



When a priest is not available, Word & Communion will be led by parishioners.

Blenheim

Tues: 9.30am Mass

Wed: 12.05pm Mass

Thurs: 9.30 am Mass

Except 1st Thurs:

Bethsaida **10.30am**

Fri: 11am Adoration

11.30 Reconciliation

12.05pm Mass

Sat: 9.30am Mass
Reconciliation to follow

Sat: 5.00pm Mass

Sun: 10.00am Mass

(2nd & 5th Sunday

Word & Communion)

Havelock

Sunday: 11am

(4th Sunday

Word & Communion)

Kaikoura

Tues: 9.30am

Wed: 9.30am

Wed: 7pm Rosary

Thurs: 5.15pm

Fri: 9.30am

Sun: 9.30am

(1st & 3rd Sunday

Word & Communion)

Picton

Wed: 9.00am Mass

Sun: 9.00am Mass

(4th Sunday:

Word & Communion)

Renwick

3rd Sunday 5pm Mass

Seddon

Sun: 8am Mass

(2nd & 5th Sunday

Word & Communion)

Ward

4th Sunday 4pm Mass

Baptisms

Celebrated during weekend Mass or other times.

Marriages

Marriages celebrated in all our Churches. Please contact the Parish Office well in advance.

Open Church

Our Churches at St Mary's and Sacred Heart Kaikoura are open every day if you want to a quiet place for prayer.



**Te Whetu O Te Moana | Star of the Sea
Marlborough Catholic Parish**

From the Sounds to the Sea, the Mountains to the Plains

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Blenheim | Havelock | Kaikoura | Picton | Renwick | Seddon | Ward

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28th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday Mass

Dear parishioners,

I was asked a little while ago to say something about Sunday Mass - whether we still have an obligation to go to Mass on Sunday or whether it was 'suit yourself' now ?

Sunday Mass is a tradition in the Christian Church from the earliest times. There is nothing in Scripture to say we are obliged to go to Mass on a Sunday.

However, it has been a tradition in the Church from the earliest times to gather on the first day of the week, to celebrate the Lord Jesus Christ - his Rising from the dead, and to share the Eucharist together as a community of his disciples. We should gather in a spirit of love and faith. Do you need a law to go to a birthday party if you love and respect that person?

Yet it still remains that we have an obligation to come to Sunday Mass, if one is held in the vicinity. There is no obligation to attend Mass if you must travel a long way, or if it entails hardship, whether physical or financial. One must be guided by common sense.

Once one is in one's senior years (interpret that how one wishes), there is no obligation to attend.

For children, parents are encouraged to bring their children to Mass. But don't make a 'song and dance' about it. Children have a different way - so it is up to parents to encourage their children to go. We still hope where possible to have children's liturgies to include in the celebration in major places of worship.

The golden rule is - the Lord invites you to come to the banquet. If you love him and respect the community, you should want to go.

For occasions where there is no Mass available, we often have Word and Communion Service, where I understand the reflections have usually been excellent and worth listening to. Let us support each other when people help to lead the liturgy on such occasions. So it is good we try to come. Strictly speaking, there is no obligation to attend a Word and Communion service.

May the Love and Peace of Jesus be in your hearts and families.

Pat McIndoe CP
a/Parish Priest

Readings for Twenty Eighth Week Ordinary Time

Sun 13th: 2Kings 5:14-17 2Timothy 2:8-13 Luke 17:11-19

Psalm Response: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Mon 14th: Romans 1:1-7 Luke 11:29-32

Tues 15th: Romans 1:16-25 Luke 11:37-41 **St Teresa of Jesus D.V.**

Wed 16th: Romans 2:1-11 Luke 11:42-46

Thurs 17th: Romans 3:21-30 Luke 11:47-54 **St Ignatius of Antioch, B.M.**

Fri 18th: 2Timothy 4:10-17 Luke 10:1-9 **St Luke, Evangelist**

Sat 19th: 1 Cor 1:17-25 Matt 9:35-10:1 **St Paul of the Cross**

Twenty Ninth Week Ordinary Time

Sun 20th: Exodus 17:8-13 2Timothy 3:14-4:2 Luke 18:1-8

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Weekend Mass Times

28th Sunday (2)

Sat Oct 12

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat

Sun Oct 13

Seddon-8am **W&C**

Picton-9am Mass/Fr Jacob

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/Fr Pat

Blenheim-10am **W&C**

Havelock-11am Mass/Fr Jacob

Oct 14-20: Ginetta on Leave

Oct 16: Fr Pat & Jacob at Pastoral Meeting with Sr Maureen & Frances Anna

29th Sunday (3)

Sat Oct 19

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Jacob

Sun Oct 20

Seddon-8am Mass/ Fr Pat

Picton-9am Mass/Fr Jacob

Kaikoura-9.30 **W&C**

Blenheim-10am Mass/ Fr Pat

Havelock-11am Mass/ Fr Jacob

Tongan Mass 2 pm/ Fr Sanele

Renwick 5pm Mass/ Fr Pat

30th Sunday (4)

Sat Oct 26

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Jacob

Sun Oct 27

Seddon-8am Mass/Fr Pat

Picton-9am **W&C**

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/ Fr Jacob

Blenheim-10am Mass/Fr Pat

Havelock-11am **W&C**

Ward-4pm Mass/ Fr Pat

31st Sunday (1)

Sat Nov 2

Blenheim-5pm Mass/ Fr Pat

Cuppa after Mass

Sun Nov 3

Seddon-8am Mass/Fr Jacob

Picton-9am Mass/Fr Pat

Cuppa after Mass

Kaikoura-9.30 **W&C**

Blenheim-10am Mass/Fr Jacob

Cuppa after Mass

Havelock-11am Pat

Parish News & Events

Rosary during October: There

will be a rosary every Wednesday during October, at St Mary's church at 6.30pm. All welcome.

Operation Christmas Child

Please return your full box by Labour Weekend, 27th October.

RCIA: Regular weekly sessions are starting up again soon. Please consider asking family or friends who you think might be interested in reconnecting or

exploring the Catholic faith.

Oct 14-20..Parish Office Hours

Ginetta is on leave for this week and there will be reduced hours as a result. The office will be open 9am-12noon on Wed-Fri. If you ring out of those hours please leave a message and someone will get back to you.

Oct 16.. St Mary's Youth

Group!! Starts again this term -

Weds 16th Oct 6:30pm - 8:30pm.

This first gathering will be for all ages (including year 8s!). We will decide on regular age/time meetings from there. New members very welcome! Queries to Maurice and Mieke Davies 0223918584.

Thanks! And we would like to give a huge thank you to everyone who supported our fundraisers for our year 8 retreat to Hanmer! Esp Mike at Meaters for his amazing sausages! We had an amazing, blessed time together. Thanks everyone!

Oct 17..BHM Women's Friendship

Group: The first meeting went very well and all agreed a fashion show was to be the next event. 17th Oct with a 6pm start and \$10 pp. To get your tickets & other info, ring Jessie 021 0863 5235.

Oct 18th..St Paul of the Cross

Presentation As the following day is the Feast of St Paul of the Cross, Fr Pat and Fr Jacob will be giving a presentation and prayer to mark the life of St Paul of the Cross. 7pm in the Mercy Room. All are welcome.

Oct 20.. BHM Food Fest

There will be a Multicultural Food fest after the 10am Mass. Ethnic Groups are invited to bring food from your cultural background and to share with one another in the grounds. Even Kiwis have a favourite dish, share it around. Let us rejoice in our diverse cultures. Please bring your own deck chair.

Oct 23..CCW Spring tour:

7.30pm, Elim Church, \$5 pp and supper provided. Ladies, the CCW (formerly CWCI) Spring tour is fast approaching. We are looking forward to having Anita McDonnell from the Waikato (formerly from Southland and Canterbury) speak. We hope you will be able

to come and hear the message God has placed on Anita's heart to share with us.

Nov 17.. St Pats Kilbirnie Cen-

tenary St Pat's Church, 3 Childers Tce, Kilbirnie, will be celebrating 100 years **with a 10am Mass followed by a cup of tea in the Parish Hall.** All former parishioners are welcome. Contact tricioo.2285@gmail.com for information or to register.

BHM Rosters:

Hi Belinda here. I am beginning to think about the rosters for St Mary's Church for the months beginning November through to February. It would be great if **you** would think about contributing in any way in our weekend liturgies. We would love more people taking part in any way. Please talk with me after Mass or contact me on 578 2628 or 021 774 858 or hugh.vavasour@xtra.co.nz

Youth Camp: Can you sponsor a young person ???

We have about 3 young people heading to Lifeteen Summer camp in Jan, and we need your help to get them there! If you are willing to sponsor/part sponsor one of our young people/leaders, that's awesome! Please find one of the sponsorship forms in the foyer of the church- you will find all the info you need on it. Thank you so much in advance! For more info Ring Maurice/Mieke 0223918584

Parish Calendar

October: Extraordinary Month of Mission-100 yrs since the Apostolic letter Maximum Il-

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Oct 13..Prayer to Respect Life

Oct 14.. Sacred Heart Steward-

ship (7), every 2nd month.

Oct 14-20..Ginetta on leave

Oct 15.. Pastoral Council, Finance

& Property

Oct 17.. BHM Women's Group

Oct 20...World Mission Sunday

Oct 20...BHM Multicultural Food

Fest

Oct 25.. Last Day for Op Xmas

Child Boxes

November

Nov 1..All Saints Day

Nov 2..All Souls Day

Nov 5.. Wairau Stewardship (7)

Nov 11 .. Sounds Stewardship (5)

Nov 19.. Finance & Property (7)

Nov 26.. Parish Pastoral Council

Let Us Remember in our Prayers and at Mass:

Recently Deceased: Carol Hey, Ovi Circa, Roger Gill, Betty King

Anniversaries: 1st Oct: Kathleen Heselton **9** Terry Power **16** Harold McConway

Other Intentions: Lex & Mary Agnew, Hope McConway & Cheesman Families

COLLECTIONS:

We are most grateful for your support of our Parish of Star Of The Sea.

Last week:

AP's: \$ 2,323.19

Envelopes: \$ 832.97

Loose: \$ 457.65

Mission Sunday: \$ 10.00

Peter's Pence: \$ 5.00

thank
you!