



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

**Blenheim**

**Tues:** 9.30am Mass

**Wed:** 12.05pm Mass

Rosary: 5.30pm

Ph: 572 9067 for venue

**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:** 5.00pm Mass

**Sun: 10.00am 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)

**Picton**

**Wed:** 9.00am Mass

Adoration: 9.30-10.30am

**Fri:** 7.30pm Rosary -

24 York Street

**Sun: 9.00am Mass**

(4th Sunday;

Word & Communion)

**Renwick**

**3rd Sunday** 5pm Mass

**Seddon**

**Sun: 8am** Mass

(2nd & 5th Sunday

Word & Communion)

**Ward**

**4th Sunday** 4pm Mass

**Baptisms**

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**

**From the Sounds to the Sea, the Mountains to the Plains**

**We Are One Mission. One Parish. Seven Communities**

**Blenheim | Havelock | Kaikoura | Picton | Renwick | Seddon | Ward**

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**Newsletter No 46: 17 November 2019**

**33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**From Cardinal John's newsletter Issue no: 211**

Kia tau te rangimarie ki a koutou.

Many years ago I had developed the daily practice of, as soon as I got out of bed, standing up and singing (and I can't sing) the following chant:

**"Father/Jesus/Spirit; I adore you; Lay my life before you; How I love you".**

I did that for a long time, making appropriate gestures, such as accompanying the first line with hands raised in prayer and praise and bowing with reverence at the last line. Then somehow that practice fell by the wayside. However, I was reminded of it a couple of nights ago as I was driving home from an evening out.

I was listening to the Concert Programme as I normally do in the car. There was beautiful music playing and the commentator was saying that this whole programme was dedicated to reflecting on and working for peace in our world. Then he introduced a musician who was playing a Bach composition. I don't know what the piece was, but it is beautiful. The musician said he plays that piece of music everyday and then said, **"It is my benediction on the day."** His words reminded me of the little practice I engaged in a long time ago. It also reminded me of a phrase I used a lot at about the same time in my life, a saying of Abraham Joshua Heschel **"Just to be is a blessing, just to live is holy."**

I spent the rest of the drive home pondering on what I could do every day to make my own **"benediction on the day,"** and what I could do to ensure that life is a blessing. I know that if I see my life as a blessing, if I try to live every day and every moment of the day as a gift from God, then life will be holy. If life is lived as a blessing and a gift every day it then becomes not just a blessing for me, but for everyone I meet with throughout any particular day.

What is your **"benediction on the day?"**

Naku noa. Na +Hoane + John

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This Sunday is **World Day of the Poor**. Many initiatives are being taken to help the poor and to enable others to be aware of how difficult life can be for some people. Pope Francis' message reads: *"How many times do we see poor people rummaging through garbage bins to retrieve what others have discarded as superfluous, in the hope of finding something to live on or to wear! They themselves become part of a human garbage bin; they are treated as refuse, without the slightest sense of guilt on the part of those who are complicit in this scandal. Frequently judged parasites on society, the poor are not even forgiven their poverty. Judgment is always around the corner. They are not allowed to be timid or discouraged; they are seen as a threat or simply useless, simply because they are poor...At time, very little is needed to restore hope. It is enough to stop for a moment, smile and listen."*

**Readings for Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sun 17th:** Malachi 3:19-20 2Thesalonians 3:7-12 Luke 21:5-19

**Psalm Response: The Lord comes to rule with Justice**

**Mon 18th:** 1Maccabees 1:10-15,41-43,54-57,62-64 Luke 18:35-43

**Tues 19th:** 2Maccabees6:18-31 Luke 19:1-10

**Wed 20th:** 2Maccabees 7:1,20-31 Luke 19:11-28

**Thurs 21st:** 1Maccabees 2:15-29 Luke 19:41-44 **Presentation of Mary**

**Fri 22nd:** 1Maccabees 4:36-37,52-59 Luke 19:45-48 **St Cecilia,V.M.**

**Sat 23rd:** 1Maccabees 6:1-13 Luke 20:27-40

**Christ The King**

**Sun 24th:** 2Samuel 5:1-3 Colossians 1:12-20 Luke 23:35-43

# Parish Calendar, News & Notices

## Weekend Mass Times

### 33rd Sunday (3)

Sat Nov 16

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Jacob

Sun Nov 17

Seddon-8am Mass/ Fr Pat

Picton-9am Mass/Fr Jacob

Kaikoura-9.30 **W&C**

Blenheim-10am Mass/ Fr Pat

Havelock-11am Mass/ Fr Jacob

Tongan Mass 2 pm/ Fr Sanele

Renwick 5pm Mass/ Fr Pat

### Feast of Christ the King (4)

Sat Nov 23

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat

Sun Nov 24

Seddon-8am Mass/Fr Pat

Picton-9am **W&C**

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/ Fr Jacob

Blenheim-10am Mass/Fr Pat

Havelock-11am **W&C**

Ward-4pm Mass/ Fr Jacob

### 1st Sunday of Advent (1)

Sat Nov 30

Blenheim-5pm Mass/ Fr Jacob

Cuppa after Mass

Sun Dec 1

Seddon-8am Mass/Fr Jacob

Picton-9am Mass/Fr Pat

Cuppa after Mass

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/

Blenheim-10am Mass/Fr Jacob

Cuppa after Mass

Havelock-11am Fr Pat

### 2nd Sunday of Advent (2)

Sat Dec 7

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat

Sun Dec 8

Seddon-8am Mass/ Jacob

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/Fr Pat

Blenheim-10am Mass/

Havelock-11am Mass/Fr Jacob

## Parish News & Events

**Thank You:** Hi again, just wanted to extend my thanks to everyone who has made a donation or came to my fundraiser on the 3rd of November. I am super grateful for all of the support our community has been giving towards my trip with UN Youth representing New Zealand early next year.

Raffle winners were as follows: 1. Gasson Family; 2. Sharon Smith; 3. Megan McKendry; 4. Megan McKendry; 5. Sharleen Marfell

The amount raised from the fundraiser was \$1,300. I'm ecstatic about being able to raise so much and am pleased to announce that after a few more donations in the last few days I have just reached

my fundraising goal of \$10,000! Have a great week everyone! - Shannon McLean

### Greetings from Sr Elizabeth

**Mary:** She wanted to thank parishioners for all their prayers. She is now settled in Christchurch and even going out in her car for a drive or two.

**Vandalism :** last weekend damage was done to the Mercy Room by unknown vandals. Also 3 directional flags were ripped. This is a sad state of affairs in the current social climate. When on any of the Parish properties, please keep an eye out for suspicious activities or damage and report it straight away. We should all play a part in keeping our buildings safe.

### BHM Mass Managers Wanted:

Due to other commandments we are in need of more helpers to ready the church for Mass each weekend. This is an easy job and there is a list of instructions. If enough put their hand up you would only be required once a month. 5pm Mass is in greater need as one manager is overseas for December and January.

**Interfaith group:** Expressions of interest are invited in establishing a joint Catholic-Anglican home based Gospel sharing social group meetings at a time yet to be decided. For more info contact Graham Mansfield 5705018 afternoon-evenings.

### Nov 17.. World Day of the

**Poor** There will be a Special Collection this week after communion, for the needs of the poor. So please bring some cash if you think of it. This will be given to SVDPs. Please also bring something for the Foodbank.

### Nov 17.. Renwick Mass & Meal

5pm at St Francis de Sales Church, cnr Alma & Clyde Sts. Then enjoy an evening in the country and bring a plate to share at the home of Chris & Julia Dawkins, 'The Pyramid', 256 Avondale Rd, Waihopai Valley, (15 mins from the church). Call Julia 572 4834 for more details.

### Nov 20.. St Vincent de Paul

**Info Evening** interested in joining? What's all about? To meet, pray, live the Gospel! A positive way to use your talents! A practi-

cal way to become involved with Stewardship! 7pm at St Mary's Community Centre. All welcome.

### Nov 22.. St Pats Old Boys Assoc. Mix & Mingle

[WWW.SPCOB.ORG.NZ](http://WWW.SPCOB.ORG.NZ) & find us on facebook. Calling all 'Town' and 'Stream' Old Boys, please attend our Mix and Mingle. To be held ; Friday 22nd November 2019, 6.00PM @ The Kanteen, NZ Post Building 7-11 Waterloo Quay, Wellington. Cash bar, Continuous food, \$40 Entry by ticket only. Go to our facebook page for details. Guest Speaker: Thomas Waldrom Ex Hurricane & England International . We will also be announcing our 2019 Old Boy of the Year.

### Dec 6...BHM volunteers Xmas

**Party** 6.30pm in the Community Centre. BYO Finger food and Drinks. Partners welcome.

### Dec 7..National March for Life.

You're invited to love them both by attending the third annual National March for Life in Wellington. Gather at Civic Square from 12pm for family-friendly entertainment, sausage sizzle and stalls. March to Parliament Grounds begins at 2pm. Concludes at 4pm. Learn more about this important event at a critical moment in NZ's history: [march-forlife.nz](http://march-forlife.nz)

## Parish Calendar

### November

Nov 17.. World Day of the Poor

Nov 19.. Finance & Property (7)

Nov 25.. BHM Food bank Drive

Nov 26.. Parish Past'l Council (7)

### December-January 2020

Dec 1 .. Sounds Stewardship (5)

Dec 3.. Wairau Stewardship (7)

Int'l Day of People with Disabilities

Dec 6.. BHM Vol thank you

Dec 7.. March for Life- Wgtn

Dec 9.. Sacred Heart Stewardship (7)every 2nd month

Dec 15 ...Christmas in the Park

Dec .. Finance & Property (7)

### Dec 25..Christmas Day

Dec 26..Boxing Day

No Parish Committee meetings in January.

### February-March 2020

Feb 10.. Sacred Heart Stewardship (7)every 2nd month

Feb 18.. Finance & Property (7)

Mar 14..St Mary's School Gala

### Let Us Remember in our Prayers and at Mass:

**Recently Deceased:** Peter Wytenburg, Peter Smith, Malcolm McKellar, John Callaghan (CHCH), Rodney Davis

**Anniversaries: Nov16** Betty Johnstone

**Other Intentions:** Lex & Mary Agnew, Beavan Undrill, Shirley Anderson, Chris Fredericks, the gift of life, Raewyn & Maurice Johnston (50th Wedding Anniversary)

### COLLECTIONS:

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

#### **Last week:**

AP's: \$ 1303.50

Envelopes: \$ 812.40

Loose: \$ 418.20

Mission Sunday: \$ 33.00

Maori Pastoral Care: \$ 20.00

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you!