



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: 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
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



**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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**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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24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

God's Mercy and Forgiveness.

Jesus went to and ate with the tax collectors and sinners and he coped a lot of criticisms from the Pharisees and Scribes. So, he told them this most amazing parable of the Prodigal Son. God's mercy is so great that we can't even comprehend. We all are familiar with the story of the son who took all his possessions and went on a long journey and squanders it all. After a big famine he decided to go back to his father and family again. He prepared his return speech to tell his father that he is no longer fit to be called his son anymore. He should treat him as one of his hired men.

Unknown to the son the father still longs for his son he still misses him. Waiting for him day and night looking out his window to see if he would come back. Then one day the father see's his son from far away and the ran towards the son . The father was so happy to see his son return that he forgot everything the son has taken from him previously and spend it abroad. He embraces him and even before the son could speak the father ask the workers to have a feast in his honor. Because he has him back well and alive.

The same is true for us when we decided to return back to God and ask for forgiveness from Him. The only time I think God run towards us is when we decided to go back to God. He runs to us and embraces us at the moment and forgives us totally and freely. He didn't ask anything else from us but to be continue to be faithful to Him. So we are being forgiven by God freely and totally and are called God's sons and daughters. Therefore, we too have to forgive our neighbors, our families and loved one freely and totally. We can't have double standards, if we ask forgiveness from God then we must be ready to forgive others who have done us harm or wrong. Two sides of the same coin.

Fr Jacob Kuman CP

Readings for Twenty Fourth Week Ordinary Time

Sun 15th: Exodus 32:7-11,13-14 1Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-32

Psalm Response: Do not forget the word of the Lord

Mon 16th: 1Timoty 2:1-8 Luke 7:1-10 **Sts Cornelius, P.M., & Cyprian, B.M.**

Tues 17th: 1Timothy 3:1-13 Luke 7:11-17

Wed 18th: 1Timothy 3:14-16 Luke 7:31-35

Thurs 19th: 1Timothy 4:12-16 Luke 7:36-50

Fri 20th 1Timothy 6:2-12 Luke 8:1-3

Sts Andrew Taegon, Paul Chong Hasang & Comps. Mm

Sat 21st: Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13 Matthew 9:9-13

St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

Twenty Fifth Week Ordinary Time

Sun 22nd: Amos 8:4-7 1 Timothy 2:1-8 Luke 16:1-13

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Weekend Mass Times

24th Sunday (3)

Sat Sep 14

Blenheim-5pm Mass/ Fr Pat

Sun Sep 15

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

Renwick (5) Mass/Fr Jacob

25th Sunday (4)

Sat sept 21

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Jacob

Sun Sept 22

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-Community get together

Sept 24-25

Fr Pat & Jacob in Wgtn at Formation Day

26th Sunday (5)

Sat Sep 28

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat

Sun Sep 29

Seddon-8am **W&C**

Picton-9am Mass/Fr Jacob

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/Fr Pat

Blenheim-10am **W&C**

Havelock-11am Mass/Fr Jacob

27th Sunday (1)

Sat Oct 5

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Jacob

Sun Oct 6

Seddon-8am Mass/Fr

Picton-9am Mass/Fr

Kaikoura-9.30 **W&C**

Blenheim-10am Mass/Fr

Havelock-11am Mass/Fr

28th Sunday (2)

Sat Oct 12

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat

Sun Oct 13

Seddon-8am **W&C**

Picton-9am Mass/Fr

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/Fr

Blenheim-10am **W&C**

Havelock-11am Mass/Fr

Parish News & Events

John Pearce's family

Peter, Helen & Bryan will be arriving this Wed, 18th to stay for a week. They will be based at the Presbytery, but will be going out and about.

Proposed Alternative Abortion Law: The Nathaniel Centre has prepared a 2-page (double-sided) resource. It

includes details of how a submission can be made. You will find it in the foyer of your church. Final date for submissions is 19th Sept.

Pilgrimage to Wellington

There is a pilgrimage making its way up the South Island, spending time in Kaikoura on **Sat 14th** for a rosary followed by W & C on **Sunday 15th** morning then on to Blenheim for Rosary at 6pm, in the Church followed by Mass on **Monday 16th** at 9.30am in the Mercy Room. All are welcome to join in at any time.

Sep 22..Young Vinnies next meeting, 11am till 12.15pm at SM church. We will be practising songs that we will sing to and with the elderly at various places in our community next term. All welcome. If you'd like more information phone Tina on 021 262 1742.

Sep 27..St Mary's Womens' Friendship Group:

Anyone interested in attending a parish-based women's group on a monthly basis, we would like to hear from you. **2pm** in the Mercy Room. This will be a meet & greet afternoon to discuss the format of the group and ongoing activities. Come along for a cuppa & biscuit but mostly for conversation and good company. Put your name on the list in the church foyer or ring Jessie Gibbs 021 0863 5235.

October...Extraordinary Missionary Month: There will be a 6 session programme **Developing a Spirituality of Service** in parts of the Parish in October. Times and dates to be confirmed.

Oct 5.. Havelock Church Fair 10-2pm at the Town Hall. Craft, produce, preserves, raffles and other bargains. Prizes for the best dressed bike/scooter, judging at 12 noon. Details on your church noticeboard

Oct 12.. Men's Breakfast 8am at Foundry, John St, Bhm. \$15ea. RSVP by 9th Oct & sign up on the sheet in the foyer of your church. More info on Notice Board

Oct 14.. "Unplanned" Movie will be screened at Event Cinema at 6.30pm. It is the true story of Abby Johnston a former Director of a Planned Parenthood abortion facility. Enough tickets must be sold by **4th Oct** to make this

happen. Ticket money will be refunded if filming doesn't go ahead. To purchase a ticket go to Fan-Force.com/screenings

History of St Mary's Church to be documented Belinda Vava-sour is helping to document the history and will be calling on Parishioners and contractors to share their knowledge of the building and its contents.

The stained glass windows is one query: D. O'Connor, J Fitzgerald, J O'Leary, G Houldsworth, W Skilton, G C Walsh, M Maher, J Morrison, J Ward, J O'Brien, Fr Brice sm. If you have info on any of these names please contact Belinda.

Operation Christmas Child

This awesome annual project is starting again. Kaikoura has already been promoting it, and it is hoped all of our church communities will be able to fill some boxes, either individually or collectively. So start looking around for things to put in your box. Stationery, little toys and t-shirts (all new please) are a start. Boxes are available from the BHM Parish Stall this weekend And the St Vincent de Paul shop in Picton. If other Mass Centres wish to join in, boxes can be sent out with the priests.

Parish Calendar

September

Sep 8-14...Social Justice Week

Sep 17.. Pastoral Council, Finance & Property

Sep 27..Womens Friendship Grp

October: Extraordinary Month of Mission-100 yrs since the Apostolic letter Maximum Illud

Oct 1.. Wairau Stewardship (7)

Oct 5.. HV Church Fair

Oct 6..Celebration for Ven Suzanne Aubert

Oct 6 .. Sounds Stewardship (5)

Oct 12..Men's Breakfast

Oct 13..Prayer to Respect Life

Oct 14.. Sacred Heart Stewardship (7), every 2nd month

Oct 15.. Pastoral Council, Finance & Property

Oct 20...World Mission Sunday

Oct 20...BHM Multicultural event

November-December

Nov 3 .. Sounds Stewardship (5)

Nov 5.. Wairau Stewardship (7)

Nov 11.. Sacred Heart Steward-

Let Us Remember in our Prayers and at Mass:

Recently Deceased: Jean McMullan, Mary McConway, Bruce McKendry.

Anniversaries: Sept 13 Norman Marsh **15** Eileen O'Halloran **16** Sarah Edgar **19** Andrew Pratt

Other Intentions: Beavan Undrill

COLLECTIONS:

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

Last week:

AP's:	\$ 2292.60
Envelopes:	\$ 872.10
Loose:	\$ 451.00
Maori Pastoral Care	\$ 25.00

thank
you!