



Diocese
of Dunedin

Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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

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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year A

23 August 2020

MASS TIMES

Sundays

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

Weekdays

Alexandra
Tuesday 5:00pm (side chapel)
Wednesday 9:00am (side chapel)
Thursday 9:00am (side chapel)
Friday Noon (side chapel)
Saturday 9:00am (side chapel)

Roxburgh
Wednesday 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)

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Readings: Is 22:19-23; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake
the work of your hands.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;
the gates of hell will not hold out against you.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord;
You bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the
heart.



Died Recently

Jean Bell
Betty Huddleston

Anniversaries

Requiescant
in Pace

Under Alert Level 2, the following protocols must be adhered to for Sunday Masses on 16 & 23 August:

- 1) As numbers are limited to a hundred, we encourage you to consider the other alternatives; Vigil Mass at Omakau and Sunday Mass at Roxburgh (please note Mass times on the side of this newsletter).
- 2) For contact tracing purposes, you will be required to sign in or scan the code before entering the Church. Please ensure you use the sanitiser provided.
- 3) Holy Water has been removed from the fonts. There will be no Sign of Peace during Mass.
- 4) Holy Communion will be under one kind (to be received on hand only) and distributed by Fr Sani.
- 5) Please note that there is dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass should you feel you have any health related concerns.
- 6) Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

Message to the Dunedin Diocese from Bishop Michael Dooley

The Prime Minister announced Friday (14 August) at 5:30pm, that we will continue at Level 2 for another 12 days. For many, the restrictions will be disappointing but we pray for a swift return to our normal Masses and worship.

Staying at level 2 means that Masses will continue in the Diocese with a maximum of 100 people. Social distancing, contact tracing and sanitising of hands needs to be practiced. Some parishes may cancel Sunday Masses due to issues with management of numbers of people. The dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation is in place for Level 2.

There is an online Mass available from Mercy Parish, South Dunedin, at 9:30am on Sunday morning. There is a link to this Mass on the parish webpage: www.mercyparish.nz. There is also Mass screened on Shine TV on Sunday afternoon.

Thank you all for your cooperation and support in these challenging days.
We pray at this time for God to bless each one of us and our country with protection and guidance.

+Michael Dooley

WEEKLY HOLY HOUR

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will occur at St John the Baptist Church each Friday, from 11:00am to noon (concluding with Benediction at 11:45am).

Come along and spend some quiet time in prayer before the Lord.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO MARGARET BERG ON HER 80TH BIRTHDAY THIS COMING WEEK!



MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

A Contemporary Understanding of Mary with Br Kieran Fenn who has a wonderful way to bring Scripture alive.

This is an online series (Zoom) starting on Monday, 24 August at 7pm and will be on for 6 consecutive Mondays. The sessions are connected but also stand alone.

Fee: \$25 per session or \$120 for 6 sessions. Special fees for groups of more than 2 persons.

For more information and registration: info@studyjoy.nz

NEXT WEEK

30 August 2020 Readings: Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

29/30 August Roster:

Greeters: Bernadette Harvey (Alex); Averell McElligott (Roxb)
Projector: Ruth Kilkelly (Omak); Jim Dunlay (Alex); Kylie Robb (Roxb)
Altar Servers: Lily Middendorf, Sophie Tait, Varna Sim (Alex)
Intro / POF: Jill Paulin (Omak); Jen McLean (Alex); Margaret Card (Roxb)
Readers: Jill Paulin (Omak); Ellen Middendorf (Alex); Margaret Card (Roxb)
Offertory: Volunteer (Omak); Ballantyne family (Alex); Dave & John (Roxb)
Extraordinary Ministers: M Matheson (Omak); B Lanham, F Clements, J Flannery (Alex); A Compton (Roxb)
Sacristan: L Fonseca (Alex)
Cleaner: C Morris (Omak); B Grubb & S MacKenzie (Alex); M Card (Roxb)