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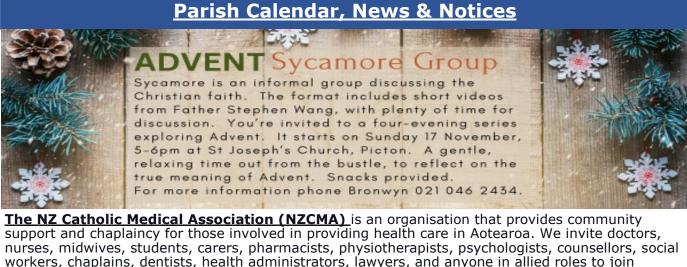
Newsletter 41, 3rd November 2024 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time

Throughout the year the Church gives us many saints' days but on 1 November we celebrate all those who are saints in Heaven but who are unknown. This feast of all these saints underlies what St. Paul names as the mystical body of Christ, of which we are all a part of – those who are alive or who have died. Together we are one. We support one another, especially in prayer. Prayer transcends life and death. The saints in heaven are constantly praying for us and we, in turn pray to them, to intercede to God for us. So this is a celebration of everyone in Heaven as they are forever in God's presence – and where God wants us to be too one day as part of his Saints that one day will go marching in.

All Souls on 2 November is the day that we pray for those who have died having loved God and had their sins forgiven but are not quite perfected and ready for the full glory of Heaven. Prayer and penance in this life help us to conquer our sin and in purgatory it is a time of purification that leads to perfection. Everyone in purgatory is loved by God and will be with God. As part of the mystical body of Christ we pray for the souls in purgatory 'that they may attain the beatific vision of God' (CCC#1032).

The rest of November is dedicated to the month of the dead. For many this is honoured by visiting family members' graves. In our various parish churches we will have boxes to place the names of our deceased loved ones. Let us use this month to pray for them and to them.

Vicky Raw, chair of the Discipleship group.



nurses, midwives, students, carers, pharmacists, physiotherapists, psychologists, counsellors, social workers, chaplains, dentists, health administrators, lawyers, and anyone in allied roles to join us. Retreat and Seminar 15-16 November 2024, based at the Home of Compassion, Island Bay, Wellington. Details and registration: This link

Accommodation: There are limited spaces on-site (use booking ref BGRP—21024). You can email or phone the Home of Compassion directly.

For updates regarding events, please email <u>newzealandcatholicmedical@gmail.com</u>

Annual Mass Count: For the whole of November at all weekend liturgies, to gauge the number of parishioners attending.

Memorial Mass 7th November at 7pm at St Mary's Church for those who have lost family and friends over the past year in our Parish. If you have lost a loved one over the past year, please join us.

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Sacramental Programs have started in both Blenheim and Kaikoura. First Communion in Kaikoura will be celebrated at 9.30am Mass Sunday 17th November.

First Holy Communion in Blenheim will be on Sunday 24th November at 10am. Please pray for our children and their families as they prepare for this special sacrament.

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 <u>31st Sun of Ord</u> <u>Sat 2nd Nov- All Souls</u> Blenheim 5pm -Mass <u>Sun 3rd Nov</u> Seddon 8am - W&C Picton 9am - W&C Kaikoura 9.30am- Mass Blenheim 10am- W&C <u>Tuesday-5th Nov</u> Blenheim 9.30am W&C Kaikoura 9.30am Mass

Wednesday-6th Nov Picton 9.30am Mass Kaikoura 9:30am W&C Blenheim 12.05pm W&C Kaikoura 7pm Rosary

Thursday-7th Nov Blenheim 9.30am -none Kaikoura 9.30am W&C Kaikoura 10am Scripture Blenheim 7pm

Bereavement Mass Friday-8th Nov Kaikoura 9.30am W&C Blenheim 11am Exposition 12.05pm W&C

32nd Sun of Ord Sat 9th Nov Blenheim 5pm -W&C Picton 5pm—Mass Sun 10th Nov Seddon 8am - Mass Kaikoura 9.30am- W&C Blenheim 10am- Mass led by the Youth

Reminder: If there is a funeral Mass, 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.



Readings for: <u>3-10 Nov 2024</u> <u>Sun 3 Nov-31st Sun of Ord</u> Deut 6:2-6 Hebrews 7:23-28 Mark 12:28-34

Mon 4 Nov-St Charles Borromeo Phil 2:1-4

Luke 14:12-14 Tues 5 Nov Phil 2:5-11 Luke 14:15-24

Wed 6 Nov Phil 2:12-18 Luke 14:25-33

Thurs 7 Nov Phil 3:3-8 Luke 15:1-10

<u>Fri 8 Nov</u> Phil 3:17-4:1 Luke 16:1-8

Sat 9 Nov-Dedication Of St John Lateran Ezek 47:1-2,8-9,12

1Cor 3:9-11,16-17 John 2:13-22

Sun 10 Nov-32nd Sun of Ord 1Kings 17:10-16 Hebrews 9:24-28 Mark 12:38-44

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Find peace in God's Word

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 nonperishable goods, UHT Longlife milk, rice, pasta, tinned food & cereals.

Foodbank Appeal– 25 Nov 6-8pm

<u>Remembering the Holy souls</u> <u>—May they Rest In Peace</u>

Eleanor Plant; Lynette Wilson; Kathleen Broadbent;

Alec Logan; Mary O'Halloran; Eddie Knudsen; Dan Murphy; Bede McKee; Kathleen & Francis logan, Margaret & Laurie Squire; Mollie, Eileen & Eric Hanley; Deceased relatives and friends of Logan, Squire & Hanley families; Virginia ebona Pacia: Romulo Marasigan Also all our deceased parishioners and benefactors.

Intentions: please keep these parishioners in your prayers.

Richard Booker; Donna Lippiatt; Les McKay; Luke Clayton; Tilly van Dyk; Graeme Daines; Kath Maher: Jessica Jackson: Matt & family in CHCH; Lyn Turner; Aimee Bardell; Nancy Spatz; Jim West; Phil Best; Esme Murphy; Eileen Moreland; Thanksgiving;

Maria Martin; Charlotte Cagney; Nancy Woolford-Stayner; Denise Eddowes; Terry Price; Steven Crundwell-NIsn Lex & Mary Agnew; Peter Smith; Margaret Searle; Anne Rundle; Sophie Greening; Jocelyn Cresswell; Vince Smith; Francesca Perkins Marita Morrison; Joan Golding;

<u>Collections</u>: We are most grateful for your support.

Last Week: Total: \$2,853.07 Mission Sunday: \$130.00

If you would like to contribute to the running costs of the Parish, here is our account number: Star of the Sea Parish

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Please contact Ginetta at the Parish Office for a giving number so you can claim on your donations each year.

Quote from Pope Francis

'Where danger is, precisely there is the saving power'.

Pope Francis, Let Us Dream

<u>Reflection</u>: The great beauty of a crisis is that the danger it threatens is never total, there is always a way out.

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