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 41 — 5th November 2023 31st Sunday Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners

Special thanks to the Bereavement Team for preparing the beautiful Mass for the Bereaved last evening of the Feast of the Holy Souls. Members of the families who gathered to pray for their loved ones and parishioners who had died in this past year were very appreciative of the opportunity to pray for their late family members.

We continue to pray for the Holy Souls during this month of November – that they now see God face to face and that their memory and faith journey may continue to bring healing and reassurance to those who grieve their passing.

At next Sunday's Eucharist five of our younger parishioners will be confirmed. They were away at the time of Confirmation with Archbishop Paul. We are grateful to Mieke and Maurice and the Youth Ministry team for leading their preparation for this sacrament. Morning tea in the church foyer will follow.

Likewise, our thanks to the mentors of our first communion classes at Kaikoura, Seddon, and Blenheim. Congratulations to the eight children from Saint Mary's School – and teacher – who were christened at our baptismal liturgy today, Friday.

With every blessing in Christ Michael McCabe

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

St Mary's carpark: St Mary's carpark: There have been some dings lately and near misses of pedestrians due to speed and everyone is reminded that there is a 5km speed limit, which always applies to entering and leaving, the carpark. Teachers, parents, grandparents, please take care. Also, there are enough carparks that there is no need to park on the grass. The lawn is showing signs of wear and tear and leaving that area adds to the congestion at busy times. The parish is looking at repainting the lines to make it easier to see the carpark spaces but we need your help to keep everyone safe.

Mass count: During November, at all weekend masses and Word & Communions, a count of the number of people attending. This helps the parish and Archdiocese see what the real numbers are for mass attendance compared to previous years. This is done every year at this time.

<u>Prayer Day</u> with Regina Daly and Carmel Cole on Saturday 4 November, 9.30am to 3.30pm in the Community Centre, Blenheim. Theme: Re-connecting with HOPE

You are warmly invited to this day of reflection to help deepen our awareness of our own inner journey, our connection with creation, to nourish our spirit and to embrace hope as we become more at home in the flow of life. Contact Vicky Raw 03 577-6211 or 021 226-8315

<u>Faith-full, faith-fueled growth:</u> An invitation for all parishioners to join in a day of reflection at Sacred Heart, Kaikoura on Saturday 25 November 2023 9.30am to 3pm.

The day is facilitated by Father John O'Connor from Christchurch and begins with morning tea and includes a shared lunch. Father John will also celebrate Mass on Sunday 26 November at 9.30am. All welcome.

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 4th Nov

Blenheim 5pm - Mass (Live Stream)

Sun 5th Nov-

Seddon 8am-W&C Picton 9am W&C Kaikoura 9.30am - W&C

Blenheim 10.00am—Mass

Tuesday-7th Nov

Blenheim 9.30am Mass

Wednesday -8th Nov

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

<u>Thursday - 9th Nov</u>

Blenheim 9.30am - Mass Kaikoura 9.30am -W&C Kaikoura 11am Scripture

Friday — 10th Nov

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

Sat 11th Nov

Picton **5pm Mass** Blenheim 5pm— W&C

Sun 12th Nov

Seddon 8am—Mass Kaikoura -9.30am W&C

Blenheim 10am-Mass (Live Stream)

Readings for:

5 -11 Nov 2023

Sunday 5 Nov

Mala. 1:14-2:2,8-10 1Thess.2:7-9,13 Matthew 23:1-12

Monday 6 Nov

Romans 8: 12-17 Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday 7 Nov

Romans 8:18-25 Luke 13:18-21

Wednesday 8 Nov-

Apoc. 7:2-4,9-14 John 3:1-3 Matt 5:1-12

Thursday 9 Nov

Wisdom:3:1-9 Romans 6:3-9 John 6:37-40:49-53

Friday 10 Nov

Romans 9:1-5 Luke 14:1-6

<u>Saturday 11 Nov—</u> Rom. 11:1-2,11-12,25-29 Luke 14:1,7-11

Sunday 12 Nov

Mala. 1:14-2:2,8-10 1Thess.2:7-9,13 Matthew 23:1-12



Find peace in God's Word

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, more than ever before for all non-perishable food.

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



New Rosters For Blenheim

Please confirm any dates you are away with Lorraine for the next rosters by 20th Nov by Ph 032973512, mobile 0276246264 or email trukwalker@gmail.com

Blenheim Aglow Fellowship

(for women and men) – Evening Meeting @ 7 pm, St Ninian's Church – 14 Alabama Road. Come along to hear our speaker Jeanette Ward who is the President of NZ Aglow and the Pacific

Region Aglow Groups. See noticeboard for more details.

Remembering the Holy Souls—May they **Rest In Peace Especially** in November

Flo Hodakinson: Margaret Martin; Fr Maurice O'Leary; Nancye Brunel; Delia Climo; Jim & Yvonne Brunel; Fran Guthrie:

John Romano, Romano, Albano & Palmer families: and all our deceased parishioners and benefactors.

Intentions: please keep the following parishioners in your prayers.

Richard Booker; Rebecca Upton; Donna Lippiatt; Miriam Sullivan; Les McKay; Barry Butcher; Rupert Laugesen; Luke Clayton Sr Frances Anna; Kathleen Middleton Noel Costello; Michelle Parkin; Cohen Wards; Terry Jordan;

Maria Martin: Peter Campbell; Charlotte Cagney; Nancy Woolford-Stavner: Denise Eddowes; Terry Price; Steven Crundwell-NIsn Lex & Mary Agnew; Peter Smith; Margaret Searle; Anne Rundle;

Collections: We are most grateful for your support. Last Week:

Total: \$ 2,753.19

Mission Sunday: \$110.00 Peter's Pence: \$50.00 Vocation Sunday: \$50.00

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.

Columban Calendars & Xmas **Cards:** are now available.

Quote from Pope Francis

'We disciples of Jesus must not seek titles of honour, of authority or supremacy... because among ourselves there must be a simple and fraternal attitude... We are all brothers and sisters. If we have received talents from the heavenly Father, we must place them at the service of our brothers and sisters, and not exploit them for our own satisfaction and personal interests. We must not consider ourselves superior to others; modesty is essential for an existence that seeks to conform to the teaching of Jesus, who is meek and humble of heart and came not to be served but to serve.'

Pope Francis, Angelus, 5 November 2017

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