



Diocese
of Dunedin

Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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

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First Sunday of Lent

21 February 2021

MASS TIMES

Sundays

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

This Week

(23rd to 27th February)

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
(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: Gen 9:8-15; 1 Pet 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

Responsorial Psalm

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!

Communion Antiphon

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



Died Recently

Denis Cronin
Angela Moeke

Anniversaries

Heidi Berg
William Oswald

**Requiescant
in Pace**

LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUPS

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

BISHOPS' LENT APPEAL

For this season of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, Caritas is making available Lent Reflection booklets which include the Gospel readings for each week of Lent. These can be reflected on or prayed with on an individual or small group basis in compliance with Covid restrictions.

They can be viewed and printed from the website: https://caritas.org.nz/system/files/resources/2021%20LRP%20English_web.pdf

EDUCATION APPEAL—Sunday, 14 February

Last Sunday, a special Education collection was taken up at all Masses in the diocese. The proceeds of this collection will be used to support the development of faith-filled teachers for our Catholic schools, including to offer scholarships to our current senior school students to encourage them to pursue teaching in our Catholic schools as a vocation.

This collection replaces the Diocesan Needs Collection, traditionally taken up in July-August. Please use your Diocesan Needs envelope if you have one, otherwise for those who give via automatic payments please use the code '129' when making a contribution, using your parish bank account or the diocesan account: 06 0901 0054866 01.

DIOCESAN NEWSLETTER—Message from Bishop Michael

The first Diocesan Newsletter for 2021 is now online. As this newsletter comes to you we have fully entered the new year of 2021. Already this year seems to be holding surprises for us but our experience of 2020 shows us that as a Diocese we adapt quickly and work well together for the wellbeing of the community. The COVID 19 pandemic is a challenge but our faith in Jesus Christ guides us through stormy waters. Thank you for your patience and commitment and we continue to pray for each other as we enter into the season of Lent.

+Michael

(Please note: The Diocesan Newsletter is on our website: www.alexatholic.nz and hard copies are in the church foyer)

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER—Ecumenical Service—5th March 2021

Will be held at:

St John the Baptist Catholic Church, Alexandra at 9:30, followed by morning tea.

Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church at Roxburgh at 7:00pm. Cup of tea/coffee to follow. All are very welcome to attend.

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.

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 provided.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

CARITAS

Lenten giving envelope packs are now in the church foyer. Your donations may be placed in the box in the foyer or in the collection baskets. Thank you.

DUNEDIN CATHOLIC PARISHES GOLF TOURNAMENT 2021

The Dunedin Catholic Parishes Golf Tournament will be held on Sunday, 7th March at 1:00pm. Please see notice board for more information.

Entry forms in the church foyer.

HEALING SEMINAR WITH FATHER JOHN REA

St Patricks Basilica Mercy Parish, Macandrew Road, South Dunedin

Father John will be here on:

Friday, 5th March from 7:30pm to 9:00pm

Saturday, 6th March 9:30am to 3:30pm

Friday night will be a dedicated healing session

Saturday there will be teaching on healing and inner healing Mass at noon and an opportunity for healing prayer.

Father John though in advancing years has an International healing ministry and we look forward to having him with us.

There will be a shared lunch—please bring a plate.

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NEXT WEEK

28 February Readings: Gen: 22:1-2,9-13,15-28; Rom 8:31-34; Mk 9:2-10

27/28 February Roster:

Greeters: Delpport family (Alex); Volunteer (Roxb)
Projector: R Kilkelly (Omak); P Mulvihill (Alex); Volunteer (Roxb)
Altar Servers: Addison Mulholland, Stefan Delpport, Tara Mulholland
Intro / POF: Joan Kinney (Omak); A Delpport (Alex); M Clarke (Roxb)
Reader: Joan Kinney (Omak); O Delpport (Alex); M Clarke (Roxb)
Offertory: Volunteer (Omak); Delpport family (Alex); A Compton & A McElligott (Roxb)
Extraordinary Ministers: M Matheson (Omak); M Bennie, F Clements, J Flannery (Alex); B Clarke (Roxb)
Sacristan: L Fonseca / J Dunlay (Alex)
Cleaner: W Donnelly (Omak); D Courtney & M Bruce (Alex); M Card (Roxb)