

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 25, 13th July 2025

15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

As we roll out of deep mid-winter and into some hopefully lighter dryer days and as the pumps pump water out of vineyards and orchards and the thousands of hi viz workers prune the 60 million vines in Marlborough we are all reminded that God's work is never done.

This week's gospel when Moses spoke to the people about God he was asking them to obey the commandments with your heart and soul.

Well, the Pastoral Parish Council (PPC) are asking a lot less of you over the next three weeks. We are asking you all as Star Of The Sea parishioners to help our parish by volunteering for something on our time, talent and treasures sheet.

We have a wonderful group of volunteers who help every day with the running of mass centres but we would like to share the load as Jesus did with his disciples.

There are a number of ways families and individuals can assist in the smooth running of our Parish – from readings, taking up collection during mass, mass coordinators, and many more (see the link on this newsletter and forms at masses over the next three weeks).

Please think about your God given talents and gifts and consider sharing them with your parish community.

No matter if you're currently involved or not, please tick the box next to any acts of service in which you feel led to contribute. Training is provided on all acts of service.

At masses over the next three weeks members of the pastoral team will be talking at each mass and encouraging you to volunteer for one of many ministries we have in our mass centres. Attached in this week's newsletter is the link for the form to fill out online, or simply fill in the form at each Mass over the next three weeks.

We are all disciples of Christ and we would love you to help us.

God Bless, Blair McLean, PPC chair.

St. Mary's Time and Talents Sheet

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

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

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! This 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.



YOUTH Youth Group ! starts again this coming weds 16th July, 6.30pm - 8.15pm, at St Mary's rooms. for years 8 - 13. All welcome. Queries to Mieke Davies 0223918584

Teenage Catholic Ninja Disciples : Our teen focus group meets again next weekend, on Sunday 20th July, after 10am Mass, in the youth rooms. Prayer, bible study, discussion ; if you are interested in joining in this group, contact Mieke 0223918584. Food always provided!!

Men's breakfasts will be held on the first Sunday of each Month at 8am. The locations will vary. Please contact Maurice Davies at 0274445506 or Cameron Vawter at 021807648 to be added to the Star of the Sea Men's What's app group.



Adoration: is once a month, in the Mercy Chapel between 11am-2pm. The next date is **27 July**.

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



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

Saturday 12th July

Blenheim 9.30am **Mass** followed by reconciliation

15th Sun of Ord time—Day of

Prayer for Seafarers

Sat 12th July

Blenheim 5pm –**Mass**

Picton 4pm—**Mass**

Sun 13th July

Seddon 8am - **Mass**,

Kaikoura 9.30am— **Mass**

Blenheim 10am— **Mass**

Tuesday-15th July

Blenheim 9.30am **W&C**

Kaikoura 9.30am **W&C**

Wednesday-16th July

Picton 9.30am **W&C**

Kaikoura 9.30am **W&C**

Blenheim 12.05pm **W&C**

Thursday-17th July

Blenheim 9.30am - **Mass**

Kaikoura 9.30am -**W&C**

Kaikoura 10am Scripture

Friday-18th July

Kaikoura 9.30am -**W&C**

Blenheim 11am - Exposition

Blenheim 12.05pm —**Mass**

Saturday 19th July

Blenheim 9.30am **Mass** followed by reconciliation

16th Sun of Ord time

Sat 19th July

Blenheim 5pm –**Mass**

Picton 4pm—**Mass**

Sun 20th July

Seddon 8am - **Mass**,

Kaikoura 9.30am— **Mass**

Blenheim 10am **Mass**

Readings for:

13th –20th July 2025

Sun 13 July–15th Sun of Ord

Day of Prayer for Seafarers

Deut 30:10-14

Colossians 1:15-20

Luke 10:25-37

Mon 14 July

Exodus 1:8-14,22

Matt 10:34-11:1



Tues 15 July-St Bonaventure

Exodus 2:1-15

Matt 11:20-24

Wed 16 July

Exodus 3:1-6,9-12

Matt 11:25-27

Thurs 17 July

Exodus 3:13-20

Matt 11:28-30

Fri 18 July

Exodus 11:10-12:14

Matt 12:1-8

Sat 19 July

Exodus 12:37-42

Matt 12:37-21

Sun 20 July–16th Sun of Ord

Genesis 18:1-104

Colossians 1:24-28

Luke 10:38-42

Find peace in God's Word



Remembering the Holy souls – May they Rest In Peace

Pat Cairns;
Margaret Docherty;
Terrence Burtenshaw;
Graeme Daines;
Tilly van Dyk;
Phylis Barkley;
Joan Kearns (UK);
Raymond Henderson
(Wgtn);
Anne Haynes;

Marita Morrison;
Charlotte Nichol;
Norman Jones;
Carol Spencer;
Murray Black;
Gerald Holden;
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
Aveera & Araylee
Marsh;
Rilee Wright;
Elizabeth & Don
Boyd;
and those unnamed
that need our
prayers at this time.

Collections: We are most grateful for
your support.

Last Week:

Total: \$5,274.55

Peter's Pence: \$200.00

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 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.

CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF WELLINGTON

Jubilarians Mass

11:00 am, Tuesday 15th July
Our Lady of Grace, Heretaunga

Fr John Rea SM	70 Years
Fr Frank Twiss SM	65 Years
Fr Peter Fitzgibbon	60 Years
Fr Michael Gormly SSC	60 Years
Fr Tony Kearns	25 Years
Fr Biju Xavier	25 Years



Quote from the Popes

'Our social responsibility is grounded in God's creative act, which gives everyone a share in the goods of the earth. Like those goods, the fruits of human labour should be equally accessible to all. Helping the poor is a matter of justice before a question of charity. As Saint Augustine observed: "You give bread to a hungry person; and it would be better if none were hungry, so that you would have no need to give it away. You clothe the naked, but would that all were clothed and that there be no need for supply this lack".' - Pope Leo XIV, [Message](#) for the World Day of the Poor.

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