

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.

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Newsletter 2—5th February 2023 5th Sunday Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners

Welcome back to our School children and the staff and families making up our three school communities. We pray a blessing on all as they settle into the new school year.

Last week we listened to Jesus teach us about the virtues that make others – and ourselves – happy and blessed. Gentleness; peace; forgiveness; integrity, justice, and so on.

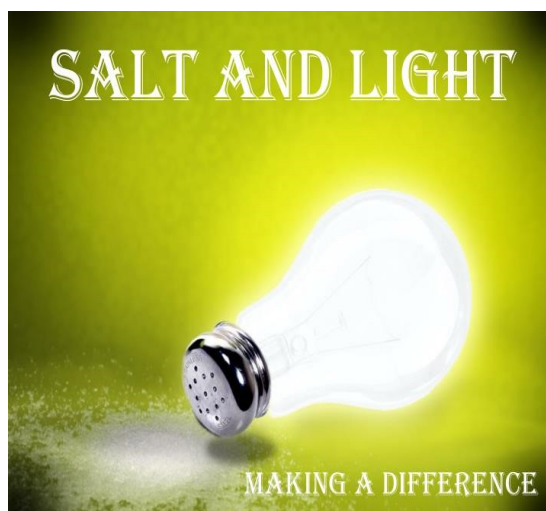
Today Jesus provides two images that help to strengthen these virtues – salt and light - both of which can produce results disproportionate to their size.

Notice how many recipes call for a “pinch of salt” – just a little to enhance flavour – a little act of kindness can enrich the lives of many.

Likewise, a little bit of light can brighten the darkest of spaces and bring hope to the saddest of hearts.

May our Sunday Eucharist today strengthen our ability to be salt and light for others during this week.

With every blessing in Christ
Michael McCabe



Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Thank you to Christine O’Neil who has prepared the displays for each of the church’s seasons at St Mary’s. We are so grateful for all your hard work, Thank You. Christine has now stepped down from this ministry. If you are interested in doing this work, please contact the parish office.



Wednesday 15 February 2023 Blenheim
Women’s Friendship Group meeting at Raupo Café
10am Please join us, love to see you there.

SYCAMORE

The Discipleship Group is excited to run this informal course about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today, in our parish in 2023. It gives you space to meet other people, share ideas, explore your beliefs, and think about questions that really matter. A “taster” session is being run at St Mary’s Community Centre on Monday 13 February from 7 – 8.30pm, or via Zoom on <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89284326507> Everyone is welcome, and following feedback from this session, we intend to run the 6 week Sycamore Lenten programme.

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**



[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 4th February

Blenheim 5pm -W&C

Sun 5th February

Seddon 8am—Mass

Kaikoura 9.30— W&C

Blenheim 10.am-Mass

Picton 4pm— Mass

Monday 6th February Waitangi Day

Blenheim 9.30am Mass

Tuesday—7th February

Blenheim 9.30am Mass

Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

Wednesday – 8th February

Picton 9.30am Mass

Kaikoura 9:30am W&C

Blenheim 12:05 W&C

Kaikoura Rosary 7pm

Thursday – 9th February

Blenheim 9.30am Mass

Kaikoura 11am Scripture

Kaikoura 5.15pm W&C

Friday – 10th February

Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

Blenheim 11am Exposition

Blenheim 12.05pm Mass

Sat 11th February

Blenheim 5pm –Mass

Sun 12th February

Seddon 8am—W&C

Kaikoura 9.30— Mass

Blenheim 10.am-W&C

Picton 9am— W&C



The Catholic Caring Foundation in Auckland is accepting donations to help partner agencies deliver vital help to so many. To donate online:

[Donate - The Catholic Caring Foundation](#)

Or BNZ 02-0100-0242648-000

Please use your name and email in the reference so we can send you a receipt.

Titipounamu Study & Joy Courses: Online Sessions (Evening):

Genesis—In the Beginning Monday 27 February 7-8.30pm Zoom

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/01/16/genesis-in-the-beginning/>

Readings for 5th—12th February 2023

Sunday 5th February

Isaiah 58:7-10

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Matthew 5:13-16

Monday 6th February

Waitangi Day

1 Kings 2:1-4,10-12

Mark 6:7-13

Tuesday 7th February

Genesis 1:20-2:4

Mark 7:1-13

Wednesday 8th February

Genesis 2:4-9,15-17

Mark 7:14-23

Thursday 9th February

Genesis 2:18-25

Mark 7:24-30

Friday 10th February

Genesis 3:1-8

Mark 7:31-37

Saturday 11th February

Genesis 3:9-24

Mark 8:1-10

Sunday 12th February

Sirach 15:15-20

1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Matthew 5:17-37

Find peace in God's Word



Collections:

We are most grateful for your support.

Last Week:

Total: \$2,266.77

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.



Remembering the Holy Souls— May they Rest In Peace

David Mahoney
Maureen McGuinness
Mons. John Carde MBE
Josephine Walsh
Suzanne Anderson (nee Hall)
Robert Connor
Phillipa Teeling (Aust)
Megan Taylor (ChCh)
Heather Dixon
Jack & Florence Maher
Theo Renwick
Roger Smart
Rod & Tim Wilkes
Don Grady
James Gallagher
Betty Fleming
Po Chue Sue
Nonus Thomas
John O'Kane
Ron Millar

and all our deceased parishioners and benefactors

Intentions please keep the following parishioners in your prayers.

Cardinal Tom Williams
Monica Nott
Arlo Eygenraam
Charlotte Cagney
Donna Lippiatt
Michelle Parkin
Sr Frances Anna ssm
Marie Burrows
Linda Cheesman
Peter Campbell
Brenda Price
Beavon Undrel

Pray for Peace in the Ukraine



Statue renovation

Do you have a statue that needs some repair?

Contact
Belinda Bryce
022-012-3315

Quote from Pope Francis

“Light and salt are for others, not for themselves. Light does not illuminate itself, salt does not flavour itself.” Pope Francis, [Morning Meditation 7 June 2016](#)

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