



Diocese
of Dunedin

Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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

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Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

4 November 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 (side chapel)
Thursday 9:00am (side chapel)
Friday 12:00pm **NO MASS**
Saturday 9:00am **NO MASS**

Roxburgh

Wednesday 5:15pm (church)

RECONCILIATION

Alexandra

Saturday 11:30am-Noon
(or 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 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 (2nd Sun)

Glenorchy 11:00am (4th Sun)

Cromwell 11:00am (1st, 3rd, 5th Sun)

9:00am (2nd, 4th Sun)

Wanaka 9:00am (1st, 3rd, 5th Sun)

11:00am (2nd, 4th Sun)

Sunday Readings: Deut 6:2-6; Heb 7:23-28; Mark 12:28b-34

Responsorial Psalm

I love you, Lord, my strength.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them, and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.



Died Recently
Fr Brian Dougherty
Gerard Bell

Anniversaries
Nell and Maurice
Galvin
Gordon MacKenzie
David McKinnel

**Requiescant
in Pace**

ALEX ATTENDANCE DUES HARDSHIP GRANT COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND—this retiring collection will be taken up to help support families in our parish meet the cost of attending a Catholic School. If you would like to give please place your donation in an envelope with your name or planned giving number, or simply place cash in the collection basket which Doug Stanaway will be holding at the back of the church following Mass next weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

FR VAUGHAN ON LEAVE: FRIDAY 9 NOV TO THURS 15 NOV—If you are in need of a priest during this time please contact the Cromwell Presbytery 03 445 0038. The Alex church will be open limited hours (9am-3pm on school days). Please note on the left side of the newsletter which days weekday Mass will occur. Fr Dan Cummings will be celebrating the weekend Masses next week.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS—On sale now for \$12

THE CENTRAL OTAGO REGIONAL CHOIR will present their end of year concert, Viva Vivaldi, Sunday Nov 11th at 2:30pm in the Dunstan High School Hall. Tickets are \$20.00 (adult), children free. This concert will feature Vivaldi's Gloria in D with Kemp English accompanying on a harpsichord and also a string ensemble from Dunedin.

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.

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.

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.

ROXBURGH BAPTIST CHURCH—you are invited to join with us Sunday Evening 11 November, 7:30pm (supper to follow). Peter and Karen Brookes will share on the work and ministry of Christian Missions Charitable Trust . Peter and Karen will give an date with all that's going on in the ministry in Chennai Southern India, and with Colleen. They will also have handicraft made by many of the poor ladies for sale and any sales helps raise funds to give them an income. Any enquiries to Trevor and Shirley Parkinson on behalf 03 446 9038.

CENTRAL OTAGO FRIENDSHIP NETWORK—Do you need a friend or someone to come and visit sometimes or would you like to be part of a group and make new friends? For further information contact Gay McCaughan 03 447 3636 or cofriendshipnetwork@gmail.com

NZ ROSARY CRUSADE— 8 December: Presently the Law Commission is encouraging the government to liberalise the abortion laws. Our Parliament is also currently considering legalising Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide. The time has come for New Zealanders, Catholics and non-Catholics to pray together for our nation. We must act now! On 8 December, New Zealanders will join together in prayer from various locations (including at the National March for Life on the lawn of Parliament) to pray the Rosary for Life and Faith. www.rosarycrusade.co.nz or phone Clare on 022 1912 886 or 03 359 2087

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN OF THE PARISH WHO RECEIVED THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION AND MADE THEIR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION LAST WEEK—special thanks to Trina Eastwood and Loretta Fonseca for preparing the children for the Sacraments and everyone who helped with the Liturgy and Breakfast. Thanks too to Donald Lamont for his photography.



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 on a piece of paper and placing it in 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

11 Nov Readings: 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mark 12:41-44

11 Nov Rosters

Greeters: S & K McKenzie (Alex); M Card (Roxb).

Projector: Joan (Omak); P Mulvihill (Alex); K Robb (Roxb).

Altar Servers: Sophia Tait, Jelena Morrell (Alex).

Intro/POF: M Bonney (Alex).

Readers: L Van boxtel (Omak); T Eastwood (Alex); A Favel (Roxb).

Offertory: C Morris (Omak); M & G Healey (Alex);

Neil & Allan (Roxb).

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: J Paulin (Omak);

K Fahey, B Gibbons, J Parbhu (Alex) R Dyson (Roxb).

To the Sick: K Fahey, P Soper (Alex).

Sacristan: J Dunlay (Alex).

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