

## 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 5—26th February 2023

1st Sunday of Lent

### DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words and say kind words  
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude  
Fast from anger and be filled with patience  
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.  
Fast from worries and have trust in God.  
Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity.  
Fast from pressures and be prayerful.  
Fast from bitterness; fill your hearts with joy.  
Fast from selfishness and be compassionate.  
Fast from grudges and be reconciled.  
Fast from words; be silent and listen



### Parish Calendar, News & Notices

**SYCAMORE Monday 27th February** The Discipleship Group wishes to invite you to this informal 6-week Lent programme starting on Monday 27th February from 7pm to 8.30pm in St. Mary's Community Centre. Through videos and small discussion groups we will explore topics such as the existence of God, who is Jesus?, the Holy Spirit and the Church, the gift of faith, finding true freedom and the meaning of love. So come along. Why not bring a friend? For more information go to <https://www.sycamore.fm>

**Leaving Collection For The Auckland/Northland flood relief.** after all weekend services over the next two weeks.

For parishioners wishing to support the **Turkey/Syria Earthquake** appeal please make your donation to Caritas bank account: 03-0518-0211216-00 (please include your first & last name and put Turkey as the code.)

#### Flood Relief Collection

Blenheim St Vincent De Paul has donated \$10,000 to the SVdP National office to be distributed to those in need. The total amount from the Parish leaving collections will be updated next week.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER  
New Zealand

**World Day of Prayer Friday 3 March 10.30am** At St Mary's Blenheim a service prepared by the WDP Committee of Taiwan. Please join us.

#### Reconciliation, Holy Communion, Confirmation

The Sacramental Programme for Reconciliation will be run at St Mary's Community Centre. We welcome all baptized students from age 8 (Year 4) and up, to join us as they continue on this special part of their Faith Journey. The facilitators will be Rosie Lamain and Lorraine Walker.

The sessions will be held on a Sunday morning before 10.00am Mass, starting on Sunday 5th March. Parents and Caregivers are invited to join us for these sessions also. The programme for First Holy Communion and Confirmation will follow later in the year. Please register names and make contact via email Ginetta [office@staroftheseamarlb.co.nz](mailto:office@staroftheseamarlb.co.nz) Rosie [rosie@stmb.school.nz](mailto:rosie@stmb.school.nz)



**Fr Julian** is deeply appreciative of all the well wishers and gifts he received to mark his 4 score of years.

### 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 25th February

Blenheim 5pm – **Mass**

### Sun 26th February

Seddon **8am—W&C**

Picton **9am— W&C**

Kaikoura **9.30— Mass**

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

### Tuesday—28th February

Blenheim 9.30am W&C

Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

### Wednesday – 1st March

Picton NO MASS

Kaikoura 9:30am W&C

Blenheim 12:05 W&C

Kaikoura Rosary 7pm

### Thursday – 2nd March

Blenheim 9.30am Mass

Kaikoura 11am Scripture

Kaikoura 5.15pm W&C

### Friday – 3rd March

Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

Blenheim 9.30am Mass followed by a

cuppa **No Exposition**

### Blenheim 10.30am Service

for World Day of Prayer

Blenheim Rosary 3pm

led by Tongan community



### Sat 4th March

Blenheim 5pm – **W&C**

### Sun 5th March—Children's Day NZ

Seddon **8am—Mass**

Kaikoura 9.30— **W&C**

Blenheim **10.am-Mass**

Picton **4pm— Mass**



Every morning of LENT 2023 for those seeking greater maturity of faith.

Sign up to receive daily emails at:

[Sign up - food for faith](#)

## Readings for 26 Feb—5 March 2023

### Sunday 26 February

Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7

Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11

### Monday 27th February

Lev.19:1-2,11-18

Matthew 25:31-46

### Tuesday 28th February

Isaiah 55:10-11

Matthew 6:7-15

### Wednesday 1st March

Jonah 3:1-10

Luke 11:29-32

### Thursday 2nd March

Esther 4:17

Matthew 7:7-12

### Friday 3rd March

Ezekiel 18:21-28

Matthew 5:20-26

### Saturday 4th March

Deuteronomy 26:16-19

Matthew 5:43-48

### Sunday 5th March

Genesis 12:1-4

2Timothy 1:8-10

Matthew 17:1-9

*Find peace in God's Word*



## Collections:

We are most grateful for your support.

**Last Week:** Total: \$2,782.89

Easter Dues \$25.00

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.



**Reminder** next Sunday is the 1st Sunday of the month. Foodbank collection for Blenheim & Kaikoura.



## Remembering the Holy Souls— May they Rest In Peace

Susan Cacciopoli (sister-in-law of Fr Damian)

John Hayde (Hamilton)

Josephine Walsh

Robert Connor

Phillipa Teeling (Aust)

Don Irving

Christine Eves

Anna North

Joevil Basulgan Dela Cruz

Julie Forbes

and all our deceased parishioners and benefactors

## Intentions please keep the following parishioners in your prayers.

Dominic Dawkins

Maria Martin

Belinda Vavasour

Peter Hand

Sr Susanna Kraus RSM

Cardinal Tom Williams

Monica Nott

Arlo Eygenraam

Charlotte Cagney

Donna Lippiatt

Michelle Parkin

Sr Frances Anna smsm

Peter Campbell

Brenda Price

Beavan Undrill

Nancy Woolford-Stayner

Marian Sullivan

## Pray for Peace in the Ukraine

**Please keep the People of Turkey and Syria in your**

## Wanted to borrow



A car seat suitable for 3 year old for 2 weeks from mid March. Please contact the Parish office if you can help.

## Quote from Pope Francis

"Each year during Lent we are reminded that 'goodness, together with love, justice and solidarity, are not achieved once and for all; they have to be realized each day'." Pope Francis, [Message for Lent, 11/11/2021](#)

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