

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.

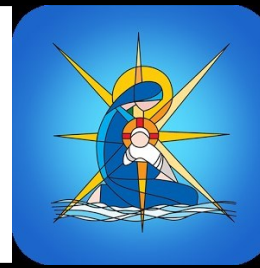
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Newsletter 36, 29th September 2024 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Dear Parish Family,

As we enter October, a month dedicated to the Rosary, we invite all parishioners to deepen our meditation on the face of Jesus through our Blessed Mother, Mary. The Rosary is a powerful prayer that allows us to reflect on the life of Christ and the virtues of Mary, fostering a deeper relationship with both. It is an opportunity to meditate on the mysteries of our faith, drawing strength and grace through each bead. On October 7th, we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, honoring her vital role in our spiritual journey. This month, let us embrace the Rosary as a means to grow in faith, peace, and hope. Fr Dyson Tharakan



On this 26th Sunday, and reading the Gospel reading from Mark,

Jesus is warning us of the seriousness of sins and anything sinful that might prevent us from going to heaven to eliminate it, steer clear of anything or anyone who might prevent us entering the holy kingdom.

What ever causes sin ..cut it off

What ever causes pain ... cut it off

Now you might think that this is a bit of a task with all that surrounds us in our daily lives but the message is clear.

On a lighter note it was a great privilege to have the six months with Father Seph, and as mentioned before we are truly thankful for his time with us.

Welcome to Father Dyson and please show your welcome to him to Shield country and I'm sure he will be shown great hospitality from our parishioners.

I know there are a lot of sick parishioners in our parish at the moment so please keep your prayers up for them.

God Bless.

Blair McLean PPC chair

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

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

Vincentians in Marlborough re-commit to the service of the poor as we celebrate the Feast of St Vincent de Paul 27th September.



For I was hungry and you fed me, I was thirsty and you gave me drink. I was a stranger and you invited me into your home. I was naked and you gave me clothing. I was sick and you cared for me. I was in prison and you visited me. For help please email blenheim@svdp.org.nz or phone 02041188521

Sacramental Programs continue in Blenheim with First Holy Communion classes starting on Sunday 27th October {Labour Weekend} at 9am and the following 3 weeks at the Parish Community Centre. First Holy Communion will be on Sunday 24th November at 10am. All children should have been baptised and made their First Reconciliation before commencing this sacrament. Any questions or for a registration form please contact Lorraine Walker email: trukwalker@gmail.com. Kaikoura begins preparation for First Communion the week beginning October 28th. Please contact Sr Maureen or Breanna Moller for further details.



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. The next day will be on 6th October.

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

26th Sun of Ord

Sat 28th Sept

Blenheim 5pm - **W&C**

Picton 4pm - **Mass**

Sun 29th Sept

Seddon 8am - **Mass**

Kaikoura 9.30am - **W&C**

Blenheim 10am - **Mass**

Blenheim 2pm **Tongan Mass**

Tuesday-1st Oct

Blenheim 9.30am **Mass**

Kaikoura 9.30am **W&C**

Wednesday-2nd Oct

Picton 9.30am **Mass**

then Reconciliation

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

Blenheim 12.05pm **W&C**

Kaikoura 7pm Rosary

Thursday-3rd Oct

Blenheim 9.30am **Mass**

Kaikoura 9.30am **W&C**

Kaikoura 10am Scripture

Blenheim **7pm Rosary**

Friday-4th Oct

Kaikoura 9.30am **W&C**

Blenheim 11am Exposition

12.05pm **Mass**

27th Sun of Ord-Day of Celebration for Venerable Suzanne Aubert

Sat 5th October

Blenheim 5pm - **Mass**

Sun 6th October

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: \$3080.38

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:

29 Sept-06 Oct 2024

Sun 29 Sept-26th Sun of Ord

Numb 11:25-29

James 5:1-6

Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48

Mon 30 Sept-St Jerome

Job 1:6-22

Luke 9:46-50

Tues 01 Oct-St Therese of the Child Jesus

Job 3:1-3,11-17,20-23

Luke 9:51-56

Wed 02 Oct-The Guardian Angels

Exodus 23:20-23

Matt 18:1-5,10

Thurs 03 Oct

Job 19:21-27

Luke 10:1-12

Fri 04 Oct-St Francis of Assisi

Job 38:1,12-21,40:3-5

Luke 10:13-16

Sat 05 Oct

Job 42:1-3,5-6,12-17

Luke 10:17-24

Sun 06 Oct-27th Sun of Ord-Day of Celebration for Venerable Suzanne Aubert

Genesis 2:18-24

Hebrews 2:9-11

Mark 10:2-16

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

Aurelio Ferrer Jr; benefactors.
Narcisa
Gear-Clay;
Susan Tracey;
Aileen Collins;

Brian Bell;
Ossie Hickman;

and all our
deceased
parishioners and

Intentions: please keep these parishioners in your prayers.

Richard Booker;
Rebecca Upton;
Donna Lippiatt;
Les McKay;
Luke Clayton;
Tilly van Dyk;
Graeme Daines;
Kath Maher;
Jessica Jackson;
Matt & family in CHCH;
Lyn Turner;
Aimee Bardell;
Travis Jamieson;
Nancy Spatz;
Jim West;

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

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



29th September (26th Sunday in Ordinary Time) Season of Creation

"Christian spirituality proposes a growth marked by moderation and the capacity to be happy with little. It is a return to that simplicity which allows us to stop and appreciate the small things. (# 222 *Laudato Si'*)

Action: Say a prayer of appreciation for the small things that make you happy e.g. a tree starting to bud in your garden.

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