

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 42— 12th November 2023

32nd Sunday Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners,

The poet William Penn gives us a wonderful summary of today's gospel, Matthew 25:1-13, when he writes:

"Any good thing I can do,
Any kindness I can show,
Let me do it now
For I shall not pass this way again."

Our readings from the weekday and Sunday lectionary have a sense of urgency and focus. Each day opportunities for grace abound; opportunities for making a difference in the lives of others.

When we reach out to others we become even more aware of the presence of God within our own lives.

In reaching out to others, and in reconciling with others, we also free ourselves from living with regrets.

With every blessing in Christ,

Michael McCabe

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

National March for Life. You're invited to love them both by attending the seventh annual NATIONAL March for Life in Wellington on Saturday, 2 December. Join people of goodwill from all over NZ in a celebration of life that also *peacefully* protests the practice and legality of abortion. Gather at Civic Square from 1pm for family-friendly entertainment, sausage sizzle and pro-life stalls. March to Parliament Grounds begins at 2pm. Concludes at 4pm. www.marchforlife.nz

Women's Friendship Group: Our end of year coffee morning, will be a BRUNCH at the Vines Village on THURSDAY 16th Nov from 11 : 30 am. Looking forward to seeing you all. Please bring a friend. All welcome.



Mass count: During November, at all weekend masses and Word & Communions, a count of the number of people attending. This helps the parish and Archdiocese see what the real numbers are for mass attendance compared to previous years. This is done every year at this time.

Prayer Day with Carmel Cole on Saturday 4 November Thanks to those that attended, and to the Discipleship Committee for organising the event.

Faith-full, faith-fueled growth: An invitation for all parishioners to join in a day of reflection at Sacred Heart, Kaikoura on Saturday 25 November 2023 9.30am to 12.30pm. The day is facilitated by Father John O'Connor from Christchurch and begins with morning tea and includes a shared lunch. Father John will also celebrate Mass on Sunday 26 November at 9.30am. All welcome.

SYCAMORE The Discipleship Group is excited to run the next series of this informal course about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today, this time following the Advent pathway. The programme gives you space to meet other people, share ideas, explore your beliefs, and think about questions that really matter. It will run from Wednesday 22 November for 4 weeks at St Mary's Community Centre from 7 – 8.30pm. Everyone is welcome! It is the Discipleship Group's intention to still run a "Taster" session early in the New Year in Kaikoura, after a number of date clashes in October and November. More details closer to the time.

[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 11th Nov

Picton 5pm Mass
Blenheim 5pm— **W&C**

Sun 12th Nov

Seddon 8am—**Mass**
Kaikoura -9.30am **W&C**
Blenheim 10am-**Mass (Live Stream)**
Confirmation of Youth

Tuesday—14th Nov

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

Wednesday -15th Nov

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

Thursday - 16th Nov

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

Friday - 17th Nov

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

Sat 18th Nov

Blenheim 5pm -**W&C**

Sun 19th Nov- World Day of the Poor

Seddon 8am—**W&C**
Picton 9am **W&C**
Kaikoura 9.30am- **1st Communion**
Mass
Blenheim 10.00am—**W&C**

Readings for:

12- 19 Nov 2023

Sunday 12 Nov

Mala. 1:14-2:2,8-10
1Thess.2:7-9,13
Matthew 23:1-12

Monday 13 Nov

Wisdom 1: 1-7
Luke 17:1-6

Tuesday 14 Nov

Wisdom 2:23- 3:9
Luke 17:7-10

Wednesday 15 Nov-

Wisdom 6:1-11
Luke 17:7-11-19

Thursday 16 Nov

Wisdom 7:22-8:1
Luke 17:20-25

Friday 17 Nov- St Elizabeth of Hungary

Wisdom 13:1-9
Luke 17:26-37

Saturday 18 Nov

Wisdom 18:14-16,19:6-9
Luke 18:1-8

Sunday 19 Nov

Prov 31:10-13,19-20,30-31
1Thess.5:1-6
Matthew 25:14-30



*Find peace in
God's Word*



Remembering the Holy Souls in our November Masses—May they Rest In Peace

Graham Higgins;	Jan, Marion &
Peter Jolly;	Mark Adamczyk ;
Christina Sanchez	Thomas & Ethel
Martinez- Peru;	McHugh;
Peter Hope, Hope,	Godinez family;
McConway &	Eddie Knudsen,
Cheesman families;	John Maher;
Fr Maurice O'Leary;	and all our
Katie Broadman,	deceased
Nicholas Anderson,	parishioners and
Jared Blackman;	benefactors.
Hazel Bason;	

Intentions: please keep the following parishioners in your prayers.

Richard Booker;	Maria Martin;
Rebecca Upton;	Peter Campbell;
Donna Lippiatt;	Charlotte Cagney;
Miriam Sullivan;	Nancy Woolford-
Les McKay;	Stayner;
Barry Butcher;	Denise Eddowes;
Rupert Laugesen;	Terry Price;
Luke Clayton	Steven Crundwell-
Sr Frances Anna;	Nlsn
Kathleen Middleton	Lex & Mary Agnew;
Noel Costello;	Peter Smith;
Michelle Parkin;	Margaret Searle;
Cohen Wards;	Anne Rundle;
Terry Jordan;	Wilma Rutherford;
Anne Haines;	

Collections: We are most grateful for your support.

Last Week:

Total: \$ 5787.62
Mission Sunday: \$40.00

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.

Columban Calendars- \$16 & Xmas Cards: are now available.

World Day of the Poor 2023: Join Us in Making a Difference

Sunday, 19 November marks the 7th annual World Day of the Poor, a day to consider how we all can stand in solidarity with those in need. Poverty is a pressing global issue, and this day calls us to action. Pope Francis has instructed us this year, "Do not turn your face away from those who are poor" (Tob 4:7).

Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand's Commitment

Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand works tirelessly to empower communities. They partner with organisations around the world to build thriving lives by addressing the root causes of poverty and injustice. Their mission aligns with Pope Francis' call to make a positive change in the world.

Get Involved!

Consider what you can do to recognise the World Day of the Poor 2023. Together, we can create a more just and compassionate world.

Find out more about World Day of the Poor and the work of Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand!

Caritas Website: caritas.org.nz

Caritas Facebook page: [facebook.com/caritasaotearoa](https://www.facebook.com/caritasaotearoa)

Caritas Instagram: @caritasaotearoanz

New Rosters For Blenheim Please confirm any dates you are away with Lorraine for the next rosters **by 20th Nov** by Ph 032973512, mobile 0276246264 or email trukwalker@gmail.com

Quote from Pope Francis

'With this parable, Jesus wants to tell us that we must be prepared for the encounter with him. Not only for the final encounter, but also for the everyday great and small encounters, with a view to that encounter for which the lamp of faith is not enough; we also need the oil of charity and good works. As the Apostle Paul says, the faith that truly unites us to Jesus is, "faith working through love" (Gal 5:6).' Pope Francis, [Angelus](#), 8 November 2020.

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