



Diocese  
of Dunedin

# Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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

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## Fifth Sunday of Lent 21 March 2021

### MASS TIMES

#### Sundays

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

#### This Week (23rd to 27th March)

**Alexandra**  
Tuesday, 23rd 5:00pm (side chapel)  
Wednesday, 24th 9:00am (side chapel)  
Thursday, 25th 9:00am (side chapel)  
Friday, 26th Noon (church)  
Saturday, 27th 9:00am (side chapel)

#### Roxburgh

Wednesday, 24th 5:15pm (presbytery)

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, 26th 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  
(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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Readings: Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

### Responsorial Psalm

Create a clean heart in me, O God.

### Gospel Acclamation

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord;  
and where I am, my servant will also be.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

### Communion Antiphon

Amen, Amen, I say to you:

Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies,  
it remains a single grain.  
But if it dies, it bears much fruit.



### Died Recently

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### Anniversaries

Pat & Dennis Flannery  
Jock Jolly  
Avis-Campbell Dyson  
William Welnoski

### Requiescant in Pace

### CONSECRATION TO ST JOSEPH

Pope Francis declared this year as the Year of St. Joseph. St. Joseph is the Foster Father of Jesus, Patron of the Universal Church and Pillar of Families. Join the 33 Day Consecration to St. Joseph starting on March 30 to the Day of Consecration, May 1, the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker.

In the midst of crisis, confusion and a world at odds with Christian values, it is time to entrust ourselves to our spiritual father. Register at [www.marriageandfamily.org.nz](http://www.marriageandfamily.org.nz) or email [info@marriageandfamily.org.nz](mailto:info@marriageandfamily.org.nz) for more information. - The Centre for Marriage and Family (CMF).

### PALM SUNDAY MASS—28 March at 9:00am in Alex

The students of St Gerard's School will be joining in and participating at this Mass. All are very welcome.

### ALEXANDRA PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Parish Council nominations are now being called for. We greatly urge you to come forward to be a part of this team that meet four to five times a year and work towards the good of the parish and its parishioners.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Fr Sani or Margaret Bennie.

Forms are on the table in the church foyer. Please leave your nomination form in the box by 28th March. Thank you.

### PLANNED GIVING—Year April 2021 to March 2022

For those who make payments by envelopes, these are now ready for collection from Doug Stanaway at the front door of the Alex church before Mass on Sunday, 21 March. For those who would like to make planned payments online, Doug will also have with him, Automatic Payment (AP) forms with required details already filled in. Alternatively, an AP form could be obtained from the Bank itself. Details that you will require are:  
Name of Bank: ANZ  
Branch: Alexandra  
Account Number: 06-0917-0039468-00

Thank you for your continued support.

### 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.

### 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.



### LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUPS

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

### HOLY WEEK & EASTER MASS TIMES

Lent Confession Time in Alex (Rite I)  
Saturday, 27th March at 1130am to midday.

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

### FOOD FOR FAITH

Fr John O'Connor offers brief daily email encouragements in LENT or those who sign up at [www.foodforfaith.org.nz](http://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](http://www.foodforfaith.org.nz).

### 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.

### MUSIC LITURGY WORKSHOP

# JAM FOR JOY

ALEXANDRA  
ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH  
7 KILLARNEY ST

17 April 2021  
10am-12pm



A workshop for all those interested in sharing and learning new songs and more about liturgy in general.

### NEXT WEEK

#### 28 March Readings: PALM SUNDAY

Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15:47

#### 27/28 March Roster:

**Greeters:** School children (Alex); (Roxb)  
**Projector:** R Kilkelly (Omak); School children (Alex); Volunteer (Roxb)  
**Altar Servers:** Addison Mulholland, Angel Bruce, Tara Mulholland  
**Intro / POF:** Volunteer (Omak); School children (Alex); M Card (Roxb)  
**Reader:** Volunteer (Omak); School children (Alex); M Card (Roxb)  
**Offertory:** Volunteer (Omak); School children (Alex); Robb family (Roxb)  
**Extraordinary Ministers:** M Matheson (Omak); J Flannery, N Laidlaw, L Fonseca (Alex); J McKinnel (Roxb)  
**Sacristan:** L Fonseca (Alex)  
**Cleaner:** M Matheson (Omak); (Alex); M Clarke (Roxb)