

## 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 25— 16th July 2023

15th Sunday Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners

In his book *New Seeds of Contemplation* Thomas Merton wrote:

“Every moment and every event of every person’s life on earth plants something in their soul.

For just as the wind carries thousands of winged seeds, so each moment brings with it germs of a spiritual vitality.

These come to rest imperceptibly in the minds and wills of each one of us.

Most of these unnumbered seeds perish and are lost, because people are not prepared to receive them.

Such seeds as these cannot spring up anywhere except in the good soil of freedom, spontaneity and love.”

In today’s readings from Isaiah, the Psalm, and the gospel, the seed is God’s word, while the soil is the image used for the hearer.

Let us pray for the grace to allow the Word of God to grow within our hearts.

With every blessing in Christ

Michael McCabe

## Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Sunday 16th July



**Classes For Confirmation**, in Blenheim, begin at 9am Sunday 16th July in the Parish Centre for four Sundays. **In Kaikoura** classes will be held on the same Sundays after W&C or Mass. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at 5pm on Saturday the 12th August in Blenheim and Sunday 13th August at 9.30am in Kaikoura. For more information please contact the Parish Office.



**Women’s Friendship Group:**

The next morning tea will be at Raupo, 6 Symons Street, next to the Fire Station, on **July 19th** from 10am. Women from across the parish are most welcome.



The next **Ministry Rosters** are due out at the end of July and will cover until the end of November. If you would like to assist with any ministries, and have any questions, or if you know you will be away during this time please contact Lorraine Walker ph 927 3512, 0276246264 or email [trukwalker@gmail.com](mailto:trukwalker@gmail.com). We are especially short of commentators and readers, so please give some thought and prayer as to how you can help.

SYCAMORE

The Discipleship Group is continuing to run this informal course about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today, this time following the Holy Spirit pathway. There are two more weeks left in this series in Blenheim, and each night runs independently. The programme gives you space to meet other people, share ideas, explore your beliefs, and think about questions that really matter. It runs on Mondays at St Mary’s Community Centre from 7 – 8.30pm.

The Discipleship Group is also running “Taster” sessions of the programme after W&C in Picton on Sunday 30 July, and Kaikoura on Sunday 6 August. These sessions run for 1.5 hours and are open to everyone to attend. The hope is that after these sessions a full 6-week programme may be run in these mass centers. More details on the programme can be found at [sycamore.fm](http://sycamore.fm).

**[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 15th July

Blenheim 5pm –Mass (Live Stream)

### Sun 16th July

Seddon 8am—W&C

Picton 9am— W&C

Kaikoura 9.30am—Mass

Blenheim 10.00am—W&C

### Tuesday—18th July

Blenheim 9.30am Mass

Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

### Wednesday –19th July

Picton 9am Mass

Kaikoura 9:30am W&C

Blenheim 12:05 W&C

Kaikoura Rosary 7pm

### Thursday – 20th July

Blenheim 9.30am - Mass

Kaikoura 11am Scripture

Kaikoura 5.15pm -W&C

### Friday – 21st July

Kaikoura 9.30am -W&C

Blenheim 11am - Exposition

Blenheim 12.05pm –Mass

### Sat 22nd July

Blenheim 5pm—W&C

### Sun 23rd July

Seddon 8am—Mass

Kaikoura –9.30am W&C

Blenheim 10am—Mass (Live Stream)

Picton 4pm—Mass

## Readings for:

**16th - 23rd July 2023**

### Sunday 16th July

Isaiah 55:10-11

Romans 8:18-23

Matthew 13:1-23

### Monday 17th July

Exodus 1:8-14,22

Matthew 10:34-11:1

### Tuesday 18th July

Exodus 2:1-15

Matthew 10:20-24

### Wednesday 19th July

Exodus 2:1-15

Matthew 11:20-24

### Thursday 20th July

Exodus 3:13-20

Matthew 11:28-30

### Friday 21st July

Exodus 11:10-12:14

Matthew 12:1-8

### Saturday 22nd July

Songs 3:1-4

John 20:1-2,11-18

### Sunday 23rd July

Wisdom 12:13,16-19

Romans 8:26-27

Matthew 13:24-43

*Find peace in  
God's Word*



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

Jean Kamson (Sth Africa);  
Aveera Avely Marsh;  
Sr Rose McAloon  
smsm;  
Sr M Brendan Ward  
smsm;  
John Harnett;  
John Boyd;  
Terry Procter;  
Warren Tyson;

Nyko Stewart  
(CHCH)  
and all our  
deceased  
parishioners  
and  
benefactors

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

Fr Brian Prendeville  
SM (Whangarei),  
Dennis Hannon;  
Arlo Eygenraam;  
Rebecca Upton;  
Donna Lippiatt;  
Miriam Sullivan;  
Les McKay;  
Colleen O'Grady  
(Auckland);  
Patsy Buttle;  
Barry Butcher

Willie Manuel;  
Eileen  
McCarron;  
Maria Martin;  
Peter Campbell;  
Charlotte  
Cagney;  
Nancy Woolford-  
Stayner

**Blenheim Weekday Mass** from Tuesday to Thursday will start in the Mercy Chapel on Tuesday 18th July. Friday's Mass and Exposition will continue in the church.



## Kaikoura welcomes a class reunion at

**St Joseph's** this weekend, of ex-students and their teacher, who will be part of the Sunday mass.

The 30 students were part of a school trip taken when they were 10 years old, in 1987.

We wish them well in renewing their friendships.

## Collections:

We are most grateful for your support.

### Last Week:

Total: \$4,402.26

Peter's Pence: \$62.00

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.

## Quote from Pope Francis

"Today's Gospel presents two ways of acting and of experiencing history: on the one hand, the vision of the master who sees far; on the other, the perspective of the servants who see the problem. The servants care about a field without weeds; the master cares about good wheat. The Lord invites us to adopt his vision, one that is focused on good wheat, that knows how to protect it even amid the weeds. It is not those who are always searching for others' limitations and flaws who cooperate well with God but, rather, those who know how to recognize the good that silently grows in the field of the Church and history." Pope Francis, [Angelus](#), 19 July 2020

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