

Parish Calendar

Weekend Mass Times

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (3)

Sat Aug 14

Blenheim-5pm Mass

Sun Aug 15

Seddon-8am Mass

Picton-9am Mass

Blenheim-10am Mass

Kaikoura- 5pm Mass

21st Sun Ord Time (4)

Sat Aug 21

Blenheim-5pm Mass

Sun Aug 22

Seddon-8am Mass

Picton-9am **W&C**

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass

Blenheim-10am Mass

22nd Sun Ord Time (5)

Sat Aug 28

Blenheim-5pm Mass

Sun Aug 29

Seddon-8am **W&C**

Picton-9am Mass

Cuppa after Mass

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass

Blenheim-10am **W&C**

23rd Sun Ord Time (1)

Sat Sept 4

Blenheim-5pm Mass

Sun Sept 5

Seddon-8am Mass

Picton-9am Mass

Cuppa after Mass

Kaikoura-9.30 **W&C**

Blenheim-10am Mass

Shared Cuppa after

St Mary of the Cross (2)

Sat Sept 11

Blenheim-5pm Mass

Sun Sept 12

Seddon-8am **W&C**

Picton-9am Mass

Cuppa after Mass

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass

Blenheim-10am (Youth)

W&C

WEEKDAY MASSES

Blenheim

Tues, Thurs & Sat: 9.30 Mass **Except 1st Thurs:** Bethsaida **10.45**

Wed & Fri: 12.05 Mass

Wed: Scriptural Rosary:

5.30pm Ph: 572 9067 or 5782507 for venue

Fri: 11am Adoration
11.30am Reconciliation

Sat: Reconciliation after 9.30am Mass

Weekly 27 Burleigh Rd. "Flame of Love" Rosary Prayer group. Contact Belinda Bryce 022 012 3315

Kaikoura

Tues, Wed & Fri: 9.30

Thurs: 5.15

Wed: 7pm Rosary

Thurs: 11am Scripture grp

Picton

Wed: 9.00 Mass Adoration & Reconciliation: 9.30-10.30am

Thurs: Adoration 4.00-5.00pm

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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Newsletter 28 15th August 2021

The solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

This Sunday, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary; Pope Pius XII promulgated the dogma of Assumption in a time the world was writhing under the devastating aftermath of World War II. The pope had asserted the dignity of humanity in an environment of fear and despondency, insecurity, desolation, depression and loss of human life and dignity. He had asserted that the grace of God would bring to humankind the same type of glorification that Mary already possessed. It is of greater significance now since we are in need of the same consolation and inspiration during these challenging times.

Aotearoa New Zealand will be rededicated to Our Lady Assumed into Heaven on August 15th, 2021. This renews a formal dedication in January 1838 by Bishop Pompallier, Aotearoa New Zealand's first bishop. In this act of rededication, we give ourselves and our land anew to her patronage and protection, confident that Mary will be for us a sign of hope and the ultimate bridge of protection under challenging times both now and for generations to come. We also dedicate ourselves to preserving and protecting the human dignity and the dignity of God's creation.

The rededication will be marked by the unveiling of a Marian art work at St. Mary of the Angels Church in Wellington, which will hikoi throughout New Zealand, visiting parishes, schools, and places of significance till August 15th 2022. The artwork will visit our parish from the 4th to November 10th 2021. After this tour, the artwork will be permanently installed in Wellington at the St. Mary of the Angels Church. This will be celebrated with a Shrine dedication on the Feast of Assumption, August 15th 2022. The act of consecration to Mary will give us the occasion to pray for Our Lady's continued protection of the vulnerable, healing of the unwell, personal and communal conversion and wisdom for those who govern, create policies and work to cure the world.

We also remember Bahrain, the Republic of Congo, South Korea and especially India as they commemorate their Independence Day. May peace and freedom prevail on the earth.

Fr.Giltus Mathias CP

Readings for The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and 20th Week Ordinary Time

15 Aug Apoc 11:19:12:1-6,10 1Cor 15:20-26 Luke 1:39-56

Psalm: *The Queen stands at your right hand arrayed in gold*

Mon 16 Aug Judges 2:11-19 Matt 19:16-22 *St Stephen of Hungry*

Tues 17 Aug Judges 6:11-24 Matt 19:23-30

Wed 18 Aug Judges 9:6-15 Matt 20:1-16

Thurs 19 Aug Judges 11:29-39 Matt 22:1-14 *St John Eudes*

Fri 20 Aug Ruth 1:1,3-22 Matt 22:1-14 *St Bernard*

Sat 21 Aug Ruth 2:1-17 Matt 23:1-12 *St Pius X*

Readings for 21st Sunday Ordinary Time

22 Aug Josh 24:1-2,15-18 Ephesians 5:21-32 John 6:60-69

Let Us Remember in our Prayers and at Mass:

Recently Deceased: Kevin Costello (CHCH), Fr Thomas Gabriel O'Dowd, Bernard McNamara, Patrick Harnett

Anniversaries: Aug 7 Frances Logan, Ellen Webster, 20 Kathleen Logan, 26 Eileen Hanley, 29 Laurie Squire,

Other Intentions: Peter, Steve & Kate Hayman Fr Dave Gledhill, Bob Dean, Judith Kerridge, Beavon Undrill, Pat Stretch, Graeme Jarvis, Ruth Fili, Deceased members & friends of Logan Hanley & Squire families.

COLLECTIONS:

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

Last week:

AP's: \$ 2042.15
Envelopes: \$ 353.10
Cash \$ 389.29

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Te Ara a Maria: Mary's Way project

A website has been created to help promote the bishops' renewal of the dedication of the country to Our Lady Assumed into Heaven. The renewal project has the title *Te Ara a Maria: Mary's Way* and runs for 12 months from 15 August. Go here for the website: www.tearaamaria.nz

The website contains details of the project. It will be updated regularly to include the schedule of the nationwide hikoi of the artwork created for the project. The hikoi starts on August 18 in Invercargill.

Restoration of our Archdiocese's Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Please donate a bottle of wine for a fundraising dinner for the restoration of our Archdiocese's Sacred Heart Cathedral. The wine will be put together in boxes for auction. Victoria Raw (577-6211) will be at St. Mary's to collect any bottles that you wish to donate after Mass on Sunday 15th August or you can give them to Frs. Jacob or Raymond to pass on.

Titipounamu Study & Joy is celebrating 1 Year and gives thanks with free August events:

Online Sessions (Evening):

The Eucharist with Kieran Fenn fms. Monday, 16 August, 7-8.30pm. Free. ZOOM.

The Eucharist – a Gospel event and Sacrament with Prof Thomas O'Loughlin and Kieran Fenn fms. Monday, 23 August, 8-9pm. Free.

ZOOM.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/the-eucharist-a-gospel-event-and-sacrament/> For more information and registration: info@studyjoy.nz

Muffin Talk Radio Programme recordings and video clips on religion, interfaith and community available at <https://www.studyjoy.nz/category/resources/muffin-talk/> and **new** on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/TitipounamuStudyandJoy>

18 August Blenheim Women's Friendship Group 10am Raupo Café. All welcome

3rd September Quiz Night NOSTALGIA QUIZ NIGHT!!!! Friday 3rd Sept, 6.30pm. St Mary's Community Centre. \$10pp. A Parish event with proceeds going to St Mary's Youth Group! Loads of fun, prizes and live auction - come and grab a bargain! See Maurice or Chris after Mass to book your tickets. Book a table for up to 8ppl, or just join a table. BYO, and supper provided. Queries, 022 391 8584

18 September SHE Connects, 7.30pm at Connect Church, Beaver Road. No need for tickets or registration – just turn up to Connect Church at 7.30pm \$5 upon entry.

Many of you will remember Father Thomas Gabriel O'Dowd, who was parish priest in Kaikoura from 1973-1977. Mark Smith has asked that we

The 150th Anniversary of the Proclamation of St Joseph as Patron of the universal Church



"After being warned in a dream" – now for the fourth time, "he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth" (Pope Francis)

Quote from ADW Ecology, Justice and Peace Advisor

How many times we turn away so as not to see our brothers in need! And this looking away is a polite way to say, with white gloves, "Sort it out for yourselves". And this is not Jesus' way: this is selfishness. Had he sent away the crowds, many people would have been left with nothing to eat. Instead those few loaves and fish, shared and blessed by God, were enough for everyone. Pope Francis: [Angelus 3 August 2014](#)

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let you all know that sadly he has passed away in Ireland. R.I.P.

Gift for Fiji

Thank you so very much to the Kaikoura Community for your generous response in our gift-giving for families in need in Fiji due to the heavy toll of the Virus.

We are delighted to send \$1,520 to the Sisters in Fiji to help families with children who are struggling since they have not been able to plant or harvest crops for several months.

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.

PARISH ROLL: Have you moved or discontinued your landline? If there have been any changes to your information, please contact the Parish Office and we will update your details.

Prayer for the Beatification of Venerable Suzanne Aubert

Lord Jesus Christ, you taught us that as often as we show compassion to the least of your brothers and sisters, we show it to you. Hear our prayers that the intercession of Venerable Suzanne Aubert, who supported the Maori people and devoted her life to the poor, the sick and the underprivileged, and whom the Church has declared to be one of your true and humble followers, will be recognized in a miraculous healing by the Church and will lead to her beatification. Amen

Respect Life Sunday will be renamed Support Life Sunday from this year, to better reflect the active work Catholics must do to help people facing significant life decisions. Bishop Steve Lowe, Secretary of the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference, says the term "respect life" can seem passive. "Support Life reminds us that we are all called to both uphold the dignity of all life and be active in the practical work needed to support people facing significant life decisions." Support Life Sunday is Sunday 10 October, with the theme "Honouring and Sup-

porting Health Carers." Full details: [<http://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/respect-life-sunday-now-support-life-Sunday/>] www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/respect-life-sunday-now-support-life-sunday/

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August

Aug 17..Finance & Property Com.(7)
Aug 18..BHM women's friendship grp
At Raupo café (10)

September

Sep 2.. BLN Mass Bethsaida (10.45)
Sep 5..Community Quiz night BHM
Sep 5..Sounds Stewardship (5)
Sep 6..Wairau Stewardship (7)
Sep 13.. Parish Pastoral Council
Sep 15..BHM women's friendship grp
at a local café (10)
Sep 21.. Finance & Property Com (7)

October

Oct 3..Sounds Stewardship (5)
Oct 5..Wairau Stewardship (7)
Oct 7..BLN Mass Bethsaida (10.45)
Oct 11.. Sacred Heart Stewardship
Oct 12..Review Group (5.30) then
Parish Pastoral Council
Oct 19..Finance & Property Com (7)
Oct 20..BHM women's friendship grp
At local café (10)
Oct 31.. Combined Renwick Churches
Service at St Francis de Sales

November

Nov 7..Sounds Stewardship (5)
Nov 2..Wairau Stewardship (7)
Nov 4..BLN Mass Bethsaida (10.45)
Nov 9..Parish Pastoral Council
Nov16..Finance & Property Com (7)
Nov 17..BHM women's friendship grp
At local café (10)

December

Dec 5..Sounds Stewardship (5)
Dec 7..Wairau Stewardship (7)
Dec 2..BLN Mass Bethsaida (10.45)
Dec 14..Review Group (5.30) then
Parish Pastoral Council
Dec 21(?)..Finance & Property Com (7)
Dec 15..BHM women's friendship grp