



Diocese  
of Dunedin

# Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

Omakau (1870) Alexandra (1924) Roxburgh (1950)

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## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

28 October 2018; Year B / Weekdays Year 2

### MASS TIMES

#### Sundays

**Omakau** 6:00pm Vigil (Sat)  
**Alexandra** 9:00am  
**Roxburgh** 11:00am

#### Weekdays

##### Alexandra

Tuesday 5:00pm (side chapel)  
Wednesday 9:00am NO MASS  
Thursday 9:00am (side chapel)  
Friday 12:00pm (church)  
Saturday 9:00am (side chapel)

##### Roxburgh

Wednesday 5:15pm (church)

### RECONCILIATION

#### Alexandra

Saturday 11:30am-Noon  
(or on request)

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Quarterly

#### Alexandra

Friday 12:00pm  
(1<sup>st</sup> Fri of the months of Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec)

#### Roxburgh

Wednesday 5:15pm  
(1<sup>st</sup> Wed of the months of Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec)

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### OTHER CENTRAL OTAGO PARISHES SUNDAY MASS TIMES

**Ranfury** 5:00pm (Sun) or  
4:00pm during daylight  
savings

(All pastoral care from South Dunedin,  
Parish Priest: Fr Gerard Aynsley, Ph: 03 455 8933)

**Queenstown** 6:30pm Vigil (Sat)

9:00am

**Arrowtown** 11:00am

**Garston** 11:00am (2<sup>nd</sup> Sun)

**Glenorchy** 11:00am (4<sup>th</sup> Sun)

**Cromwell** 11:00am (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sun)

9:00am (2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sun)

**Wanaka** 9:00am (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sun)

11:00am (2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sun)

**Sunday Readings:** Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52

### Responsorial Psalm

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death,  
and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

### Communion Antiphon

We will ring out our joy at your saving help  
and exult in the name of our God.



### Died Recently

#### Anniversaries

William & Catherine  
McKissock  
Kathy Watt  
Eugene Woodhouse  
Janet Mclean

### Requiescant in Pace

**SCHOOL MASS**—Monday 29 Oct at 9:00am. Everyone is welcome.

**NO MASS WEDNESDAY IN ALEXANDRA**—This is due to a Priests meeting in Dunedin that day.

**NB** Mass in Roxburgh will occur as normal.

**COLUMBAN CALENDARS**—These will be on sale for \$12 from the first weekend of November.

**COMMUNITY PANTRY AGM** on Monday 29 October at 7pm at Community House.

**COMMUNITY PANTRY DONATIONS NEEDED**—As funds for the Community Pantry are getting low we would appreciate monetary donations so that we can purchase the following: long-life milk, cereal, spreads, margarine, 1kg cheese, teabags, rice, meat, toilet paper, toilet soap. We have enough of everything else at the moment but if any of you wish to purchase any of the above that would also be greatly appreciated. Donations to go to your representatives on the Community Pantry Trust: Sally Ferreira or Vicki Mclean. Thankyou.

### MARRIAGE PREPARATION WEEKEND FOR ENGAGED COUPLES AND ALREADY MARRIED

**COUPLES LOOKING TO DEEPEN THEIR RELATIONSHIP**—3-4 November at Tirohanga Camp near Mosgiel. Cost \$200 per couple which covers all food and accommodation. Children are welcome (there will be activities and care arranged for them). You can register online at [www.cdd.org.nz](http://www.cdd.org.nz). For more information please contact Jo Krysa at [jokrysa@hotmail.com](mailto:jokrysa@hotmail.com)

**OASIS OP SHOP**—Russell St (opposite Go Bus) Opening Hours Tues - Fri 11am-3pm. We now have a great range of Summer Clothing in store and clothing suitable for everyone.

**ALEXANDRA CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGING**—We are in need of volunteers who would like to take turns arrange flowers in the church during the summers months. If you are interested please contact Kathleen Fahey: 03 448 5033.

**HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK**— From early November Fr Vaughan will take Holy Communion to most of our homebound parishioners and those in rest homes with the assistance of a few extraordinary ministers as needed as he would like to be more active in their pastoral care. If you know of any parishioners who become homebound etc. please contact him. A special thanks to Margaret Berg, Deirdre Jolly and those who have generously taken Holy Communion on Sundays.

## “WITH THE YOUTH WE PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL”

Thank you for your prayers and generous contributions for this year’s MISSIO-NZ World Mission Sunday Appeal supporting global mission. Your heartfelt gifts will help provide for so many people around the world. We invite you to consider continuing being a part of MISSIO-NZ and furthering life-giving work with us through a regular monthly gift, by volunteering or simply through prayer.

### Six-Kilometer Pilgrimage of Synod2018 Participants to Tomb of St Peter

25 October 2018—[ZENIT](#)

Some 300 participants in the Synod on Youth, made a pilgrimage to St Peter’s Tomb on October 25, 2018: six kilometers of walking in Rome, with moments of prayer, in which the young auditors participated.

The participants arrived by noon at St. Peter’s Basilica, where the Pope joined them to conclude their pilgrimage. With him, they renewed their Creed, then celebrated Mass presided over by Cardinal Lorenzo Baldisseri, General Secretary of the Synod of Bishops, at the Basilica’s main altar.

Archbishop Rino Fisichella, President of the Pontifical Council for the Promoting the New Evangelization – the Dicastery organizing the Event – delivered the homily, meditating on the meaning of the Apostle Peter, his life, his vocation: “Peter shows us how to live our Christian existence.”

“When he was young, he went where he wanted, he was autonomous, independent, that’s what we want ... but will come the time when another will lead you where you do not want to go,” he said, quoting the Gospel of John (21: 15-19).

To understand these words of Jesus, Archbishop Fisichella explained, we need to return a few years back to the vocation of Peter, who trusts Jesus after his unsuccessful fishing, and goes back to throw his nets: “I trust you.” We see the confidence that Peter puts in Jesus, even if he did not know Him.”

With this episode, Peter “begins to receive a first teaching: without me, you cannot do anything; he who abides in me will bear much fruit. Peter understands slowly that he must trust, that he needs the grace of God; without Him, we can do nothing. Peter feels unworthy, but Jesus “has another plan,” Archbishop Fisichella continued: “Do not be afraid ... continue to trust me, continue to be near me.”

The president of the dicastery emphasized the “generous character” of Peter “as typical of our

youth, generosity, solidarity ... who go where needed”. However, “Peter, step by step, must understand that it is Jesus, it is God who saves him.”

After the Resurrection of Jesus, in the Gospel passage of John, observed Archbishop Fisichella, Jesus does not say to Peter: “Why did you betray me?” The Archbishop admitted that he would have asked.



The prelate continued: “Jesus teaches us that when you are in Him, you think differently.”

In this passage where Jesus says “Do you love me?” and “Follow me,” the Archbishop sees “the call to love ... to give oneself completely.” Peter is not yet able, but 30 later, he “will bend his knees before God, be available and able to give himself totally. It is the gift of martyrdom, no one takes your life, I offer it myself. Here, Peter fulfills his vocation.”

“God is patient with us, His times are not our times,” concluded Archbishop Fisichella. He comes to us when He has decided, the Archbishop said, noting: He must find an open heart. Thus, he concluded, Peter’s profession of faith “must also become ours, capable of giving our life to the Lord Jesus.”



## November Mass Requests for Holy Souls & Offerings

During the month of November we pray for all the faithfully departed. Masses can be requested for loved ones by writing their names of a piece of paper and placing it an envelope and then in the box located in the sanctuary of each church in our Pastoral Area marked: ‘Holy Souls’.

### Mass Offerings

It is customary to make an offering of \$10.00 per Mass requested.

Offerings are for the priest who celebrates the requested Mass and should be included in the envelope if you wish Mass(es) for the repose of those mentioned to be the priest’s private prayer intention during a particular Mass(es). Intentions can be combined for as many souls as you would like prayed for during the Sacrifice of the Mass.

### Requiescant in Pace

#### NEXT WEEK

**4 Nov Readings:** Deut 6:2-6; Heb 7:23-28; Mark 12:28b-34

#### 4 Nov Rosters

**Greeters:** S Brouwer (Alex); R Dyson (Roxb).  
**Projector:** Gerard (Omak); J Dunlay (Alex); A Compton (Roxb).  
**Altar Servers:** Libby Hanford, Imogen Constable (Alex).  
**Intro/POF:** B Grubb (Alex).  
**Readers:** J Paulin (Omak); B Mclean (Alex); G Dyson (Roxb).  
**Offertory:** C Morris (Omak); B & V Mclean (Alex); Robb Family (Roxb).  
**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** R Kilkelly (Omak); T Eastwood, C Grieve, F Clements (Alex) K van der Water (Roxb).  
**To the Sick:** M Healey, C Grieve (Alex).  
**Sacristan:** D Courtney (Alex).  
**Cleaning:** C Morris (Omak); (Alex); G Dyson (Roxb).