



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 13 July 2025

15th Sunday Ordinary Time

'Our social responsibility is grounded in God's creative act, which gives everyone a share in the goods of the earth. Like those goods, the fruits of human labour should be equally accessible to all. Helping the poor is a matter of justice before a question of charity. As Saint Augustine observed: "You give bread to a hungry person; but it would be better if none were hungry, so that you would have no need to give it away. You clothe the naked, but would that all were clothed and that there be no need for supply this lack".'

- Pope Leo XIV, Message for the World Day of the Poor.

Now

Day of prayer for Seafarers

Sunday 13 July

Coming up

**Day for Grandparents
and the Elderly**

Sunday 27 July 2025

Jubilee Mass

St Mary of the Angels

Friday 15 August 5pm

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

Samoa 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: 9.15am St Francis de Sales

Sat: 10am St Anne's

From Fr Doug

Dear Parishioners

In Sunday's Gospel we will hear again the great parable of the Good Samaritan. The most disturbing thing in this story is not the attack by a band of robbers on a man going from Jerusalem to Jericho but the fact that two people who you would expect to help, passed the man by without showing any compassion or remorse for him.

A true Christian is not indifferent to the suffering of another.

"Who is my neighbour?" asked the lawyer.

The common answer in that time would be: my neighbour comes from my own tribe, or circle, or religion. But the answer Jesus gave was: My neighbour can be anybody and especially if they are in need. The real question then is not who do I consider to be my neighbour, but who am I willing to treat as my neighbour?

Pope Francis said '*Jesus choose a Samaritan to play the lead in the parable? Because Samaritans were despised by Jews on account of their different religious traditions; and yet Jesus shows that the heart of that Samaritan was good and generous and that — unlike the priest and the Levite — he puts into practice the will of God who wants mercy rather than sacrifices (cf. Mk 12:33). God always wants mercy and does not condemn it in anyone. He wants heartfelt mercy because he is merciful and can understand well our misery, our difficulties and also our sins. He gives all of us this merciful heart of his! The Samaritan does precisely this: he really imitates the mercy of God, mercy for those in need.*'

The Good Samaritan is a model and inspiration for all Christians in their practice of Christian charity and compassion.

With every blessing

Fr Doug



Responsorial Psalm : Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

Gospel acclamation : Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life;
you have the words of everlasting life.

Remembering the Holy Souls

RIP:

Anniversaries: Raffaele Volpicelli, Vicente Escuredo, Myra Rivera,
Iris de Motte



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CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON

Jubilarians Mass
11:00 am, Tuesday 15th July
Our Lady of Grace, Heretaunga

Fr John Rea SM	70 Years
Fr Frank Twiss SM	65 Years
Fr Peter Fitzgibbon	60 Years
Fr Michael Gormly SSC	60 Years
Fr Tony Kearns	25 Years
Fr Biju Xavier	25 Years



ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

of
Deacon

JOHN THE BAPTIST
KIHN VAN NGUYEN

by

**The Most Reverend
PAUL MARTIN, SM**
Archbishop of Wellington

Saturday, 12 July 2025
at 11:00 AM
Sacred Heart Cathedral
Hill Street, Wellington

A Pilgrimage to Pukekaraka Otaki

In this year of Jubilee and pilgrimage, parishioners in the Wellington Archdiocese are invited to visit Hato Mere/St Mary's, Pukekaraka, Otaki, on the afternoon of **Sunday, 31st August**, the Vigil of the Season of Creation. Ngati Kapu ki Pukekaraka will welcome visitors onto the Marae with a Powhiri at 1 pm, so please arrive in good time. More information will be sent to parishes in early August.



"Come, Holy Spirit, breathe new life into your Church."

As we begin our journey toward

the **Hope and Renewal Summit (3-4 October)**, this week we invite the Spirit to guide every step of preparation. Pray for the Holy Spirit to breathe new life into our Church. Find out more: www.hoperenewalsummit.com

Young Adult Retreat. Special opportunity with Fr Giosue Busti at the Pa Maria Spirituality Centre, Thorndon, Wellington - Friday 25 July - Sunday 27 July. The Book of Revelation: The Book of Hope. Click on QR code for full details or email revelationsretreat@gmail.com. It is not live-in and only \$50 for a great weekend of faith formation and encouragement with other young adults.

There will be a **special Mass on Sunday 20th July** at 11.30am to celebrate 70 years of the Samoan Community's presence in Wellington. All are most welcome.

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Readings for this week

Sun 13 July : Deu 30:10-14 ; Col 1:15-20 ; Luke 10:25-37

Mon 14 July : Exodus 1:8-14.22 ; Matt 10:34-11:1

Tue 15 July : Exodus 2:1-15 ; Matt 11:20-24

Wed 16 July : Exodus 3:1-6.9-12 ; Matt 11:25-27

Thurs 17 July : Exodus 3:13-20 ; Matt 11:28-30

Fri 18 July : Exodus 11:10-12:14 ; Matt 12:1-8

Sat 19 July : Exodus 12:37-42 ; Matt 12:14-21



To celebrate the **Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly** on Sunday, 27th July there will be a morning tea after the 9am Mass at St Annes. Please bring something simple to share if you are able.



There will also be a special Mass at St Francis de Sales Church on Friday 25 July at 11am with the school. Everyone is welcome

Joshua Catholic Men's Fellowship

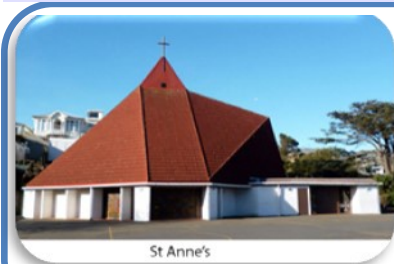
Come and join other men at Joshua Wellington's next meeting on Thursday 17th July from 7:00pm for a cuppa 7:30pm start followed by supper.

Venue : Connolly Hall (next to Sacred Heart Cathedral)
Speaker: Jeff Drane SM on "What burdens you?" Want to know more? Ring David Monastera 027-4477-280 or email: joshua.wgtn@gmail.com

Day of Prayer for Seafarers | 13 July 2025

On Sea Sunday, celebrated in 2025 on 13 July, churches all over the world come together to remember seafarers and pray for them, their families and those who support them.

Let us remember all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen, women and their families. Away from family and friends for many months at a time, working long hours and navigating some of the world's most dangerous stretches of ocean, seafaring can be a tough, lonely and hazardous career. On this Day of Prayer for Seafarers, we pray especially for these hardworking men and women who are often forgotten.



St Anne's

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St Francis de Sales