



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 con-  
tact 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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**21st Sunday of Ordinary Time**

A Warning against the Easy Road

As Jesus walks on his way to Jerusalem, someone asks him a question: "Lord, will only a few be saved?"

Jesus does not answer him directly. We often hear the opinion put in our day.

Something like: "Don't worry about hell. God is very good, so there is probably no one who misses getting to heaven."

Jesus himself seems to warn against such speculation. He seems to suggest to the speaker who asked the question, or such as you sometimes hear today - such speculation is unhelpful and misses the point. He says to each of us -

"Strive to enter through the narrow door!" In other words, don't worry about others - the Good News is addressed to you! - "You strive to enter by the narrow door." Do your very best to enter the Kingdom of heaven. In another place, we hear Jesus say -

"I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14: 6)

We each must do our level best to respond to God's call. Do I live in a manner of Christ-like love and kindness to people? Do I try to live by the 10 Commandments? Do I share what I have also with those less fortunate? Do I have a lively faith in Christ - committing myself to Him and his redeeming Love? Do I try to take part in the life of the Church, the community of those who follow Jesus?

Jesus says many will say: "Lord, open to us! . . . We ate and drank with you, and you taught in our streets." But Jesus says they will not be admitted.

In other words, just being near Jesus is not enough. Even coming to Mass is not enough. Being a card-carrying Catholic is not enough! We must allow Jesus to enter our heart and our mind, so we walk in a spirit of faith, hope and love. By believing in Him and following Jesus we have the best opportunity to enter the narrow door which is Jesus Himself. The Sacraments are all ways of meeting Jesus, so that we keep that faith and spirit of penance and love alive and active. In the sacraments, the Holy Spirit floods into our hearts to keep us close and IN Christ through his love.

God is abundant in his Love, and He invites everyone to enter the Kingdom, and to the Wedding Feast. Many from east and west, from north and south will come to the final Kingdom. But I have to continue to fix my eyes on Jesus and on his Blessed Mother, so that I too may share in God's Love and Glory in heaven.

God bless you all.

Pat McIndoe CP

**50th Anniversary of Profession:** Congratulations to Sr Frances Anna who celebrates on 24th August. We give thanks for your service to God and the order of missionary Sisters of the Society of Mary (smsm) and to the community in Kaikoura.

**Readings for Twenty First Week Ordinary Time**

**Sun 25th:** Isaiah 66:18-21 Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13 Luke 13:22-30

**Psalm Response: Go out to the world and tell the good news**

**Mon 26th:** 1Thessalonians 1:1-5,8-10 Matthew 23:13-22

**Tues 27th:** 1Thessalonians 2:1-8 Matthew 23:23-26 **St Monica**

**Wed 28th:** 1Thessalonians 2:9-13 Matthew 20:27-32 **St Augustine, B.D**

**Thurs 29th:** Jeremiah 1:17-19 Mark 1:17-19 **Passion of John the Baptist**

**Fri 30th:** 1Thessalonians 4:1-8 Matthew 25:1-13

**Sat 31st:** 1Thessalonians 4:9-12 Matthew 25:14-30

**Twenty Second Week Ordinary Time**

**Sun 1st Sept:** Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20,28-29 Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24  
Luke 14:1,7-14

# Parish Calendar, News & Notices

## Weekend Mass Times

### 21st Sunday (4)

#### Sat Aug 24

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat

#### Sun Aug 25

Seddon-8am Mass/Fr Sanele  
 Picton-9am Mass/Fr Pat  
 Kaikoura-9.30 Mass Alvin Ng SJ  
 Blenheim-10am Mass/Fr Sanele  
 Havelock-11am Mass/Fr Pat  
 Tongan Mass (2) Fr Sanele  
 Ward-4pm Mass/Fr Pat

### 22nd Sunday (1)

#### Sat Aug 31

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat

#### Sun Sep 1

Seddon-8am Mass/Fr Paul Shanahan  
 Picton-9am Mass/Fr Pat  
 Kaikoura-9.30 **W&C**  
 Blenheim-10am Mass/Fr Paul Shanahan  
 Havelock-11am Mass/Fr Pat

### 23rd Sunday (2)

#### Sat Sep 7

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Jacob

#### Sun Sep 8

Seddon-8am **W&C**  
 Picton-9am Mass/Fr Pat  
 Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/Fr Jacob  
 Blenheim-10am **W&C** Special morning tea to follow.  
 Havelock-11am Mass/Fr Pat

### 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  
 Tongan Mass (2) Fr Sanele  
 Renwick (5) Mass/Fr Pat

## Parish News & Events

### Sausage sizzle & Citrus

**Fundraiser!!** Youth Group is organising a year 8 camp in Oct for new youthies coming through, and so we need your help !! Please come next Sunday with some extra cash and join us for a \$2 Meaters sausage (with the works) after Mass! There will be several sausage sizzles this term to help raise the funds we need. We are also selling grapefruit and lemons that have been



kindly donated! Thank you!!!

### 31 AUG..ATTENTION ALL THOSE INTERESTED IN THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

There is a Seminar for all those interested in or are members of, the St Vincent de Paul Society on Saturday 31 August. This will be presented by the National Spiritual Advisor Fr Jeff Drane and held in Nelson. If you are keen, great, we'd love you to join us! You could get a lift from Margaret Schultz ph 578 4690 & mobile or Tina Connor 021 262 1742. departure 8am and return after at 3pm . Please contact us for more information or a lift. Thank you, your interest is valued.

### 1 Sep: Young Vinnies

Wonderful to see a young enthusiastic group of children learn about the St Vincent de Paul Society and brainstorm practical ways they can contribute. Next mtg Sun 1st Sept, 11am in the church. New members always welcome. For more info phone Tina on 021 262 1742.

### October...Extraordinary Missionary Month:

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

### History of St Mary's Church to be documented

As part of applying for funding to help with the strengthening of the church, a Conservation Architect has been employed to put together a proposal. Belinda Vavasour is helping to document the history and will be calling on Parishioners and contractors to share their knowledge of the building and its contents. All help you can give her would be appreciated. She has done this very well before and we look forward to seeing the results.

### Operation Christmas Child

This awesome annual project is about to kick off soon. Kaikoura has already started 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. Watch this space for more.

### Proposed Alternative Abortion Law:

This has now been referred to a Special Select Committee for further consideration and to give the public of New Zealand a chance to comment through the parliamentary submission process. You can find the Bill here: <http://legislation.govt.nz/bill/government/2019/0164/latest/whole.html#LMS237550>

All Catholics are encouraged to have their say. **The Submission process closes on Thursday 19 September:** [https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/sc/make-a-submission/document/52SCAL\\_SCF\\_BILL\\_89814/abortion-legislation-bill](https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/sc/make-a-submission/document/52SCAL_SCF_BILL_89814/abortion-legislation-bill)

To assist people in being better informed, **The Nathaniel Centre has prepared a 2-page (double-sided) resource on their behalf. this resource is available this weekend.** It includes details of how a submission can be made. You will find it in the foyer of your church.

## Parish Calendar

### August

Aug 28-30 .. John Burland, POSTPONED till next year

### September-October

**Sep 8 .. Feast of OL Star of the Sea.** Morning Tea to celebrate.

Sept 8-14...Social Justice Week

Sep 17.. Pastoral Council, Finance & Property

**October: Extraordinary Month of Mission-1000 yrs since the Apostolic letter Maximum Illud**

**Oct 6..Celebration for Ven Suzanne Aubert**

Oct 13..Prayer to Respect Life

Oct 15.. Pastoral Council, Finance

### Sunday Collection

In recent years, all money collected have been published in the newsletter every week. This has given a false impression of the funds available for expenses incurred. From now on the amounts shown will be the totals **AFTER** the levies for the Archdiocese and Clergy Trust Fund have been taken out. This is a more realistic view of actual finances available for Parish Use.

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

**Recently Deceased:** Pauline Hastings-nee Hickman (Wgtn) Jean Ivamy, Alison Skinner, Soane Patita (Tonga)

**Anniversaries: Aug 16** Kath Holden **19** Monica Daliessi **20** Kathleen Logan **21** Moran Costello **22** Dean Sutton **23** Bruno Daliessi, Ellen Gallagher **24** Terry Lacey, Noel Spencer **26** Eileen Hanley **28** Jim Hogg **29** Laurie Squire

**Other Intentions:** Norah Costello, all family & friends of O & M Hickman, deceased members of Hogg & O'Brien families

## COLLECTIONS:

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

### **Last week:**

AP's:	\$ 1243.00
Envelopes:	\$ 843.15
Loose:	\$ 586.00
Vocation Sunday	\$ 25.00
Maori Pastoral Care	\$ 25.00
Peters Pence	\$ 5.00
Holy Places	\$ 10.00

thank you!