

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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Newsletter 8–20 March 2022

3rd Sunday of Lent.

Dear Parishioners

In the beautiful first reading today [Exodus 3], Moses begs God not to lose sight of the plight of the people and comes from his prayer reassured that God is not merely an onlooker from afar. God is very aware of the plight of the people, and says to Moses, "I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free...I am well aware of their sufferings."

Moses is sent to console his people and to remind them that God is the God of their ancestors – Abraham and Sarah; Isaac and Rebecca; and Jacob and Rachel. In his prayer his awareness and understanding of who God is has reinvigorated his ministry and enabled him to pass on the hope that he has received from God.

Awareness is a virtue described as a necessary precondition to love.

How aware are we of God's presence in our lives?

How might we carry that hope to others in need?

With every blessing in Christ

Michael McCabe



Parish Calendar, News & Notices

The Parish Office will be closed until Thursday 24th March due to staff being on leave.

Tuesday 22 March

Sacred Heart Kaikoura 10am
W&C followed by Stations of the Cross

Wednesday 23 March

St Turbibus of Mogrovejo

Picton Adoration 8.45–9.30pm(Reconciliation available after Mass)

Thursday 24 March

St Oscar Romero

Friday 25 March **Annunciation of the Lord**

Stations of the Cross during lent
4.30pm St Joseph's Picton

7pm St Mary's Blenheim
All Welcome to Stations of the Cross



Reconciliation is available after weekday Mass or by Appointment.

Message from Pope Francis for Lent

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Lent is a favourable time for personal and community renewal, as it leads us to the paschal mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. For our Lenten journey in 2022, we will do well to reflect on Saint Paul's exhortation to the Galatians: "Let us not grow tired of doing good, for in due time we shall reap our harvest, if we do not give up. So then, while we have the opportunity (kairós), let us do good to all" (Gal 6:9-10).

Quote from ADW Ecology, Justice and Peace Advisor

In God, no act of love, no matter how small, and no generous effort will ever be lost.

Pope Francis: [Message for Lent 2022](#)

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 Calendar, News & Notices

Mass & Liturgy Schedules at Covid Traffic light System

No Vaccine Pass required for Masses and Liturgies from Tuesday through to Thursday. Registration for Blenheim Masses is necessary, fill in the form in the foyer.

Sat 19 March

Blenheim-5pm **W&C**
Vaccine Pass required

Sun 20 March

Vaccine Pass required
Seddon-8am - **Mass**
Blenheim-10am—**Mass**
Kaikoura-9.30—**W&C**
Picton-4pm—**Mass**

Tuesday -22 March

Blen 9.30am Mass
Kaikoura 10.00am W & C - **Followed by Stations of the Cross**

Wednesday -23 March

Picton 9.30am Mass
Kaikoura 9:30am W&C
Blen 12:05 W&C
Kaikoura Rosary 7pm

Thursday -24 March

Blen 9.30am Mass
Kaikoura Scripture 11am
Kaikoura 5:15pm W&C

Friday - 25 March

Kaikoura 9.30am W&C
Blen—Exposition 11am
12:05 Mass

Vaccine Pass required for both

Register on-line

[Friday Exposition and Mass Tickets, Fri 18/03/2022 at 11:00 AM | Eventbrite](#)

or Phone—Belinda Vavasour
5782628 or 021774858

Sat 26 March

Blenheim-5pm -Mass
Vaccine Pass required

Sun 27 March

Vaccine Pass required
Seddon 8am—**W&C**
Blenheim 10am—**W&C**
Kaikoura—9.30- **Mass**
Picton 9am—**W&C**

Registration required for Blenheim Masses. Register on-line
[Mass Registrations | Archdiocese of Wellington \(catholic.org.nz\)](#)

or Phone—Belinda Vavasour
5782628/021774858 (by 11am Friday)

Readings for 21-27 March

Monday 21 March -
2Kings 5:1-5 Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday 22 March—
Dan 3:25,34-43
Matt 18:21-35

Wednesday 23 March
Dan 4:1,-5-9; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday 24 March
Jer 7:23-28; Luke 11:14-23

Friday 25 March
Annunciation of the Lord
Is 7:10-14; Heb 10:4-10;
Luke 1:26-38

Saturday 26 March
Hosea 5:15-6:6
Luke 18:9-14

Sunday 27 March—
4th Sunday of Lent
Josh 5:9-12;
2Corth 5:17-21
Luke 15:1-3,11-32

Find peace in God's Word



Reconciliation is available after weekday Mass or by Appointment.

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy

Online Sessions: Ignatian Imaginative Contemplation – Prayer Hour with Laetitia Puthenpadath.
Friday, 25 March, 3-4pm. ZOOM. Koha/Donation.
<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/ignatian-imaginative-contemplation/>
For more information and registration: www.studyjoy.nz

The Royal Commission on Abuse in Care began its specific Māori public hearing today at Ōrākei Marae in Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland. The Catholic Church in Aotearoa NZ made an opening statement at the hearing. Go here for details: <https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/rc-maorihearing/>

Collections:

We are most grateful for your support a reminder the financial year ends on 31st March and income tax receipts for your donations will be issued after that date.

Last Week:

Total \$2,060.85

If you would like to contribute to the running costs of the Parish. Here is our account number:

Star of the Sea
02-0600-0154396-00

Please contact Ginetta at the Parish Office for a giving number, or for setting up an Automatic payment.

Remembering the Holy Souls— May they Rest in Peace



Ragini Beal, Julie Forbes, Mark Rainbird, Annette Watts, Lil McKinley, Richard Spencer, Alison Mexted, Jo Keating and all our deceased parishioners and benefactors

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