

## Parish Calendar

In line with the restrictions as they are at present, Mass will be celebrated online until we move to Alert Level 1. Fr Jacob will be bringing Mass at 9.30am Tuesday to Friday and on Sunday via our Facebook page and youtube.

**We have our own YouTube page.** Below is the YouTube link to the Weekend Mass. You can **subscribe** to our YouTube page and get **instant alerts** when we schedule an event on the page. [https://youtu.be/PCxg8\\_W5In0](https://youtu.be/PCxg8_W5In0)

For those not on the internet, you can go to Free-to-air Telecast, Freeview Shine TV, Channel 25 or Sky TV Channel 201, Vodafone Channel 700. It is 2pm every Sunday.

**Signup to newsletter and updates:** If you want the newsletter sent to your email address or any other Parish updates, you can log on to the parish website and click on the button that invites you to the newsletter mail out. Or contact the parish office and we will sign you up on your behalf.

For those not connected to the internet, we have printed newsletters outside the front door of the Parish Office.

**PARISH ROLL:** Have you moved house and/or discontinued your landline? If there have been any changes to your information, please contact the Parish

Office and we will update your details.



**Situations Vacant** The Archdiocese is seeking applications for four roles, the Manager Property and Support Services, Board and Committee Secretary, Consultant Catholic Secondary Colleges and Administrative Assistant CSES. Please refer to the Archdiocese website under vacancies for further information.

[https://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/adw\\_community/vacancies/](https://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/adw_community/vacancies/). We will accept all applications up to Friday, 17 September 2021.

### Readings for 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time *Social Justice Week*

**Sun 12 Sept** Isaiah 50:5-9 James 2:14-18 Mark 8:27-35

**Psalm: I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living**

**Mon 13 Sept:** 1Tim 2:1-8, 3:1-13 Luke 7:1-10 *St John Chrysostom*

**Tues 14 Sept:** *Exaltation of the Holy Cross*  
Num 21:4-9 Phil 2:6-11 John 3:13-17

**Wed 15 Sept:** Heb 5:7-9 John 19:25-27 *Our Lady of Sorrows*

**Thurs 16 Sept:** 1Tim 4:12-16 Luke 7:36-50 *Sts Cornelius & Cyrian*

**Fri 17 Sept:** 1Tim 6:3-10 Luke 8:1-3 *St Robert Bellarmine*

**Sat 18 Sept:** 1Tim 6:13-16 Luke 8:4-15

### Readings for 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

**Sun 19 Sept** Wis 2:12,17-20 James 3:16-4:3 Mark 9:30-37

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

**Recently Deceased:** Lorraine Thomson, Chris Fredericks, Graeme Jarvis,

### Anniversaries:

**Other Intentions:** Maria Martin, Dan Murphy, Peter Campbell, Steve & Kate Hayman, Rose Giddy, Fr Dave Gledhill, Judith Kerridge, Beavon Undrill, Pat Stretch, David Mahoney, Diane Cagney

### COLLECTIONS:

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

### Last week:

AP's:	\$ 2,578.94
Envelopes:	\$
Cash	\$

## 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

**Parish Office: 61 Maxwell Road, Blenheim**  
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**FB. Star of the Sea Marlborough (708 followers)**



### 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 Priest: Fr Giltus Mathias CP**  
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**Parish Pastoral Council Chair: Greg Stretch**  
**Finance Committee Chair: Tom Harrison**

## Newsletter 31 12 September 2021 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

### TIME, Talent, Treasure

*Often, I get asked "why do you always put your hand up to do things"?*

I was raised by wonderful parents who gave so much of their time back to our Marlborough community. It's one of the many things I admire about them, and I suppose their generosity gave me the drive to follow in their footsteps. Like many of us today, at times I can feel overwhelmed, and perhaps I've taken on too much! How on earth am I going to do everything that I've committed to, and still maintain a good balance in life?

I really enjoy giving my time back to our Church Community as well as several other local community organisations. It provides a great sense of pride when tasks you have started are completed and that you feel as a group/organisation you are doing worthwhile work and making progress.

Do I get it right all the time, no way! We are human after all. However, by learning from our mistakes, we grow and can forge ahead in the right direction. I admire those people in our community who give so much of their precious time. Often these people are volunteers, unpaid (or underpaid), and driven by a purpose to help make our community a better place. And sometimes that can be a thankless task, and those wonderful volunteers can be left wondering why they are donating their time to others when they could be taking time out for themselves. What keeps these people committed to donating their time and talents when things get tough? Purpose!

With any organisation, its strength comes from its people. And it's those volunteers that give their time and talents so freely that are the real treasures of our community.

During these difficult times may God continue to bless and watch over you as we wait for the necessary Alert Level changes, to allow us once again to meet as a Church community.

God Bless  
Greg Stretch

**Chairman**  
**Star of the Sea Marlborough Parish Pastoral Council**

## Parish Calendar, News & Notices

**FAREWELL:** Fr Raymond is leaving us after this week to go back to his own parish, and at this point, we will not have another priest until we reach Alert Level 1. Thank you, Fr Raymond for being here with us, to support Fr Jacob and the parish community.

### **Youth Group News**

Welcome back Mieke from maternity leave and a special thank you to Chris Lippiatt for stepping into the position while Mieke was away.

### **Priest Hospital & Retirement home Visitations during level 2.**

Unfortunately Priests can only visit at the request of Hospital & Retirement home staff.

During the next five weeks of the **Season of Creation** (which runs from the Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation on 1 September to St Francis Day on 4 October), quotes for parish media have been selected by member of the EJP Commission's Integral Ecology Committee, who have also prepared reflection sheets for each of the five Sundays which fall within the Season of Creation. These may be able to be used by households within their bubbles. The Second reflection sheet for Sunday 12 September is available here:

<https://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Season-of-Creation-2021-week-2.pdf>

### **Season of Creation Sunday 12**

**September 2021** 24th Sunday in Ordinary time. **Social Justice Week:** A culture of encounter – BE the Church Let us pray for those in need of someone to listen to them. May we respond generously with our time and aroha to all we encounter each day.

**Psalms 116** "I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the Living"

**SPIRITUAL DIMENSION:** Offer a

short prayer for someone you know who needs your concern and care at this time. Conclude your prayer with the response "I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the Living".

**LIFESTYLE DIMENSION:** Take a few minutes to phone the person you prayed about, or text them, or write a brief note telling them of your prayer for them.



**Below are some prayer websites that might be helpful:**

1. <https://gratefulness.org/explore/resources/>
2. Creighton U Daily Reflections - Online Ministries <https://onlineministries.creighton.edu>
3. <https://www.ignatianspirituality.com/>
4. <https://pray-as-you-go.org/>
5. <https://www.sacredspace.ie/daily-prayer>
6. [www.nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/faith-filled-worship-in-time-of-lockdown/](http://www.nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/faith-filled-worship-in-time-of-lockdown/)

Andrea Bocelli - The Prayer (Lyric Video) Céline Dion <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nexnnrYyTmc>

### **Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy Online Sessions (Evening):**

**The Gospel of Luke – The Gospel of the New Church Year** with Kieran Fenn fms.

Mondays, 13 September -11 October, 7-8.30pm. Free. ZOOM. Series of 5 parts. All sessions are connected but also stand alone. \$25/session or \$90/series of 5 sessions.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/the-gospel-of-luke-23/>

For more information and registration: [info@studyjoy.nz](mailto:info@studyjoy.nz)

### **Quote from ADW Ecology, Justice and Peace Advisor**

Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience. Pope Francis: *Laudato Si'* paragraph 217

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**Te Rōpū Tautoko** the group coordinating Catholic engagement with the Royal Commission. Encourages survivors of abuse in the care of the Catholic Church to share their experiences with the Royal Commission. If you or someone you know wishes to share your experience please visit their website or phone the Royal Commission on 0800 222 727 or [www.abuseincare.org.nz](http://www.abuseincare.org.nz)

**Be the change Aotearoa** is working for gender equality in the leadership of the Catholic Church. On Sunday 19 September (Women's Suffrage Day) we will create an eye-catching installation using women's worn out shoes, some painted pink, leading from the steps of Parliament to Sacred Heart Cathedral in Thorndon Wellington. Each pair will have a tag attached giving a short vignette of one woman's walk with the Church. This is aimed at emphasising the fact that the Catholic Church is 128 years behind the country in recognising women's leadership skills. Cardinal John Dew will meet us at the Cathedral and accept a petition we will ask him to convey to the Vatican.

For more information contact:

Cecily McNeill, 0212356996

**She Connects** Saturday 18 September 7.30pm

**CANCELLED**

### **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.

**There is a desperate need at the moment.**

We **Urgently** Need *rolled oats, spaghetti, baked beans, canned fish, flour, sugar, baby food, spreads & jams, toiletries, milk powder and other non-perishable foods.*

**Please drop off items to the St Vincent De Paul Shop in High Street, Blenheim**

**open 10am–4pm  
Monday– Friday**

## A COVID EVENING PRAYER

It's that time of day, dear Jesus,  
When air cools and shadows lengthen  
And light begins to seek  
a place of rest  
Normally a lovely time of day  
But just now there is no normal  
With the Covid virus  
in the chair  
And uncertainty everywhere

I seek your hand as dark descends  
And watch the day concede  
So night might have its way  
Fill this strange unnerving quiet  
With the peaceful silence  
of your presence  
Hold me close and fill  
my heart with hope  
That I might truly rest

I pray too for those unable to  
sleep and for those the virus  
separates and closes on the vital  
need to touch and be together.  
Guide them through  
this time of dark.  
Unite them and all of us  
In the bonds of love that  
no virus can loosen

### **Parish Calendar September**

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