

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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Newsletter 9–27 March 2022

4th Sunday of Lent.

Dear Parishioners

The story of the Prodigal Son is one we know well it is such a memorable gospel story. A merciful father welcoming his long lost son back home. An older brother at home keeping all the rules and yet filled with resentment.

Where do we find ourselves in this story?

As a parent—unconditionally loving our children?

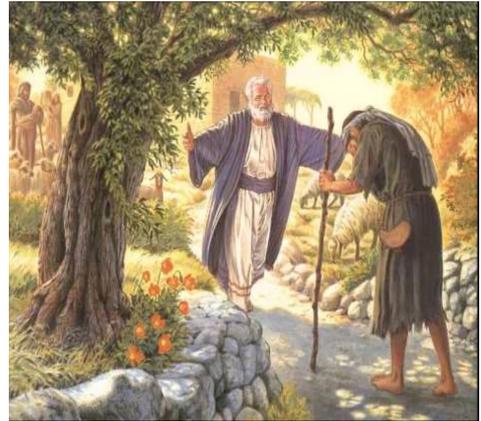
As an estranged daughter or son? Longing for a parent's embrace?

Wherever we find ourselves the lavish mercy of God consoles, forgives and empowers us all.

God does not love us if we change, God loves us so that we can change.

With every blessing in Christ,

Michael McCabe.



Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Tuesday 29 March

Sacred Heart Kaikoura 9.30am W&C followed by Stations of the Cross

Wednesday 30 March

Picton Adoration 8.45—9.30pm(Reconciliation available after Mass)

Friday 1 April

Stations of the Cross during lent

4.30pm St Joseph's Picton

7pm St Mary's

Blenheim

All Welcome to Stations of the Cross

Saturday 2 April

St Francis of Paola



Changes to Red Traffic light system We will be limited to 130 for Masses, wearing face masks and vaccine passes are still required for the next two weeks.

Auction Is Live. Last Chance to Register!

www.galabid/art4icon.com

Closes on Sunday 27 March 2022, 9pm

The inaugural MCSH Charity Art Auction to raise funds for the restoration and seismic strengthening of the cathedral is live and open for registration. We need your help to spread the word and support our local artists



Quote from ADW Ecology, Justice and Peace Advisor

When bad news weighs on us and we feel powerless before evil, we often ask ourselves: is it perhaps a punishment from God? Did He bring about a war or a pandemic to punish us for our sins? And why does the Lord not intervene?... Rather than blaming God, Jesus says we need to look inside ourselves: it is sin that produces death; our selfishness can tear apart relationships; our wrong and violent choices can unleash evil. At this point the Lord offers the true solution, and that is conversion: He says, "unless you repent you will all likewise perish". It is an urgent call, especially during this time of Lent. Let us welcome it with an open heart. Pope Francis: [Angelus 20 March 2022](https://www.vatican.va/holy_father/francis/messages/angelus/angelus_2022_03_20_1.html)

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.

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Mass & Liturgy Schedules at Covid Traffic light System

No Vaccine Pass required for Masses and Liturgies from Tuesday through to Thursday. Registration for Blenheim Masses is necessary, fill in the form in the foyer.

Sat 26 March

Blenheim-5pm Mass
Vaccine Pass required

Sun 27 March

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

Tuesday –29 March

Blen 9.30am Mass
Kaikoura 9.30am W & C -*Followed by Stations of the Cross*

Wednesday –30 March

Picton 9.30am Mass
Kaikoura 9:30am W&C
Blen 12:05 W&C
Kaikoura Rosary 7pm

Thursday –31 March

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

Friday – 1 April

Kaikoura 9.30am W&C
Blen—Exposition 11am
12:05 Mass

Vaccine Pass required for both

Register on-line

Friday Exposition and Mass Tickets, Fri 18/03/2022 at 11:00 AM | Eventbrite

or Phone—Belinda Vavasour
5782628 or 021774858

Sat 2 April

Blenheim-5pm -**W&C**
Vaccine Pass required

Sun 3 April (Daylight Savings ends)

Vaccine Pass required
Seddon 8am—**Mass**
Blenheim 10am—**Mass**
Kaikoura—9.30- **W&C**
Picton-4pm—**Mass**

Registration required for Blenheim Masses. Register on-line
Mass Registrations | Archdiocese of Wellington (catholic.org.nz)

or Phone—Belinda Vavasour
5782628/021774858 (by 11am Friday)

Readings for 28 March – 3 April

Monday 28 March -

Is.65:17-21; Jn4:43-54

Tuesday 29 March—

Ez 47:1-9,12 Jn 5:1-3,5-16

Wednesday 30 March

Is 49:8-15 Jn 5:17-30

Thursday 31 March

Ex 32:7-14 Jn 5:31-47

Friday 1 April

Wis 2:1,12-22 Jn 7:1-2,10,25-30

Saturday 2 April

Jer 11:18-20 Jn 7:40-52

Sunday 3 April –

5th Sunday of Lent

Is 43:16-21;

Phil 3:8-14

Jn 8:1-11



Find peace in God's Word

Collections:

We are most grateful for your support a reminder the financial year ends on 31st March and income tax receipts for your donations will be issued after that date.

Last Week: Blenheim Total \$440.00

If you would like to contribute to the running costs of the Parish. Here is our account number:

Star of the Sea
02-0600-0154396-00

Please contact Ginetta at the Parish Office for a giving number, or for setting up an Automatic payment.

Please Remember to pick up your next financial years collection envelopes they are in church foyers at all churches.

Remembering the Holy Souls—

May they Rest in Peace



John Romano, Richard Spencer, Alison Mexted, Jo Keating and all our deceased parishioners and benefactors

Intentions please keep the following parishioners in your prayers.



Suzie Johnson,
Mark Smith,
David Harris,
June Smith

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy

Online Sessions (Evening): Women in the Scriptures & Mythology

Part 1: Women of the Old Testament with Kieran Fenn fms. Wednesday, 20 April, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Koha/Donation.

Part 2: Women in the Sistine Chapel with Dr Christopher Longhurst.

Friday, 29 April, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Koha/Donation.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/women-in-the-scriptures-mythology/>
For more information and registration: www.studyjoy.nz

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