



# 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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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)

## Picton

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

## 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.



## Newsletter No 25: 30 June 2019 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time

### 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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### Jesus Calls Us On The Journey

Many people spoke to me when Fr John died how he spoke very powerfully on that 3rd Sunday of Easter, during his final Mass at St Mary's. They spoke of how he talked of being intentional disciples of Jesus. Of following Jesus day in, day out, of not losing sight of the Risen Lord who constantly calls us to follow Him.

Today's Gospel of St Luke very much strikes a similar theme. Jesus sets his face to go to Jerusalem, which is where he will face trial and a shameful death, and where he will rise again. As Luke puts it "the days drew near for him to be taken up" - to his Father in glory.

Each day we too are called to follow Jesus. Pope Francis urges us in his first letter "The Joy of the Gospel" to make an offering of ourselves each day as we arise—to know that we walk beside the Lord each day from the day of our Baptism.

Many things try to deflect us, or pull us aside from this path. We see this in the Gospel passage. Jesus warns one man "Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." Following Jesus, will bring us to hardship, opposition and even lack of comfort! Am I ready for the Cross Jesus asks me to carry?

We often have urges of the heart that can lead us away from Jesus. Like the man who first wants to say farewell to those at home.

However, the call of Jesus to follow Him and to spread his Good News must come before even our human loves and attachments.

Let us all pray to the Holy Spirit to guide us to make wise choices in our life, and to first and foremost love and follow the Lord Jesus who is among us. God bless you and your loved ones. Fr. Pat CP

### Readings for Thirteenth Week Ordinary Time

Sun 30th: 1Kings 19:16,19-21 Galatians 5:1,13-18 Luke 9:51-62

**Psalm Response: You are my inheritance O Lord**

Mon 1st July: Genesis 18:16-33 Matthew 8:18-22

Tues 2nd: Genesis 19:15-29 Matthew 8:23-27

Wed 3rd: Ephesians 2:19-22 Matthew 20:24-29 **St Thomas, Apostle**

Thu 4th: Genesis 22:1-19 Matthew 9:1-8

Fri 5th: Genesis 23:1-4;19-24:1-8,62-67 Matthew 9:9-13

Sat 6th: Genesis 27:1-5,15-29 Matthew 9:14-17

### **Fourteenth Week Ordinary Time**

Sun 7th: Isaiah 66:10-14 Galatians 6: 14-18 Luke 10:1-12,17-20

## All Catholics must be missionaries: Francis + John

Published: 11 June 2019

By virtue of their Baptism, all Catholics are called to be missionaries, sharing the good news of salvation in Jesus by their actions and their words, Pope Francis said yesterday. Source: *Crux*.

"The importance of renewing the Church's missionary commitment and giving fresh evangelical impulse to her work of preaching and bringing to the world the salvation of Jesus Christ" is the focus of Francis's message for World Mission Sunday, October 20, and for the special celebration October as "Missionary Month".

The Pope's message, "Baptised and sent: the Church of Christ on mission in the world", was published by the Vatican yesterday.

The "Missionary Month" will mark the 100th anniversary of Pope Benedict XV's 1919 apostolic letter, *Maximum Illud*, on the Church's missionary activity.

The document, Francis said, has two key messages that Catholics need to hear today: every Christian has a responsibility to share the Gospel; and the universality of salvation in Jesus means that all people are children of God and brothers and sisters to each other, which means rejecting "all forms of nationalism and ethnocentrism or the

merging of the preaching of the Gospel with the economic and military interests of colonial powers."

Baptism and membership in the Church go together and are essential for salvation, the Pope said. And they also can contribute to peace and harmony in the world.

The mission of sharing the Gospel and offering them the gift of baptism "is part of our identity as Christians," the Pope said. "It makes us responsible for enabling all men and women to realise their vocation to be adoptive children of the Father, to recognize their personal dignity and to appreciate the intrinsic worth of every human life, from conception until natural death."

When God is rejected as the father of all, he wrote, people no longer recognize each other as brothers and sisters and no longer feel obligated to respect each other's lives.

"Without the God of Jesus Christ, every difference is reduced to a baneful threat, making impossible any real fraternal acceptance and fruitful unity within the human race," Francis wrote.

In the photo below US missionary Dr Tom Catena examines a patient at a hospital in the Nuba Mountains of Sudan (CNS/Paul Jeffrey)

From +John...

27 June 2019 Issue No: 202

Kia tau te rangimarie ki a koutou,

This evening at St Joseph's Mt Victoria a Mass will be celebrated to give thanks for 50 years of Caritas

Aotearoa New Zealand, (the Catholic Agency for Justice, Peace and Development). In December 1965, Pope Paul VI promulgated the document, the Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World known as *Gaudium et Spes*. The very first sentence of that document said, "**The joys and the hopes, the griefs and the anxieties of the men (and women) and this age, especially those who are poor or in any way afflicted, these are the joys and hopes, the griefs and the anxieties of the followers of Christ.**" The Bishops of the time established the Committee for Catholic Overseas Aid, and Caritas grew out of that.

Today we give thanks for the amazing work Caritas has done over the past 50 years. It is also the chance to reflect on the challenge which belongs to all of us to reach out to the poor and underprivileged. It could be easy to think that Caritas is doing all the work and the rest of us don't need to do anything. Pope Francis reminded those gathered in Rome for the Caritas Internationalis Meeting a few weeks ago; "**For one who wants to follow the path of charity, humility and listening, it means turning an ear to the small ones.**" Francis said. "**In the world, those who have more speak more, but among us it cannot be that way because God loves to reveal himself through those who are small and last.**" He is inviting all of us to listen to and care for "**the small ones,**" those who struggle in life.

It is important to remember that Catholic responses to poverty and injustice didn't start 50 years ago with the work of Caritas, AND it does not end with Caritas, it is part of OUR mission. The Church's mission of caring for the poor and working



for justice is part of who we are, and is founded on:

- The teaching and example of Jesus, who sought out the company of his society's outcasts, who fed the hungry and healed the sick, and who identifies totally with the poor in saying, "**I was hungry and you gave me something to eat.**"
- The Old Testament's law and tradition which challenge us to make allocations from the harvest for the poor, (how do we apply that in 2019?) to care for widows and orphans, to welcome the stranger, to ensure that workers are treated justly, the sustainable use of the earth.
- There are the challenges of the Prophets who denounced injustice and called people back to being in right relationship with God and with each other.
- We look too at the traditions and example of the early church, in their attempt to start a radical community in which no one was excluded, in which those who shared the Eucharist also shared their bread and their homes. (Acts 2: 42-47)
- Saints and holy people throughout the history of the church, such as St Francis of Assisi who continues to provide a vivid example of listening to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.
- There are also the formal teachings of the Church, especially those documents identified

as Catholic Social Teaching, that rich treasure trove of teaching in which our moral teaching is applied to political and social questions.

Please continue to pray for the work of Caritas and reflect on how each of us can make it our mission too.

Every blessing Naku noa

+John

**"Happiness cannot be travelled to, owned, earned, worn or consumed. Happiness is spiritual experience of living every minute with love, grace, and gratitude "** Denis Waitley

### Ignoring the Poor Falsifies the Gospel: Pope

Published: 14 June 2019

Christians must not underestimate the importance of embracing and assisting the poor, oppressed and outcast, Pope Francis said yesterday. Source: *CNS*.

Not only did Jesus entrust his disciples with the task of continuing his ministry on earth by giving hope to the poor, but "the credibility of our proclamation and the witness of Christians depends on it," the Pope said in a message released for the World Day of the Poor, to be held later this year.

"Faced with countless throngs of the poor, Jesus was not afraid to identify with each of them" and tell his disciples "whatever you did to one of the least of these my brethren, you did to me," the Pope said. "If we refuse to make this identification, we falsify the Gospel and water down God's revelation," he said.

"If the disciples of the Lord Jesus wish to be genuine evangelisers, they must sow tangible seeds of hope," he said in the message, released by the Vatican yesterday on the feast of St Anthony of Padua, patron saint of the poor.

The World Day of the Poor — marked each year on the 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time — will be celebrated November 17 this year and, based on Psalm 9:19, will focus on "The hope of the poor shall not perish forever."

The commemoration and the period of reflection and action preceding it are meant to encourage Christians and people of goodwill "to cooperate effectively so that no one will feel deprived of closeness and solidarity," the Pope said in the message. Outlining some of the many old and "new forms of bondage that enslave" people in seriously unjust economic or social situations, the Pope asked how people could continue to ignore or not be moved by the plight of these people.

The exploited, unemployed, refugees, orphans, minors brutally torn from their parents, people violated in prostitution or by narcotics, immigrants and the homeless all can end up becoming "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".



## A DAY FOR THE WORKS OF CHARITY

**The Peter's Pence collection is a gesture of solidarity. Through it, every member of the faithful can participate in the Pope's activity. It is an activity that supports the most needy and ecclesial communities in difficulty who approach the Apostolic See for help.**

It is an ancient practice which began with the first community of the apostles. It continues to be repeated because charity distinguishes the disciples of Jesus: "From this, they will all know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another" (Jn. 13, 35).

With this gift, we can broaden

our gaze and our hearts to embrace the Church scattered throughout the world. The Church then becomes a companion for families and peoples on their journey toward human, spiritual and material development, for the benefit of all societies.

Peter's Pence represents a small offering, accompanied by grand desires and visions. It is an offering that each member of the faithful decides to give to the Pope so that he can provide for the needs of the entire Church, especially in those places where the Church experiences greater difficulties.

Traditionally, the Peter's Pence collection takes place throughout the Catholic world. The date depends on each diocese. It may be taken up **on 29 June, the Solemnity of the Holy Apostles, Saints Peter and Paul**, or on the Sunday closest to that feast.

Taken from the Vatican website [www.peterspence.va/en.html](http://www.peterspence.va/en.html)



"When you meet with the one in greater need, your heart will begin to enlarge, to enlarge, to enlarge! Because our coming together multiplies our capacity to love." Francis

# Parish Calendar, News & Notices

## Weekend Mass Times

### 13th Sunday (5)

#### Sat June 29

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat

#### Sun June 30

Seddon (8am) Fr Jacob  
Picton (9am) Mass/Fr Pat  
Kaikoura (9.30) Mass/Fr Marlon  
Blenheim (10am) Fr Jacob  
Havelock (11am) Mass/Fr Pat

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

### 14th Sunday (1)

#### Sat July 6

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat

#### Sun July 7

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

**Jul 8-13 .. CP Provincial Chapter. Fr Pat then returns, possibly with Fr Joey Liaia CP**

### 15th Sunday (2)

#### Sat July 13

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Julian

#### Sun July 14

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

### 16th Sunday (3)

#### Sat July 20

Blenheim (5pm) Mass/Fr Pat

#### Sun July 21

Seddon (8am) Mass/Fr Julian  
Picton (9am) Mass/Fr Pat  
Kaikoura (9.30) **W&C**  
Blenheim (10am) Mass/ Fr Julian  
Havelock (11am) Mass/Fr Pat  
Renwick (4) Mass/Fr Pat  
Tongan Mass (2) Fr Sanele

### 17th Sunday (4)

#### Sat July 27

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat

#### Sun July 28

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

## Parish News & Events Concert postponed

Due to groups having to pull out of the planned concert this Friday, for various reasons, it has been decid-

ed to postpone it till next term and to change the format a bit. As well as a concert, the vintage Vibes will also play, so pull out your dancing shoes, ready for a good jive. Our apologies for the inconvenience.

## Power outage:

As the builders and painters are going to be working around the electricity lines at the north-East end of St Mary's Church, the power will be disconnected from 1-5 July. Mass and Exposition on Friday 5th will be in the Mercy Room.

## Wairau Stewardship Area-Churches and Presbyteries forum

The Wairau Stewardship Committee warmly invites all parishioners to a forum meeting on Sunday 30 June at 2pm in the Mercy Room, to discuss the Cardinal's document on "Churches and Presbyteries", as shared in the parish newsletter on 24 February. This will have a special focus on the physical resources within the Wairau catchment, namely St Mary's Blenheim and St Francis de Sales Renwick.

This is a chance for you to share your opinion and offer ideas on how we might re-organise and direct our resources to future mission. Those unable to attend are able to make a written submission prior to the day via the Parish Office or email [office@staroftheseamarlb.co.nz](mailto:office@staroftheseamarlb.co.nz)

## Ecology, Justice & Peace (EJP) Commission:

The EJP Commission is seeking expressions of interest for membership and South Island representation on the Poverty Committee. This is one of the 4 committees which make recommendations to the Commission. The time commitment is to attend 6 evening meetings a year (**via Zoom/ Skype**), a formation day later 2019, and to carry out the agreed work of the Committee. Anyone interested in joining, please contact [deb.lawson@xtra.co.nz](mailto:deb.lawson@xtra.co.nz)

## Blenheim Mass Rosters

The rosters for the various Mass ministries are in the foyer to pick up for those who have not had them emailed out. If you have not received your roster, please contact Belinda Vavasour on 5782628

## June 30.. Combined Church Service

At the Union church Picton, 6pm. All Welcome.

## July 13..Dove Catholic Fellowship for Women will meet on **at 2pm.**

This month we are going to study a

piece of scripture using the **Lectio Divina** method. Come and join us and maybe learn something new. We look forward to seeing you in the Parish Centre at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, William Street, Richmond. Contact Mary 03 5410770. For more information. [www.dove.org.nz](http://www.dove.org.nz)

**Parish to Parish for B & B'** has been providing Catholic hospitality for 16 years, with catholic hosts opening their homes to fellow Catholics for a small charge of \$35 for one person, or \$30 each for 2 or more, this is per night and includes continental breakfast. To obtain a directory of the hosts throughout New Zealand and Australia contact Marie Anderson, email [marie.ian@xtra.co.nz](mailto:marie.ian@xtra.co.nz) or phone 03 3595 541 Christchurch. The book including postage is \$15

## Parish Calendar

### July-August

Jul 3.. Awatere Stewardship  
Jul 7.. Sounds Stewardship (5)  
Jul 8-13 .. CP Provincial Chapter  
Jul 23.. Pastoral Council, Finance & Property  
Jul 26.. BHM Anointing Mass  
Jul 28.. Rite of Presentation of Candi



### 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.

### Star of the Sea Collects as follows

**1st Sunday @ Blenheim.**  
We **Urgently** Need *rolled oats, salt, sugar, baby food, spreads & jams, And other non-perishable foods*

**1st Sunday @ Kaikoura.**  
**All Sundays @ Picton & Havelock.**

### *Stewardship*

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

Gratitude can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend. It makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for the future.

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

**Recently Deceased:** Anne Hill, Joan Poff, John McManaway

### **Anniversaries:**

**June 22:** Margaret Stretch **July 2:** Tony Price

**Other Intentions:** Mark & Melissa Jeffries, Beavan Undrill

## COLLECTIONS:

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

AP's:	\$3759.00
Envelopes:	\$5019.50
Loose:	\$ 864.90
Peter Pence:	\$ 50.00

thank you!