

# Parish Calendar, News & Notices

## Weekend Mass Times

Sunday Masses are suspended while in Level 2.

Weekday Masses at St Mary's are in the church until we move to Alert Level 1. Weekday Masses and/or Word & communion will also continue in Kaikoura and Picton.

**Fr Jacob- away 10-17<sup>th</sup> Sept.**  
**Ginetta away 15<sup>th</sup> Sept.**

## Mon Sep 14: Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Blenheim- 9.30am- Mass

## Tues Sep 15: Our Lady of Sorrows

Blenheim- 9.30am- Mass

## 25th Sunday of Ord (3)

### Sat Sep 19

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat

### Sun Sep 20

Seddon-8am Mass/ Fr Jacob

Picton-9am Mass/Fr Pat

Kaikoura-9.30 **W&C**

Blenheim-10am Mass/ Fr Jacob

Havelock-11am Mass/ Fr Pat

Tongan Mass- 2pm Mass/

Renwick-5pm Mass/ Fr Jacob

## 26th Sunday of Ord (4)

### Sat Sep 26

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr

### Sun Sep 27

Seddon-8am Mass/ Fr

Picton-9am **W&C**

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/

Blenheim-10am Mass/Fr

Havelock-11am **W&C**

Ward-4pm Mass / Fr

## 27th Sunday of Ord (1)

### Sat Oct 3

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr

Cuppa after Mass

### Sun Oct 4

Seddon-8am Mass/ Fr

Picton-9am Mass/Fr

Cuppa after Mass

Kaikoura-9.30 **W&C**

Blenheim-10am Mass/Fr

Cuppa after Mass

Havelock-11am Mass/ Fr

## 28th Sunday of Ord (2)

### Sat Oct 10

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr

### Sun Oct 11

Seddon-8am **W&C**

Picton-9am Mass/Fr

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/Fr

Blenheim-10am **W&C**

Havelock-11am Mass/Fr

## Parish News & Events

**With the ever-changing situation due to COVID-19, some of the following events may be postponed to a later date.**

### Operation Christmas Child:

Its that time of year again. Boxes are available at the Parish Office, and when churches open, from the foyer of St Marys. Kaikoura are already filling theirs. The deadline for filled boxes to be returned is Labour weekend.

**SVDP BHM-Shop:** some volunteers are making facemasks to sell and are in need of unused narrow flat or hat elastic. If you have some spare, please drop it into the parish office or the shop in High Street BHM.

### Women's Friendship Group

Friday 18th September, Card Making Afternoon, Mercy Room, 2pm. Cost-\$5, all material included. Must Have numbers. Contact Jessie 021 0863 5235

### Sept 18: St Mary's Night Market

We are on the lookout for musicians who would love the opportunity to share their talents at our Night Market or if you are a community organisation or an individual who would like to be a stallholder at our Night Market, please call the school office and leave your contact details: 03 578 9494

**Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy: Online Session (Retreat Day): Homecoming – A Journey of Transformation (Prodigal Son)** with Eamon Butler. Saturday, 19 September, 10.30am-4pm. Fee: \$60.

For more information and registration: [info@studyjoy.nz](mailto:info@studyjoy.nz)  
<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/retreat-day-with-eamon-butler-the-prodigal-son/>

**Human Love in the Divine Plan** (Theology of the Body)- *First intake in Wellington!* Course for Adults (18 years up) on Sept 19 & 20 (Saturday & Sunday). Venue: Challenge 2000, 1 Wanaka St, Johnsonville, Wellington. General Registration: \$50.00. (closes three days before the event) email [info@marriageandfamily.org.nz](mailto:info@marriageandfamily.org.nz) or Contact 0220289737. For information, visit: [www.marriageandfamily.org.nz](http://www.marriageandfamily.org.nz)

## Nehemiah Kaikoura Trust 22 September - update and AGM - open to all

The Nehemiah Kaikoura Trust was established in 2019 with the aim of providing wrap-around support to those recovering from the effects of addiction, and support to their families. The Trust will have its first annual general meeting at 6:30 PM on Tuesday 22 September 2020 at St Pauls Presbyterian church in Deal Street. All are welcome to attend this meeting, which will include a summary of the initial vision and updates on progress so far and the way ahead.

## Parish Calendar

### September

Sep 14-21..Maori Language Week

Sep 15.. Finance & Property (7)

Sep16-17..Commission of Inquiry Hearings

Sep 18..SMF Night Market BHM

Sep 20..SVDP Festival Day

### Postponed

Oct 3-4.. Fundraising Visit by Fr Jim Lyons

....**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

Oct 12.. KK Stewardship (7)

Oct 17..SMF Garage Sale BHM

**Oct 18..World Mission Sunday -Prop. Of Faith Collection**

Oct 18..BHM Multicultural Day

Oct 20..Finance & Property (7)

**November**

Nov 1.. Sounds Stewardship (5)

Nov 3..Wairau Stewardship (7)

Nov 15..World Day of the Poor

Nov 17..Finance & Property (7)

Nov 22nd.. First Holy Communion BHM(10)

...300th Anniversary of the formation of the Passionist Order

**December**

Dec 15.. Finance & Property (7)

Dec 25..Christmas Day

Dec 26..Boxing Day

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

**Recently Deceased:** Jim Hailes (KK), Paul O'Connell (Fiji), Maureen Doran (Brisbane), Jeanette Sutherland

**Anniversaries:** **Sept 15** Eileen O'Halloran **16** Sarah Edgar, Margaret Mary Ghiringhelli

**Other Intentions:** Kitty Collier, Harvey Howard, Beavan Undrill, Hazel Bason, Peb Simmons, Terri Byrne, Jim Loe, Mary Griffiths, Margaret Fairhall; Royal Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in Care, the Election

## COLLECTIONS:

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

### Last week:

AP's: \$ 2630.10

Envelopes: \$ 0.00

Cash: \$ 0.00

thank you!



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 or 5782507

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

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

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## Newsletter No 34: 13 September 2020

### 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A

"Forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

(Matthew 18: 21 – 35)

We see all too clearly on Anzac Day how wars have done so much damage in the last century – the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. Usually it begins with one act of violence, like the assassination of the Archduke and his wife in Sarajevo in 1914, and then each side takes retaliation, and each side accuses the other of vile conduct. Then one act of vengeance hurts the other side, and they wish to repay the injury and punish the other. Pride also comes into it. And so, the killing begins.

Jesus challenges us to be peacemakers – to break the cycle of hate and resentment, by giving mercy and forgiveness to the other. Sometimes a person can feel so much hurt after a relationship goes wrong – one asks oneself – "How can I forgive what I have suffered?"

We all witnessed the terrible things that were shown to us recently at the trial of the gunman who killed mercilessly 51 people and seriously injured another 40. Many of the victims spoke told of their anger and pain after the loss of their loved ones. One mother, Janna Ezat, spoke of her pain after her son Hussein was shot in the head and chest at the mosque in Deans Ave. She faced the gunman after expressing the pain of her loss and said: "I decided to forgive you Mr Tarrant because I don't have hate, I don't have revenge. The damage is done – Hussein will never be here. I have only one choice but to forgive you." One can only stand in awe of her strength. That is truly a divine attribute!

Jesus who died on the cross for each one of us, prayed to his Father as he was being nailed to the Cross. "Father forgive them. They know not what they do!" We are all in debt to God for our sins, for the petty ways we have hurt one another, for our selfishness and pain we have caused others, and the times we have rejected God's love as we break his Commandments. Yet Jesus from the abundance of his love, has forgiven us, if we will accept his love and mercy.

In the Gospel today he calls us to realise we are like the slave who begged God, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt.' However, the slave then went out and came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii and had no mercy on him and had him thrown into prison.

Jesus urges us to remember what we are forgiven when we turn to those we meet in life. "I forgave you that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you!"

We often pray in the Our Father: "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." That means we cannot hold on to the hurt and pain but must forgive each other from the heart.

God bless you.

Pat McIndoe CP

## Readings for Twenty-Fourth Week of Ordinary Time

**Sun 13th:** Ecus. 27:30-28:7 Romans 14:7-9 Matthew 18:21-35

**Psalm: The Lord is gracious and merciful, and rich in compassion.**

**Mon 14th: Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

Num 21:4-9

Phil 2:6-11

John 3:13-17

**Tues 15th: Our Lady of Sorrows**

Heb 5:7-9

John 19:25-27

**Wed 16th:** 1Corinthians 12:31-13:13 Luke 7:31-35 **Sts Cornelius & Cyprian**

**Thurs 17th:** 1Corinthians 15:1-11 Luke 7:36-50

**Fri 18th:** 1Corinthians 15:12-20 Luke 8:1-3

**Sat 19th:** 1Corinthians 15:35-58 Luke 8:4-15

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**Sun 20th:** Isaiah 55:6-9 Philippians 1:20-24,27 Matthew 20:1-16

## Pope will sign new encyclical in Assisi Oct. 3

By: Cindy Wooden      Date: September 5, 2020

VATICAN CITY (CNS) — Pope Francis will travel to Assisi Oct. 3 to sign an encyclical on the social, political and economic obligations that flow from a belief that all people are children of God and therefore brothers and sisters to one another. The Vatican press office, confirming the pope's trip, said the document will be titled "Fratelli Tutti" in Italian. In English, the phrase could be translated as "Brothers and Sisters All," but apparently it is inspired by what is known as St. Francis of Assisi's "sixth admonition" to the friars, all of whom were men. Conventual Franciscan Father Mauro Gambetti, custodian of the Assisi convent, said the document "will indicate to the world a style for the future and will give the church and people of goodwill the responsibility for building it together." "The pope is clearly inspired by Francis of Assisi who, in following Jesus, recognized in fraternity, lived under the sign of mutual and loving service, the horizon of a fulfilled and happy humanity," Father Gambetti added.

Pope Francis is scheduled to arrive at the Assisi convent at 3 p.m. to celebrate Mass at the tomb of St. Francis and sign the document.

Because of ongoing concerns and restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Mass and the rest of the pope's visit will be private, the Vatican press office said. The encyclical is expected to echo many of the themes Pope Francis has been discussing in his general audience talks on Catholic social teaching in light of the pandemic: human fraternity, the equal dignity of all people, the preferential option for the poor, the universal destination of goods and the obligation of solidarity. Care for the environment and the virtue of peacemaking also are expected to be part of the encyclical.

After Pope Francis signs the document on the eve of the feast of St. Francis, the text is expected to be published in a variety of languages the first week of October.

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*The tomb of St. Francis of Assisi, located in the crypt of the lower church at the basilica named for him, is seen in this file photo from Assisi, Italy. (CNS photo/Octavio Duran)*



## Cross is sign of God's love, not superstitious ornament, Pope

By [Junno Arocho Esteves](#) Aug 31, 2020      catholic news service

ROME — Christ's cross is a powerful symbol of God's love for humanity and not just a decoration or trinket, Pope Francis said.

While Christians often hang a crucifix on the wall or wear one around their necks, it should be used as a sign "of our desire to be united with Christ" and not "reduced to a superstitious object or an ornamental necklace," the pope said Aug. 30 during his Sunday Angelus address.

"Each time we fix our gaze on the image of Christ crucified, let us contemplate that he, as the true servant of the Lord, has accomplished his mission, giving life, spilling his blood for the forgiveness of sins," the pope said.

Before concluding his address, the pope made an appeal for peace in "the Eastern Mediterranean area which is under threat from various outbreaks of instability."

According to *Bloomberg News*, tensions between Greece and Turkey over contested territorial waters and energy resources in the Mediterranean Sea continued to escalate.

The recent stationing of Greek troops on the island of Kastellorizo was seen as a provocation by the Turkish government, which demanded their immediate withdrawal.

"I appeal, please, for constructive dialogue and respect for international law and order to resolve the conflicts that threaten the peace of the peoples of that region," the pope said.

But before praying the Angelus prayer with pilgrims in St. Peter's Square, the pope reflected on the day's Gospel reading from St. Matthew, in which Jesus tells his disciples that he will be killed but will rise again on the third day.

The disciples, Pope Francis said, do not understand the need for Christ to suffer and die because their faith "is still immature and too closely tied to the mentality of this world. They think of too earthly a victory, and therefore they do not understand the language of the cross."

Peter's reaction — "God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you" — showed that "he has faith, he believes in Jesus, he believes — he wants to follow him, but does not accept that his glory will pass through the Passion," the pope explained.

"For Peter and the other disciples — but for us as well — the cross is a stumbling block, a 'hindrance,' whereas Jesus considers the 'hindrance' escaping the cross, which would mean avoiding the Father's will, the mission that the Father has entrusted to him for our salvation," he said.

Nevertheless, Jesus tells Peter, "Get behind me, Satan," which indicates that the temptation to flee "is typical of the evil spirit, it is typical of the devil to make us stray from the cross, from the cross of Jesus," the pope said.

Pope Francis said that in calling his disciples to deny themselves and take up their cross, Jesus also calls on all Christians to experience "a reversal of mentality and of values" and to bear daily tribulations "with faith and responsibility."

"The life of Christians is always a struggle," the pope said. "The Bible says that the life of Christians is a military undertaking: fighting against the evil spirit, fighting against evil."



**A quote courtesy of The Ecology, Justice and Peace advisor,  
Archdiocese of Wellington**

Each act of forgiveness fixes the cracks in the house and strengthens its walls.

Pope Francis: [General Audience 4 November 2015](#)

### Some possible options as we can't attend Mass on Sundays:

Fr Pat & Jacob will livestream Mass on our Facebook Page.

Liturgical Guide for Season of Creation 2020, by Tui Motu InterIslands Magazine <https://tuimotu.org/a/3nqdBdW>

Auckland Liturgy Office <https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/liturgy/> "Celebration of the Word at home" with links to daily readings and music.

For children, try this link: <https://litedliturgybrisbane.weebly.com/family-prayer-week-by-week.html/>

Reflections from John O'Connor, 'Food for Faith' have just started again. <https://foodforfaith.org.nz>

Another great website for a variety of prayer and worship options <https://www.faithcentral.org.nz/chapel/on-line-prayer-resources/daily-prayer>

Or even Youtube— google "Catholic Daily Mass". Mass is also on Shine TV at 2pm on Sunday.