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



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Eightieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st August 2021

MASS TIMES

Sundays

Omakau 6:00pm Vigil (Sat)

Alexandra 9:00am

Roxburgh 11:00am

Weekdays

(3rd - 7th August)

Alexandra

Tuesday, 3rd 5:00pm (side chapel)

Wednesday, 4th 9:00am (side chapel)

Thursday, 5th 9:00am (side chapel)

Friday, 6th midday (side chapel)

Saturday, 7th 9:00am (side chapel)

Roxburgh

Wednesday, 4th 5:15pm (presbytery)

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Alexandra (side chapel)

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: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24;
Jn 6:24-35

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

No one lives on bread alone,

But on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with
all delights and sweetness in every taste.



Died Recently

Margaret Ealam

Mavis Ryan

Anniversaries

Gerard Thompson

Tony Bryant

Betty Woodhouse

Fran Taylor

Catherine Schmidt

Richard Altenburg

Requiescant
in Pace

SUNDAY 1ST AUGUST - THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER AGAINST SALVERY AND TRAFFICKING OF PEOPLES

See more information about this day of prayer on the website www.nlo.org.nz

NOVENA IN PREPARATION FOR REDEDICATION OF NEW ZEALAND TO MARY ASSUMED INTO HEAVEN

On Sunday August 15 our land will be solemnly rededicated by all our bishops to Our Lady at St Mary of the Angels church in Wellington.

In preparation for this, the Catholic Enquiry Centre will post a short reflection and prayer each day beginning Saturday 7 August on the Catholic Discovery Facebook page.

We invite all to take part in praying for our nation each day.

<https://www.facebook.com/catholicdiscovery.nz>



THANK YOU LETTER FROM THE FONSECAS

Dear Fr Sani, members of the Parish Council, parishioners, St Gerard's staff and students,

We thank you for making our last Mass most memorable. We are so moved by your amazing kindness and will treasure your special messages, wishes and love that we have received over the last days, and continue to.

It's been an honour and an absolute privilege to have been a part of this wonderful parish. Know that what we've reflected was only a fraction of the love and kindness we received when we first came to Alexandra.

So, thank you!

Here's a photo of a very special area in our apartment in Singapore.



Lots of love from the Fonsecas

WEBSITE FOR TE ARA A MARIA: MARY'S WAY PROJECT

A website has been created to help promote the bishops' renewal of the dedication of the country to Our Lady Assumed into Heaven. The renewal project has the title *Te Ara a Maria: Mary's Way* and runs for 12 months from 15 August.

Go here for the website: www.tearaamaria.nz

The website contains details of the project. It will be updated regularly to include the schedule of the nationwide hiko of the artwork created for the project. The hiko starts on August 18 in Invercargill.

NEW PARISHIONERS—WELCOME

If you are new parishioners to our parish, we would like to inform you that there is a New Parishioner Form on the table in the church foyer, that you are invited to fill and place in the box provided. Many thanks.

NEXT WEEK

8th August Readings: 1 Kg 17:8-16; Col 3:12-17; Mt 6:25-34

7th/ 8th August Roster:

Greeters: B & N Daniels (Alex); R Dyson (Roxb)

Projector: J Kinney (Omak); J Dunlay (Alex);
G Dyson (Roxb)

Altar Servers: Liberty Sim, Varna Sim, Charlotte O'Kane

Intro / POF: J Paulin (Omak); J McLean (Alex);
A Favel (Roxb)

Readers: J Paulin (Omak); R Bennett, B Grubb (Alex);
A Favel (Roxb)

Offertory: Volunteer (Omak); B Daniels, G Chapman (Alex);
Pene & Anne (Roxb)

Extraordinary Ministers: J Kinney (Omak); M Bennie, J Hogue, B McLean (Alex); J McKinnel (Roxb)

Sacristan: J Hogue (Alex)

Cleaners: J Flannery (Omak); (Alex);
A Compton (Roxb)

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