

Parish Calendar

Weekend Mass Times

3rd Sunday of Easter (3)

Sat Apr 18

Blenheim-5pm Mass

Sun April 19

Seddon-8am Mass

Picton-9am Mass

Kaikoura-9.30 **W&C**

Blenheim-10am Mass

Havelock-11am Mass

Renwick-5pm Mass

4th Sunday of Easter (4)

Sat April 24

Blenheim-5pm Mass

Sun April 25- ANZAC Day

Seddon-8am Mass

Picton-9am **W&C**

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass

Blenheim-10am Mass

Havelock-No Mass

5th Sunday of Easter (1)

Sat 1st May

Blenheim-5pm Mass

Sun 2nd May

Seddon-8am Mass

Picton-9am Mass

Cuppa after Mass

Kaikoura-9.30 **W&C**

Blenheim-10am Mass

Cuppa afterwards

Havelock-11am Mass

6th Sunday of Easter (2)

Sat May 8

Blenheim-5pm Mass

Sun May 9

Seddon-8am **W&C**

Picton-9am Mass

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass

Blenheim-10am **W&C**

Havelock-11am Mass

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April

Apr 20..Finance & Property (7)

Apr 21..Review Group (5.30) followed
by Pastoral Council Mtg

Apr 25..ANZAC Day

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May

May 2..Blm Sacramental Programme
starts

May 2..Sounds Stewardship (5)

May 4.. Wairau Stewardship (7)

May 11.. Review Group (5.30)

May 18..Finance & Property (7)

June

June ..Kaikoura Stewardship

June 8.. Review Group(5.30)

Readings for the Third Week of Easter

Sun 18th: Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19 1John 2:1-5 Luke 24:35-48

Psalms: Lord let your face shine on us

Mon 19th: Acts 6:8-15 John 6:22-29

Tues 20th: Acts 7:1-8:1 John 6: 30-35 *Ann. Bishop Pompallier laid to rest in NZ (2002)*

Wed 21st: Acts :8:1-8 John 6:35-40 *St Anselm*

Thurs 22nd: Acts:7:54-8:3 John 6:44-51

Fri 23rd: Acts 9:1-20 John 6:52-59 *St George, St Adalbert*

Sat 24th: Acts 9:1-20 John 6:52-59 *St Fidelius of Sigmaringen*

Fourth week of Easter

Sun 25 April Acts 4:8-12 1John 3:1-2 John 10: 11-18 ANZAC

Let Us Remember in our Prayers and at Mass:

Recently Deceased: Jessie Crouch
Anniversaries: April 15th William Stretch,
18th Stephen Giddy

Other Intentions: Seltute TuPou, Mary
Wadsworth, Mani Vakaaloo, Kitty Collier,
Harvey Howard, Beavan Undrill, Terri Byrne,
Jim Loe, Paul McIntyre, Heather Alexander,
Paula Schreuder

COLLECTIONS:

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

Last week:

AP's:	\$ 1,522.95
Envelopes:	\$ 568.15
Cash	\$ 518.26
Holy Places	\$ 85.00
Easter Dues	\$ 545.00

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.

Blenheim | Kaikoura | Picton | Seddon

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A Warm Welcome to Our Parish Family of Marlborough

We, the people of
Te Whetu O Te Moana,
Star of the Sea Parish,
are committed by our baptism in
Christ, to share our living faith,
and make God visible, in joyful
union with all people, by our
actions in the community.
(Parish Mission Statement)

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Finance Committee Chair: Tom Harrison

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3rd Sunday of Easter

The reading from Acts that we hear this Sunday is drawn from Peter's speech that follows and explains the healing of the man born lame. At the beginning of chapter 3 of Acts, Peter and John were going to the Temple to pray. Although the disciples had embraced the teachings of Jesus Christ they continued to follow the practices of their Jewish faith. As they entered the temple entrance they passed a well known beggar. This lame man was carried every day to the Beautiful Gate so that he could beg from the people going in to the Temple. Peter and John engaged with him explaining that they had no money to give him, but would give him what they had. Peter said to him 'In the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, walk'. Helping him to his feet they entered the Temple with the fully recovered man by their side leaping and jumping and praising God.

All knew this man and so were astonished to see what had happened; and the spectacle of the formerly lame man leaping into the Temple alongside Peter and John drew a crowd. Peter used this healing to highlight the long story of Israel's covenant with God. He told the Jewish people that by rejecting Jesus they had involved themselves in something much bigger than they realised. He ends with a comforting call to repentance and life offered through Jesus, whose death and resurrection was written in their very own Holy Scriptures.

And Peter was able to witness to the reality of Jesus' resurrection and call his hearers to repentance because he himself had experienced repentance and forgiveness, and the new life this brings. In this physical cure of the lame man there was a sign of the larger meaning of the growth of the Christian community in post-Easter Jerusalem. Jesus, as risen Lord, was operating through the likes of Peter and John, implementing the covenant between God and Abraham.

We are all born lame until we are moved by faith from the paralysis of non-belief to following the risen Lord, Jesus Christ. *Continued on inside page....*

.....Peter's words bring the meaning of resurrection right into our own backyard. Like the first group of Christians we meet the risen Lord in the life and mission of the community of believers. Let us celebrate this great gift of faith. When we open our hearts to God, God's message is revealed and God's message is delivered to us.

Belinda Vavasour

Church a great school of prayer: Pope

Pope Francis said yesterday that an essential task of the Church today is to teach people how to pray. Source: CNA.

"The Church is a great school of prayer," Pope Francis said in his weekly general audience livestream yesterday.

"And this is an essential task of the Church: to pray and teach how to pray, to transmit from generation to generation the lamp of faith with the oil of prayer," he said.

Pope Francis encouraged Christians to examine their lives to ensure that personal prayer is a priority. He warned that one of the devil's tactics to attack the Church is to prevent people from praying.

"Everything in the Church originates in prayer, and everything grows thanks to prayer," the Pope

said. "When the Enemy, the Evil One, wants to fight the Church, he does so first of all by trying to drain its sources by preventing it from praying."

Speaking into the camera from the Vatican's Apostolic Palace, the Pope posed a question to everyone watching his weekly broadcast: "Do you pray?" he asked.

"How do you pray? Like a parrot? Or do I pray with my heart? How do I pray? Do I pray as part of the Church and pray with the Church? Or do I pray a little according to my ideas and make my ideas become prayer? This is pagan, not Christian prayer," he said.



All Ministers of the Eucharist at Blenheim Weekend Masses and including those taking Communion to those in Residential Care are asked to attend a Mass in St Mary's Church on Monday May 3rd at 5.30pm.

It will be a time for you to reflect on your Ministry in the company of other Special Ministers. There will be a chance to discuss some matters that it is felt need attention. Please bring a plate of finger food for a shared light meal; tea and coffee will be provided. Please ring Parish Office to confirm your attendance.

Quote from ADW Ecology, Justice and Peace Advisor

The peace of Jesus awakens mission. It entails not ease and comfort, but the challenge to break out of ourselves. The peace of Jesus frees from the self-absorption that paralyzes; it shatters the bonds that keep the heart imprisoned. Pope Francis: [Homily 11 April 2021](#)

Father Giltus has returned to Sydney after a short stint in Tasmania. He is still as keen as ever to come to us. Cardinal John is trying to assist his coming. Let us pray that these efforts will bear fruit, and that he can soon come to take up his appointment. Remember he is on an Indian passport, so it is not as easy as you might imagine. He will likely still need a Visa to come.

18 April—Today—Altar Server training. After 10am Mass—Any children who have made their First Holy Communion and would like to go on a roster for Altar Serving please stay after Mass to discuss the role and training with Blair McLean. If you are unable to attend please phone the Parish Office to register your interest.

20 April—Society of St Vincent de Paul We would like to invite all Society/Shop Volunteers to morning tea at 10am Tuesday 20th April in the Mercy Room following 9.30 Mass.

25 April ANZAC commemorations As ANZAC Day falls on Sunday this year, we will commemorate the day at both 5pm Saturday Vigil & 10am Sunday Mass, this allows people to attend the 11am service in Seymour Square.

Sacramental Programme: This is starting in Blenheim on 2nd May with instruction for Confirmation for children in Year 5 and over.& Reconciliation and for year 4 and over. If you wish to sign your child up there are forms at the Parish Office. For those wishing to be involved in Kaikoura, please see Sr Maureen. Confirmation will be in Blenheim on 12th June and Kaikoura 13th June.

Picton/Havelock Confirmation programme: Two sessions - Sunday 23 May & Sunday 30 May at 4pm. Please contact Leanne kiwi.cooper@xtra.co.nz or 021357537 for further information and to enrol.



Urgent, Urgent Foodbank Appeal

We need **flour** and we have been given eggs so we need **empty egg cartons**.

Planned Giving Envelopes: These have been distributed to all Mass Centres. Donation receipts for the end of the Financial Year are also available in all church foyers.

Communion to the Sick: If you have a family member housebound or in hospital and would like a priest to visit or someone to take Communion, please contact the Parish Office or Judith Kerridge 578 6209

1 May Piano Favourites 2-3pm St Andrew's Church Aaron Epstein, Piano featuring such favourites as Debussy's "Clair de Lune," Saint-Saens' Chopin, Beethoven, Bach. Tickets (cash sales): \$25 at the door.

1 & 2nd May Family Pilgrimage 9am St Joseph Church Mt Victoria Wellington. - Join the Family Pilgrimage with Mary in honour of St. Joseph to pray for the needs of families starting with Mass, followed by a trip to other churches dedicated to St. Joseph. For more information email psison@marriageandfamily.org.nz

Titipounamu Study & Joy Online Sessions (Evening): The Resurrection of Jesus Christ with Br Kieran Fenn. Monday 03, 10, 17, 20 May, 7-8.30pm. Fee: \$25/session. ZOOM. All sessions are connected but also stand alone. For more information and registration: info@studyjoy.nz

8th May A day of reflection for mothers of all ages. 10am -3.30pm Home of Compassion, Island Bay. To register contact Luciene Hensel at: Family Ministry Archdiocese of Wellington l.hensel@wn.catholic.org.nz