

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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Feast of St Peter & Paul

Peter's Pence; is an annual collection where the faithful (all of us) have the chance to help the Pope in all he does to address the needs of the church; in humanitarian and social projects as well as to support the Holy See.

We learn from Saints Peter & Paul, they were human, they did not always see eye to eye, they both had struggles in their lives, who cannot identify with this. They both, Peter & Paul, had a steadfast love of God and the power of this love in their lives. Both of these wonderful Saints were martyred for their faith; Peter was crucified upside down because he felt he was unworthy to be crucified in a manner similar to Jesus. Paul was beheaded because Roman citizens could not be crucified. When things get difficult in our lives pray to saints Peter and Paul to give you strength.

Patsy Buttle, Sacred Heart, Kaikoura

Fr Peter left us on Tuesday to teach English in Vietnam for the next few months and will be back in September.

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

World Refugee Day – Community Event. Friday 4 July 2025, 4:30–7:30 PM, ☐ My Space, Marlborough Youth Trust, Redwood St, Blenheim.

Join us as we come together to honour **World Refugee Day** with an evening of delicious food, performances and inspiring stories that celebrate the strength, resilience, and journeys of former refugees who now call Blenheim home.

Theme: "Community as a Superpower" – because small acts of kindness help build a sense of belonging and make a world of difference. This is a time to welcome newcomers, share in our shared humanity, and help everyone feel connected, supported, and truly at home in our community. **All are welcome** – individuals, families, schools, and groups. Let's stand together in celebrating diversity, connection, and unity. MARGARET WESTERN – PH 0211584426

Enrol at Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College: Study anywhere, at your own pace, with the support from qualified lecturers, with Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College online courses. Semester 2 starts July 21. To see courses offered in Semester 2, go to: www.tekupenga.ac.nz/distance

WelCom has returned in a brand new format! It's now an eight-page newsletter, delivered to parishes throughout our Archdiocese, and also sent to parishes and Catholic schools in digital format. In this first edition you'll find a message from Archbishop Paul, hear about Cardinal John Dew's experience at the recent Conclave, discover what's happening in our Archdiocese, and more. If you have an event coming up in your parish, something you're proud of or would like to get the word out about, need help, or anything

Hearts Aflame Catholic Summer School: Hearts Aflame Catholic Summer School is back again this summer with ten days of world-class lectures, uplifting prayer and authentic community! Hearts Aflame is a life-changing experience for young adults aged 18 to 35 who want to know more about their faith, have an authentic encounter with Christ and meet other Catholic young adults from all over New Zealand. Join us this year at Nga Tawa Diocesan School, Marton, from January 2-11 2026! Registrations open July 6th at 1pm: we sell out fast so be in quick! Visit heartsaflame.org.nz to register or find out more.



Hi everyone. We are looking at running **men's breakfast** each month if there is interest. They will be on a Sunday before church 8am until 9.15ish. The first one will be on the **6th of July** at a local cafe.

The first one will be a meet and great just to see what people think. If all goes well we will look at doing it on a regular basis with a speaker or testimony's or some good old blokes just sharing life stories. Please contact me to express your interest or ideas. Thanks Maurice Davies 0274445506



Adoration: is normally once a month, in the Mercy Chapel between 11am-2pm. The next date is **29 June**.

Expressions of interest are sought to remove/demolish the **old Scout den** from behind St Mary's Church. Please contact Ginetta at the parish Office.

Are you looking for a daily reflection. Click on the link below which takes you to the Passionist Website and their daily reflections. [Daily Reflection | The Passionists](#)

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

Feast of Sts Peter & Paul Sat 28th June-Immaculate Heart of Mary

Blenheim 5pm –Mass
Picton 4pm—Mass
Sun 29th June
Seddon 8am - Mass,
Kaikoura 9.30am– Mass
Blenheim 10am– Mass

Tuesday-1st July

Blenheim 9.30am Mass
Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

Wednesday-2nd July

Picton 9.30am W&C
Kaikoura 9:30am W&C
Blenheim 12.05pm W&C

Thursday-3rd July

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

Friday-4th July-

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

14th Sun of Ord time

Sat 5th July

Blenheim 5pm –Mass
Picton 4pm—Mass

Sun 6th July

Seddon 8am - Mass,
Kaikoura 9.30am– Mass
Blenheim 10am Mass

Readings for:

29th June-6th July 2025

Sun 29 June–STs Peter & Paul, Apostles

Acts 12:1-11
2Tim 4:6-8,17-18
Matt 16:13-19

Mon 30 June

Genesis 18:16-33
Matt 8:18-22



Tues 01 July

Genesis 19:15-29
Matt 8:23-27

Wed 02 July

Genesis 21:8-20
Matt 8:28-34

Thurs 03 July–St Thomas, Apostle

Ephesians 2:19-22
John 20:24-29

Fri 04 July

Genesis 23:1-4,19;24:1-8,62-67
Matt 9:9-13

Sat 05 July

Genesis 27:1-5,15-29
Matt 9:14-17

Sun 06 July–14th Sun of Ord

Isaiah 66:10-14
Galatians 6:14-18
Luke 10:1-12,17-20



Remembering the Holy souls – May they Rest In Peace

Pat Cairns;
Margaret Docherty;
Terrence Burtenshaw;
FR Sean O' Connor
SSC;

Moira O'Connell;
Des Holden;
Claire O'Halloran;
Margaret Squire;

Graeme Daines;
Tilly van Dyk;
Phylis Barkley;
Joan Kearns (UK);

Also all our deceased
parishioners
and
benefactors.



Intentions: please keep these parishioners in your prayers.

Richard Booker;
Donna Lippiatt;
Luke Clayton;
Nancy Spatz;
Jim West;
Phil Best;
Esme Murphy;
Eileen Moreland;
Mary Norton;
Glenn Ormsby;
Graham Check;
Craig & Viv Grant;
Maria Martin;
Charlotte Cagney;
Johan Van der Geest;
Terry Price;
Jan Boese;
Frank Wutzler;

Nancy Woolford-
Stayner;
Steven Crundwell-
Nlsn;
Lex & Mary Agnew
Peter Smith;
Margaret Searle;
Anne Rundle;
Francesca Perkins
Marita Morrison;
Aveera & Araylee
Marsh;
Rilee Wright;
Elizabeth & Don
Boyd;
and those unnamed
that need our
prayers at this time.

If you, or a loved one, are in hospital or at home unable to get out, contact Mary Tolan 021 184 0617 to arrange for a Eucharistic Minister to bring out Communion to you.

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.



Do you know what our local Conferences of St Vincent de Paul do? Blenheim's next meeting is Tuesday 1st July, 10am at the Meeting Room in the Parish Office and Picton every second and fourth Monday of the week, the next meeting being 14th July. All welcome to come and learn more.

Do you need to make room in your wardrobe? Should you have an Autumn clean out? Our winter stock is running out the door! We need your donations, please take them to Vinnies 63 High St or leave the donations in our drop box in the church carpark, and Picton Vinnies 110 High St.

Collections: We are most grateful for your support.

Last Week:

Total: 2,457.20

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 put "Planned Giving" in the reference so we know its purpose and 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 the Popes

"Today more than ever, humanity cries out and calls for peace. This is a cry that requires responsibility and reason, and it must not be drowned out by the din of weapons or the rhetoric that incites conflict. ... There are no "distant" conflicts when human dignity is at stake. War does not solve problems; on the contrary, it amplifies them and inflicts deep wounds on the history of peoples, which take generations to heal. No armed victory can compensate for the pain of mothers, the fear of children, or stolen futures. May diplomacy silence the weapons! May nations chart their futures with works of peace, not with violence and bloodstained conflicts!" Pope Leo XIV 22 June 2025

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