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Newsletter 01 28th January 2024 Fourth Sunday of Ordinary time

Dear Parishioners

My sincere thanks to you all for the lovely farewells and kind messages mid-January. I am touched by your kindnesses and gifts especially the pounamu which was presented to me on behalf of the parish by our Kuia, Gemma McKinney. It is a very precious gift – thank you.

I have spoken with Monsignor Gerard Burns today Friday about the Visa status for Fathers Simione and Tavita, but we are still waiting for progress there. Please pray that this will be resolved soon. We are very aware that Star of the Sea parishioners have had to face this issue before - hence the need for prayer!

Meantime Archbishop Paul Martin, SM, and Monsignor Burns are hoping to appoint another priest to minister to the parish in the short term with Father Alliston.

Sunday's gospel continues the themes of the call and response of the first disciples by Jesus. Today the theme of repentance is introduced by the evangelist as a necessary condition for discipleship. Let's continue to pray for each other that we will continue to respond to our own unique baptismal call in Christ with open hearts. Let us also pray for vocations to the ordained priesthood in Wellington Archdiocese.

With every blessing in Christ Michael McCabe

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

<u>Fr Michael McCabe's farewell:</u> There is still an opportunity to write a message in the book in the foyer of the Blenheim Church. This is available till 11th February.

Accommodation needed: a 2+ bedroom home for a small family and a well-trained dog. Please call Bridget 022 060 5565

The Weekday Timetable will return to normal this week, and includes the return of 9.30am Mass at Picton on Wednesday and Exposition at 11am on Friday at St Mary's Church, followed by 12.05pm Mass.

St Vincent de Paul Blenheim : We are currently in need of volunteers for the Vinnies Shop in High Street. Shift hours are 10am– 12.30pm and 12.30pm-3pm Monday to Friday; 10.30am-1pm on Saturday. Please phone 020 4118 8521 or email blenheim@svdp.org.nz for more information.

Sacred Heart and Redwood College, Nelson Reunion– 15-17 November 2024, Manuka Street, Nelson. Don't miss out and Register Now for this Historic Reunion on our website: <u>www.RedwoodSacredHeart.com</u> Also, join our Facebook Group for Sacred Heart & Redwood, Nelson, Past Pupils and Staff <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/sacredheartredwoodreunion</u> Please note Registration and attendance is open only for Sacred Heart & Redwood College **Nelson** past pupils and staff. **Contact: Bernadette King-Turner** <u>SHReunion2024@gmail.com</u>

<u>St Mary's School Gala:</u> with the return to school, so starts the fundraising! The School Gala returns at the later date of 23rd March. Look through your bits and bobs and consider donating to this major annual fundraiser.

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 <u>4th Sunday of Ordinary Time</u> <u>Sat 27th Jan</u> Blanhaim Enm Mass

Blenheim -5pm Mass Sun 28th Jan Seddon- 8am W&C Picton 9am W&C Kaikoura- 9.30am Mass Blenheim 10am W&C

Tuesday—30th Jan Blenheim 9.30am Mass

Wednesday –31st Jan Picton 9.30am Mass Kaikoura 9:30am W&C Blenheim 12:05 W&C Kaikoura Rosary 7pm

Thursday – 1st February Blenheim 9.30am - **Mass** Kaikoura 9.30am -W&C Kaikoura 11am Scripture

Friday — 2nd Feb Kaikoura 9.30am -W&C Blenheim 11am - Exposition Blenheim 12.05pm –**Mass**

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time Sat 3rd Feb Blenheim -5pm W&C Picton -5pm Mass Sun 4th Feb Seddon- 8am Mass Kaikoura- 9.30am Mass Blenheim 10am-Mass

<u>Collections:</u> We are most grateful for your support.

Last Week: Total: \$ 2783.21 Christmas dues: \$ 20.00 Mission Sunday: 5.00

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, and for setting up an automatic payment. <u>Readings for: 28th Jan- 4th Feb 2024 Sun 28 Jan-4th Sun, Ord</u>

Deut 18:15-20 1Cor 7:32-35 Mark 1:21-28

<u>Mon 29 Jan</u> 2Sam 15:13-14,30;16:5-13 Mark 5:1-20

<u>Tues 30 Jan</u> 2Sam 18:9-10,14,24-25,30-19:3 Mark 5:21-43

Wed 31 Jan-St John Bosco 2Sam 24:2,9-17 Mark 6:1-6

Thurs 1 Feb-1Kings 2:1-4,10-12 Mark 6:7-13

Fri 2 Feb-Presentation of the Lord Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life Malachi 3:1-4 Hebrews 2: 14-18 Luke 2:22-40

<u>Sat 3 Feb Dec</u> 1Kings 3:4-13 Mark 6:30-34

Sun 4 Feb-5th Sun of Ord Job 7:1-4,6-7 1Cor 9:16-19,22-23 Mark 1:29-39

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 for all non-perishable food.

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



<u>Remembering the Holy souls</u> <u>—May they Rest In Peace</u>

Cardinal Thomas Williams: Fr Tom O'Connor sm; Riaua Tareti; Rupert Laugesen; Patricia Peters; Pat Dean; Mary Griffiths; John (Jack) Broughan; Mike Harris; Ann Wilson; Lorna Lawson; Kevin Herd; Gerard Henry; Ossie Hickman; Don Grady;

Mick & Vera Murphy; James Gallagher; Nonus Thomas;

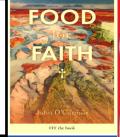
and all our deceased parishioners and benefactors.

Intentions: please keep the following parishioners in your prayers.

Richard Booker; Rebecca Upton; Donna Lippiatt; Les McKay; Barry Butcher; Luke Clayton Sr Frances Anna; Michelle Parkin; Cohen Wards; Terry Jordan; Anne Haines; Vince Smith; Val Furness; Pat Stretch; Tilly van Dyke;

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

Columban Calendars- \$16: are still available, along with Food for Faith Reflections—\$40 each.



Quote from Pope Francis

'In these days, let us pray especially for Christian unity, and let us never tire of invoking the Lord for peace in Ukraine, Israel and Palestine, and in many other parts of the world: it is always the weakest who suffer the lack of it. I am thinking of the little ones, of the many injured and killed children, of those deprived of affection, deprived of dreams and of a future. Let us feel the responsibility to pray and build peace for them!' Pope Francis, <u>Angelus</u>, 21 January 2024

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