

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/YlkPi5V2mBo>

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.

If you generally give by envelope, you can either drop it into the office or put it into the locked letterbox at the gate.

Readings for 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sun 26 Sept Num 11:25-29 James 5:1-6 Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Psalm: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart

Mon 27 Sept: Zech 8:1-8 Lk 9:46-50 *St Vincent de Paul*

Tues 28 Sept: Zech 8:20-23 Lk 9:51-56
Sts Wenceslaus, Lawrence Ruiz & companions

Wed 29 Sept: Dan 7:9-10, 13-14 Jn 1:47-51
Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael Archangels

Thurs 30 Sept: Neh 8:1-12 Lk 10:1-12 *St Jerome*

Fri 1 Oct: Baruch 1:15-22 Lk 10:13-16
St Therese of the child Jesus

Sat 2 Oct: Ex23:20-23 Mt 18:1-5,10
The Holy Guardian Angels

Readings for 27th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Day of Celebration for Venerable Suzanne Aubert

Sun 3 Oct Gen 2:18-24 Heb 2:9-11 Mark 10:2-16

Let Us Remember in our Prayers and at Mass:

Recently Deceased: Louise Clark (Chch) Patricia Westwood, Kate Duncan, Lorraine Thomson, Chris Fredericks, Graeme Jarvis,

Anniversaries: **Aug 21** Norah Moran, John Costello, **Sept 5** Donald Johnstone, **16** Sarah Edgar, **25** Carol Hey, **Oct 1** Brian Bell

Other Intentions: Paul Harnett, 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.

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Last week:

AP's:	\$ 1,291.40
Envelopes:	\$ 169.95
Cash	\$
Māori Pastoral Care	\$ 10.00

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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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.**

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Parish Pastoral Council Chair: Greg Stretch
Finance Committee Chair: Tom Harrison

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World Day of Migrants and Refugees – Sunday 26 September 2021

The last Sunday of September annually is the Vatican's World Day of Migrants and Refugees. It is a day that provides us the opportunity to celebrate the resilience and contribution of migrants and former refugees to the church and communities in which they live. A day when we bring awareness to the issues migrants and former refugees face when we as Catholics are called to be in solidarity through prayer and remember those who have left their homeland for a better future, or displaced by conflict and persecution, far away from loved ones.

It is clear the face of Star of the Sea Marlborough parish is changing, and the increased ethnic diversity is helping more traditional numbers hold steady. The melting pot of people from other countries whose contribution is significant and growing has evolved to a point where the parish can take pride in its increased international connectedness, embrace cultural inclusion, and celebrate the richness of diversity in church ministry.

I have worked in the 'migration' space for many years. I have seen the true bonds of friendship in action. I have seen many acts of kindness and people supporting each other in good times and lifting one another up when life was tough. Sadly, I have also seen and heard of instances of racism. Most importantly, I have learned that for people to settle well and gain a sense of belonging they need to feel welcome, safe, and gain a sense of inclusion and connectedness.

The volatility of life in recent times has shown us unequivocally that we need to work together merely to survive, let alone to thrive and progress. Labour market and social outcomes during the current Covid-19 pandemic suggest that the crisis is likely to have a disproportionate impact on migrants and former refugees as they face vulnerabilities and worry about the welfare of family back home.

There has never been a better time to draw upon our parish diversity to

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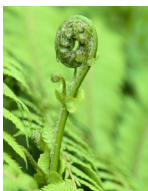
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maximise the strength of our faith and embrace the increased changes in parish demographics. The recently formed Parish Cultural Committee works hard, however the committee needs strength if we are to stand together and build a parish family that is welcoming and inclusive of all. I welcome a phone call or message from anyone interested in joining the committee.

Margaret Western, Chair Star of the Sea Cultural Committee. Phone 0211584426 / email alan.marg1@gmail.com.

Priest Hospital & Retirement home Visitations during level 2.

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

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.



Week 4 This is our home, entrusted to us by God to work with and care for. To respond effectively we must work together; different countries, religions, ethnicities, languages, male and female; respecting each other's contribution. The fourth reflection sheet for Sunday 26 September is available here:

<https://www.wn.catholic.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Season-of-Creation-2021-week-4.pdf>

Quote from ADW Ecology, Justice and Peace Advisor

A global consensus is essential for confronting the deeper problems, which cannot be resolved by unilateral actions on the part of individual countries. Pope Francis: *Laudato Si'* paragraph 164

The Season of Creation is celebrated annually in September. It is a particular time of faith set aside for us to think about, respond to and pray for the needs of the earth and the needs of future generations who will be dependent on a healthy planet. Come join us in prayer. 7pm Friday 24th September
The Liturgy Centre and Pastoral Services Group as part of the Catholic Diocese of Auckland are inviting you to a Zoom meeting detailed below.

Topic: Prayer for our Common Home
Time: Sep 24, 2021 07:00 PM Auckland, Wellington

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88189772600?pwd=cWlTOFHUERCGRllZng1R3FzTjlvZz09>

Online Immigration Workshop We are pleased to invite you to our Online Immigration Workshop hosted by the Southland Multicultural Council on Zoom. Our guest speaker at the workshop will be Immigration Expert Kay Luv. She will be providing the latest Immigration updates and advice on your immigration matters. Please see the attached flyer and to register for this workshop please email or phone Meggy at: events@southlandmulticultural.co.nz
P: 0273561091 or 03 2149296

Working Bee Saturday 25th



September 10am–2pm
For both the school and Parish grounds There will be a BBQ for lunch, and refreshments at the end of the working Bee. This is a great opportunity to bring school and parish together.

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Global Synod – For a Synodal Church

Pope Francis is asking every baptised person to be involved in this international Synod, "For a Synodal Church: communion, participation, and mission".

On October 17th special Masses will be celebrated in New Zealand. This will be followed by the opportunity for every baptised person to prayerfully reflect on the themes, join/ or make up your own group to discern your shared wisdom or go to the online options to give us your feedback. More information the [Archdiocesan website](#) and our [Social Media page](#).



VENERABLE SUZANNE AUBERT MERI HOHEPA CELEBRATION SUNDAY OCT 3

Mass with Cardinal John Dew

October 3 is Suzanne Aubert Meri Hohepa Celebration Sunday. As parish Masses are not possible under the current Covid-19 restrictions, Cardinal Dew has agreed to celebrate a special Mass in the Chapel beside the crypt at Island Bay where Suzanne Aubert Meri Hohepa lies. It will be broadcast at **2:00 PM on Shine TV**. It will also be available to view later in the day on YouTube and Facebook.

All parishioners are invited to send their personal prayer requests and intentions which will be offered by Cardinal John at this special Mass.

If you have a particular prayer request, or if there is someone in your parish who you would like to be specifically remembered at either of these events, please send confidential details to Sister Josephine Gorman
sr.josephine.gorman@compassion.org.nz

At the conclusion of the Mass, all prayer requests and names of those who have asked to be remembered, will be placed on the tombstone of Suzanne Aubert Meri Hohepa and the Sisters will continue to pray for everyone during the month of October

There are also other resources available at (www.suzanneaubert.co.nz).

Please pray for the beatification and eventual canonisation of Meri Hohepa /Suzanne Aubert . And, let us remember her constant prayer. **"Thanks be to God for all He has done and is doing for us."**

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy

Online Sessions (Evening):

The Gospel of Luke – The Gospel of the New Church Year

with Kieran Fenn fms.
Mondays, 27 September -11 October, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.

All sessions are connected but also stand alone.

\$25/session.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2021/09/02/the-gospel-of-luke/>

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/>

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September

Sep 25..Working Bee 10-2pm

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 4-10.. Visit by Marian Artwork (?)
- Nov 7..Sounds Stewardship (5)
- Nov 2..Wairau Stewardship (7)
- Nov 4..BLN Mass Bethsaida (10.45)
- Niov4-10.. Marian Art in BHM
- Nov 9..Parish Pastoral Council