

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.

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Newsletter 7— 12th March 2023

3rd Sunday of Lent

Dear Parishioners

Today's long gospel [John 4:5-42] contains a wonderful dialogue between Jesus and a Samaritan woman. She has been busy!

It's a dialogue in which she changes her heart primarily because of the acceptance of her story by Jesus.

By the end of the story, she has become a disciple and invites her community to meet Jesus for themselves.

When we ask for living water from Jesus, we are asking God to change our hearts – we are asking for a radical change.

A radical change includes the letting go of past grievances instead of trotting them out over and again.

A radical change of heart transforms us into the image of Christ.

With every blessing in Christ
Michael McCabe

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

SYCAMORE The Discipleship Group wishes to invite you to this informal 6-week Lent programme every Monday from 7pm to 8.30pm in St. Mary's Community Centre until Easter. Through videos and small discussion groups we will explore topics such as the existence of God, who is Jesus?, the Holy Spirit and the Church, the gift of faith, finding true freedom and the meaning of love. So come along. Why not bring a friend? For more information go to <https://www.sycamore.fm>

Reconciliation, Holy Communion, Confirmation

The Blenheim Sacramental Programme for Reconciliation is running at St Mary's Community Centre. 9am Sunday mornings. We welcome all baptized students from age 8 (Year 4) and up, to join us as they continue on this special part of their Faith Journey. The facilitators will be Rosie Lamain and

Lorraine Walker. The sessions are being held on Sunday morning 9am. Parents and Caregivers are invited to join us for these sessions also. The programme for First Holy Communion and Confirmation will follow later in the year. Please register names and make contact via email Ginetta office@staroftheseamarlb.co.nz Rosie rosie@stmb.school.nz

Kaikoura is running their sacramental programme on Sunday mornings after Mass/Word & Communion, also starting 5th March. Please Contact Sr Maureen or Breanna Moller if you would like to be involved.

Blessings on all participants

Tawhiti-a-Marui Catholic Marae and St Therese's Church.

Is part of the St Peter's Catholic Community in Wairoa. Parish Priest Father Rob Devlin sm, (who served time here at St Marys) has sent through these photos.

The contribution sent from Star of The Sea Parish was \$4,268.80



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.

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Mass & Liturgy Schedules

Sat 11th March

Blenheim 5pm – Mass

Sun 12th March

Seddon 8am – W&C

Picton 9am – W&C

Kaikoura 9.30 – Mass

Blenheim 10.am – W&C

Tuesday – 14th March

Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

Blenheim 1pm Requiem Mass

Judith McKay

Wednesday – 15th March

Picton 9.30am Mass

Kaikoura 9:30am W&C

Blenheim 12:05 W&C

Kaikoura Rosary 7pm

Thursday – 16th March

Blenheim 9.30am Mass

Kaikoura 11am Scripture

Kaikoura 5.15pm W&C

Friday – 17th March

Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

Blenheim 11am Exposition

Blenheim 12.05pm Mass

Blenheim Rosary 3pm

led by Tongan community



Sat 18th March

Blenheim 5pm – W&C

Sun 19th March –

Seddon 8am – Mass

Kaikoura 9.30 – W&C

Blenheim 10.am – Mass

Picton 4pm – Mass

Rosters

Are you going to be here in Blenheim over Easter? Please contact Lorraine Walker as the next lot of rosters are being made up now. 027-624-6264

Concert At Andrew's Church 16 March 7.30pm

Rosina Buckman born in Blenheim 142 years ago. In 1922 she returned for a homecoming tour. Her concert will be recreated by Rowena Simpson soprano Robert Ibell cello and Jonathan Berkahn piano. \$30 Adults, \$25 Concessions, Under 18s free
www.eventfinda.co.nz

Readings for 12-19th March 2023

Sunday 12th March

Exodus 17:3-7

Romans 5:1-2,5-8

John 4:5-42

Monday 13th March

2 Kings 5:1-15

Luke 4:24-30

Tuesday 14th March

Daniel 3:25,34-43

Matthew 18:21-35

Wednesday 15th March

Deuteronomy 4:1,5-9

Matthew 18:21-35

Thursday 16th March

Jeremiah 7:23-28

Luke 11:14-23

Friday 17th March

(St Patrick's feast Day)

Jeremiah 1:4-9

Acts 13:46-49

Luke 10:1-2,17-20

Saturday 18th March

Hosea 5:15-6:6

Luke 18:9-14

Sunday 19th March

Samuel 16:1,6-7,10-13

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

Find peace in God's Word



Collections:

We are most grateful for your support.

Last Week: Total: \$3,473.37
Flood Relief \$ 4,268.80

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

Fr Dominic Heslin
Judith McKay
Peter Hand
Johnny Ireland (Fielding)
Tom Conroy (Ireland)
Chris Riordan
Yeoh Keat Chye
Ragini Beal
Nona Thomas
and all our deceased parishioners and benefactors

Intentions please keep the following parishioners in your prayers.

Dominic Dawkins
Maria Martin
Belinda Vavasour
Sr Susanna Kraus RSM
Cardinal Tom Williams
Arlo Eygenraam
Charlotte Cagney
Donna Lippiatt
Michelle Parkin
Sr Frances Anna smsm
Peter Campbell
Brenda Price
Beavan Undrill
Nancy Woolford-Stayner
Marian Sullivan
Willie Manuel
Graham Check
Lex Agnew

Pray for Peace in the Ukraine Please keep the People of Turkey and Syria in your prayers.



Wednesday 15 March 2023

Blenheim Women's Friendship Group
meeting at Runway Café 10am
Please join us, love to see you there.

Quote from Pope Francis

"In the poor and outcast we see Christ's face; by loving and helping the poor, we love and serve Christ. Our efforts are also directed to ending violations of human dignity, discrimination and abuse in the world, for these are so often the cause of destitution. When power, luxury and money become idols, they take priority over the need for a fair distribution of wealth. Our consciences thus need to be converted to justice, equality, simplicity and sharing." Pope Francis, [Lenten Message 2014](#)

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