

When a priest is not available, Word & Communion will be led by parishioners.

Blenheim

Tues: 9.30am Mass Wed: 12.05pm Mass Thurs: 9.30 am Mass **Except 1st Thurs:** Bethsaida 10.30am Fri: 11am Adoration 11.30 Reconciliation 12.05pm Mass Sat: 9.30am Mass Reconciliation to follow Sat: 5pm Mass Sun: 10am Mass

(2nd & 5th Sunday Word & Communion)

Havelock

Sunday: 11am (4th Sunday Word & Communion)

Kaikoura **Tues:** 9.30am **Wed:** 9.30am Wed: 7pm Rosary **Thurs:** 5.15pm **Fri:** 9.30am

Sun: 9.30am (1st & 3rd Sunday Word & Communion)

Wed: 9am Mass Sun: 9am Mass (4th Sunday: Word & Communion) Renwick

3rd Sunday 5pm Mass

Seddon Sun: 8am Mass (2nd & 5th Sunday Word & Communion)

Ward

4th Sunday 4pm Mass <u>Baptisms</u>

Celebrated during weekend Mass or other times.

Marriages

Marriages celebrated in all our Churches. Please contact the Parish Office well in advance.

Open Church

Our Churches at St Mary's and Sacred Heart Kaikoura are open every day if you want to a quiet place for prayer.



Te Whetu o te Moana | Star of the Sea **Marlborough Catholic Parish**

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Newsletter No 23: 9 June 2019 **Feast of Pentecost**

A Warm Welcome to Our Parish Family of Marlborough

We the people of Te Whetu O Te Moana, Star of the Sea Parish, are committed by our baptism in Christ, to share our living faith, and make God visible, in joyful union with all people, by our actions in the community. (Parish Mission Statement)

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<u>"Come Holy Spirit, come!"</u>

As we come to the Feast of Pentecost, we each of us and as Communities of Faith and Worship across our broad parish, we exclaim in prayer: "Come, come Holy Spirit! Come into our hearts, and our homes, and our communities, and renew the face of the earth!'

The Holy Spirit - we know Him (or Her) as the Spirit of Jesus. As Jesus died upon the Cross, he gave forth his spirit. ... and the Church was born! (Jn 19:30)

On the afternoon of the first Easter Day, Jesus came to his disciples who were in a locked room hiding in fear, and came as their Risen Lord and said to them, "Peace be with you!" The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you!" And then he breathed on them and said, " Receive the Holy Spirit."

Each Pentecost Sunday we celebrate the wonderful gift of the Holy Spirit which has been given to us in our Baptism and we receive a new release of the power of the Holy Spirit when we receive the Lord in prayer and/or in our receiving Holy Communion today. (I include those who for one reason or another don't receive Holy Communion just now)

The Holy Spirit is a God of surprises. Believe it! . . . he can mend bruised

2 Cor.4:7-15

Sat 15th: 2 Cor. 5:14-21

Fri 14th:

and broken spirits or broken hearts. Just beg the Lord in prayer and reach out to one another in friendship and kindness. He is ready to do it for us.

The disciples were lost without their Lord. They felt leaderless and fearful. Jesus told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promised Spirit.

When the day of Pentecost dawned, a mighty wind came and filled that house where they were gathered and the Holy Spirit came in the form of tongues of fire and came on each of those disciples and Our Lady, and they began to preach and to proclaim the wonders of God. They were changed men and women – now they went out fearlessly to tell of the power and the transforming presence of Jesus in their lives.

Let us all pray today and during this week that the Holy Spirit will come more deeply into our hearts, so that we too are each and every one of us renewed in spirit so we are not afraid, nor ashamed any more - but renewed in the power of the Risen Christ we can give hope and the Peace of Jesus to those we love. those we meet and to one another.

"Come, come Holy Spirit, come into our hearts and into our families, and renew the face of Marlborough and Kaikou-Pat McIndoe cp ra, and our land!"

Readings for Tenth Week Ordinary Time

Sun 9th: Acts 2:1-11 Psalm Response: Lord Send out Your Spirit and renew the Face of the Earth

Mon 10th: Gen. 3:9-15,20 John 16:29-33 Mary, Mother of the Church Matthew 10:7-13 St Barnabas, Apostle

Tues 11th: Acts 11:21-26;13:1-3 Matthew 5:17-19 Wed 12th: 2 Cor. 3:4-11

2 Cor. 3:15-4:1,3-6 Matthew 5:20-26 **St Anthony of Padua, priest** 2 Cor.4:7-15 Matthew 5:27-32 Thu 13th:

Matthew 5:33-37

Trinity Sunday

Romans 5:1-5 **Sun 16th:** Proverbs 8:22-31 John 16:12-15

Responding to Tragedies of Today

A New Narrative after CHCH & Colombo

Justin Glyn SJ. 26 April 2019. Eureka Street

What can one say in the face of yet another horror? This time it is the people of Sri Lanka who have suffered — Christians celebrating resurrection but 'bearing in their bodies the dying of the Lord Jesus that the life of Christ may also be made manifest in their bodies', as St Paul puts it in his second letter to the Corinthians.

359 people have died as at the time of writing. The government has blamed National Thowheed Jamat, a virtually unknown organisation claiming Islamist inspiration while ISIS/ Daesh — having been soundly beaten in Syria and Iraq by a combination of parties including Russia, Iran, Iraq, Syria, Hezbullah, Kurdish fighters and NATO — has claimed responsibility. There has been some suggestion that the perpetrators claimed to be acting in retaliation for the massacre of Muslims in Christchurch (also at prayer) by an Australian white supremacist last month.

It goes without saying that nothing can justify such attacks — not now, not ever — and Muslim groups, Christian groups, governments and individuals across the world have all expressed their horror for what happened in both Colombo and Christchurch. And yet, as always, there are obviously some people who weigh the chance of five minutes of notoriety in a hungry news cycle as worth all the dead, all the shattered wounded and all the grieving families.

The narratives, too, are playing out with depressing familiarity. As with previous attacks, there will be people who use Colombo as an excuse to further their own vendettas or narratives of a 'clash of civilisations'. The Sri Lankan government (still uneasy ten years after its brutal suppression of the Tamil minority in a horrific civil war) have used the attack to roll out further controls over its population — even though it seems that the

security forces were warned of the attacks in advance but failed to use the powers they did have to prevent them.

This, too, follows in a terrible tradition. The perpetrators of the London Bridge bombings were known to British intelligence (and indeed, seem to have been veterans of an Islamist inspired group fighting in Libya with British backing). The Quebec mosque attacker was known to those who monitor far right groups — and the mosque itself had previously received threats.

The terrible fact is that, leaving aside the fact that terror groups of various stripes are often backed by governments when they happen to be useful to the black machinations of statecraft, no security measures will ever be able to suppress real or imagined grievances or prevent inclinations to hatred or violence which grow in the depths of the human heart.

And yet there is a difference between Colombo and Christchurch which might be worth exploring. Paradoxically, the most useful things that governments can do are those which are least often tried. The world has watched New Zealand's reaction to Christchurch with surprise and delight precisely because it was so counter-intuitive.

Rather than breathe fire and vengeance against the alleged attacker and demand the wholesale suspension of civil liberties with the usual excuse of 'fighting a war', the government response was to run the trial as an ordinary criminal case, without even resorting to 'terrorism' charges with which it is so easy to create martyrs — however undeserving. While obvious legal measures were taken (like reducing access to high powered weapons), these were deliberately not aimed at any group. It was made very clear in all official reactions to the shooting that there was no 'them and us', just 'us'.

Indeed, despite the fact that the alleged shooter



was not a New Zealander, there was no attempt to build up any xenophobia or use the atrocity as an excuse for immigration controls. On the contrary, the New Zealand government has just announced that those foreigners affected by the Christchurch massacres will all receive permanent residence. Jacinda Ardern who is, despite all the hoopla, a politician subject to all the temptations of office, has nevertheless acted in an exemplary fashion in responding to the attacks. The result is that New Zealand has been made stronger as a society and less, not more, likely to suffer a repeat.

This past week we celebrated ANZAC day, remembering the deaths which Australia and New Zealand share in common — and which ultimately did little, if anything, to change the course of the war as a whole. On such occasions it is also worth reflecting on Sri Lanka, New Zealand and the ultimate futility of violence.

The worshippers who died in Colombo were killed reflecting on (and embodying) the triumph of one who suffered unresisting and, in his suffering, overcame the worst which violence had to offer.

The New Zealand response to the Christ-church massacre likewise offers an answer in political language to the usual narratives of terrorism and repression. It is not too late for the Sri Lankan authorities and others to try a different response to those which have failed in the past.

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ty he practised law in South Africa and New Zealand and has a PhD in administrative and international law.



Preaching the Gospel

Don't be Afraid that God has Allowed Different Religions in the World

Carol Glatz. Catholic News Service. 3 April 2019



No one should be afraid that God has allowed there to be different religions in the world, Pope Francis said.

"But we should be frightened if we are not doing the work of fraternity, of walking together in life" as brothers and sisters of one human family, he said.

As is customary, at his general audience April 3, the first after his March 30-31 trip to Morocco, Pope Francis reviewed his visit.

"People might ask themselves, 'Why is it the pope visits Muslims and not just Catholics?'" the pope said.

Catholics and Muslims are both "descendants of the same father, Abraham," he said, and the trip was another step on a journey of "dialogue and encounter with (our) Muslim brothers and sisters."

The pope said he wanted to follow in the footsteps of two great saints: St. Francis of Assisi, who brought a "message of peace and

fraternity" to Sultan al-Malik al-Kami 800 years ago, and St. John Paul II, who visited Morocco in 1985.

Pope Francis said people also may wonder why God allows there to be so many different religions in the world.

Some theologians say it is part of God's "permissive will," allowing "this reality of many religions. Some emerge from the culture, but they always look toward heaven and God," the pope said.

"What God wants is fraternity among us," he said, which is why "we must not be frightened by difference. God has allowed this." But it is right to be worried when people are not working toward a more fraternal world, he added.

The pope's comment about God's "voluntas permissiva" or "permissive will" clarified a controversy that erupted during the pope's trip in February to Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

He and Sheikh Ahmad el-Tayeb - a leading authority for many Sunni Muslims, signed a document on human fraternity that said, "The pluralism and the diversity of religions, colour, sex, race and language are willed by God in his wisdom, through which he created human beings."

In his audience talk April 3, the pope clarified that God did not create religious diversity, but rather allows it to happen, as he created human beings who possess free will.

During the general audience, the pope also spoke about the many encounters and events during the two-day trip, making special mention of his visit with migrants - some of whom told him how their lives only became

"human" again when they found a community that welcomed them as human beings.

"This is key," the pope said.

The Vatican supported the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration, which was adopted by the majority of U.N. member states at a conference in Morocco in December, so that the international community could strengthen an approach that focused on welcoming, protecting, promoting and integrating migrants.

"It's not about assistance programs coming down from 'on-high'" but about everyone working together "to build cities and countries that, even preserving their respective cultural and religious identities, are open to differences and know how to see their value" as part of a sign of human fraternity.

Reading from his prepared text about the church's work with migrants, the pope looked up at the people in the square and said that, in all honesty, "I do not like to say, 'migrants,'" preferring to say, "people who migrate."

"We have fallen into a culture of adjectives. We use so many adjectives and sometimes we forget the substantive," that is, the noun or "the substance," he said.

When talking about people, it is better to remember the adjective should always go with a noun, "a person," he said.

"That way there is respect and no falling into this culture of adjectives that is too fluid, too airy" and lacking substance, he said.

Kaikoura Activities

Our Parish is blessed with people who organise fun activities with their Parish communities. This week Kaikoura is the focus

Over the last month, the Kaikoura Parish Community have been participating in some group activities.





First there was the monthly Luncheon, in May it was on 31st, and was at the Caves Restaurant and approximately 30 attended.

Then the Quiz night on 24th May which the Sacred Heart Social Group ran. They provided dinner, which was soup, buns, and slice for dessert. Approx 70 attended of both school families and Parish Communi-

If your group is doing something in the Parish, whether fun or service, please send us photos.



Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Weekend Mass Times

Pentecost (2)

Sat June 8

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr J Dooleysm <u>Sun June 9</u>

Seddon (8am) W&C

Picton (9am) **W&C** Kaikoura (9.30) Mass/Fr Pat Blenheim (10am) Mass/Fr Jim Havelock (11am) W&C

Most Holy Trinity (3)

Sat June 15 Blenheim (5pm) Mass/Fr Pat Sun June 16

Seddon (8am) Mass/Fr Sanele Picton (9am) Mass/Fr Pat Kaikoura (9.30) **W&C**Blenheim (10am) Mass/ Fr Sanele Havelock (11am) Mass/Fr Pat Renwick (4) Mass/Fr Pat Tongan Mass Fr Sanele

Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (4)

Sat June 22

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr

<u>Sun June 23</u>

Seddon (8am) Mass/ Fr Pat Picton (9am) w&c Kaikoura (9.30) Mass/Fr Blenheim (10am) Mass/Fr Pat Havelock (11am) **W&C** Ward (4pm)

3th Sunday (5)

Sat June 29

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Sun June 30

Seddon (8am) W&C Picton (9am) Mass/Fr Kaikoura (9.30) Mass/Fr Blenheim (10am) **W&C** Havelock (11am) Mass/Fr

In July, Fr Julian Wagg joins us for a while.

Parish News & Events

Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults

National Police Vetting for Church Employees & Volun-<u>teers</u>

The next step for Police Vetting is for ID to be sighted by a staff member or delegated volunteer Two forms of ID are needed. 1. A Passport or Birth certificate 2. A Drivers license or photo

This can be done at the Office or at Church on Sundays. This is specifically for those who work with

children in children's Liturgy, Altar Servers, and/or vulnerable adults. Also those taking Communion to people in their own home, , visiting rest homes, or hospital.

Communion to the Sick and housebound: With the new vetting in mind, we are updating the list of those receiving Communion in their homes or at rest homes. Please contact the parish Office, with a list of those you take Communion to, on a regular basis. Those in Kaikoura, please Contact Sr Maureen.

BHM Mass Rosters: its that time of the year again. I will start putting together the rosters, aiming to have them with you by end of June. We would really welcome new people to various ministries needed for weekend Masses. If you have any preference please let me know. Belinda 578 2628/ 021774858. or email hugh.vavasour@xtra.co.nz

Sat, 15th June -Vigil for the Un-

born: St Anne's Catholic Church, Emmett Street, Newtown. 10 am Mass. Followed by Exposition & Rosary Procession to pray outside of the Hospital. Ends at Noon with a shared lunch. Join in this persevering prayer effort for mothers and their precious unborn to be spared from abortion. For more in-

Star of the Sea **Variety Concert**

Friday 28th June @ 7pm @ St Mary's Hall

Come Enjoy Perform.

This is an opportunity to meet other members of our stunning Community & Friends. Let us know you're coming by signing up at Church, or contacting the office.

Entry: Donation at the Door.

Please contact: Blair (melandblair @gmail.com) or

Simon (simon trudy@xtra.co.nz) to register your interest.

formation contact Family Life International NZ PH: 021 231 7954

June 22nd Combined Churches
Men's Breakfast: 8am at Nativity Hall, \$10 pp. The Speaker will be Paul Monhan, Sign up on the clipboard in the fover of the church or call the Parish Office. Bring a friend. Please RSVP before 19th June.

Parish Calendar

June

June 9 .. Pentecost

June 16.. Most Holy Trinity

June 16.. Confirmation & Communion Programme starts again.

June 16.. Combined Church Sing-along Service- Baptist Church Waikawa (4pm), bring a plate

June 17.. Youth Committee Mtg June 17.. Sacred Heart Stewardship(7) June 18 .. Pastoral Council, Finance & Property

June 25...Wairau Stewardship (7pm) June 28.. Variety Concert (7pm)

July-August

Jul 3.. Awatere Stewardship July 7.. Sounds Stewardship (5) Jul 8-13 .. CP Provincial Chapter. Fr Pat then returns with Fr Joey Liaia CP July 16.. Pastoral Council, Finance & Property

July 28.. Rite of Presentation of Candi dates @ Mass in Kaikoura and

Aug 17 .. Confirmation & Communion @ Blenheim (5pm)

Aug 18 .. Confirmation & Communion@ Kaikoura (9.30am)

Aug 28-30 .. John Burland, Sydney singer, author, musician, in our parish and schools.

Sep 8 .. Feast of OL Star of the Sea.



Stewardship

TIME - TALENTS - TREASURE A way of life, a way to live

Stewardship enhances our relationship with God and each other.

Let Us Remember in our Prayers and at Mass:

Recently Deceased: John Pearce, Barry Clark, Phyllis Ham, Allan Fairweather.

Anniversaries:

Other Intentions: the soul of Joevil Basulgan Dela Cruz

COLLECTIONS:

We are most grateful for your support of our Parish of Star Of The Sea. Last week:

\$2597.33 **Envelopes:** \$1021.50 Loose: 892.00

