

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 45 4th December 2022

2nd Sunday Advent

Dear Parishioners

**“Advent is a time to renew our caring for those in need.
Advent is a time to end quarrels, to break silences, to make peace.
This is the Advent welcome Christ desires...” - Michael Hayes**

On Tuesday night the tamariki children of Saint Mary's Pre-School presented their Nativity Play. It was delightful – Mary came in riding a little bicycle with the head of a donkey on the front. Joseph was hurrying alongside her. The three kings were on scooters with the heads of camels on the front. They were led by Maia acting as the star! The singing was joyful and engaging, and the play was followed by shared kai for everybody. I was down the back of the hall and enjoyed watching the faces of parents, and siblings, caregivers, and grandparents, light up as this old, old story was retold in such an engaging and inspirational way. Congratulations to Charlotte, the principal, and to her staff and volunteers for their hard work and creativity.

The children reminded us of the point and purpose of Advent - as the quote from Michael Hayes says so clearly. Let us make that our prayer for this week.

With every blessing in Christ

Michael McCabe

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Thank you

Thank you to Lex Agnew and Owen Farrell, for their many years of hard work around the parish, Lex looking after the buildings and Owen the rose gardens. Thank you both and may God Bless you Both.

Welcome

Welcome to our new caretaker Phil Eves, who is going to take over from Lex. Fr Michael is going to look after the rose gardens.

Christmas Mass Ministries

Could you contribute through a ministry? We need: Greeters, welcomer, proclaimers, offertory, PowerPoint operator, Eucharistic special minister, setting up for Mass anything to help, please contact Lorraine Walker 0276246264 or email trukwalker@gmail.com

Monday 5th December Volunteer appreciation Day

Grateful thanks to all who volunteer their time in our parish.

Christmas Mass & Liturgy Timetable

December 24th Christmas Eve (Saturday)

Blenheim @ 5.30pm
(Family Mass, Carols from 5pm)
Kaikoura @ 7.30pm
(Carols from 7pm)



December 25: Christmas Day (Sunday)

Seddon 8am
Picton @ 9am
Kaikoura @ 9.30am W&C
Blenheim @ 10.00am

New Year Day 1st January (Sunday)

Seddon @ 8am W&C
Picton @ 9am W&C
Kaikoura @ 9.30am Mass
Blenheim @ 10am W&C



[A Warm Welcome to Our Parish Family of Marlborough](#)

We are joy-filled missionary disciples: walking in Christ's light, growing in faith together, and taking the Gospel and the love of Jesus to the people of Marlborough and beyond.

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Mass & Liturgy Schedules

Sat 3rd December

Blenheim 5pm - **Mass**

Sun 4th December

Seddon **8am**— **W&C**

Kaikoura **9.30**— **Mass**

Blenheim **10.am**-**W&C**

Picton **9am**— **W&C**

Tuesday—6th December

Blenheim 9.30am Mass

Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

Wednesday – 7th December

Picton 9.30am Mass

Kaikoura 9:30am W&C

Blenheim 12:05 W&C

Kaikoura Rosary 7pm

Thursday – 8th December

Blenheim 9.30am W&C

Kaikoura 11am Scripture

Kaikoura 5.15pm W&C

Friday – 9th December

Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

Blenheim 11am Exposition

Blenheim 12.05pm W&C

Sat 10th December

Blenheim 5pm - **W&C**

Sun 11th December

Seddon **8am**— **Mass**

Kaikoura 9.30— **W&C**

Blenheim **10.am**-**Mass**

Picton **4pm**— **Mass**

Readings for 4th–11 December

Sunday 4 December 2nd Sunday Advent

Isaiah 11:1-10

Romans 15:4-9

Matthew 3:1-12

Monday 5th December

Isaiah 35:1-10

Luke 5:17-26

Tuesday 6th December

Isaiah 40:1-11

Matthew 18:12-14

Wednesday 7th December

Isaiah 40:25-31

Matthew 11:28-30

Thursday 8th December

(Immaculate Conception BVM)

Genesis 3:9-15,20

Ephesians 1:3-6,11-12

Luke 1:26-38

Friday 9th December

Isaiah 48:17-19

Matthew 11:16-19

Saturday 10th December

Ecclesiasticus 48:1-4,9-11

Matthew 17:10-13

Sunday 11th December

3rd Sunday Advent

Isaiah 35:1-6,10

James 5:7-10

Matthew 11:2-11

*Find peace in
God's Word*



Remembering the Holy Souls— May they Rest In Peace

Nanny Kay Nukunuku

John Smart

John O'Halloran

Gyula Mitribusz

Gillian Broughton

Elizabeth Knight

Tess Gill

Frances Connolly

Patricia Davis

and all our deceased

parishioners and benefactors

Intentions please keep the following parishioners in your prayers.

Rose Giddy

Cardinal Tom Williams

Monica Nott

Arlo Eygenraam

Charlotte Cagney

Donna Lippiatt

Michelle Parkin

Sr Frances Anna smsm

Ken Trustrum

Marie Burrows

Linda Cheesman

Delia Climo

Pray for Peace in the Ukraine

Blenheim Choral proudly presents **MESSIAH** a commentary on Jesus' **Nativity, Passion, Resurrection and Ascension.**

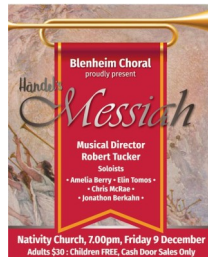
NATIVITY CHURCH 7.00PM

FRIDAY 9TH DECEMBER

\$30.00 Children free.

It begins with God's promises as spoken by the prophets and ends with Christ's glorification in heaven. It has become one of the best-known and most frequently performed choral works in western music.

Director and soloist Robert Tucker. Other Soloists Elin Tomos Blenheim, Chris McRae Wellington and accompanied by Jonathan Berkahn Wellington.



Collections:

We are most grateful for your support.

Last Week:

Total: \$2,583.84

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

Star of the Sea Parish
02-0600-0154396-00

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

Quote from Pope Francis

God is hidden in our life, he is always there – he is concealed in the commonest and most ordinary situations in our life. He does not come in extraordinary events, but in everyday things; he manifests himself in everyday things. He is there, in our daily work, in a chance encounter, in the face of someone in need, even when we face days that seem grey and monotonous, it is right there that we find the Lord, who calls to us, speaks to us and inspires our actions. (Pope Francis, Angelus Nov 27th 2022)

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