

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 8— 19th March 2023

4th Sunday of Lent

Dear Parishioners

A thank you letter from Father Robert Devlin, SM Parish Priest of Saint Peter's Parish, Wairoa.

Greetings Michael and parishioners,

Our secretary Aroha noticed an extremely generous donation [\$4,628.80] coming from "Star of the Sea, Parish." What's that she says..?!

A BIG thanks for such generosity. We are very moved. Be assured we will use it wisely....maybe restoring some of the taonga and carvings of the Church which are not looking great. Our life-sized St Therese was up to her waist in water and silt! We have a long way to go....and some big decisions to make. This is the second time our Marae and Church have been badly inundated. Be assured of our aroha and prayer. We do feel somewhat isolated here and have many parishioners in need.

To get to our Diocesan Headquarters in Palmerston North we must sneak through the Hamilton Diocese via Opotiki [when we can !!]

Thanking you again, Father Rob Devlin sm

PS. I remember Marlborough with great fondness....it was you who farewelled me in 1985 to a mission in the Philippines...which changed my life. Blessings.

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

SYCAMORE The Discipleship Group wishes to invite you to this informal 6-week Lent programme every Monday from 7pm to 8.30pm in St. Mary's Community Centre until Easter. 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>

The full Holy Week Timetable will be printed in next weeks newsletter but here are some Dates to Note

Tuesday 4th April St Mary's Church Blenheim	11am Chrism Mass for South Island Parishes— Archbishop Paul Martin SM
Thursday 6th April St Mary's Church Blenheim	7pm Mass of the Lords Supper
Saturday 8th April Sacred Heart Kaikoura St Mary's Blenheim	7pm Easter Vigil 7pm Easter Vigil



Special Prayers for Cardinal John Dew this week, please keep him in your prayers



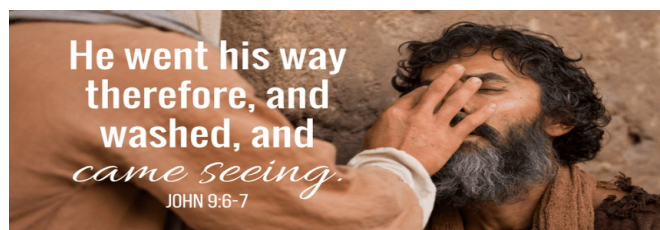
Ministries

Please consider volunteering for any of the ministries for the Parish, Greeter, Reader, Commentator, Mass Coordinator, Children's Liturgy, Eucharistic Minister, Sacristan or Hospitality. New rosters out next week please give prayerful consideration as to how you could help. Any questions please contact

the Parish office or Lorraine Walker 9273512, 0276246264 or trukwalker@gmail.com "

Rosters

Are you going to be here in Blenheim over Easter? Please contact Lorraine Walker as the next lot of rosters are being made up now. 027-624-6264



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 18th March

Blenheim 5pm -W&C

Sun 19th March—

Seddon 8am—Mass

Kaikoura 9.30— W&C

Blenheim 10.am-Mass

Picton 4pm— Mass

Monday—20th March Feast day

St Joseph

Kaikoura—9.30am —School Mass everyone welcome

Tuesday—21st March

Blenheim 9.30am W&C

Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

Wednesday – 22nd March

Picton 9.30am Mass

Kaikoura 9:30am W&C

Blenheim 12:05 W&C

Kaikoura Rosary 7pm

Thursday – 23rd March

Blenheim 9.30am Mass

Kaikoura 11am Scripture

Kaikoura 5.15pm W&C

Friday – 24th March

Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

Blenheim 11am Exposition

Blenheim 12.05pm Mass

Blenheim Rosary 3pm

led by Tongan community

Sat 25th March

Blenheim 5pm -Mass

Sun 26th March

Seddon 8am—W&C

Picton 9am— W&C

Julia Grace

Julia Grace an inspirational speaker and educator on mental health and wellness. Julia continues to dazzle audiences all over the world as she teaches them how to Be Kind to their Minds. Julia is speaking on Monday 3rd April 7pm at St Ninans Church, Alabama Rd (opposite A&P Park) This is an all age event.

Koha to support youth work in



Readings for 19th –26March 2023

Sunday 19th March

Samuel 16:1,6-7,10-13

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

Monday 20th March St Joseph, Husband of Mary

Samuel 16:1,6-7,10-13

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9: 1-41

Tuesday 21st March

Ezekiel 47:1-9,21

John 5:1-3,5-16

Wednesday 22nd March

Isaiah 49:8-15

John 5:17-30

Thursday 23rd March

Exodus 32:7-14

John 5:31-47

Friday 24th March

Wisdom 2:1,12-22

John 7:1-2,10,25-30

Saturday 25th March Annunciation of the Lord

Isaiah 7:10-14,8:10

Hebrews 10:4-10

Luke 1:26-38

Sunday 26 March

Ezekiel 37:12-14

Romans 8:8-11

John 11:1-45



Collections:

We are most grateful for your support.

Last Week: Total: \$2,878.15

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

Brent Sommerton
Margaret Collins
Fr Dominic Heslin
Judith McKay
Peter Hand
Johnny Ireland (Fielding)
Tom Conroy (Ireland)
Chris Riordan
Yeoh Keat Chye
Ragini Beal
Nona Thomas
Dorothy McElhinney
Marie Fredericks
and all our deceased parishioners and benefactors



Intentions please keep the following parishioners in your prayers.

Dominic Dawkins	Maria Martin
Belinda Vavasour	Peter Campbell
Sr Susanna Kraus RSM	Cardinal Tom Williams
Arlo Eygenraam	Charlotte Cagney
Donna Lippiatt	Michelle Parkin
Sr Frances Anna smsm	Brenda Price
Beavan Undrill	Nancy Woolford -Stayner
Marian Sullivan	Willie Manuel
Graham Check	Lex Agnew
Aloma Donnelly	Eileen McCarron

Pray for Peace in the Ukraine and pray for the People of Turkey and Syria

Quote from Pope Francis

“We cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life.” Pope Francis, [General Audience, 03/06/2020](https://www.vatican.va/holy_father/francesco/holy_father_general_audiences/francesco_hf_ga_20200603.html)

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