Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Weekend Mass Times

Feast of Christ the King (4) Sat Nov 21

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat Sun Nov 22 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

Fr Pat away 22-28th Nov

1st Sunday of Advent (5) Sat Nov 28

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat Sun Nov 29

Seddon-8am Mass/Fr Pat Picton-9am W&C

Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/Fr Jacob Blenheim-10am Mass/Cardinal Community Picnic after Mass Havelock-11am No Mass

2nd Sunday of Advent (1) Sat Dec 5

Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Jacob Cuppa after Mass

Sun Dec 6 Seddon-8am Mass/ Fr Jacob Picton-9am Mass/Fr Pat

Cuppa after Mass Kaikoura-9.30 W&C Blenheim-10am Mass/Fr Jacob

Cuppa after Mass Havelock-11am Mass/ Fr Pat

3rd Sunday of Advent (2)

Sat Dec 12 Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Pat Sun Dec 13 Seddon-8am Mass/Fr Pat Picton-9am Mass/ Fr Jacob Kaikoura-9.30 W&C Blenheim-10am Mass/Fr Pat

4th Sunday of Advent(3)

Havelock-11am Mass/ Fr Jacob

Sat Dec 19 Blenheim-5pm Mass/Fr Sun Dec 20

Seddon-8am Mass/ Fr Picton-9am Mass/ Fr Pat Kaikoura-9.30 Mass/Fr Blenheim-10am W&C Havelock-11am Mass/Fr Renwick-5pm Mass/Fr

Parish News & Events With the ever-changing situation due to COVID-19,

some of the following events | hands make less work! may be postponed.

The Marlborough Singers Invite you to a concert of Choral Classics. The programme highlights Gabriel Faure's REQUIEM and includes Vaughan Williams' Five Mystical Songs, Handel's Zadok the Priest, Bach's Jesu, joy of man's desiring, and Felix Mendelssohn's Hear my Prayer. Also experience the magnificent new organ installed just this year in the Nativity church.

Our two soloists are Bass, Will King, Masters student from NZ school of music and Malvina Major emerging talent award winner. Amelia Berry, soprano, graduated from the NZ school of music and the Manhattan (US) school of music and sings with the NZ Opera Co. Nativity Church 7pm, Sat 28 Nov. \$25.00 Door sales only.

Sun 29 Nov: The Multicultural Committee warmly invites you to bring your deck chairs and some yummy food from your home coun tries for a parish picnic after 10am Mass. This will be held in the gardens outside the Community Centre. If the weather is bad it will be in the church foyer. Please contact Victoria Raw - 0212268315, Margaret Western -0211584426 or Viv Southby vivsouthby@kinect. co.nz for more information.

24 hours Adoration for Life and Faith - St Joseph's Picton -12/13 Dec. This event was post-

poned in August due to lockdown but now rescheduled for 8.45am Sat 12 Dec to 8.45am Sun 13 Dec (just prior to 9am Mass). A great opportunity to take a minipilgrimage during Advent to prepare for the celebration of Our Lord's Birth – come and pray for as little or as long as you want. There will be a shared BBQ on Saturday evening at 6.30pm or if you are an early bird, you can join us for breakfast at 6.30am Sunday morning before Mass!

See Parish Noticeboards or email kiwi.cooper@xtra.co.nz for a Prayer

St Joseph's - Working Bee - Sun 13 Dec 10am. Parishioners are invited to $len \overline{d}$ a hand preparing St Joseph's for First Holy Communion and Christmas celebrations. Many

13 Dec: Farewell to the Sisters of Mercy: the Sisters of Mercy have had a connection with the Parish since the order's arrival in Blenheim over 140 years ago, and a group of those who have been here at some time over the years would like to say goodbye at 10am Mass. There will be morning tea in the Community Centre afterwards, to give people a chance to talk about their memories.

St Joseph's - First Holy Communion Mass -Sun 20 Dec 9am John, McKenzie and Grace will receive their First Holy Communion at the 9am Mass. All welcome to join the celebration! Morning tea to follow.

Parish Calendar

November

Nov 22..300th Anniversary of the formation of the Pas sionist Order

Nov 23.. Annual Foodbank Drive

Nov 29.. St Mary's Community Picnic

<u>December</u> Dec ... Review Group Dec 6..1st Holy Communion BHM (10)

.. Sounds Stewardship (5) Dec 13.. Working bee PN (10) .. Farewell Sisters of Mer

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.

Annual Foodbank Drive 23 Nov from 6pm

Star of the Sea Collects as follows: 1st Sunday @ Blenheim

We Urgently Need rolled oats. salt, sugar, baby food, spreads & iams, and other non-perishable foods

1st Sunday @ Kaikoura All Sundays @ Picton & Havelock

Let Us Remember in our Prayers and at Mass:

Recently Deceased: Peter Hope, Catherine Maher (Wgtn), Patricia Hickman (Hawera), Patricia Swindells

Anniversaries:

Other Intentions: Kitty Collier, Harvey Howard, Beavan Undrill, Terri Byrne, Jim Loe, Paul McIntyre, Heather Alexander, Des Maney, Flo Andrews, Margaret Campbell (Chch), Francis Murphy (UK), Denise Urquhart (Chch), Mary Maher, Nancy Parsons, Joan Hoey, Norah & Moran Costello, Nancy & Jack Hickman

COLLECTIONS:

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

Last week:

AP's: \$ 1189.65 Envelopes: 624.80 Cash: 478.90 Peter's Pence \$ 10.00





When a priest is not available, Word & Communion will be led by parishioners.

Blenheim

Tues: 9.30am Mass Wed: 12.05pm Mass Rosary: 5.30pm Ph: 572 9067 or 5782507 for venue

Thurs: 9.30 am Mass Except 1st Thurs: Bethsaida 10.45am 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 No Mass)

Kaikoura

Tues: 9.30am **Wed:** 9.30am Wed: 7pm Rosarv **Thurs:** 5.15pm Fri: 9.30am Sun: 9.30am (1st & 3rd Sunday Word & Communion)

Picton

Mon: Adoration 4-5pm Wed: 9.00am Mass Adoration & Reconciliation: 9.30-10.30am Fri: 7.30pm Rosary -24 York Street

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 week-

end 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 &Sacred Heart Kaikoura are open every day if you want a quiet place for prayer.

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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Kia tau te rangimarie ki a koutou,

As you will be aware the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Historical Abuse in State Care and Faith Based Institutions- Faithbased Redress Hearing is holding a public hearing in Auckland from November 30 to 11 December. This particular part of the hearing is based on the Catholic Church, the Anglican Church and the Salvation Army, and will be hearing statements from those who have suffered abuse. In March next year Church representatives will appear to give their Briefs of Evidence and to answer questions.

This could well be a tumultuous and difficult time for the Church in New Zealand, however I ask you to remember that we as the Church asked to be involved in the Royal Commission. The preparation has not been easy. It has cost us an enormous amount of time in preparation of material, it has been difficult financially, but we knew that we needed to be involved. Many people all around the country have been working hard to prepare and provide the material the Commission needs to do its work. Please pray for all of us who are involved. Our hope is that this will make us a better Church, that we will be able to find out why abuse has occurred and how we can truly become a church at the service of all.

Sometimes there might be criticism of victims. I have heard Pope Francis say a number of times "put the victim first." Victims need to be heard, to be listened to and to be assured that abuse was not their fault.

Over these next few weeks and months, please pray for victims and perpetrators, for loyal and supportive Church-goers, and pray that we will be a Church which brings joy and hope, peace kindness into the lives of all, especially those who have been hurt.

I assure you that your prayers will be very much appreciated. Naku Noa

Naku noa + John

Tues 24th:

Readings for Feast of Christ The King

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17 1Corin 15:20-26,28 Matthew 25:31-46 Sun 22nd:

Psalm: Happy are those who fear the Lord Mon 23rd: Apocalypse 14:1-5

Luke 21:5-11 Apocalypse 14:14-19 St Andrew Dung-Lac, priest & Comp. Mm

Luke 21:1-4

Wed 25th: Apocalypse 15:1-4 Luke 21:12-19 Apocalypse 18:1-2,21-23;19:1-3,9 Luke 21:20-28 Thurs 26th: Fri 27th: Apocalypse 20:1-4,11-21:2 Luke 21:29-33 Sat 28th: Apocalypse 22:1-7 Luke 21:34-36

First Sunday of Advent

Sun 29th: Isaiah 63:16-17,64:1,3-8 1Corithans 1:3-9 Mark 13:33-37

300th Jubilee of the Passionist Order

Passionist Jubilee 1720 - 2020





On 22nd November, this year we mark 300 years since St Paul of the Cross was given the black habit by his Bishop, Bishop di Gattinara in Alessandria in Northern Italy. It has been traditionally seen as the foundation date of the Passionist Congregation.

The Holy Year of Jubilee goes from 22^{nd} November 2020 until 1^{st} January 2022. We will unveil a special Banner showing St Paul of the Cross at St Mary's Church on 22^{nd} November.

There will be various events that will happen through the Jubilee Year, we hope. A Special Committee for the Jubilee will be formed to assist the planning and organisation of the Jubilee in the Parish.

Last Sunday we showed a Video about the Jubilee Year at the major Masses in the Parish. This was for 5 minutes only. In Kaikoura because last Sunday was a special day for First Holy Communion, we will hold over the Video until this coming week.

The Theme of the Jubilee is _

Renewing our Mission: Gratitude, Prophecy, Hope

Fr Joachim Rego CP, the Superior General of the Passionists, writes:

"The celebration of the third Centenary of the founding of the Congregation is a celebration of a charism that we must proclaim with words and works. The focus should be 'keeping alive' alive the charism and not the institution.

It is not a celebration of our greatness or our successes, rather it is a celebration of the blessings of God during these three centuries and the fidelity of innumerable Passionists who, during their life and mission, and despite their human weakness and frailties, have kept alive the memory of the Passion of Jesus as a magnanimous and concrete act of the love of God. "

What is a charism? It is the special grace or gift of the Holy Spirit given to the Founder of an Order or Congregation to be continued in the life of the Church.

The special Charism of the Passionists is to keep alive the memory of the Passion of Jesus Christ.

"May the Passion of Jesus be always in our hearts."

Fr Pat & Jacob CP







A gift to Aotearoa New Zealand Schools and Parishes

Following the successful launch on Android platforms last year, the National Centre for Religious Studies (NCRS), are very pleased to announce the launch of **NZpray2day** for Apple devices.

NZpray2day is designed to support people, young and old, particularly in Catholic schools and parishes to enter simply into the richness of the ancient Christian cycle of seasons, saints and readings. It is not an exhaustive source of all information in these areas, but rather takes 'snapshots' and encourages people to seek a moment to reflect, pray and respond. It also brings in pieces of history to link this liturgical journey with aspects of the story of New Zealand and the wider world.

It is already proving an inviting and useful tool for individual, class and staff prayer for those in schools, and for whānau and parishioners throughout Aotearoa and abroad.

To install on Android or Apple devices simply go to Google "Play Store", or Apple's "App Store" search for **NZpray2day**, and install. It is completely free – a gift for you from NCRS and Te Kupenga.

This project has been a major labour of love and is deceptively complicated to create and maintain. Special acknowledgment goes to Jo Bell as the primary writer on the NCRS team, and Pierre Schmits as designer. Our simple hope is that **NZpray2day** helps people become more easily aware of the gentle cycle of days and months which link us to creation, the life of Jesus and the shared journey of the Church. It is a journey we walk together.

Ngā mihi nui,

Colin MacLeod, *Director*

National March for Life. You're invited to love them both by attending the fourth annual NA-TIONAL March for Life in Wellington on Saturday 5 December. Join pro-life Kiwis from all over NZ in a family-friendly celebration of life which also peacefully protests the practice and legality of abortion. Gather at Civic Square from 1pm for familyfriendly entertainment, sausage sizzle and pro-life stalls. March to Parliament Grounds begins at 2pm. Concludes at 4pm. Learn more about this important event at a critical moment in NZ's history: www.marchforlife.nz

You're invited to



LOVE THEM BOTH

SATURDAY 5 DECEMBER 2020

The NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE begins at 2pm Civic Square to Parliament Grounds

Gather from 1pm in Civic Square for family-friendly entertainment, sausage sizzle and pro-life stalls.

www.marchforlife.nz

A quote for the World Year of Mission

Acts 13:47 For this is what the Lord commanded us: "I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth."