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 23, 30th June 2024 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Ka mahuta a Matariki i te pae, ka mahuta ō tātou tūmanako ki te tau When Matariki rises above the horizon, our aspirations rise to the year ahead

Matariki, known as the Pleiades or the Seven Sisters globally, is recognized by various Pacific cultures, including the Marshall Islands, Marquesas, and New Caledonia. It has different names in regions like Samoa (Matali'i) and Tokelau (Mataliki). Historically, Pacific navigators used the Matariki cluster for guidance, similar to the Hawaiian tradition where the cluster, called Huhui-a-Makali'i, was used by the navigator Makali'i. Hawaiians also celebrate their new year, Makahiki, when Makali'i rises.

Dr. Rangi Matamua highlights the core values of Matariki, focusing on sharing, community, environmental respect, and gratitude. The three main principles are:

Remembrance — honouring those who have passed

Celebrating the present — gathering with loved ones

Looking to the future — anticipating the new year

The principles of Matariki have close links to our faith community also. Honouring those who have passed, celebrating the present, and looking to the future are deeply intertwined with Catholic beliefs, reflecting a holistic approach to the human experience. In Catholicism, honouring the deceased is fundamental, rooted in the practice of praying for souls, which underscores the belief in the communion of saints and the hope of eternal life. This reverence acknowledges the impact of those who have gone before and their continuing spiritual presence.

Celebrating the present is equally vital, as it aligns with the Catholic emphasis on living a life of gratitude and grace. The sacraments, particularly the Eucharist, are central to this celebration, embodying the presence of Christ in the here and now and fostering a sense of community and thanksgiving.

Looking to the future, Catholics are guided by the hope of resurrection and the promise of salvation, which inspires us to live virtuous lives. This forward-looking perspective is anchored in the belief in God's providence and the ultimate fulfilment of His divine plan. Together, these elements form a comprehensive framework that encourages Catholics to honour the past, embrace the present, and hope for the future, reflecting a journey of faith, love, and eternal hope.

Manawatia a Matariki,

Bridget Comer, Tumuaki, Te Kura o Hato Mere, Waiharakeke

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

'Belonging in this land: Treaty basics from a Christian perspective' is an opportunity for faith communities to explore the story of the Treaty of Waitangi over two 90-minute video sessions. The trailer is available to watch and to share, and the full resource is available for registered hosts. It features author of Huia Come Home and Dean of Taranaki Cathedral, Jay Ruka and former Anglican Archbishop David Moxon to help us understand our history and what role the Treaty plays in our faith and daily life today. Churches and small groups can sign up to host at treatyandbelonging.nz. This series has been endorsed by the Archdiocesan Bicultural Relationships Committee of the Ecology, Justice and Peace Commission.



St Vincent de Paul Blenheim helps those in need, giving a hand up to those in our community who are struggling. Are you empathetic, can you listen and offer practical advice with no judgement? Our next meeting is Tuesday 2nd July at 10am in the Mercy Chapel, do join us.

Aglow: 16th July at the Harvest life Church, entry to the right of the main building. Yvonne Bartlett, NZ Aglow National Board member and Prayer Coordinator will be speaking on "There is power in the name of Jesus to change your world," Light supper to follow, Koha for costs appreciated.

Adoration:

given the interest in Adoration, we are trialing having this on a regular basis, starting with once a month, on the first Sunday, in the Mercy Chapel between 11.30am and 2pm. This will start on 7th July.



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

13th Sun of Ord-Peter's **Pence Collection** Sat 29th June Blenheim 5pm - Mass Sun 30th June Seddon-8am W&C Picton- 9.30am W&C

Tuesday-2nd July Blenheim 9.30am Mass Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

Kaikoura- 9.30am Mass

Blenheim -10am W&C

Wednesday-3rd July Picton 9.30am Mass then Reconciliation Kaikoura 9:30am W&C Blenheim 12.05pm W&C Kaikoura Rosary 7pm

<u>Thursday – 4th July</u> Blenheim 9.30am **Mass** Kaikoura 9.30am W&C Kaikoura 11am Scripture

Friday-5th July Kaikoura 9.30am W&C Blenheim 11am Exposition 12.05pm **Mass**

13th Sun of Ord Sat 6th July Picton- 4pm Mass Blenheim -5pm W&C Sun 7th July Seddon 8am - Mass Kaikoura 9.30am- W&C Blenheim 10am - Mass Blenheim 11.30am-2pm Adoration

The Peter's Pence Collection is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church. The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection are destined to Church needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See.

Readings for:

30 June-7 July 2024

Sun 30 June-13th Sun of Ord-Peter's Pence Collection Wisdom 1:13-15,2:23-24

2Corinthians 8:7-9,13-15 Mark 5:21-43

Mon 1 July Amos 2:6-10,13-16 Matt 8:18-22

Tues 2 July

Amos 3:1-8, 4:11-12 Matt 8:23-27

Wed 3 July-St Thomas, Apostle

Ephesians 2:19-22 John 20:24-29

Thurs 4 July Amos 7:10-17 Matt 9:1-8

Fri 5 July Amos 8:4-6,9-12 Matt 9:9-13

Sat 6 July Amos 9:11-15 Matt 9:14-17

Sun 7 July-14th Sun of Ord

Ezekiel 2:2-5 2Corinthians 12:7-10 Mark 6:1-6

Find peace in God's Word



Remembering the Holy souls —May they Rest In Peace

Joan Mc Grath (Nee Hickman); Greg Lyford; Mike Furness (CHCH);

and all our deceased parishioners and benefactors.

Maria Martin;

Charlotte Cagney;

Nancy Woolford-

Maria van Rooyen;

Intentions: please keep these parishioners in your prayers.

Richard Booker; Rebecca Upton; Donna Lippiatt; Les McKay; Barry Butcher; Luke Clayton; Tilly van Dyke; Graeme Daines; Kath Maher: Jessica Jackson; Bowen; Michael Carmody & Family; Matt & family in

Stayner; Denise Eddowes; Terry Price; Steven Crundwell-NIsn Lex & Mary Agnew; Peter Smith; Margaret Searle; Anne Rundle; Dan Murphy; Sophie Greening; Jocelyn Cresswell;

Welcom Readership Survey:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PK66XNR This will help the Archdiocese improve how it communicates with parishioners. Please have your say.

CHCH;

Collections: We are most grateful for your support.

Last Week:

Total: \$4,857.65 Peter's Pence: \$60.00 Holy Places: \$5.00

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 so you can claim on your donations each year.

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.

> 1st Sunday @ Kaikoura All Sundays @ Picton & **Blenheim**

Please consider donating non-perishable goods, UHT Longlife milk, rice, pasta, tinned food & cereals.



Quote from Pope Francis

'In today's gospel 'the little girl's father and the sick woman are not disciples of Jesus yet they are satisfied through their faith. They have faith in that man. From this we understand that all are permitted on the Lord's path: no one should feel as an intruder, an interloper or one who has no right. To have access to His heart, to Jesus' heart, there is only one requirement: to feel in need of healing and to entrust yourself to Him. I ask you: do each of you feel that you need to be healed? Of something, of some sin, of some problem? And, if you feel this, do you have faith in Jesus?' Francis, Angelus, 1 July 2018

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