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 26, 21st July 2024 16th Sunday of Ordinary Time

When we are in the Church's "Ordinary Time", it is a little like following someone on their travels. We hear about the highs and lows of life on the road and gain some idea of what it takes to journey a particular path to get to the destination. It is the same with our Ordinary Time Gospels. We are travelling with Jesus and the disciples – his pupils – as they make their way across the land preaching, healing, comforting and listening to the people. This Sunday we hear that the disciples, returning from their first experience of missionary work by themselves, were tired and needed a rest. Jesus knowing this took them away by themselves for a quiet catchup. But it did not work out like that. The people followed them. And the Gospel tells us that Jesus looked at them, and had pity on them. He saw these people were leaderless. The official teachers to people like them wrote them off for not keeping to the letter of the law. So they were despised and simply abandoned; and naturally the people felt it. This is why they flocked to Jesus. They saw he was different.

Sometimes we see people in great need and what is our response? Often our first reaction is to judge them and turn away. Perhaps we think it is their own fault; perhaps we do feel genuinely sorry for them. But it ends there. We turn our backs. We walk away. We do not get involved. But not Jesus. He showed the people they were worthwhile and that he cared about them. We are all in need. We all need love. We all need the care of Christ, the Good Shepherd.

Belinda V

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy Elijah - Prophet of Fire with Beate Matthies

Repeat of the successful presentation about the Prophet Elijah, his life, works and his connection to fire. Monday, 22 July 2024,7-8.30pm (Zoom). Koha

https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/elijah-prophet-of-fire-2/

Shining the Light - Women who changed the course of the biblical narrative with Debbie Miller Sunday, 28 July 2024, 5-6pm (Zoom). Fee: \$20.

https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/shining-the-light-women-in-the-bible/

For more information: www.studyjoy.nz



Blenheim Women's Friendship Group: For the winter they will be at the Omaka Heritage Centre Café from 10am on 4th Wednesday of the month and this month, meet on 24 July. Feel free to bring a friend.

<u>Accommodation</u>: Professional non-smoker requires a 2/3 bedroom property from beginning of September Phone Cally, 020 4127 6848

A reminder that new rosters will be out next month, please advise of you availability to Lorraine via email trukwalker@gmail.com phone 9273513 or 0276246264





St Vincent de Paul sells kindling wood through the Vinnies Shop. Our dedicated and long serving volunteer who organises this is retiring. Would you be interested in collecting pallets and chopping & bagging them? Some remuneration available for more details contact Lorraine 02041188521

Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is holding its fifth lecture in the series, A Taste of Theology. Topic is titled "What is Philosophy? A short introduction to the fascinations and frustrations of philosophical questioning". Speaker is Rev Dr John Owens, sm, on Tuesday, 06 August 2024 from 5:30-6:30pm on Zoom. For a fee of \$60 you get access to all 9 courses in this lecture series and join the remaining live sessions. Go to www.tekupenga.ac.nz/tasteoftheology to register.

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

16th Sun of Ord Sat 20th July Picton- 4pm Mass Blenheim -5pm W&C

Sun 21st July

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

Tuesday-23rd July Blenheim 9.30am Mass Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

Wednesday-24th July

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

<u>Thursday – 25th July</u> Blenheim 9.30am **Mass** Kaikoura 9.30am W&C Kaikoura 11am Scripture

Friday-26th July

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

17th Sun of Ord

Sat 27th July Blenheim 5pm - Mass Sun 28th July Seddon-8am W&C Picton- 9.30am W&C Kaikoura- 9.30am Mass Blenheim -10am W&C



Readings for: 21-28 July 2024

Sun 21 July-16th Sun of Ord

Jeremiah 23:1-6 Ephesians 2:13-18 Mark 6:30-34

Mon 22 July-St Mary Magdalene

Songs 3:1-4 John 20:1-2,11-18

Tues 23 July Micah 7:14-15,18-20 Matt 12:46-50

Wed 24 July Jeremiah 1:1,4-10 Matt 13:1-9

Thurs 25 July-St James

2Corin 4:7-15 Matt 20:20-28

Fri 26 July-Sts Joachim & Ann, parents of Mary Eccles 44:1,10-15

Matt 13:24-30

Sat 27 July Jeremiah 7:1-11 Matt 13:24-30

Sun 28 July-17th Sun of Ord **World Day of Prayer for Grand**parents and the Elderly

2Kings 4:42-44 Ephesians 4:1-6 John 6:1-15

The 2025 Year of Jubilee will give voice to Pope Francis' desire to foster a greater sense of global sisterhood and brotherhood, solidarity with the poor, and caring for the environment. Preparations are underway. All parishes are encouraged to become involved in this Jubilee Year. The 2024 focus for the People of God is on prayer and study. In 2025 the focus shifts to the People of God making a Pilgrimage of Hope. The NZCBC has created an informative webpage. Please visit the website https://

www.catholic.org.nz/about-us/ <u>jubilee-year-2025/</u> to find out more information and watch this space for opportunities to become involved in Jubilee 2025.



Remembering the Holy souls —May they Rest In Peace

Agnes McIlveney; David Bolger (IRE) Michael Furness; Thomas Ryan; Murray Black; Charles Vavasour;

Susie Nichols Fr Phil King-Turner

and all our deceased parishioners and benefactors.

Mary Moreland; Honorah Gallagher

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 CHCH;

Maria Martin; Charlotte Cagney; Nancy Woolford-Stayner; Denise Eddowes; Terry Price; Steven Crundwell-NIsn Lex & Mary Agnew; Peter Smith; Margaret Searle; Anne Rundle; Dan Murphy; Sophie Greening; Jocelyn Cresswell; Vince Smith;

Reminder: If there is a funeral, this will replace the mass of the day. This will be announced at the previous day's liturgy and a notice will be put on our Facebook page.

Collections: We are most grateful for your support.

Last Week:

Total: \$1949.91 Peter's Pence: \$80.00

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.

Quote from Pope Francis

'Only a heart that does not allow itself to be taken over by hastiness is capable of being moved; that is, of not allowing itself to be caught up in itself and by things to do, and is aware of others, of their wounds, their needs. Compassion is born from contemplation. If we learn to truly rest, we become capable of true compassion; if we cultivate a contemplative outlook, we will carry out our activities without that rapacious attitude of those who want to possess and consume everything; if we stay in touch with the Lord and do not anesthetise the deepest part of ourselves, the things to do will not have the power to cause us to get winded or devour us.' Pope Francis Angelus, 18 July 2021

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