm: I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Gospel acclamation: Christ is risen, creator of all;
he has shown pity on all people.

Remembering the Holy Souls

RIP: Bishop Owen Dolan, Maria De Gregorio (Italy)

Anniversary: Dorothy Bruce



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

Last Sunday we celebrated the Feast of Divine Mercy at St Anne's. A big thank you to everyone who helped out.



Golden Jubilee

Sr Rachel Moreno will be celebrating her Golden Jubilee at the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 11 May at St Francis de Sales Church. All parishioners are welcome to help her celebrate this milestone in her life.

The Papal funeral

Cardinal Dew said the Mass itself was very beautifully done, very simply done, allowing the diversity of the Church to be seen through prayer, language and music. The conclave to elect a new Pope will begin on 7 May.

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 4 May: Acts 5:27-32, 40-41; Apoc 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19

Mon 5 May: Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6: 22-29

Tue 6 May: Acts 7:51-8:1; Jn 6:30-35

Wed 7 May: Acts 8:1-8; Jn 6:35-40

Thurs 8 May: Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

Fri 9 May: Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59

Sat 10 May: Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69



Pope Francis declared 2025 as a Year of Jubilee with the theme "Pilgrims of Hope"

Pope Francis said, "The forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire; that is why I have chosen as the motto of the Jubilee, Pilgrims of Hope."

The 2025 Year of Jubilee will give voice to Pope Francis' desire to foster a greater sense of global sisterhood and brotherhood, solidarity with the poor, and caring for the environment. Preparations are underway. All parishes are encouraged to become involved in this Jubilee Year. The 2024 focus for the People of God has been on prayer and study. In 2025 the focus shifts to the People of God making a Pilgrimage of Hope.

JUBILEE for WORKERS: Mass for St Joseph the Worker-St Joseph's Church, Mt Victoria at 9.30am on Sunday 4th May. Come and join in this Jubilee Year Mass and reflect on the importance and value of work and the needs of all workers. Catholic teaching encourages us to take actions that support and respect the dignity human person, the common good and the importance of work. There will be a 15-minute conversation after Mass for those who would like to consider possible actions.

The Archdiocesan **Marriage Preparation Course** – Love is a Decision – register for the June Course on the Archdiocesan website, consecutive Sundays 8 & 15 June 10am-4pm, St Catherine's College, Kilbirnie. Register early as there are limited spaces. Courses available for 2025 will be in September and November. Couples are encouraged to enrol in a course well in advance of their wedding date in case they need to defer due to sickness etc. Contact mail.marriage@wn.catholic.org.nz

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Please keep Kinh (Ordination 12 July), Emilio, Gerson Kham and Dyester in your prayers. Thinking about priesthood? Visit www.wellingtonpriests.org.

You are invited to a **PRAYER WORKSHOP** on May 10 from 9.30am to 4pm in Connelly Hall 10 Guildford Tce.

This workshop will offer:

1. Prayer Group Formation
 2. Prayer Ministry: Teaching and Training
 3. Prophetic Intercession: Teaching and Training
- Contact cog.wellington@charisnz.com

TE KUPENGA CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

The College is offering online webinars in 2025. This series features our current and past students who will inspire us as they talk about growing in faith, leadership in ministry, and their role in ministry. For more information and to register, go to www.tekupenga.ac.nz/webinar2025

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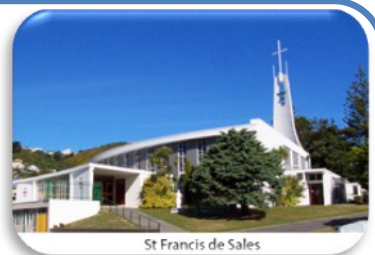
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St Francis de Sales