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Newsletter 42, 10th November 2024 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

The Steering Group (SG) remains actively committed to implementing the recommendations approved by Cardinal John in late 2019.

As many of you know, we sold the church in Havelock last year, and we have recently completed the sale of both the vacant section and the church property in Renwick. We also have the vacant Ward section under contract, with settlement expected before Christmas.

Looking ahead, the SG will focus its attention on the land and building (old Presbytery) in Picton, as well as St Mary's Church in Blenheim. For St Mary's, we are currently assessing the requirements for earthquake strengthening, and we plan to move forward with these projects in the first quarter of 2025. We ask for your patience, as this is a significant undertaking, and we are still in the early stages of evaluating what needs to be done before any work can begin.

The SG is comprised of Greg Stretch (Chair), Belinda Vavasour, Tom Harrison, Simon Popham, Gary Connelly, Blair McLean, and Father Dyson. We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Father Mike McCabe for his invaluable guidance and support throughout this process.

The SG meets regularly, and we encourage you to share any feedback or concerns with us. Please feel free to approach any of the Group members directly.

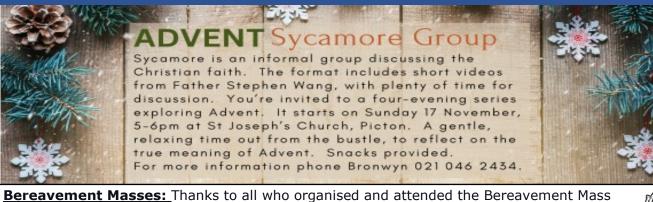
As we continue working through the remaining recommendations, we ask for your continued prayers and support.

God bless. Greg Stretch,

Chairman,

Star of the Sea Parish Steering Group

Parish Calendar, News & Notices



Bereavement Masses: Thanks to all who organised and attended the Bereavement Mass last night. A special Mass was celebrated in Kaikoura last Sunday, and there will be one in Picton this Saturday at 5pm.

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

Anointing Mass 6th December at 12.05pm at St Mary's Church followed by a cold buffet Christmas lunch until 2pm. This is being organised by St Vincent de Paul.

Blenheim Church Cleaning roster: we are in need of more volunteers to help vacuum the body of the church. It is divided into 3 sections with people cleaning one section on their turn, which is once every 2-3 months. Please contact Marie Spencer: 022 635 9436.

Parish Stall: If you are looking for Holy Christmas Cards or a special gift for someone, check out the parish stall in St Mary's Church. There will be something for everyone.

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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 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

Fr Dyson away 11-15 November

Tuesday-12th Nov Blenheim 9.30am W&C Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

Wednesday-13th Nov Picton 9.30am W&C Kaikoura 9:30am W&C Blenheim 12.05pm W&C Kaikoura 7pm Rosary

<u>Thursday–14th Nov</u> Blenheim 9.30am W&C Kaikoura 9.30am W&C Kaikoura 10am Scripture Blenheim 7pm Mass in the Syro Malabar Tradition

Friday-15th Nov Kaikoura 9.30am W&C Blenheim 11am Exposition 12.05pm W&C

33rd Sun of Ord-World Day of the Poor Sat 16th Nov Blenheim 5pm -Mass Sun 17th Nov Seddon 8am - W&C Picton 9am -W&C Kaikoura 9.30am- Mass, 1st Communion Blenheim 10am- W&C led by the Youth



Readings for: 10-17 Nov 2024 Sun 10 Nov-32nd Sun of Ord 1Kings 17:10-16 Hebrews 9:24-28 Mark 12:38-44

Mon 11 Nov-St Matin of Tours Titus 1:1-9 Luke 17:1-6

Titus 2:1-8,11-14 Luke 17:7-10

<u>Wed 13 Nov</u> Titus 3:1-7 Luke 17:11-19

Thurs 14 Nov Philemon 7-20 Luke 17:20-25

<u>Fri 15 Nov</u> 2John 4-9 Luke 17:26-37

<u>Sat 16 Nov</u> 3John 5-8 Luke 18:1-8

Mark 13:24-32

Sun 17 Nov-32nd Sun of Ord World Day of the Poor Daniel 12:1-3 Hebrews 10:11-14,18

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; Fr Maurice O'Leary CssR; Dan Murphy; Bede McKee; Kathleen & Francis logan, Margaret & Laurie Squire; Mollie, Eileen & Eric Hanley; Deceased relatives and friends of Logan, Squire & Hanley families;

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; Nola Tanner;

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 & Melva Smith; Francesca Perkins Marita Morrison; Joan Golding;

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

Last Week: Total: \$3,208.65 Mission Sunday: \$35.00

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

"Faced with the needs of our neighbours, we are called... to deprive ourselves of essential things, not only the superfluous; we are called to give the time that is necessary, not only what is extra; we are called to give immediately and unconditionally some of our talent, not after using it for our own purposes or for our own group.' Pope Francis <u>Angelus</u> 8 Nov 2015

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