

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 13-24 April 2022

2nd Sunday of Easter

Dear Parishioners

The Easter appearance of Jesus to Thomas is a well-known gospel from which we get the phrase "doubting Thomas!"

Poor Thomas! Doubt is very much part and parcel of maturing faith, as Pope Francis often reminds us.

"In this quest to seek and find God in all things there is always an area of uncertainty. There must be. If a person says he or she has met God with total certainty and is not touched by a margin of uncertainty, then this is not good.

For me, this is an important turning point. Claiming to have all the answers to all the questions is proof that God is not with a person.

...the great leaders of the people of God, like Moses, always left room for doubt. You must leave room for the Lord, not for our certainties; we must be humble. Uncertainty is in every true discernment which is open to finding confirmation in spiritual consolation."



With every blessing in Christ
Michael McCabe

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Sunday 24 April

11am—Synod Discernment process
Blenheim Parish Centre, all
welcome

3pm Divine Mercy –Blenheim

Monday 25 April— ANZAC Day

8am Mass—Blenheim

Tuesday 26 April

St Mark the Evangelist

Wednesday 27 April

St Louis Grignon de Montfort

Thursday 28 April

St Peter Chanel

Friday 29 April

St Catherine of Siena

**Aotearoa
New Zealand united in
prayer for the
conversion of hearts
for peace in our world
and an end to the war**



in Ukraine. We pray for all those caught up in violence, remembering especially the people of Ukraine; that in this time of fear and conflict, they may know God's presence and peace. We pray for world leaders, that guided by integrity and wisdom, they may work together so that peace may flourish.

Community Foodbanks:

Our Community Food Banks help people in need. The bins in our churches are cleared every week so donations can be made outside of the times listed.

There is a desperate need at the moment for all non-perishable food.

1st Sunday @ Blenheim

1st Sunday @ Kaikoura

All Sundays @ Picton

Quote from ADW Ecology, Justice and Peace Advisor

Easter, brothers and sisters, is the feast of tombstones taken away, rocks rolled aside. God takes away even the hardest stones against which our hopes and expectations crash: death, sin, fear, worldliness. Human history does not end before a tombstone, because today it encounters the "living stone", the risen Jesus.

Pope Francis: [Easter Vigil homily 2019](#)

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

Sat 23 April

Blenheim-5pm -Mass

Sun 24 April - Divine Mercy Sunday

Seddon 8am—W&C

Blenheim 10am-W&C

Kaikoura—9.30- Mass

Picton-9am— W&C

Blenheim 3pm

Divine Mercy Devotion



Monday 25 April—ANZAC Day

Blenheim—8am—Mass

Tuesday -26 April

Blen 9.30am Mass

Kaikoura 9.30am W &C

Wednesday -27 April

Picton 9.30am Mass

Kaikoura 9:30am W&C

Blen 12:05 W&C

Kaikoura Rosary 7pm

Thursday -28 April

Blen 9.30am Mass

Kaikoura Scripture 11am

Kaikoura 5:15pm W&C

Friday - 29 April

Blen—Exposition 11am

12:05 Mass

Sat 30 April

Blenheim-5pm -W&C

Sun 1st May

Seddon 8am—Mass

Blenheim 10am-Mass

Kaikoura—9.30- W&C

Picton-4pm— Mass

Reconciliation and Holy Communion

The Sacramental Programme for Reconciliation and Holy Communion will be run at St Mary's Church from the beginning of May until June.



We welcome all baptised students from age 8 (Year 4) and up, to join with us as they continue on their Faith Journey. Rosie Laimain and Lorraine Walker will facilitate the programme.

The sessions will be held on a Sunday morning before 10.00am Mass. Parents and Caregivers are invited to join us for these sessions also.

If you are interested in having your child participate in the programme please make contact with us. A list of dates and times will be issued accordingly.

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Readings for 16-24 April

Sunday 24 April

Acts 5:12-16;

Apocalypse 1:9-13,17-19

John 20:19-31

Monday 25 April—

ANZAC Day —

1 Thess 4:13,14,18

John 12:23-28

Tuesday 26 April —

Peter 5:5-14, Mark 16:15-

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Wednesday 27 April

Acts 5:17-26, John 3:16-21

Thursday 28 April

Acts 13:44-52;

John 15:12-17

Friday 29 April

Acts 5:34-42; John 6:1-15

Saturday 30 April

Acts 6:1-7; John 6:16-21

Sunday 1 May

Acts 5:27-32,40-41

Apocalypse 5:11-14

John 21:1-19

Find peace in God's Word



Synod discernment process:

You are warmly invited to come and share your hopes and dreams for the Church on Sunday 24th April at 11am in the Parish Centre, 61 Maxwell Rd. As pilgrims on a journey we ask the Holy Spirit to be our guide as we join together to listen, dialogue and discern courageously the path to be a Listening Church. This will be the last opportunity as the parish's submissions will be sent to the Archdiocesan office at the end of April.



Remembering the Holy Souls— May they Rest In Peace

Dorothy Dry,
William Stretch,
Margaret Stretch,
June Lacey, Julie Forbes,
June Smith,
Caroline Perano,
Yeoh Keat Chie (Malaysia), Michael William Moore,
Marie Fredericks,
Jim, Yvonne & Craig Brunel, Norm Thornton,
Mary O'Halloran,
and all our deceased parishioners and benefactors

Collections:

We are most grateful for your support

Last Week:

Total \$1482.80

Holy Places \$690.50

Easter Dues \$1676.90

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.



Intentions please keep the following parishioners in your prayers.

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Mark Smith, David Harris,
Liz James

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