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 Priests: Fr Michael McCabe ParishPriest@staroftheseamarlb.co.nz Fr Jacob Kuman jacob.kuman@passionists.com Past Assist: Sr Maureen Connor SMSM maureensmsm@vahoo.co.nz 03 319 5385 Past Assist: Sr Frances Anna SMSM franciesmsm@gmail.com Manager/Secretary: Ginetta Petersen Youth Ministers: Maurice & Mieke Davies stmarysyouthgroup@xtra.co.nz 022 391 8584 Parish Pastoral Council Chair: Greg Stretch Finance Committee Chair: Tom Harrison

Newsletter 3-13 February 2022 6th Sunday Ordinary time. World Marriage Day

On Monday the 14th we will celebrate St Valentine's Day, both young and old people will renew their commitments to each other. Everyone will be sending flowers, love letters and long emails to each other telling them how much they mean to them or to each other. A moment when most of those hidden feelings will come to surface and they will utter these precious words to the love of their life. Here is a beautiful prayer to go with that special occasion of Valentine's Day!

Lord Jesus, grant that we may have a true and understanding love for each other. Grant that we may both be filled with faith and trust. Give us the grace to live with each other in peace and harmony.

May we always bear with one another's weakness and grow from each other's strengths. Help us to forgive one another's failings, and grant us patience, kindness, cheerfulness, and the spirit of placing the well-being of one another ahead of self.

May the love that brought us together grow and mature with each passing year. Bring us both ever closer to you through our love for each other. Let our love grown to perfection. Amen



Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Readings: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary time—World Marriage Sunday

Sunday 13 Feb: Jer. 17:5-8 1Cor. 15:12-20 Luke 6:17-26

Psalm: Blessed the one who trusts in the Lord

Mon 14 Feb: James 1:1-11 Mark 8:11-13 Sts Cyrill & Methodius

Tues 15 Feb: James 1:12-18 Mark 8:14-21 **Wed 16 Feb:** James 1:19-27 Mark 8:22-26 **Thus 17 Feb:** James 2:1-9 Mark 8:27-33

Seven Founders of the order of Servites

Fri 18 Feb: James 2:14-26 Mark 8:34-39:1 **Sat 19 Feb:** James 3:1-10 Mark 8:34-39:1

Day of Prayer & Penance for Victims of Abuse & Violence

Readings: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary time

Sunday 20 Feb: 1Sam 26:2-23 1 Corth 15:45-49 Luke 6:27-38

ST MARY'S YOUTH GROUP has kicked off this term, with 2 groups on Weds evenings. Juniors: (year 9), 5.30pm - 7pm, and Seniors (year 10 - 13), 7pm - 8.30pm. 25 person limit, Masks must be worn. New members welcome. Queries to Maurice and Mieke Davies 0223918584 stmarysyouthgroup@xtra.co.nz



Youth group would like to thank those who have donated couches to our youth rooms! One more wouldn't go astray, so if anyone else has one in good condition, surplus to requirements, please get in touch! 0223918584

<u>Liturgy Meeting Thursday 17th February 7pm</u> Administration Meeting Room Contact Viv Southby 021-054-4003

IGNATIAN RETREAT: 'Lead Me By Your Spirit, Lord'. Take time out of your busy schedule to focus on where God is present in your life and where the Holy Spirit might be leading you. A series of led reflections offered by Ignatian trained Spiritual Director Kirsten Challies. 10am - 3pm on Saturday, March 5 after 9.30am Mass, at the Star of the Sea Community Centre, Maxwell Road. Bring your lunch, a pen and paper. All costs covered. Vaccine Passes required. For more information:

contact Jenny McElhinney 0274242003 or Anita Fredericks 5785697



Engaged Encounter is a weekend experience for couples intending to be married. There are 3 weekends in 2022. (19 - 20th March, 16 - 17th July and 12 ⁻13th November). The weekends are held at the Catholic Presbytery, 301 Karori Road. For more details go to our website http://www.cee-wellington.co.nz/ Phone Kate and Simon Olson. 027486700 or email simonolsen@gmail.com

Sandra and Geoff Best Co-ordinators of Catholic Engaged Encounter. Sandybest013@gmail.com Mon 027 615 4498

Quote from ADW Ecology, Justice and Peace Advisor

In the Treaty of Waitangi, we find the moral basis for our presence in Aotearoa New Zealand and a vision that sets this country apart. We hold in our hands a great treasure the opportunity to create a society that truly honours the rights of its indigenous people. NZ Catholic Bishops Conference. 1995

Mass Schedules at Covid Traffic light System for

Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

No Vaccine Pass required for Masses and Liturgies from Tuesday through to 9:30am Saturday. Registration for Blenheim Masses is necessary, fill in the form in the foyer. (please note it is a new format)

Tuesday 15 February-

Blen Mass 9.30am Kaikoura W&C 9.30am

Wednesday 16 February-

Picton Mass 9am Kaikoura W&C 9:30am Blen Mass12:05 Kaikoura Rosary 7pm

Thursday 17 February-

Blen Mass 9.30am Kaikoura Scripture 11am Kaikoura W&C 5:15pm

Friday 18 February—

Blen Mass 12:05 Kaikoura W&C 9.30am

Saturday 19 February

Blen Mass 9.30am

Sat 19 February

Blenheim-5pm Mass— Vaccine Pass required

Sun 20 February

Vaccine Pass required

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

No Vaccine Pass required

Kaikoura—5pm W&C
Blenheim—5pm Mass—
Registration required for
Blenheim
Reconciliation is available
after weekday Mass or by
Appointment.

Synod opportunities... be part of the adventure!

Pope Francis is inviting us all to partake in the future of the Church by discerning together the journey that we are on. Have you taken up his invitation to participate in this global conversation about the Catholic Church? Over the next few weeks at Star of the Sea you will have an opportunity to join a group where you can prayerfully discern a specific topic. You can also make a personal submission. All submissions are due by 30 April 2022. For more information

see www.wn.catholic.org.nz/about/
archdiocesan-synod/

Tongan Relief



Sacred Heart
Kaikoura sent \$1,320 to
help families in great need
after the volcanic eruption
and Tsunami. It was sent
electronically to the SMSM
sisters in Nukualofa on 1st

February and distributed immediately.

<u>Columbian Families</u>. We have some new Columbian Families who would like some support in connecting with Church. Do you speak Spanish? Or perhaps you are able to use Google translate? For more information Please contact Dermot O'Connor 027-233-2301



Wed Feb 16 10am Blenheim
Women's Friendship Group
meets at Mitre 10 Café

Parish Calendar February 2022

February 2022
Feb 13.. Sounds
Stewardship (5)
Feb 15.. Finance &
Property Com (7)
Feb 16.. BHM
Women's Friendship Grp at local
café (10)
Feb 27.. Official
installation of Fr
Michael McCabe as
Parish Priest &
Farewell for

Fr Jacob

March 2022

Mar 1 .. Wairau Stewardship (7) Mar 2.. Ash Wednesday Mar 6... Sounds Stewardship (5) Mar 8.. Parish Council (7) Mar 15.. Finance & Property Com (7) Mar 16.. BHM Women's Friendship Grp at local café (10)

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Building a love that lasts

NATIONWIDE VIRTUAL DATE NIGHT 13TH FEB 7.30 PM

- Stay at home with some wine + cheese
- Tune into a live talk with Megan + Nahum Kozak of Lighthouse Relationships
- Featuring a live Q&A

FREE REGISTRATION EVENTS.CDH.NZ

Sponsored by the Catholic Network of Marriage Educators

<u>Link for Mass Registration for Blenheim</u> <u>weekend Masses</u> Open 9am Wed—12noon Friday.

Mass Registrations | Archdiocese of Wellington (catholic.org.nz)

To book by phone Contact Belinda Vavasour 5782628 or 021774858 by 11am Friday.

When you arrive at Church you need to state that you have booked in. It's important to arrive in plenty of time for the Mass, as once Mass has started your seat may be given to someone else.

Let Us Remember in our Prayers and at Mass:

Recently Deceased: Norma Webb, Flo Andrews, Jim Lowe, Elsie McManaway, Mike Loder (Auckland), Ava Taylor (Nelson), Po Chue Sue

Anniversaries: February 2 Susan Kelly **5** Betty Fleming, Family members of O&M Hickman

Other Intentions: Margaret Schultz, Fr. Joe Keegan, Dan Murphy, Arlo Eygenraam, Paul Harnett, Fr Dave Gledhill, Beavon Undrill, Harvey Howard

COLLECTIONS:

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

Last week:

AP's: \$2,335.84 Envelopes: \$ 422.40 Cash \$ 262.68