



Diocese
of Dunedin

Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

29 September 2019; Year C / Weekdays Year 1

MASS TIMES

Sundays

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

Weekdays

Alexandra

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

Roxburgh

Wednesday 5:15pm (church)

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Alexandra

Friday 11:00am—Noon
(11:45am Benediction)

RECONCILIATION

Alexandra

Saturday 11:30am-Noon
(on request)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Quarterly

Alexandra

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

Roxburgh

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

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OTHER CENTRAL OTAGO PARISH SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Ranfury	5:00pm (Sun) or 4:00pm during daylight savings	
Cromwell	11:00am	(1 st , 3 rd , 5 th Sun)
	9:00am	(2 nd , 4 th Sun)
Wanaka	9:00am	(1 st , 3 rd , 5 th Sun)
	11:00am	(2 nd , 4 th Sun)
Queenstown	6:30pm Vigil (Sat) 9:00am	
Arrowtown	11:00am	
Garston	11:00am	(2 nd Sun)
Glenorchy	11:00am	(4 th Sun)

Sunday Readings: Amos 6:1,4-7; 1 Timothy 6:11-16;
Luke 16:19-31

Responsorial Psalm

Praise the Lord, my soul!

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,
to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,
by which you have given me hope.
This is my comfort when I am brought low.



Died Recently
Brian McElligott

Anniversaries
Gavin Dunlay
Neil Raffills

**Requiescant
in Pace**

NO MASS TUES TO FRIDAY THIS WEEK—Fr Vaughan will be on leave these days visiting his family in Palmerston North. **Please note** that there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday, just no Benediction or Mass to follow. The Alex church will also be locked for most of the week for security.

OASIS OPPORTUNITY SHOP—The Oasis shop is open Tues to Fri from 11am-3pm.

THE COMMUNITY PANTRY—The Community Pantry has been overwhelmed with the generosity of churches by supplying us with a plentiful supply of cereal, as requested. We do appreciate that we can continue to pass on good, nutritious parcels to those in need. Thankyou.

If you wish to contribute, some needs at this time are cereal/porridge, spreads, 2 Minute noodles, and tinned spaghetti/beans.

125TH OPENING ANNIVERSARY OF ST PATRICK'S BASILICA IN OAMARU

Saturday 9 Nov 2019. Mass will be celebrated in the Basilica at 6:30pm, followed by cutting of the cake, speeches and supper at the Moeraki Room, Brydone Hotel, Wear St, Oamaru. Tickets: \$10 pp for the after Mass event. Sunday 10 Nov 2019, 9:30am Mass, followed by Morning Tea in the Dean O'Reilly Lounge. RSVP: By 25 Oct for catering purposes. Parish Office (03) 434 8543 Email: oamaru.basilica@xtra.co.nz

HUMAN TRAFFICKING—Sr Rosemary Grundy, a Presentation Sister in Queensland, Australia, is presenting at the Dominican Education Forum in Invercargill and will do a presentation in Dunedin Sun 6 October, 4pm to 5.30pm, Holy Name Church, 420 Great King Street, Dunedin North. Arranged by ANZRATH Dunedin (Aotearoa New Zealand Religious Against Trafficking Humans).

ST PATRICK'S BASILICA, SOUTH DUNEDIN 125TH CELEBRATIONS

—October 4,5,6
Friday 4 October 7:00pm to 7:30pm: Novena; Saturday 5 October 6:30 pm to 7:30pm: Presentation by Seán Brosnahan, Toitū Otago Settlers Museum curator followed by wine, beer and cheese; Sunday 6 October 10:00am – 11:00am: Anniversary Mass followed by traditional fair activities, with food from around the world. No need to register. Just come along.

LIGHT PARTY DONATIONS—We are looking for donations of lollies for the event as in previous years; a box is in the Alex church foyer for these. Contact Sally Ferreira or Loretta Fonseca for more information.



Alexandra Catholic Church: Project Plan for Church Electrical, Heating and Exterior Lighting Upgrade Budget

The Alexandra Parish Finance Committee wish to inform the Alexandra Parish community that it can confirm the works below are now able to proceed, with completion by the end of 2019. Aotea Electric is the contractor.

These works will enable the 60-year old Alexandra church building to be electrically sound and able to be heated more effectively in the very cold months of winter. These works also upgrade flood lighting for the carpark and night security lighting around the church to prevent vandalism and improve safety for night time use.

This project is not cheap but necessary for the ongoing use of the building and we are grateful to the Central Lakes Trust for supporting these works and our parish community. The remainder of the funds for the project will come from our parish savings which is put aside for capital works. However, if parishioners wish to contribute to this project, donations would be

gratefully received and can be placed in the collection basket at Masses with donor details for receipting purposes.

Expenditure

Switch board upgrade	\$11,970
Heating upgrade	\$34,950
(3 new air handler units replacing current system)	
Exterior Lighting upgrade	\$2,850
TOTAL	\$49,770

Income

Central Lakes Trust	\$10,000
Alexandra Parish Savings and donations	\$39,770
TOTAL	\$49,770

(GST excluded as the Parish claims this back)



Caritas' Share the Journey Campaign Launches Global Week of Action 2019

Unleashing the power of the creative arts to promote deeper understanding of migration is the focus

26 September 2019—[ZENIT](#)

Unleashing the power of the creative arts to promote deeper understanding of migration is the focus of Caritas' Share the Journey Campaign for its Global Week of Action 2019.

The week will run from Sunday 29th September to Sunday 6th October, kicking off on the Vatican's World Day of Migrants and Refugees, which is being marked for the 105th time.

Caritas groups all around the world will host artistic events and activities for the Global Week of Action 2019, sparking a Global Wave of Action to follow over the next two years of the Share the Journey Campaign. Some will write poetry, publish books and video films while others have already been busy drawing and painting, creating theatre and puppet dramas, photography exhibitions and more.

Caritas has collected some of the worldwide activities into its own art gallery and a special Tool-Kit and How-To Guide are available in English [<http://journey.caritas.org/gwa19/>], French and Spanish.

There's also a downloadable image of a collage created by Caritas comprising hundreds of faces, into which supporters can paste the images they choose and use in their campaigning. Pope Francis – a descendant of migrants – pasted in a picture of his parents' wedding in Argentina, and Caritas Internationalis President Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle, was creative with a photograph of his child migrant grandfather.

Cardinal Tagle said he found the experience very moving.

"When I held that small image of my grandfather – sent by his struggling family from China to the Philippines to escape poverty – and added him to the Caritas collage, I felt the huge emotion of the migration story. As humans we have migrated so many times together and I felt like I was connecting him to those many journeys. Even a simple artistic action like this is very powerful."

Share the Journey was launched by Pope Francis in September 2017 as part of Caritas' response to his vision of a "culture of encounter", bringing migrants, refugees and host communities closer together to strengthen them, confront prejudice and to recognize our common humanity.

The Global Week of Action 2019 [<http://journey.caritas.org/gwa19/>] theme of artistic creativity focuses on something all humans have in common – be

it painting, music, drama, writing or any other act of imaginative expression.

Caritas believes that these arts bring us together and open our hearts and minds and that creativity can do much to help us reconnect with each other as brothers and sisters. Advocating with the arts refutes myths and misunderstandings and makes us ask the question – who are we to each other?



NEXT WEEK

6 October Readings: Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14; Luke 17:5-10

6 October Rosters

Greeters: Delpont Family (Alex); A McElligott (Roxb).

Projector: Ruth (Omak); M O'Connor (Alex); G Dyson (Roxb).

Altar Servers: Taine Ballantyne, Jelena Morrell, Dani Irving-Dowling (Alex).

Intro/POF: A Delpont (Alex).

Readers: L Van Boxel (Omak); J McLean (Alex); A Favel (Roxb).

Offertory: C Morris (Omak); Delpont Family (Alex); Clarke Family (Roxb).

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: M Matheson (Omak); R Bond, F Clements, B Mclean (Alex); J McKinnel (Roxb).

Sacristan: J Hogue (Alex).

Cleaning: C Morris (Omak); M Paulin, L Fonseca (Alex); M Card (Roxb).