

## 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 28— 6th August 2023 Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

Dear Parishioners

The Feast of the Transfiguration of Jesus is essentially a feast of encouragement and hope.

We know this gospel well because it features every Season of Lent on the second Sunday of Lent.

Moses embodies the Law of God and Elijah the wisdom of the prophets – they appear with the transformed Jesus.

They encourage him to stay the course of the journey to Jerusalem and to his redemptive suffering and death for us.

Often we are like Peter and want to “freeze the moment” - especially when it is one of joy and celebration.

Wisdom reminds us that our own journey of faith and love is a journey of grace.

Likewise, those of our brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ.

May we always be open to God’s transforming grace within our hearts and in the hearts and lives of others.

Attached to the newsletter is a copy of the formal Decree from Archbishop Paul Martin, SM for the De-consecration of Saint Francis De Sales Church in Renwick.

This Decree is a necessary step in Canon Law before the church can be gifted to a community trust.

With every blessing in Christ, Michael McCabe

### Parish Calendar, News & Notices



Due to the marked increase in costs right across the board, the Finance Committee has made the difficult decision to disestablish the position of office assistant. They would like to thank Viv Southby for her work in the office over the last 2 years.

Viv has also been looking after Blenheim liturgy in a voluntary position since the 1990’s, including preparing the Christmas and Easter liturgies over the past 13 years. That means organizing people to cover the various ministries at those times as well as picking songs. And our liturgies have been amazing for her input! There will be a presentation at 10am mass this Sunday.



**Confirmation**, The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated by Archbishop Paul Martin at 5pm on Saturday the 12th August in Blenheim and Sunday 13th August at 9.30am in Kaikoura with a cuppa after mass. Please pray for all the candidates during their preparation.



Any notices for the newsletter must be in the office by 12 noon Wednesdays. And any notices to be read out after Communion should also be at the office by 12 Noon Wednesday.



SVdP thanks every one for the generous donations to the family in need. They are well settled now due to your wonderful donations.



**Ladies Friendship Group Monthly Morning Tea:** for all women of the parish. It’s on 16th August at the Runway Café at Woodbourne from 10am. The group meets every month on the 3rd Wednesday.

### [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 5th August

Blenheim 5pm—**W&C**  
Picton 4pm—**Mass**

### Sun 6th August

Seddon 8am—**Mass**  
Kaikoura –9.30am **W&C**  
Blenheim 10am—**Mass (Live Stream)**

### Tuesday—8th Aug

Blenheim 9.30am **Mass**  
Kaikoura 9.30am **W&C**

### Wednesday –9th Aug

Picton 9.30am **Mass**  
Kaikoura 9:30am **W&C**  
Blenheim 12:05 **W&C**  
Kaikoura Rosary 7pm

### Thursday – 10th Aug

Blenheim 9.30am - **Mass**  
Kaikoura 11am Scripture  
Kaikoura 5.15pm -**W&C**

### Friday – 11th Aug

Kaikoura 9.30am -**W&C**  
Blenheim 11am - Exposition  
Blenheim 12.05pm -**Mass**

### Sat 12th

Blenheim 5pm –**Mass (Live Stream)**  
**Confirmation With +Paul**

### Sun 13th Aug

Seddon **8am—W&C**  
Picton **9.30am— W&C**  
Kaikoura **9.30am—Mass**  
**Confirmation with +Paul**  
Blenheim **10.00am—W&C**

## 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**



## Readings for:

**6th—13th August 2023**

### Sunday 6th August Transfiguration of the Lord

Daniel 7:9-10,13-14  
Peter 1:16-19  
Matthew 13:44-52

### Monday 7th August

Numbers 11:4-15  
Matthew 14:13-21

### Tuesday 8th August

**St Mary of the Cross (McKillop)**

Colossians 3:12-17  
Matthew 6:25-34

### Wednesday 9th August

Numbers 13:1-2,25-14:1,26-29,34-35  
Matthew 15:21-28

### Thursday 10th August

**St Lawrence**  
2Corinthians 9:6-10  
John 12:24-26

### Friday 11th August

**St Clare**  
Deuteronomy 4: 32-40  
Matthew 16:24-28

### Saturday 12th August

Deuteronomy 6:4-13  
Matthew 17:14-20

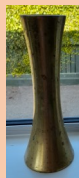
### Sunday 12th August

1Kings 19:9,11-13  
Romans 9:1-5  
Matthew 14:22-33



*Find peace in  
God's Word*

**Missing Vase:** This brass vase is 21cms or just over 8ins and is missing.



It was at St Francis de Sales Church in Renwick. If you know where it is, please contact Loreto Maher 027 214 7999

**The Discipleship Group "Taster" sessions of the Sycamore programme in Kaikoura on Sunday 6 August.** This has been postponed to a later date.



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

Graham Judd (Hamilton);  
Joy Nicholls;  
Terry Procter;  
Val Clarke;  
Mark Hayde;  
Marcia Wilson RSM

and all our deceased parishioners and benefactors

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

Richard Booker  
Margaret Procter  
Arlo Eygenraam;  
Rebecca Upton;  
Donna Lippiatt;  
Miriam Sullivan;  
Les McKay;  
Colleen O'Grady (Auckland);  
Patsy Buttle;  
Barry Butcher;  
Lex & Mary Agnew

Marie Burrows;  
Maria Martin;  
Peter Campbell;  
Charlotte Cagney;  
Nancy Woolford-Stayner  
Christine O'Grady (Auckland)

## Collections:

We are most grateful for your support.

### Last Week:

Total: \$ 4,911.80  
Peter's Pence: \$20

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

"How many bright faces, how many smiles, how many wrinkles, how many tears and scars reveal love around us! Let us learn to recognize them and to fill our hearts with them. And then let us set out in order to bring the light we have received to others as well, through concrete acts of love, diving into our daily affairs more generously, loving, serving, and forgiving with greater earnestness and willingness. The contemplation of God's wonders, the contemplation of God's face, of the Lord's face, must move us to the service of others." Pope Francis, *Angelus*, 5 March 2023.

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