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Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare)

14 March 2021

MASS TIMES

Sundays

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

This Week

(16th to 20th March)

Alexandra

Tuesday, 16th 5:00pm (side chapel)
Wednesday, 17th 9:00am (side chapel)
Thursday, 18th 9:00am (side chapel)
Friday, 19th Noon (church)
Saturday, 20th 9:00am (side chapel)

Roxburgh

Wednesday, 17th 5:15pm (presbytery)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, 19th 5:00pm (church)

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

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

RECONCILIATION

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

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Quarterly

Alexandra

Friday Noon
(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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Readings: 2 Chr 36:14-16,19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

Responsorial Psalm

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son,
that all who believe in him might have eternal life.
Glory and Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon

Jerusalem is built as a city bonded as one together.
It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,
to praise the name of the Lord.



Died Recently

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Anniversaries

Glenn Thow
John Dallas
Peter Chote
Kathryn Lucas

Requiescant
in Pace

ANOINTING MASS

Anointing will take place in Roxburgh on Wednesday, 17 March. All are welcome.

LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUPS

Sessions are now held on Fridays at 10:30am in the side chapel. All welcome.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During the Fridays of Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be prayed in the Alexandra Church at 5:00pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

CARITAS — A NEW WAY FORWARD

Lenten Giving Envelope Packs are in the church foyer. You can either use the weekly or single donation envelopes. You may return your donation either in the specially marked box in the church foyer, in the collection basket or send it directly to Caritas (use freepost envelope for this option). Do not send cash through the post. Thank you for your generosity.



BLIND LOW VISION RED PUPPY APPEAL—26/27 March

We are looking for volunteers to help on these days. Please contact Vicki McLean on 4489128 or 0272028766 if you can help for an hour or two. Thank you.

DIOCESAN NEWSLETTER

Just a reminder that latest monthly diocesan newsletter will be online this weekend. If you haven't already signed up you can do so by going to the Dunedin Diocese website and clicking on the link at the bottom of our homepage. If you have signed up and don't seem to be receiving them it might be worth checking your junk mail. As always, it is also uploaded to our website and Facebook page.

Website: www.cdd.org.nz

Facebook: [@catholic.diocese.dunedin.newzealand](https://www.facebook.com/catholic.diocese.dunedin.newzealand)

150 YEARS OF DOMINICAN SISTERS IN NEW ZEALAND

Friends and family members are warmly welcomed to join in the celebration of the jubilee Mass at St Mary's Church, Mosgiel on Saturday, 27 March at 10 am, followed by morning tea, Covid levels permitting.

At level 2, there will be a maximum of 100 people.

At any higher levels, the Mass will be cancelled.

Let gratitude fill our hearts for all that has been, all that is and all that is to come.



ALEXANDRA PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Due to a vacancy on the Parish Council, nominations are now being called for. Forms are on the table in the church foyer. Please leave your nomination form in the box by 28th March. Thank you.

SISTER LEONA GARCHOW—Celebrating 50 years of Religious Life as a Sister of Mercy.

A celebration for Sr Leona will take place at the 9:00am Mass on Sunday, 9 May at St John the Baptist Church, followed by morning tea. All are very welcome.

MORNING TEA SERVICE

Bringing our Parish Community together

The Parish Council is pleased to advise that once every school term, there will be a morning tea service after Mass on Sundays. This is to welcome new parishioners and to bring our existing parishioners together. The next one will be held on Mothers' Day, 9th May. This will also be the day we celebrate Sister Leona's 50 years as a Sister of Mercy. If you'd like to assist with this service in any way, please get in touch with Jen McLean on 021 2700760. Thank you to those that have already offered to help.

FOOD FOR FAITH

Fr John O'Connor offers brief daily email encouragements in **LENT 2021** for those who sign up at www.foodforfaith.org.nz. Take a few minutes each day of Lent to experience Jesus Christ present with you and experience immediate benefits. This Lent's offerings include a **TAKE ONE** hour a week invitation to be in contact with others who are on the same journey. More information at www.foodforfaith.org.nz.

SHINE TV MASS

Shine TV will broadcast Mass at 2pm on free-to-air TV Channel 25 and Sky Channel 201.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER MASS TIMES

ALEXANDRA (Church of St John the Baptist)

Holy Thursday—7:00pm

Good Friday—3:00pm

Holy Saturday—8:30pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday—9:00am

Please note: There will be NO usual daily Masses on Thursday, Friday and Saturday that week.

OMAKAU (St Peter's Church)

Holy Saturday—6:00pm Easter Vigil

ROXBURGH (Church of Our Lady of Peace)

Easter Sunday—11:00am

NEXT WEEK

21 March Readings: Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

20/21 March Roster:

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| Greeters: | Panganiban family (Alex); A McElligott (Roxb) |
| Projector: | Volunteer (Omak); R Bond (Alex); A Compton (Roxb) |
| Altar Servers: | Alysha O'Connor, Charles Diver, Charlotte O'Kane |
| Intro / POF: | P Cooney (Omak); J McLean (Alex); M Clarke (Roxb) |
| Reader: | P Cooney (Omak); B Grubb & J O'Neil-Cooney (Alex); M Clarke (Roxb) |
| Offertory: | Volunteer (Omak); Panganiban family (Alex); Pene & Anne (Roxb) |
| Extraordinary Ministers: | J Paulin (Omak); L Fonseca, M O'Connor, B McLean (Alex); B Clarke (Roxb) |
| Sacristan: | L Fonseca (Alex) |
| Cleaner: | M Matheson (Omak); J Kinney & J Whitaker (Alex); M Clarke (Roxb) |