



Diocese
of Dunedin

Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

17 January 2021

MASS TIMES

Sundays

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

This Week

(19th to 23rd January)

Alexandra

Tuesday, 19th 5:00pm (side chapel)
Wednesday, 20th 9:00am (side chapel)
Thursday, 21st 9:00am (side chapel)
Friday, 22nd Noon (church)
Saturday, 23rd 9:00am (side chapel)

Roxburgh

Wednesday, 20th 5:15pm (presbytery)

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)

Readings: 1 Sam 3:3-10,19; 1 Cor 6:13-15,17-20; Jn 1:35-42

Responsorial Psalm

Here am I, Lord;
I come to do your will.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

We have found the Messiah:

Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

We have come to know and believe
in the love that God has for us.



Died Recently

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Anniversaries

Samuel Taylor

Requiescant
in Pace

RECTOR OF HOLY CROSS SEMINARY—APPOINTMENT

Father Mathew Vadakkevettuvazhiyil has been appointed as the next Rector of Holy Cross Seminary in Auckland. This appointment was confirmed by the Vatican's Congregation for the Evangelisation of Peoples. Fr Mathew will succeed the present Rector, Fr Brendan Ward, at the end of 2021.

Cardinal John Dew, Archbishop of Wellington and President of the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference, welcomed the announcement on behalf of the bishops of Aotearoa New Zealand.

More information on our website: www.alexatholic.nz

FATHER JOHN REA

Father John Rea will be holding a Healing Seminar at Mercy Parish on the 5th and 6th of March 2021 (Friday evening at 7pm and Saturday from 9.30 am till 3 pm). Father John has a well known ministry for praying for the sick and injured, over many years and seeing people healed. A woman whose cancer disappeared, a child violinist whose crushed hand was restored, a dumb teenager with paralysis whose paralysis and speech was reversed. Father John though in advancing years is in demand in New Zealand and overseas, some of you will remember him from last year when he visited.

Please mark the dates on your calendar and we'll be back with a reminder in the New Year. Enquiries phone Mary 0274256804 or Kathy 03 4737115.



CLERGY APPOINTMENTS 2021 By Bishop Michael

St. Josephs' Cathedral:

Fr. Fredy Permentilla MSP, is appointed parish priest of St. Joseph's Cathedral, Dunedin. Fredy will take on this appointment in addition to his duties as parish priest in the Hills Suburbs Pastoral Area. This appointment will be effective starting 23rd January 2021. Monsignor John Harrison is appointed assistant priest in residence in St. Joseph's Cathedral Parish.

Pastoral Placements for Seminarians

Joseph Nguyen is appointed on his pastoral placement to the Gore Pastoral Area.
Suu Nguyen is appointed on his pastoral placement to the North Invercargill Pastoral Area.
Both Suu and Joseph will begin their placements in early February and continue until Christmas 2021.

Incardination into Diocese of Dunedin

With the agreement of his Bishop in Sri Lanka, Fr. Jacob Thevasahayampillai has been incardinated into the Diocese of Dunedin. Fr. Jacob has been working with us as a priest for a number of years and we joyfully welcome him now as an official member of our presbyterate.

NZ CATHOLIC BISHOPS URGE EVERYONE TO HAVE A COVID-19 VACCINE

The country's Catholic bishops are strongly urging their faithful and everyone in Aotearoa New Zealand to get a Covid-19 vaccine when it becomes available.

More information on our website: www.alexatholic.nz

Dunedin Diocese: Keeping in Touch

The experience we have had as a Church community in 2020 during the Covid-19 lockdown has reminded us all how important communication is within our Church communities. We have an opportunity to improve our ways of communicating and we would value your assistance by providing us with your details.

We would like to know how to get in touch when there is something important going on or when we need your help. You are invited to complete the following online survey. It will take approximately 3 minutes to complete.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Your information will not be shared outside of the Catholic Diocese of Dunedin.

[Dunedin Diocese: Keeping in Touch \(google.com\)](https://www.google.com)

Fr Gerard Aynsley, Vicar General, Diocese of Dunedin



MAKE SUMMER UNSTOPPABLE

Unite against COVID-19

150 YEARS OF DOMINICAN SISTERS IN NEW ZEALAND

18 February 2021 will mark 150 years since ten Dominican sisters arrived from Ireland to begin the congregation in New Zealand. The sisters are taking this opportunity to remember with gratitude all those who have enabled and supported our life in this country: family, friends, women who have shared our life, former pupils, parishioners, benefactors and supporters in prayer and ministry.

A public mass will be held at St Mary's Church, Mosgiel, at 10am on Saturday 20 February, to which all are welcome.



NEXT WEEK

24 January Readings: Jonah 3:1-5,10; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

23/24 January Roster:

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| Greeters: | T Schaumann (Alex); R Dyson (Roxb) |
| Projector: | A White (Omak); J Fonseca (Alex); Volunteer (Roxb) |
| Altar Servers: | Milla O'Kane, Joshua Brown, David Fonseca |
| Intro / POF: | J Paulin (Omak); K MacKenzie (Alex); K Robb (Roxb) |
| Reader: | J Paulin (Omak); B Gibbons (Alex); K Robb (Roxb) |
| Offertory: | Volunteer (Omak); T Schaumann & P O'Connor (Alex); M Card & E Reid (Roxb) |
| Extraordinary Ministers: | J Paulin (Omak); R Bennett, J Flannery, L Fonseca (Alex); A Compton (Roxb) |
| Sacristan: | L Fonseca / D Lamont (Alex) |
| Cleaner: | J Flannery (Omak); B Grubb & S MacKenzie (Alex); K van de Water (Roxb) |