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 44, 24th November 2024 Feast of Christ the King

This Sunday 17 children will receive Holy Communion for the first time. Receiving Communion for the first time symbolizes a child's deep connection to their faith and is a sacramental event in the Catholic Church. The Sacrament of the Eucharist is the central act of our worship, and with baptism, is one of the two sacraments most

clearly found in the New a celebration, remembrance It reminds us and declares to Christ was with us, Christ died working in us. By participating undergoes a spiritual them for their future religious them to connect more deeply This Sunday we pray for our God bless them and their step on their faith journey.

Testament. At its core, communion is and proclamation of Christ's death. those receiving the sacrament that for us and Christ is now alive in the Eucharist, the child experience that will strengthen encounters and will also enable with God throughout their lives. First Communicants and ask that families as they take this further

### First Communicants:

Antonio Machado dos Santos, Benjamin Mitchell, Edson Smith, Emma Smith, Emma Webster, Evangelia Jobin, Gideon Narayan, Hayley Jackson, Hezakiah Tonga-Noa, Janella Cruz, Jessica Jackson, Julianne Lacdang, Karotu Taraua, Katrine G An, Kenshin Campo, Malachi Davies, Nazario Laffey.

# **Parish Calendar, News & Notices**

Year of Jubilee: Ngā Tapuwae Jubilee Hikoi 2025 Join in and experience the footsteps of Bishop Pompalier, Kupe, and the Poynton's, with other pilgrims, together sharing our Catholic and Maori heritage. This is a guided pilgrimage. Information is available at <a href="https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/lifein faith/nga tapuwae-2025">www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/lifein faith/nga tapuwae-2025</a> or contact Dcn Steve Fraser <a href="mailto:stephenf@cda.org.nz">stephenf@cda.org.nz</a> Registrations are now open. Dates are 10th to 12th January 2025. Own transport required.

**Advent Sycamore Group** This is an informal group discussing the Christian faith. The format includes short videos from Fr Stephen Wang, with plenty of time for discussion. You're invited to a four-evening series exploring Advent. It is running in Picton – 5pm Sunday (17 Nov-8 Dec), and Kaikoura after Mass every Sunday. A gentle relaxing time out from the bustle, to reflect on the true meaning of Advent. Snacks provided.

<u>Blenheim Women's Friendship Group:</u> Will be at the Omaka Heritage Centre Café from 10am on 4th Wednesday of the month and meet next on **27th November**. Feel free to bring a friend.



Rosters are due out next month and will cover our Christmas Masses, please let Lorraine know if you will be away especially over Christmas and in the new year, email <a href="mailtrukwalker@gamil.com">trukwalker@gamil.com</a> mobile 0276246264



Adoration: given the interest in Adoration, we are trialing having this on a regular basis, once a month, in the Mercy Chapel between 11.30am and 2pm. The next date is 24th November as we have moved to the last Sunday of the Month except for December due to the Christmas break. Back again 31st January 2025.

Anointing Mass at 11.30am and Christmas Luncheon Friday 6th Dec, all welcome. The Buffett lunch will start promptly after mass as we need to vacate the building at 2pm



#### 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 Feast of Christ the King

Sat 23rd Nov

Blenheim 5pm -W&C Picton 5pm—Mass

<u>Sun 24th Nov</u> Seddon 8am - **Mass** Kaikoura 9.30am- W&C

Blenheim 10am- Mass, 1st

Communion **Tuesday-26th Nov** 

Blenheim 9.30am Mass Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

Wednesday-27th Nov Picton 9.30am Mass Kaikoura 9:30am W&C Blenheim 12.05pm W&C

Kaikoura 7pm Rosary <u>Thursday-28th Nov</u> Blenheim 9.30am Mass Kaikoura 9.30am W&C Kaikoura 10am Scripture

Friday-29th Nov Kaikoura 9.30am W&C Blenheim 11am Exposition

12.05pm Mass 1st Sunday of Advent

Sat 30th Nov Blenheim 5pm - Mass Seddon 8am - W&C

Picton 9am -W&C Kaikoura 9.30am- Mass, 1st

Communion Blenheim 10am- W&C

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. There are also NRSV bibles available for a donation. A sample is at the stall to view.



#### Readings for: 24 Nov -1 Dec 2024 Sun 24 Nov-Feast of Christ the King

Daniel 7:13-14 Rev 1:5-8 John 18:33-37

Mon 25 Nov

Apoc 14:1-5 Luke 21:1-4

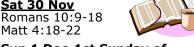
Tues 26 Nov Apoc 14:14-19 Luke 21:5-11

Wed 27 Nov Apoc 15:1-4 Luke 21:12-19

Thurs 28 Nov Apoc 18:1-2,21-23,19:1-3,9 Luke 21:20-28

Fri 29 Nov Apoc 20:1-4,11-21:2 Luke 21:29-33

Sat 30 Nov Romans 10:9-18



#### Sun 1 Dec-1st Sunday of Advent year C

Jer 33:14-16 1Thess 3:12-4:2 Luke 21:25-28,34-36

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

#### Remembering the Holy souls -May they Rest In Peace

Marie Irving;

Also all our deceased parishioners and benefactors.

Fr Maurice O'Leary CSSR; Nanny Kaye Nukunuku;

#### **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; Kath Campbell;

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; Mary Hickman;

**Collections:** We are most grateful for your support.

Last Week:

Total: \$4,980.10 Mission Sunday: \$5.00

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**

Today's Gospel is a contrast between two types of logic. Worldly logic is based on ambition, competition, it fights using the weapons of fear, extortion, and the manipulation of consciences. On the other hand, the logic of the Gospel, that is, the logic of Jesus, is expressed in humility and gratuitousness. It is silently but effectively affirmed with the strength of truth. The kingdoms of this world at times are sustained by arrogance, rivalries and oppression; the reign of Christ is a "kingdom of justice, love and peace".

Pope Francis, Angelus, Solemnity of Christ the King 22/11/2015

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