

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 13, 20th April 2025 Easter Sunday

Christ is risen; Ua toe tu le Keriso; Cristo ha resucitado; Mabuhay muli si Kristo; Kua ara te Karaiti.

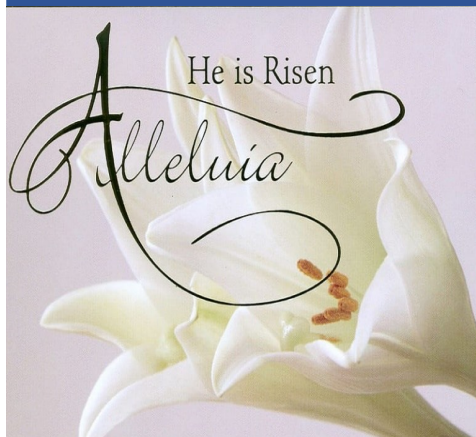
Today is the day of Resurrection – Jesus is our Lord and Saviour and he is risen from the dead.
ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

Throughout the last few days we have journeyed as individuals, as a community of faith and as part of the worldwide Church with Jesus. We were invited to be part of his triumphant entry into Jerusalem and singing 'Hosanna to the King'; his Last Supper where he washed the feet of his disciples and prayed the words of consecration but they did not understand what he was doing or saying; his agony in the garden; his betrayal with a kiss that led to his deepest suffering of humiliation and torture; his carrying of the cross through the streets of Jerusalem where the crowd no longer welcomed him as their king but rather shouted abuse at him; to his final destination – Golgotha - and his crucifixion as a blasphemer and heretic. Despite all of this, Jesus says, "Father, forgive them; they do not know what they are doing." He knew that he had to die in order to vanquish the power of death. But it is only through his resurrection – the empty tomb - that gives us new life after death. With humble hearts we say, "Thank you."

Today we also welcome into full communion of the Catholic Church Petra, Stella, Jade, Amanda, Lonafua, Aimee, Matteo and Martin. Their profound searching and yearning for God has taken them on a wonderful journey of faith. Through the sharing of the Sunday Gospels and unpacking different topics each week have enabled them to delve deep, ponder and savour the love of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Victoria Raw, Chair, Discipleship Group

Parish Calendar, News & Notices



**food for
faith**

This Easter Octave week Fr. John O'Connor will offer daily encouragements using the Easter Gospel readings for each day

Try this as an Easter Retreat in Daily Life

at www.foodforfaith.org.nz

An opportunity to experience the heart of Christian faith in a few minutes each day



To those who were involved with organising the Chrism Mass on Tuesday, thank you for your support and commitment. To St Vincent de Paul, Blenheim Conference, thank you for providing the food and cuppa. Those visiting were impressed with the spread. And many thanks to those parishioners who attended to support our priests.



Planned Giving Envelopes: These have been being distributed through the Mass centres. The annual Donation Receipts will be emailed out or in Church foyers late-April.

Blenheim Women's Friendship Group: Will be at the Omaka Heritage Centre Café from 10am on 4th Wednesday of the month and meet next on **23rd April**. Feel free to bring a friend.



Adoration: is normally once a month, in the Mercy Chapel but will be replaced this month by 24 Hours for the Lord. The next date is **27 April**, which is also Divine Mercy Sunday.

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

Thursday-17th April **Holy Thursday**

Kaikoura 10am Scripture
Blenheim 7pm- **Mass**. The Mercy Chapel will be open for 2 hours after mass for Adoration.
Kaikoura 7pm- **Mass**
Picton 7pm- **Mass**

Friday-18th April **Good Friday**

Blenheim -8.30am Stations in Community Centre in the Way of the Cross
Picton 10am-stations
Kaikoura 10am Stations

Celebration of the Passion

Blenheim 3pm Led by the Youth
Kaikoura 3pm
Picton 3pm

Easter

Sat 19th April

Blenheim 7pm -**Mass**
Kaikoura 7pm-**Mass**

Sun 20th April

Seddon 8am - **Mass**,
Kaikoura 9.30am- **Mass**
Blenheim 10am- **Mass**
Picton 10am-**Mass**
Blenheim 10pm- **Mass in the Syro Malabar Tradition**

Tuesday-Thursday

No Masses or Liturgies in any Mass Centre

Friday-25th April-ANZAC Day

Kaikoura 9:30am **Mass**
Blenheim 9.30am **Mass**

2nd Sunday of Easter- Divine Mercy Sunday

Sat 27th April

Blenheim 5pm -**Mass**
Picton 5pm- **Mass**

Sun 28th April

Seddon 8am - **Mass**,
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Readings for:

20th-27th April 2025

Sun 20 April-Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34,37-43
Colossians 3:1-4
John 20:1-9

Mon 21 April

Acts 2:14,22-23
Matt 28:8-15



Tues 22 April

Acts 2:36-41
John 20:11-18

Wed 23 April

Acts 3:1-10
Luke 24:13-35

Thurs 24 April

Acts 3:11-26
Luke 24:35-48

Fri 25 April-ANZAC Day

Acts 4:1-12
John 21:1-14

Sat 26 April

Acts 4:13-21
Mark 16:9-15

Sun 27 April-2nd Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy

Acts 5:12-16
Apocal 1:9-13,17-19
John 20:19-31

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.

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

Please consider donating nonperishable goods, UHT Long-life milk, rice, pasta, Jam, tinned food & cereals.



Remembering the Holy souls

-May they Rest In Peace

Patricia & Brian Stretch;
Libby Laurent;
John Romano;

deceased parishioners and benefactors.

Logan, Hanley, Squire Family and friends;
Also all our



Intentions: please keep these parishioners in your prayers.

Richard Booker;
Donna Lippiatt;
Luke Clayton;
Tilly van Dyk;
Graeme Daines;
Lyn Turner;
Nancy Spatz;
Jim West;
Phil Best;
Esme Murphy;
Eileen Moreland;
Mary Norton;
Glenn Ormsby;
Graham Check;
Craig & Viv Grant;
Maria Martin;
Charlotte Cagney;
Nelissa & Baby Nika A Cabuag;

Terry Price;
Nancy Woolford-Stayner;
Steven Crundwell-Nlsn;
Lex & Mary Agnew
Peter Smith;
Margaret Searle;
Anne Rundle;
Francesca Perkins
Marita Morrison;
Aveera & Araylee Marsh;
Pat Cairns;
Sharon North;
and those un-named that need our prayers at this time.

Collections: We are most grateful for your support.

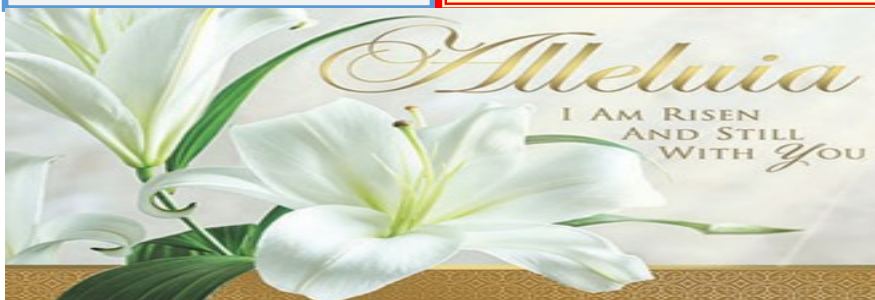
Last Week:

Total: \$5861.70
Holy Places: \$10.00

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 before starting online banking so you can claim on your donations each year.



Quote from Pope Francis

' Let us think for a while, each of us, think about the daily problems, the illnesses we have been through or of one that a relative has; let us think about wars, human tragedies and with simplicity, with a humble voice, without flowers, alone, before God, before us, let us say, "I do not know how this is, but I am certain that Christ is Risen and I have put a wager on it". Brothers and sisters, this is what I wanted to say to you. Go home today repeating in your hearts: "Christ is Risen".'

Pope Francis Easter Sunday Mass, 16 April 2017

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