Parish Calendar

Weekend Mass Times

17th Sun Ord Time (4) Sat July 24

Blenheim-5pm Mass Sun July 26

Seddon-8am Mass Picton-9am W&C Kaikoura-9.30 Mass Blenheim-10am Mass

18th Sun Ord Time (1) Sat July 31st

Blenheim-5pm Mass

Sun Aug 1st Seddon-8am Mass

Picton-9am Mass Cuppa after Mass Kaikoura-9.30 W&C Blenheim-10am Mass Shared Cuppa after

St Mary of the Cross (2) Sat Aug 7

Blenheim-5pm Mass Sun Aug 8

Seddon-8am W&C Picton-9am Mass

Cuppa after Mass

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass Blenheim-10am W&C The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (3)

Sat Aug 14 Blenheim-5pm Mass Sun Aug 15 Seddon-8am Mass

Picton-9am Mass Kaikoura-9.30 W&C Blenheim-10am Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES Blenheim

Tues, Thurs & Sat: 9.30 Mass **Except 1st Thurs:** Bethsaida 10.45

Wed & Fri: 12.05 Mass **Wed:** Scriptural Rosary:

5.30pm Ph: 572 9067 or 5782507 for venue

Fri: 11am Adoration 11.30am Reconciliation

Sat: Reconciliation after

9.30am Mass

Weekly 27 Burleigh Rd. "Flame of Love" Rosary Prayer group. Contact Belinda Bryce 022 012 3315

Kaikoura

Tues, Wed & Fri: 9.30

Thurs: 5.15

Wed: 7pm Rosarv

Thurs: 11am Scripture

Picton

Wed: 9.00 Mass Adoration & Reconciliation: 9.30-10.30am

Thurs: Adoration 4.00-

5.00pm

Fri: 7.30pm Rosary -24 York Street

Readings for 17th Week of Ordinary Time

Sun 25th July 2 Kings 4:42-44 Eph 4:1-6 In 6:1-15 World day for grandparents & the elderly

Psalm: the hand of the Lord feeds us he answers all our needs

Mon 26 July Ecc 44:1,10-15 Matt 13:16-17—Sts Joachim & Anne **Tues 27 July** Ex 33:7-11,34:5-9, 28 Matt 13:36-43

Wed 28 July EX34:1-10,29-35 Matt 13:44-46 Thus 29 July Ex 40:16-21,34-38 Matt 13:47-53 Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus

Fri 30 July Lev 23:1,4-11,15-16 Matt 13:54-58

Sat 31 July Lev 25:1.8-17 Matt 13:54-58

Readings for 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Ex 16:2-4,12-15 Eph 4:17,20-24 Jn 6:24-35 Sun 1 Aua

Let Us Remember in our Prayers and at Mass:

Recently Deceased: Marie Worner, Patricia Power

Anniversaries: July 22 Peter Van Dyk, 23 Jim Brunnel, Yvonne Brunell, 24 Libby Laurent 25 Yvonne Norton

Other Intentions: Craig Edlin, Graeme Jarvis, Robin O'Kane, Ruth Fili, Gerry Riordan, Br Leo Harnett, Patria Pahila, Joan Golding

COLLECTIONS:

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

Last week:

AP's: Envelopes: Cash Peter's Pence

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. Blenheim | Kaikoura | Picton | Seddon

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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)

Parish Priest: Fr Giltus Mathias CP ParishPriest@staroftheseamarlb.co.nz **Priest in Charge: Jacob Kuman** iacob.kuman@passionists.com Past Assist: Sr Maureen Connor SMSM maureensmsm@yahoo.co.nz 03 319 5385 **Past Assist: Sr Frances Anna SMSM** franciesmsm@amail.com

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Newsletter 25 25th July 2021 17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Dear Grandfathers and Grandmothers. Dear Elderly Friends,

"I am with you always" (Mt 28:20): this is the promise the Lord made to his disciples before he ascended into heaven. They are the words that he repeats to you today, dear grandfathers and grandmothers, dear elderly friends. "I am with you always" are also the words that I, as Bishop of Rome and an elderly person like yourselves, would like to address to you on this first World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly. The whole Church is close to you – to us - and cares about you, loves you and does not want to leave you alone!

I am well aware that this Message comes to you at a difficult time: the pandemic swept down on us like an unexpected and furious storm; it has been a time of trial for everyone, but especially for us elderly persons. Many of us fell ill, others died or experienced the death of spouses or loved ones, while others found themselves isolated and alone for long periods.

The Lord is aware of all that we have been through in this time. He is close to those who felt isolated and alone, feelings that

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became more acute during the pandemic. Tradition has it that Saint Joachim, the grandfather of Jesus, felt estranged from those around him because he Continued on inside.

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had no children; his life, like that of his wife Anne, was considered useless. So the Lord sent an angel to console him. While he mused sadly outside the city gates, a messenger from the Lord appeared to him and said, "Joachim, Joachim! The Lord has

heard your insistent prayer". Giotto, in one of his celebrated frescoes, seems to set the scene at night, one of those many sleepless nights, filled with memories, worries and longings to which many of us have come to be accustomed.

The Lord continues to send angels to console our loneliness and to remind us: "I am with you always". He says this to you, and he says it to me. That is the meaning of this Day, which I wanted to celebrate for the first time in this particular year, as a long period of isolation ends and social life slowly resumes. May every grandfather, every grandmother, every older person, especially those among us who are most alone, receive the visit of an anael!

At times those angels will have the face of our grandchildren, at others, the face of family members, lifelong friends or those we have come to know during these trying times, when we have learned how important hugs and visits are for each of us. How sad it makes me that in some places these are still not possible!

The Lord, however, also sends us messengers through his words, which are always at hand. Let us try to read a page of the Gospel every day, to pray with the psalms, to read the prophets! We will be comforted by the Lord's faithfulness. The Scriptures will also help us to understand what the Lord is asking of our lives today. For at every hour of the day (cf. Mt 20:1-16) and in every season of life, he continues to send labourers into his vineyard. I was called to become the Bishop of Rome when I had reached, so to speak, retirement age and thought I would not be doing anything new. The Lord is always - always - close to us. He is close to us with new possibilities, new ideas, new consolations, but always close to us. You know that the Lord is eternal; he never, ever goes into retirement.

From Message of Pope Francis World Day for Grandparents and the elderly

July 25th 2pm Nativity Church. Singing old-time hymns, (some with a more modern twist) and hear some

of our local organists. Come and join us.—Gold coin donation



"In a third dream the angel ordered him to rise, take the child and his mother, and return to the land of Israel" (Pope Francis Paris Corde)

The 150th Anniversary of the Proclamation of St Joseph as Patron of the universal Church

Quote from ADW Ecology, Justice and Peace Advisor

How many times we turn away so as not to see our brothers in need! And this looking away is a polite way to say, with white gloves, "Sort it out for yourselves". And this is not Jesus' way: this is selfishness. Had he sent away the crowds, many people would have been left with nothing to eat. Instead those few loaves and fish, shared and blessed by God, were enough for everyone.

Pope Francis: Angelus 3 August 2014

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Parish Stall: David Marwick has procured a variety of items that would be lovely gifts for relatives going through the sacramental programme around the country and is open after each weekend mass or by arrangement with the Parish Office during the week. August

Communion to the Sick: If you have a family member housebound or in hospital and would like a priest to visit or someone to take Communion. please contact the Parish Office or Judith Kerridge 578 6209

Roses for memorial garden—would you like to donate a rose for the memorial garden by the administration rooms? Phone the parish office for more details.

Prayer for the Beatification of **Venerable Suzanne Aubert**

Lord Jesus Christ, you taught us that as often as we show compassion to the least of your brothers and sisters, we show it to you. Hear our prayers that the intercession of Venerable Suzanne Aubert, who supported the Maori people and devoted her life to the poor, the sick and the underprivileged, and whom the Church has declared to be one of your true and humble followers, will be recognized in a miraculous healing by the Church and will lead to her beatification. Amen

Pax Christi Aotearoa NZ invites vou to join this study and discussion. On line. Tues 20, 27 July -3rd Aug 7.30pm—9pm. Enquires Bridget Crisp rsm 021-7299-44. Further information on notice board.

Getting married?

An Engaged Encounter weekend builds a solid foundation for your marriage. Remaining weekends this year are 17 & 18 July and 30 & 31 October, at the Catholic Presbytery, 301 Karori Road, Karori, Wellington.

To enrol, go to our website at www.cee-wellington.co.nz Here's what one couple said after they attended "We have grown to love each other more....we had not thought this

was possible. Thanks." For information or to register contact Simon & Kate 027 486 0700

Parish Calendar

Aug 1.. Stewardship Sounds (5) Aug 2...Stewardship Kaikoura (7)

Aug 3...Wairau Stewardship (7)

Aug 5..BLN Mass, Bethsaida (10.45)

Aug 10.. Review Group (5.30) then Parish Pastoral Council (7)

Aug 17.. Finance & Property Com. (7)

Aug 18..BHM women's friendship grp At a local café (10)

September

Sep 2.. BLN Mass Bethsaida (10.45)

Sep 5.. Sounds Stewardship (5)

Sep 6..Wairau Stewardship (7)

Sep 13.. Review Group (5.30) then Parish Pastoral Council

Sep 21.. Finance & Property Com (7)

October

Community Foodbanks:

Our Community Food Banks help people in need. This is a collaborative work of Churches, other organisations and individual people in our towns. The bins in our churches are cleared every week so donations can be made outside of the times listed. There is a desperate need at the moment.

Star of the Sea Collects as follows:

1st Sunday @ Blenheim

We Urgently Need rolled oats, spaghetti, baked beans, canned fish, flour, sugar, baby food, spreads & jams, toiletries, milk powder and other non-perishable foods.

> 1st Sunday @ Kaikoura All Sundays @ Picton

We do not require anymore empty egg cartons. Thank you for your support