



# Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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

## Parish Priest

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## Parish Pastoral Council Chair

Mr Brian McLean

## Finance Committee & Maintenance Team Chair

Mr Doug Stanaway

## Catholic Social Services

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## St Gerard's Primary School

Principal  
Mrs Julie Flannery

## Acting DRS

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## Board Chair

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## First Sunday of Lent

1 March 2020

### MASS TIMES

#### Sundays

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

#### Weekdays [this coming week]

##### Alexandra

Tuesday 5:00pm (side chapel)  
Wednesday 9:00am (side chapel)  
Thursday 9:00am (side chapel)  
Friday 12:00pm (church)  
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  
(or on request)

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Quarterly

#### Alexandra

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

#### Roxburgh

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

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### OTHER CENTRAL OTAGO PARISH SUNDAY MASS TIMES

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

Sunday Readings: Genesis 2:7-9,3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

### Responsorial Psalm

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

### Gospel Acclamation

Glory and Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ  
No one lives by bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Glory and Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

### Communion Antiphon

The Lord will conceal you with His pinions, and under His wings you will trust.



**Died Recently**  
Rita O'Neill  
Fr Fergus Reeves

**Anniversaries**  
Bill Anderson  
Neville Sklenars  
Anne Altenburg  
Florencio Guadiario

**Requiescant in Pace**

**ANOINTING MASSES**—Roxburgh: Wednesday, 4 March at 5:15pm and Alexandra: Friday, 6 March at the midday mass.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**—Stations of the Cross will be held in the Alexandra parish every Friday during Lent at 5pm.

**CARITAS**—Lenten Appeal envelopes now available in the church foyer.

**ALEXANDRA PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**—Due to vacancies occurring on the Parish Council, nominations are now being called for. Forms are available in the church foyer. **Nominations close Monday, 2nd March.** Please leave your nomination form in the box provided, or in the collection tray in an envelope marked "Parish Council" or given to either Margaret Bennie or Brian McLean. Thank you.

**CENTRAL OTAGO COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS (Bereaved Parents)**—You are warmly invited to the Orchard Gardens on Sunday, 1st March for afternoon tea, friendship and relaxation from 2:30 to 4:00pm (no charge, something that is done once a year). For further information or if you'd like a ride, please contact Louise McKenzie ([louise.mckenzie@xtra.co.nz](mailto:louise.mckenzie@xtra.co.nz)). The Compassionate Friends is a mutual self-help organisation offering friendship and understanding to bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents. Contacts: Louise McKenzie (Co-ordinator) 03 448 6094 or Jan Pessione 027 3091246.

### COLLECTIONS & INCOME Jan 2020

Alexandra / Omakau	
Parish	\$ 1592
Sales	\$ 86
Alexo/Function	\$ -
Donations	\$ 150
Roxburgh	
Parish	\$ 535.50
Donations	\$ 320
Sales	\$ -
Parish Func	\$ 78
Pastoral Area Presbytery	
	\$ 1,091

## HEALTH CARE CO-ORDINATOR

The Diocese of Dunedin is looking to employ a Registered Nurse to oversee the health and wellbeing of our priests. This will involve working throughout the diocese for up to 10 hours per week.

If you are interested or require more information please contact Fr Gerard Aynsley on [gerard.aynsley@gmail.com](mailto:gerard.aynsley@gmail.com)

**Applications close 9 March 2020.**

## OASIS OPPORTUNITY SHOP, Centrepoin Mall, ALEXANDRA

The shop is open on Monday from 1 to 4 pm and from Tuesday to Friday from 11am-4pm.

## THE COMMUNITY PANTRY

Presently we are urgently short of margarine, Vegemite/Marmite small and medium, peanut butter, jams, honey, 2-minute noodles, sugar, tinned spaghetti, baked beans, pasta, tinned fish, rice risotto, long-life milk, 100's tea bags or donations to go towards the purchase of meat and cheese.

Thank you for your continued support.

## WANT TO RECEIVE THE NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL?

Send the Parish an email ([alexatholic@xtra.co.nz](mailto:alexatholic@xtra.co.nz)) and request to go on the mailing list.

## CHURCH MINISTRIES

Thank you for taking the time to fill in the Ministries form. The present roster end 22 March before which you will be contacted for your availability.

If you have any questions please contact Loretta Fonseca on 0211667022 or [kiwis2001@xtra.co.nz](mailto:kiwis2001@xtra.co.nz)

Many thanks for your willingness to help out.

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER— Ecumenical Service, Friday 6th March 2020

Observed on the first Friday in March each year, is a world-wide movement of informed prayer involving people of many denominations and languages in more than 170 countries. Each year the service is written by women in a different country who share the hopes and fears, joys and sorrows, opportunities and needs, of their country.

For more information, please see the notice board in the church foyer.

### NEXT WEEK

**8 March Readings:** Genesis 12:1-4; 2 Timothy 1:8-10; Matthew 17:1-9

#### 7/8 March Rosters

**Greeters:** Dwyer family (Alex); M Mckinnel (Roxb).

**Projector:** Jane (Omak); J Dunlay (Alex); K Robb (Roxb).

**Altar Servers:** Aurelia Lanham, Sophie Tait, Dani Irving-Dowling (Alex).

**Intro/POF:** N Lanham (Alex).

**Readers:** A Kinney (Omak); C Lanham (Alex); M Sale (Roxb).

**Offertory:** M & G Healey (Alex); Roos family (Roxb).

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** J Kinney (Omak); M Bennie, J Parbhu, L Fonseca (Alex); J Mckinnel (Roxb).

**Sacristan:** L Fonseca (Alex).

**Cleaning:** R Kinney (Omak); (Alex); A Compton (Roxb).