

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 16, 12th May 2024

Ascension of the Lord

Tēnā koutou e te whānau,

This week as we gather together we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord and join Christians around the world in unity to pray.

During the 2024 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity we are reminded through the Word that all human beings are our neighbours and that we are to love them like ourselves and in the same way that we love our Lord.

One of the many things that struck me when I arrived at Te Kura o Hato Mere was the strength of prayer and appreciation of diversity shown throughout the kura and parish. We are particularly lucky to have such a rich, diverse community, founded upon faith. These underpinning and strong foundations upon which we support the development of caring, connected and confident learners. This term our faith and diversity continues to be strengthened with our school Baptismal Liturgy on the 16th of May (at 1:30pm) and the commencement of our Multicultural Group and Pasifika Proud programme. We also look towards Matariki where we reflect upon the year past, those who have gone before us and prepare for the upcoming year. We are excited to celebrate this as a community and welcome our Parish community to join us on the 27th of May (details to follow).

We look forward to connecting further with the Parish and sharing our faith journey.

Ngā mihi maioha

Bridget Comer, Tumuaki o Te Kura o Hato Mere



Bring a plate for Pentecost!! With Pentecost next week being a celebration of many nations/languages coming together, we invite those attending **10am Sunday W & C** to bring a plate of food to share in the foyer afterward with the cup of tea/coffee; in particular, food from your culture/heritage would be great!

Parish Calendar, News & Notices



Hospice Movie Night Fundraiser - 'The Way, My Way'

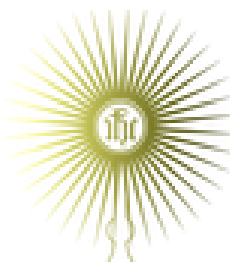
WED, 15 MAY AT 18:00

Tickets \$25 can be bought at hospice - covers the movie and either popcorn or an ice cream

Perpetual Adoration

24 hours of perpetual adoration for our parish and the arrival of our priests. From 24th May, 1pm-25th May, 1pm in the Mercy Chapel.

We need a commitment of two people for each hour during this period. There is a list that will be available left in the foyer to sign up to. **Two people are required for each hour for safety reasons.** This cannot go ahead without enough support. Final date for names is 17th of May. Notification if we can go ahead will be given at masses on 18-19 May.



[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.

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Mass & Liturgy Schedules

Ascension of the Lord

Sat 11th May

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

Sun 12th May

Seddon 8am - **Mass**
Kaikoura 9.30am- **W&C**
Blenheim 10am - **Mass**

Fr Seph away 6-9 May for the Clergy Assembly

Tuesday-14th May

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

Wednesday-15th May

Picton 9.30am **Mass**
then Reconciliation
Kaikoura 9:30am **W&C**
Blenheim 12.05pm **W&C**
Kaikoura Rosary 7pm

Thursday - 16th May

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

Friday - 17th May

Kaikoura 9.30am **W&C**
Blenheim 11am Exposition
Blenheim 11.30am
Reconciliation
Blenheim 12.05pm **Mass**

Pentecost

Sat 18th May

Blenheim 5pm -**Mass**

Sun 19th May

Seddon- 8am **W&C**
Picton- 9.30am **W&C**
Kaikoura- 9.30am **Mass**
Blenheim -10am **W&C**

Healing Seminar &

service 8th June at St Christophers Church. More info coming next week.

Seeking accommodation: A

3-bedroom rental house for a working couple with 4 children (3 girls and 1 boy) preferably in central Blenheim or Springlands. Please call: 021 454 482.

Readings for:

12th-19th May 2024

12-18 May-Week of prayer for Christian Unity.

Sun 12 May-Ascension of the Lord

World Communications Day
Acts 1:1-11
Ephesians 1:17-23
Mark 16:15-20

Mon 13 May

Acts 19:1-8
John 16:29-33

Tues 14 May -St Matthias, Apostle

Acts 1:15-17,20-26
John 15:9-17

Wed 15 May

Acts 20:28-38
John 17:11-19

Thurs 16 May

Acts 22:30,23:6-11
John 17:20-26



Fri 17 May

Acts 25:13-21
John 21:15-19

Sat 18 May

Acts 28:16-20,30-31
John 21:20-25

Sun 19 May-Pentecost

Acts 2:1-11
1Cor 12:3-7,12-13
John 20:19-23

Find peace in God's Word

Collections: We are most grateful for your support.

Last Week:

Total: \$3230.76
Vocation Sunday: \$61.00
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, and for setting up an AP.

Donation Receipts have been emailed out. Printed receipts are in church foyers



Remembering the Holy souls -May they Rest In Peace

James Lee (NLSN); and all our
Audrey Wallace; deceased
Janet Gill; parishioners and
Te Oki McAllister benefactors.
(Te Puke);

Helen O'Connell;
Jum Kilmartin;

Intentions: please keep the following parishioners in your prayers.

Richard Booker;
Rebecca Upton;
Donna Lippiatt;
Les McKay;
Barry Butcher;
Luke Clayton;
Vince Smith;
Tilly van Dyke;
Graeme Daines;
Sophie Greening;
Kath Maher;
Vicki McLean;
Kalan Family;

Maria Martin;
Charlotte Cagney;
Nancy Woolford-
Stayner;
Denise Eddowes;
Terry Price;
Steven Crundwell-
Nlsn
Lex & Mary Agnew;
Peter Smith;
Margaret Searle;
Anne Rundle;
Liz James;

Blenheim Women's Friend-ship Group:

For the winter they will be at the Omaka Heritage Centre Café from 10am on 4th Wednesday of the month and we meet on 22nd May. Feel free to bring a friend.



Quote from Pope Francis

'To love *as*, Jesus means to offer yourself in service, at the service of your brothers and sisters, as he did in washing the feet of the disciples. It also means going outside of ourselves, detaching ourselves from our own human certainties, from earthly comforts, in order to open ourselves up to others, especially those in greater need. It means making ourselves available, as we are and with what we have. This means to love not in word but in deeds.' Pope Francis, [Regina Caeli](#), 9 May 2021

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