

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.

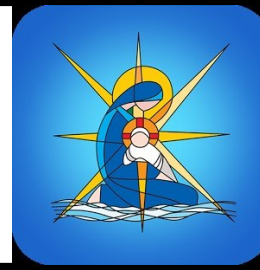
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Newsletter 34, 15th September 2024 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners,

My time with you here at Star of the Sea has unfortunately come to an end. My final weekend masses with you will be over the weekend of 21st-22nd September. After a break, I will be continuing with my training to become a psychotherapist/spiritual director, developing a practice in this area. Fr. Fr Dyson Tharakan from Holy Trinity Parish in Miramar, Wellington will come join me on the weekend of 21st/22nd September and look after things from there, until, please God, your new priests arrive, or at least a permanent priest is appointed for you very soon.

I want to say what a privilege it has been for me to be with and serve you in each of your church communities. I have experienced a truly heart felt welcome, support and love from so many. You have a truly beautiful parish and community spirit that has blessed me in so many ways in my ministry.

My best wishes and prayers for each of you and all that continues for you into the future as a parish.

God Bless, Fr. Seph

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

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 meet next on **25th September**. Feel free to bring a friend.



TH502 What is Theology? Course Wed-Fri: 9-11 October 9am-4pm CTC Thorndon, Wgtn with Dr Christopher Longhurst- Enrol now – call (04) 819 8380 or email office@ctc.ac.nz or visit www.tekupenga.ac.nz

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): This is an opportunity for anybody who is interested in becoming a Catholic, whether baptised in another Christian denomination or not baptised. On Sunday 29 September after the 10am mass at St Mary's, we will be hosting an enquiry session for those interested in learning more. We anticipate the RCIA classes beginning in October and continuing through until Easter. Those interested can also reach out to office@staroftheseamarlb.co.nz

Messy Church on Sunday 15th September, 4-6pm at St Christophers Church, Weld Street. For more details look at the poster on the noticeboard.

Blenheim Aglow invites everyone to their next meeting on 21st September, 10am, at Harvest Life MPB, 22b Nelson Street to hear Nawa Cooper speak. Morning tea from 9.30am and a Koha would be appreciated. More details on the poster on the Noticeboard.

Yamaha grand piano to give away to a good home. Please contact Pamela Jacobstein via email at pamelajacobstein1@gmail.com



Wellspring Formation Retreat: 18-20 Oct. St Mary's church. Hosted by St Mary's youth ministry. Keynote speaker Brendan Malone of lifenet.co.nz. Check details on poster in foyer. Prayer, adoration, reconciliation, worship, thought-provoking sessions for adults and teens. This awesome weekend will fill your spiritual cup! Please join us! \$20 adults, \$10 teens (or just the koha you can afford). Invite any interested friends outside of the parish as well.

Register with Mieke or Maurice after Mass, or contact them on 0223918584.

Antioch Teen Camp: 27-29 Sept. Woodend, Chch. \$135 . for school years 9-13. Info & register at <https://cyt.org.nz/what-we-offer/events/antioch/> and talk to Maurice Davies (youth coordinator) 0223918584 about help with transport and help with camp fee. We already have a small group headed down there! Thanks.

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

24th Sun of Ord

Sat 14th Sept

Blenheim 5pm - **W&C**

Picton 5pm - **Mass**

Sun 15th Sept

Seddon 8am - **Mass**

Kaikoura 9.30am - **W&C**

Blenheim 10am - **Mass**

Tuesday-17th Sept

Blenheim 9.30am **Mass**

Kaikoura 9.30am **W&C**

Wednesday-18th Sept

Picton 9.30am **Mass**

then Reconciliation

Kaikoura 9:30am **W&C**

Blenheim 12.05pm **W&C**

Kaikoura 7pm **Rosary**

Thursday-19th Sept

Blenheim 9.30am **Mass**

Kaikoura 9.30am **W&C**

Kaikoura 10am **Scripture**

Blenheim 7pm **Mass** in the

Syro Malabar tradition, with Reconciliation at 6.30pm

Friday-20th Sept

Kaikoura 9.30am **W&C**

Blenheim 11am **Exposition**

12.05pm **Mass**

25th Sun of Ord

Sat 21st September

Blenheim 5pm - **Mass**

Sun 22nd Sept

Seddon- 8am **W&C**

Picton- 9.30am **W&C**

Kaikoura- 9.30am **Mass**

Blenheim -10am **W&C**

Collections: We are most grateful for your support.

Last Week:

Total: \$3,398.89

Māori Pastoral Care \$30.00

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.

Readings for:

15-22 September 2024

Sun 15 Sept-24th Sun of Ord

Isaiah 50:5-9

James 2:14-18

Mark 8:27-35

Mon 16 Sept-St Cornelius & Cyprian

1Cor 11:17-26,33

Luke 7:1-10

Tues 17 Sept

1Cor 12:12-14,27-31

Luke 7:11-17

Wed 18 Sept

1Cor 12:31-13:13

Luke 7:31-35

Thurs 19 Sept

1Cor 15:1-11

Luke 7:36-50

Fri 20 Sept-Sts Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Hasang & Comps.

1Cor 15:12-20

Luke 8:1-3

Sat 21 Sept-St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

Ephes 4:1-7,11-13

Matt 9:9-13

Sun 22 Sept-25th Sun of Ord

Wisdom 2:12,17-20

James 3:16-4:3

Mark 9:30-37

Find peace in God's Word

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/jubilee-year-2025/> 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

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| Drina Raemaekers; | Sarah Edgar; |
| Val Price; | Morgan & Ellen |
| Des Maney; | McSweeney; |
| Mary Worsley; | Mary Jamie; |
| Barry Butcher; | Eileen O'Halloran; |
| Narcisa | and all our |
| Gear-Clay; | deceased |
| Susan Tracey; | parishioners and |
| Aileen Collins; | benefactors. |

Margaret Mary Ghiringhelli;

Intentions: please keep these parishioners in your prayers.

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| Richard Booker; | Maria Martin; |
| Rebecca Upton; | Charlotte Cagney; |
| Donna Lippiatt; | Nancy Woolford- |
| Les McKay; | Stayner; |
| Luke Clayton; | Denise Eddowes; |
| Tilly van Dyke; | Terry Price; |
| Graeme Daines; | Steven Crundwell- |
| Kath Maher; | Nlsn |
| Jessica Jackson; | Lex & Mary Agnew; |
| Michael Carmody & | Peter Smith; |
| Family; | Margaret Searle; |
| Matt & family in | Anne Rundle; |
| CHCH; | Sophie Greening; |
| Lyn Turner; | Jocelyn Cresswell; |
| Aimee Bardell; | Vince Smith; |
| Travis Jamieson; | Nancy Spatz; |

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



Season of Creation Māori Language Week 14-21 Sept

"Creation is of the order of love. God's love is the fundamental moving force in all created things. (#77 Laudato Si')

Action: reflect on the rich kupu Māori *aroha* and its layers of meaning: sympathy, compassion, heart, open-mindedness and generosity. *Aro+hā* literally means to follow the breath and implies an attentive care for self, other and world: to follow one's heart, going with the flow.

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