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Dear Parishioners

I would like to thank all who helped in any way with our beautiful Christmas liturgies – to all who provided welcome for our visitors and hospitality thank you. Special thanks to the Tongan Community working with Lex last Saturday to clean the grounds and gardens at Saint Mary's in Blenheim and to Gary for doing the same for the grounds at Saint Joseph's in Picton. To all our volunteers thank you for all you do to build the Body of Christ here in Star of the Sea Parish.

In this newsletter there is information about the Sycamore Programme which the Discipleship Group will present as a Lenten programme for the parish this year. I have been impressed by reading about this Catholic renewal programme and appreciate the work the Discipleship Group have done for the parish in sourcing this programme for the parish. As we begin our pastoral year, the following prayer, written by the late Bishop Kenneth Uttener in honour of Archbishop, now Saint Oscar Romero who was shot and killed while saying Mass March 24,1980, may inspire us as we continue to work in ministry together to strengthen our parish.

"We accomplish in our lifetime only a tiny fraction of the magnificent enterprise that is God's work. Nothing we do is complete, which is another way of saying that the Kingdom always lies beyond us... We cannot do everything and there is a sense of liberation in realising that. This enables us to do something and do it very well.

It may be incomplete, but it is an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest. We may never see the end results, but that is the difference between the master builder and the worker.

We are the workers, not the master builder, the ministers, not the messiah. We are prophets of a future that is not our own."

With every blessing in Christ, Michael McCabe

Parish Calendar, News & Notices



BLENHEIM YOUTH Group!! Starts up again this Wednesday 1st February, 6.30pm—8.15pm, For school years 9-13. New members welcome! Pick up a newsletter from the notice board in the foyer. Queries, contact Mieke and Maurice Davies 0223918584

SYCAMORE

The Discipleship Group is excited to run this informal course about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today, in our parish in 2023. It gives you space to meet other

people, share ideas, explore your beliefs, and think about questions that really matter. A "taster" session is being run at St Mary's Community Centre on Monday 13 February from 7 – 8.30pm, or via Zoom on <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89284326507</u> Everyone is welcome, and following feedback from this session, we intend to run the 6 week Sycamore Lenten programme.

A Warm Welcome to Our Parish Family of Marlborough

We are joy-filled missionary disciples: walking in Christ's light, growing in faith together, and taking the Gospel and the love of Jesus to the people of Marlborough and beyond.

Community Foodbanks:

Our Community Food Banks help people in need. The bins in our churches are cleared every week so donations can be made outside of the times listed.

There is a desperate need at the moment for all non-perishable food.

1st Sunday @ Blenheim 1st Sunday @ Kaikoura All Sundays @ Picton



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Mass & Liturgy Schedules

Sat 28 January Blenheim 5pm – Mass Sun 29th January Seddon 8am–W&C Kaikoura 9.30– Mass Blenheim 10.am-W&C Picton 9am– W&C

Tuesday-31st January

Blenheim 9.30am Mass Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

<u>Wednesday – 1st February</u>

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

<u> Thursday – 2nd February</u>

Blenheim 9.30am Mass Kaikoura 11am Scripture Kaikoura 5.15pm W&C

<u> Friday – 3rd February</u>

Kaikoura 9.30am W&C Blenheim 11am Exposition Blenheim 12.05pm Mass

Sat 4th February Blenheim 5pm -W&C Sun 5th February Seddon 8am-Mass Kaikoura 9.30- W&C Blenheim 10.am-Mass

Picton 4pm— Mass

contact:

Come and have a cuppa

Picton: First Sunday of

after Mass/W&C

Kaikoura: Second

Sunday of the month **Seddon:** Every week

Blenheim: Saturday

Sunday after 10am

after 5pm Mass/W&C

the month

If you would like to be involved in

this ministry of hospitality please

Lorraine Walker 0276246264 or

anyone on the Discipleship Group.

A roster for Blenheim is currently available and needs to be filled.

<u>Readings for</u> 29 Jan—5th February 2023

Sunday 29 January Zephaniah 2:3;3:12-13 1 Corinthians 1:26-31 Matthew 5:1-12

Monday 30 January Hebrews 11:32-40 Mark 5:1-20

Tuesday 31 January

Hebrews 12:1-4 Mark 5:21-43

Wednesday 1st February Hebrews 12:4-7,11-15 Mark 5:21-43

Thursday 2nd February Malachi 3:1-4 Hebrews 2:14-18 Luke 2:22-40

Friday 3rd February Hebrews 13:1-8 Mark 6:14-29

Saturday 4th February Hebrews 13:15-17.20-21 Mark 6:30-34

Sunday 5th February Isaiah 58:7-10 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 Matthew 5:13-16

Find peace in God's Word



Collections:

We are most grateful for your support.

Last Week: Total: \$3,135.11

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

Star of the Sea Parish **02-0600-0154396-00**

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



Remembering the Holy Souls— May they Rest In Peace

Josephine Walsh Robert Connor Phillipa Teeling (Aust) Megan Taylor (ChCh) Heather Dixon Suzanne Anderson (nee Hall) Jack & Florence Maher Theo Renwick Roger Smart Rod & Tim Wilkes Don Grady James Gallagher Betty Fleming Po Chue Sue and all our deceased parishioners and benefactors

Intentions please keep the following

parishioners in your prayers. Cardinal Tom Williams Monica Nott Arlo Eygenraam Charlotte Cagney Donna Lippiatt Michelle Parkin Sr Frances Anna smsm Marie Burrows Linda Cheesman Peter Campbell Brenda PriceBeavon Undrel

Pray for Peace in the Ukraine

7 Blessed are the Peacemakers for they shall be called Children of God Matthew 5.9



"God's grace is the source of our change (...). By ourselves, we cannot succeed, but with God, all is possible. By ourselves, we do not succeed, but together, it is possible." *Pope Francis 25 January 2023*

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