



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

Blenheim

Tues: 9.30am Mass
Wed: 12.05pm Mass
 Rosary: 5.30pm
 Ph: 572 9067 for venue
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
 Adoration & Reconciliation:
 9.30-10.30am
Fri: 7.30pm Rosary -
 24 York Street
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 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
 We Are One Mission. One Parish. Seven Communities**

**Blenheim | Havelock | Kaikoura | Picton | Renwick | Seddon | Ward
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 Third Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A**

The Word of God Sunday

Pope Francis has called on the Bishops throughout the world to make this Sunday special as the Word of God Sunday. Indeed on this Sunday we can see that God's Holy Word in Scripture has great value and meaning for us.

In the Gospel, we hear –

‘Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the Good News of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.’ (Mat. 4:23)

Indeed Matthew, who is our principle guide this year in our proclaiming of the Gospel, calls this a most significant event in the life of the people of God. He sees that the prophecy of Isaias, chap. 9:1 -4 is fulfilled in Jesus beginning his preaching and healing ministry.

“The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.”

Here is the Christ, the Promised Messiah, coming at last among God's people in humble attire, but proclaiming a message of hope, of freedom, and peace to the people.

As Jesus begins his ministry we see how he proclaims Good News to ordinary people and that his word has power to heal, to lift up and to give new Life.

Jesus sent out his apostles and his Church to continue his work. He called Peter and his disciples –

“Come follow me, and I will make you fishers of people.”

Later after his death and resurrection, he told them:

“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore, make disciples of all nations, baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe everything I have commanded you. And look, I am with you always to the end of time.” (Mat. 28:18 – 20)

In our times, the Church continues to proclaim the Word of God to people. The lay people too are called to be missionary disciples. From our baptism all of us are called to proclaim the Gospel in our day.

We are enriched every time we go to Mass, or to Word and Communion Services, to hear God's Word again. Let us listen attentively. God's Word usually has a 'hook in it.' It is meant to call us to greater faith and to deeper repentance. God's Word will change us – if we listen with faith and humility, so that we follow Jesus more nearly, and love him more dearly.

Then as we go forth from our Liturgy or the Eucharist, we are called to be a Light to the world – to show forth the Light of Christ to all we meet.

Let us be confident and filled with hope. Christ walks beside you to help you bear witness to Him, despite your limitations. God bless you.

Fr Pat

Readings for Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sun 26th Jan: Isaiah 8:23-9:3 1Corinthians 1:10-13,17 Matthew 4:12-23

Psalm Response: The Lord is my light my salvation

Mon 27th: 2Samuel 5:1-7,10 Mark 3:22-30

Tues 28th: 2Samuel 6:12-15,17-19 Mark 3:31-35 **St Thomas Aquinas,P.D**

Wed 29th: 2Samuel 7:4-17 Mark 4:1-20

Thurs 30th: 2Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29 Mark 4:21-25

Fri 31st: 2Ssmuel 11:1-10,13-17 Mark 4:26-34 **St John Bosco, priest**

Sat 1st Feb: 2Samuel 12:1-7,10-17 Mark 4:35-41

Fourth Week of Ordinary Time

Presentation of The Lord

Sun 2nd Feb: Malachi 3:1-4 Hebrews 2:14-18 Luke 2:22-40 **Candlemas Day**

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Weekend Mass Times

3rd Sunday of Ord (4)

Sat Jan 25

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Paul

Sun Jan 26

Seddon-combined Service & picnic

Picton-9am **W&C**

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/ Fr Pat

Blenheim-10am Mass/Fr Paul

Havelock-11am **W&C**

Presentation of the Lord (1)

Sat Feb 1

Blenheim-5pm Mass/ Fr Pat

Cuppa after Mass

Sun Feb 2

Seddon-8am Mass/ Fr Pat

Picton-9am Mass/ Fr Paul

Cuppa after Mass

Kaikoura-9.30 **W&C**

Blenheim-10am Mass/ Fr Pat

Cuppa after Mass

Havelock-11am Mass/ Fr Paul

5th Sunday of Ord (2)

Sat Feb 8

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat

Sun Feb 9

Seddon-8am **W&C**

Picton-9am Mass/Fr Pat

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/Fr Paul

Blenheim-10am **W&C**

Havelock-11am Mass/Fr Pat

Thurs Feb 6th: Waitangi Day

Blenheim—9.30am Mass

Bethsaida—10.30am Mass

Fr Pat is away 11-17 Feb

6th Sunday of Ord (3)

Sat Feb 15

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr

Sun Feb 16

Seddon-8am Mass/ Fr

Picton-9am Mass/Fr

Kaikoura-9.30 **W&C**

Blenheim-10am Mass/ Fr

Havelock-11am Mass/ Fr

Renwick-5pm Mass/ Fr

Parish News & Events

Sunday of the Word:

Pope Francis announced the establishment of a new annual initiative to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God and to be on the 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time. He hoped Catholics will mark this Sunday with a 'certain solemnity'. The is website set up by the bible Society to help with this journey. To find out more check out www.theword.nz.



Calling All Irish people:

Calling all Irish people, Irish community groups, people of Irish heritage or affinity with Ireland living in New Zealand.



The Embassy of Ireland in Aotearoa, New Zealand, has partnered with the Centre for Irish and Scottish Studies who have designed two short surveys, that we hope, will assist in showcasing the rich Irish history we have in New Zealand, as well as the opportunities for future collaboration and connection. You can access the surveys and more information at Friends of Ireland If have any questions about these surveys please email: info@friendsofireland.co.nz



Cultural Potluck Tea Invitation – Sunday 26 January 2020

Come along to a potluck tea function this coming Sunday, 26 January 2020, hosted by the Marlborough Multicultural Centre.

The event will be held in St Mary's Community Centre, 61 Maxwell Road, Blenheim from 4.00pm to 7.00pm. Parking will be available in the carpark behind the Centre located on the corner of Hodson and Francis Street.

An opportunity to celebrate the Lunar New Year, make new friends and enjoy a special cultural celebration with people from many different cultures who live in Marlborough.

Bring your family and friends, and a plate of finger food to share.

There will be a guest speaker and live entertainment.

A gold coin donation towards cost of hall hire would be appreciated.

For further info please phone 03-5796410. Cell 0211584426.

Exposition Blenheim starts again on 31st January, followed by Mass at 12.05pm and the weekday Masses go back to the normal times on 4th February.



Rosary Beads Found:

in a pouch were found in Percy street, Blenheim in early January. Contact the Parish office for details if you think they are yours.



Flat mate wanted:

Mayfield area, flat share. Would suit working male or couple. Call George Jameson 021 161 3020.

Mass Rosters for Blenheim:

Now is the time to consider how you want to participate in the Weekend Mass. The new rosters start in March. If you want to take part please contact Belinda - 578 2628 or hugh.vavasour@xtra.co.nz

Parish Calendar

January 2020

Jan 26..1st annual Sunday of the Word

No Parish Committee meetings in January.

February

Feb 2.. Sounds Stewardship (5)

Feb 9.. World Marriage Day

Feb 10.. Sacred Heart Stewardship (7) every 2nd month

Feb 18.. Finance & Property (7)

Feb 25.. Parish Past'l Council (7)

Feb 26... ASH WEDNESDAY

Feb 28.. World Day of Prayer for victims of Abuse & Violence

March

Mar 1..Day of Prayer for Children

Mar 14..St Mary's School Gala

Mar 16-19..Safeguarding Workshop 2

Mar 17.. Finance & Property (7)

Mar 25.. Day of Prayer for Family life

Mar 28..BHM Mission Expo

April

April 9-12.. EASTER

Apr 25... ANZAC Day

Apr 28...St Peter Chanel, Patron Saint of Oceania and Ward

May

May 3..Day of Prayer for Vocations

May 3-10.. National Vocations Awareness week

May 24.. World Communications Day

May 25-31 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

May 31.. Pentecost Sunday

June

Jun 7 Trinity Sunday

Let Us Remember in our Prayers and at Mass:

Recently Deceased: Bev Lyford, Fr Ray Brain cp, Fr Pat Greally, Jeffry Mulrany, Bernie Foulkes (Hamilton), John Morrissey.

Anniversaries: Jan 17 Carol Hey 20 Jack Agnew 31 Nonus Thomas

Other Intentions: Beavan Undrill, Judy Shone, Jim Loe, Judy McKay

COLLECTIONS:

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

Last week:

AP's: \$ 968.00
Envelopes: \$ 1137.20
Loose: \$ 1204.80

thank
you!