



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**

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 Feast of the Presentation of the Lord Year A**

A Work Close to John's Heart

Many of you would be aware that Fr John was helping to prepare for a Special Project for our Passionist Congregation, and was on his way to meet on a special Commission in Rome when he suddenly and unexpectedly died. John had been asked by the Father General to be on this Special Commission to prepare for the Jubilee marking the 300th Anniversary of the Founding of the Congregation of the Passion. John had already attended one meeting of the Commission in January last year. He was ready to go to the second meeting of the Special Commission in May to prepare for the Jubilee when he was called home to God. I know John really took this work to heart and was looking forward to spending time with Fr Joachim the General his friend, but sadly this was not to be.

As the new year begins, I would like to share a little about this special Jubilee that is coming closer. The Jubilee will begin on 22nd November 2020 and will last for one full year until 1st January 2022.

We are now in the middle of a two year preparation time for the Jubilee. It is like a party, and as you are belonging to a Passionist parish, you too are invited. This Jubilee invites you and everyone to share in the Grace and Blessing of the Jubilee to remember with Gratitude all the blessings and wonderful graces that have come to us through the Charism of the Passion and the work of the Congregation. It is a call to understand more deeply the revelation of God's Love and Mercy shown in the Passion of Jesus. And the Jubilee calls us all – professed Passionists, but also many laypeople who are part of the Passionist family, to renew our commitment to keep alive the memory of the Passion of Jesus.

There is limited space for me to explain all about the Jubilee in one short page.

I will leave more to be explained by my other brother Passionists in the weeks and months ahead. It all began over 300 years ago when a young man called Paul Danei who was living in the northern part of Italy felt called to gather companions who would live in community and through prayer and penance would meditate on the Sufferings and Death of Jesus our Saviour, and then go out to bring the message of the Love of God to others. Paul spoke about this special call in his heart to several priests who directed him as a young Christian layman. Eventually he was asked to go and talk with his Bishop, Bishop de Gattinara who lived in Alessandria. On 22nd November 1720, Paul met the Bishop in his private chapel and the Bishop placed over him a rough black habit of coarse material. Paul was directed to make a Retreat and to write down the thoughts and lights that came to him in his prayer. Paul went to a little Church outside the town of Castellazzo and lived in a small room attached to the Church. He stayed in the room and went to Mass each day, and prayed and fasted for 40 days. In that time he wrote under God's inspiration the Rule for the Congregation that he felt called to begin. We call this Retreat the Cradle of the Congregation of the Passion. During the Retreat, he had a vision of the Virgin Mary who affirmed him and encouraged him in what he was to do. At the conclusion of the Retreat, on 1st January 1721, Paul left the small Church and went back to see the Bishop.

The Bishop gave him permission to live as a hermit and to teach the catechism to the children of the town, but said that if he wanted to gather more companions for a Religious family, he must first get the approval of the PTO

Readings for Fourth Week of Ordinary Time

Sun 2nd Feb: Malachi 3:1-4 Hebrews 2:14-18 Luke 2:22-40 **Candlemas Day**
Psalm Response: Who is the King of Glory? It is the Lord!
Mon 3rd: 2Samuel 15:13-14,30;16:5-13 Mark 5:1-20
Tues 4th: 2Samuel 18:9-10,14,24-25,30-19:3 Mark 5:21-43
Wed 5th: 2Samuel 24:2,9-17 Mark 6:1-6 **St Agatha, V.M**
Thurs 6th: 1Kings 2:1-4,10-12 Mark 6:7-13 **Waitangi Day**
Fri 7th: Ecclesiasticus 47:2-11 Mark 6:14-29 **St Paul Miki & Comps.p.M**
Sat 8th: 1Kings 3:4-13 Mark 6:30-34

Fifth Week of Ordinary Time

Sun 9th: Isaiah 58:7-10 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 Matthew 5:13-16



Parish Calendar, News & Notices

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Pope in Rome. Paul faced many difficulties and reverses in pursuing his dream. Finally by the time he was ready to die as an old man of 81, there were now 12 houses of the Order, with about 150 religious and priests. And the Pope had given his solemn approval for the Congregation of the Passion. Let us pray in this coming year that the Congregation of the Passion may continue to grow and that we may help to bring the Good News of God's Love shown in the Passion to many others. You too are part of the Passionist family.

God bless you, Fr. Pat CP

Weekend Mass Times

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
Tongan Mass- 2pm Mass/ Fr
Renwick-5pm Mass/ Fr

3rd Sunday of Ord (4)

Sat Feb 22

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr

Sun Feb 23

Seddon-8am Mass/ Fr
Picton-9am **W&C**
Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/ Fr

Blenheim-10am Mass/Fr Paul
Havelock-11am **W&C**
Ward-4pm Mass /

Parish News & Events

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

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.

Wanted: corrugated iron The fence along Dodson Street, BHM, is looking worse for wear and we would like to replace some, if not all, the sheets. Do you have some lying round, looking for a new home? We can even collect it, if needed. Contact the Parish office with details.

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

St Mary's Youth Group: Starts up for the year this coming Weds **5th Feb. 6.30pm - 8.30pm.** St Mary's hall. For all high school years 9-13. Gold coin koha please! All welcome, and we love seeing new faces! Any queries, don't hesitate to contact Maurice and Mieke Davies 0223918584. Kia ora!



Respite Carers wanted: Open Home Foundation are looking to train people to care for children one weekend a month to give a break to Forster parents. Contact Steven Dunne if you are interested 021 408 616 or steven.dunne@ohf.org.nz.

Parish Calendar

February

Feb 2.. Sounds Stewardship (5.30)
Feb 9.. World Marriage Day
Feb 10.. Sacred Heart Stewardship (7) every 2nd month
Feb 11.. World Day of Prayer for the sick
Feb 18.. Finance & Property (7)
Feb 21.. Teacher's Commissioning Mass, Garin College 5.30pm
Feb 25.. Parish Past'l Council (7) (?)
Feb 26... ASH WEDNESDAY
Feb 28.. Womens Friendship Grp BHM 2pm in Mercy Room
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 18-19.. Safeguarding Workshop 2 in KK & BHM
Mar 17.. Finance & Property (7)
Mar 25.. Day of Prayer for Family life

April

April 7.. Chrism Mass
April 9-12.. EASTER
Apr 25... ANZAC Day
Apr 28... St Peter Chanel, Patron Saint of Oceania and Ward

Community Foodbanks:

Our Community Food Banks help people in need.

This is a collaborative work of Churches, other organisations and individual people in our towns.

Star of the Sea

Collects as follows:

1st Sunday @ Blenheim

We **Urgently** Need *rolled oats, salt, sugar, baby food, spreads & jams, and other non-perishable foods*

1st Sunday @ Kaikoura

All Sundays @ Picton & Havelock

Let Us Remember in our Prayers and at Mass:

Recently Deceased: Fr Ray Brain cp, John Morrissey

Anniversaries: Jan 29 Dorothy Jurie 30 Paul Sia 31 Royden Andrell, Doreen McElhinney Feb 6 Ronald Millar

Other Intentions: Beavan Undrill, Thomas & Margaret Morrissey, Cardinal John Dew

COLLECTIONS:

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

Last week:

AP's: \$ 1499.90
Envelopes: \$ 790.90
Loose: \$ 561.80

thank you!