



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 **10.45am**
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 week-end 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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**Newsletter No 24: 05 July 2020
 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A**

Everything is Given

G.K. Chesterton once wrote: "How odd of God to choose the Jews !" In my opinion, Chesterton was not trying to put the Jewish people down by that statement, but he was remarking on the mystery of God choosing to reveal Himself to mankind through a remote, largely unknown corner of the Roman Empire. One could have thought that God might have done a much better job of revealing himself through the Greek people, who with their philosophers and advanced learning and culture were streets ahead of other civilisations in the ancient world.

Jesus too gives forth a beautiful prayer of praise to his Father in the Gospel today:-

"I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and intelligent and revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will."

The apostles might have felt a bit slighted by Jesus comparing them to infants, but probably Jesus was referring to all the ordinary people of his time, the fishermen, the farmers and craftsmen, the women who followed him and supported him, the sick, the blind, the lame and the poor, the sinners. These were the ones who were 'poor of spirit.' They knew their need of God. They came to Jesus looking for new hope.

They were not the intelligentsia or the learned Pharisees or the scribes, who often criticised Jesus and mocked him as a country bumpkin from Galilee.

We can feel privileged that God has given us the gift of our faith. It is something we never earned, or paid for, or won from God by our superior gifts. No. We too are the mere children, who know how much we depend on God for his grace, his forgiveness and his strength. We can never come to Church feeling smug or better than 'so and so' down the street. We really come because we know our emptiness and our struggles and our need for Christ.

And Jesus constantly invites us to renew our love and faith in Him each day. He invites each of us:-

"Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble of heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." (Matthew 11: 28 - 30)

Let us take a moment each day to come again to him in our heart and open ourselves to his Love and Mercy. We will know his gracious rest.
 Fr Pat.

Readings for Fourteenth Week of Ordinary Time

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| Sun 5th: | Zechariah 9:9-10 | Romans 8:9, 11-13 | Matthew 11:25-30 |
| Psalm Response: I will praise your name forever My King and my God | | | |
| Mon 6th: | Hosea 2:16-18,21-22 | Matthew 9:18-26 | |
| Tues 7th: | Hosea 8:4-7,11-13 | Matthew 9:32-38 | |
| Wed 8th: | Hosea 10:1.3-4,8-9 | Matthew 10:1-7 | |
| Thurs 9th: | Hosea 11:1-4,8-9 | Matthew 10:7-15 | |
| Fri 10th: | Hosea 14:2-10 | Matthew 10:16-23 | |
| Sat 11th: | Isaiah 6:1-8 | Matthew 10:24-33 | St Benedict, abbot |

Fifteenth Week of Ordinary Time

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| Sun 12th: | Isaiah 55:10-11 | Romans 8:18-23 | Matthew 13:1-23 |
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Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Weekend Mass Times

14th Sunday of Ord (1)

Sat Jul 4

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat
Cuppa after Mass

Sun Jul 5

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 Mass/ Pat

Ginetta on leave 6-8 July

15th Sunday of Ord (2)

Sat Jul 11

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat

Sun Jul 12

Seddon-8am **W&C**

Picton-9am Mass/Fr Pat

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/Fr Jacob

Blenheim-10am **W&C**

Havelock-11am Mass/Fr Pat

16th Sunday of Ord (3)

Sat Jul 18

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr

Sun Jul 19

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/

Renwick-5pm Mass/ Fr

17th Sunday of Ord (4)

Sat Jul 25

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr

Sun Jul 26

Seddon-8am Mass/ Fr

Picton-9am **W&C**

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/ Fr

Blenheim-10am Mass/Fr

Havelock-11am **W&C**

Ward-4pm Mass / Fr

Parish News & Events

Sacramental Programme:

This is due to kick off soon in Picton, (2 Aug) and Blenheim (Jul 25). Please contact the Parish office, if you want to have your child attend, and we will send you out the information and co-ordinator details. Please pray for them.

Parish Stall Sale: Fr James Lyons' Book "There is a time for.. A Companion for every

Season" is now on sale, at half price!! That's only \$10! This is a fundraiser for the Wellington Cathedral so all the money raised from now will go directly to the fund. The book can also be purchased from the Parish Office. There are also copies of the "Communities of Worship- The history of St Mary's Parish for sale, at \$20 (they were \$40) and Encyclical Letters of Pope Francis: Laudato Si' and Amoris Laetitia now \$5 each

BHM Mass Rosters: These are now available in the foyer of the church for those who have not received them by email.

Thanks-Seddon: Due to funds being available through the Molly Casey Trust, Immaculate Conception Church now has large front doors and a ramp, which make it easier to enter the building. This was done during the earthquake insurance repairs recently. And many thanks to Mike Watson for overseeing the project. Hopefully we will be able to put a photo in soon, to show you how awesome the church looks.

The Coast to Coast Rosary for Life and Faith will be held this year on Saturday 15th August at 3 pm. Please help lead or join a group in your parish or community. For more information, please go to www.coasttocoastrosary.co.nz or phone Clare 022 1912 886

SACRED HEART SCHOOL 125th CELEBRATIONS

Sacred Heart School opened 125 years in North East Valley, Dunedin in October this year. A variety of functions have been put together to encourage past pupils, teachers and friends of the school to attend and celebrate this milestone at Labour Weekend 2020. If you've been associated with Sacred Heart School, you are invited to email your committee at reunion125@sacredheartdn.school.nz or phone the

school on 03 473 8362.

A Registration Form will be available for you to download soon.

Parish Calendar

July

Jul 5.. Sounds Stewardship (5)
July 7.. Wairau Stewardship (7)
July 12.. Sea Sunday-Day of Prayer for Seafarers
July 21.. Finance & Property (7)
July 26.. Confirmations KK

August

Aug 1.. Chrism Mass, Our Lady of Kapiti (10.30)
Aug 2.. Sounds Stewardship (5)
Aug 4.. Wairau Stewardship (7)
Aug 15.. Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Aug 18.. Finance & Property (7)

September

Sep 1.. Care of Creation
Sep 1.. Wairau Stewardship (7)
Sep 6.. Sounds Stewardship (5)
Sep 6-12.. Social Justice Week
Sep 8.. Feast of Our Lady, Star Of The Sea
13.. Good Friday Collection
Sep 15.. Finance & Property (7)
Sep 16-17.. Commission Hearings

October

Oct 4.. Peter's Pence Collection
Oct 4.. Sounds Stewardship (5)
Oct 6.. Day of Celebration for Venerable Suzanne Aubert
Oct 6.. Wairau Stewardship (7)
Oct 11.. Day-Prayer to Respect Life

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: Tom Hickman, Paul Ryan, Graeme Davey (KK), Monica Meehan, Tiffany Livingstone (Tau)

Anniversaries: July 1 Joveil Basulgan Dela Cruz

Other Intentions: Pat O'Brien, Fr John Pearce cp

COLLECTIONS:

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

Last week:

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| AP's: | \$ | 3017.80 |
| Envelopes: | \$ | 1044.20 |
| Loose: | \$ | 447.90 |
| Easter Sunday: | \$ | 95.00 |
| Peter's Pence: | \$ | 176.50 |
| Vocations: | \$ | 90.00 |
| Holy Places: | \$ | 40.00 |

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you!