



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**

**Mon:** Adoration 4-5pm

**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 & 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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15th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A**

**The Parable of the Sower**

"Listen ! A sower went out to sow . . . . ."

Matthew 13: 1 – 23

In a way, the Gospel today is like Jesus taking a 'selfie' of what he is doing. He is in a village near the Sea of Galilee. He was sitting by the sea, and such great crowds came and gathered around him that he gets into a boat and sat there, while all the people stood on the beach.

He tells them a parable, a word-picture which describes his task being like a farmer who throws seed around him as he walks through his field. Jesus himself is the Sower and he describes the different kinds of response people make when they hear the word.

Some seed fell on the path and the birds came and eat them up. This is when the evil one – Satan – comes and snatches away what was sown. Some people have no interest in the Word of Life.

Some seed fell on rocky ground, where the soil has no depth, and when the sun bore down, the plants withered away. They had no root. Jesus explains – this is like the one who hears the word and receives it with joy, but such a person has no staying power, and when some trouble or persecution arise, that person falls away. And so on, Jesus describes the various ways in which people respond to the Word of Life which he brings.

He really challenges us to think – "What kind of soil am I?" Do I welcome the word and use it profitably for my spiritual growth, or do I say: "Boring . . . boring . . . I can't make any money out of this." And the Word gets lost.

Let us take note of the punch line: "Let anyone with ears listen!" It is not enough to listen to a sermon or to read a passage of Scripture. I must mull it over, wrestle with it like a dog with a bone, so that the Word sinks into my heart and produces good fruit.

The Word of Jesus can give me joy; it can change my life. It can make me a Giver, not a Taker. It can make me like the merchant who finds a pearl of great price.

What kind of soil am I ?

Fr Pat

**Readings for Fifteenth Week of Ordinary Time**

**Sun 12th:** Isaiah 55:10-11      Romans 8:18-23      Matthew 13:1-23

**Psalm Response:** The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest

**Mon 13th:** Isaiah 1:11-17      Matthew 10:34-11:1

**Tues 14th:** Isaiah 7:1-9      Matthew 11:20-24

**Wed 15th:** Isaiah 10:5-7,13-16      Matthew 11:25-27      **St Bonaventure, B.D.**

**Thurs 16th:** Isaiah 26:7-9      Matthew 11:28-30      **Our Lady of Mt Carmel**

**Fri 17th:** Isaiah 38:1-6,21-22,7-8      Matthew 12:1-8

**Sat 18th:** Micah 2:1-5      Matthew 12:14-21

**Sixteenth Week of Ordinary Time**

**Sun 19th:** Wisdom 12:13, 16-19      Romans 8:26-27      Matthew 13:24-43

# Parish Calendar, News & Notices

## Weekend Mass Times

### 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 Jacob

Sun Jul 19

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- 2pm Mass/

Renwick-5pm Mass/ Fr Pat

### 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

### 18th Sunday of Ord (1)

Sat Aug 1

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat

Cuppa after Mass

Sun Aug 2

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

## Parish News & Events

### St Francis de Sales Renwick.

Please join us for Mass & a mid winter Christmas celebration with mulled wine & Christmas cake on Sunday 19th July @5pm. All welcome.

### 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. Here is a photo of the entrance 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](http://www.coasttocoastrosary.co.nz) or phone Clare 022 1912 886

**Marist Formation** is a Marist e-learning site where you can enroll in a variety of online courses tailored to formation and spirituality. All courses are free and available to all people. Visit [maristformation.thinkific.com/courses/mlf101-engaging-in-scripture](http://maristformation.thinkific.com/courses/mlf101-engaging-in-scripture)

## SACRED HEART SCHOOL 125th CELEBRATIONS

Sacred Heart School opened 125 years in North East Valley, Dunedin in October this year. Email your committee at [reunion125@sacredheartdn.school.nz](mailto: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

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 16..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

Sep 13.. Good Friday Collection

Sep 15.. Finance & Property (7)

Sep16-17..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

## Let Us Remember in our Prayers and at Mass:

**Recently Deceased:** Tom Hickman, Paul Ryan, Graeme Davey (KK), Monica Meehan, John Romano, David Nott Snr, Joan Hennessy (Adelaide, Sth Aus.), Nancy Wareham (Wgtn)

**Anniversaries: July 11** Cathy O'Regan **14** Jenny Jones

**17** Br Arthur O'Kane CFC

**Other Intentions:**

## COLLECTIONS:

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

### Last week:

AP's:	\$	3085.50
Envelopes:	\$	890.60
Loose:	\$	614.50
Easter Sunday:	\$	7.00
Peter's Pence:	\$	38.60
Vocations:	\$	14.90
Holy Places:	\$	7.00

thank  
you!