



Diocese
of Dunedin

Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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

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Palm Sunday

28 March 2021

MASS TIMES

Sundays

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

Holy Week

(30th March to 3rd April)

Alexandra

Tuesday, 30th 5:00pm (side chapel)
Wednesday, 31st 9:00am (Communion Service)
Holy Thursday, 1st 9:00am (NO MASS)
7:00pm (church)
Good Friday, 2nd midday (NO MASS)
3:00pm (church)
Holy Saturday, 3rd 9:00am (NO MASS)
8:30pm (Easter Vigil)
in church)

Roxburgh

Wednesday, 31st 5:15pm (presbytery)

NO STATIONS ON GOOD FRIDAY

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

Responsorial Psalm

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Gospel Acclamation

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
Christ became obedient for us even to death,
dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high and gave him
a name above all other names.

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

Communion Antiphon

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my
drinking it, your will be done.



Died Recently

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Anniversaries

Fr Dan Cummings
Rose Patterson

Requiescant
in Pace

HOLY WEEK & EASTER MASS TIMES

Rite I Reconciliation on Saturday, 27th March
at St John the Baptist Church from 1130am to
midday.

ALEXANDRA (Church of St John the Baptist)

Holy Thursday, 1st April at 7:00pm
Good Friday, 2nd April at 3:00pm
Holy Saturday, 3rd April at 8:30pm (Easter Vigil)
Easter Sunday, 4th April at 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, 3rd April at 6:00pm (Easter Vigil)

ROXBURGH (Church of Our Lady of Peace)

Easter Sunday, 4th April at 11:00am

CONSECRATION TO ST JOSEPH

Pope Francis has
declared this year
as The Year of St
Joseph.



The Wonders of St Joseph

In the 17th century, Venerable
Mary of Agreda, a mystic and
acclaimed author, wrote about
the extraordinary graces God
gives to those who are devoted
to St Joseph. She wrote in her
book titled The Mystical City of
God, the seven privileges that
await those who are devoted to
St. Joseph.

For more information, visit:
[https://
www.marriageandfamily.org.nz/
wonders-of-st-joseph](https://www.marriageandfamily.org.nz/wonders-of-st-joseph)

Please see below, information from Bishop Michael:

1. GUIDELINES FOR HYGIENE IN PARISH LITURGIES

While we are in Level one at the moment in New Zealand, there is still a worldwide COVID pandemic and we can do our part for prevention by carrying out practical hygiene practices in the liturgy.

With that in mind, we will have these guidelines for parishes in the Diocese during **Holy Week**:

- Holy Communion under one kind and no communal sharing of the chalice.
- Holy Communion to be received in the hand.
- Removal of holy water from entrance of church.
- No physical touching at sign of peace.
- **On Holy Thursday**, there will be no physical washing of feet.
- **On Good Friday**, no kissing or touching of the crucifix at the Veneration of the Cross.
(There is provision in the liturgy for the congregation to venerate the cross in other ways)

2. SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION

At our last COVID level change, the Sunday Mass obligation was dispensed for those weekend Masses in the Diocese due to the lack of notice. At this point in time the Sunday Mass obligation is effective in the Diocese.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND

On Good Friday each year, we have the annual collection for the Holy Places. Last year due to COVID this collection was greatly reduced over the world. The Holy Land has been badly hit by COVID due to the lack of tourism with the people suffering in places such as Bethlehem. This collection goes to the support of the holy places in the Holy Land and also to the social and pastoral work for the local communities that still live there, such as scholarships for young people, employment schemes and medical care for the poor.

CARITAS — A NEW WAY FORWARD

The Lenten Appeal supports work in Catholic schools in New Zealand, it also supports to provide Social Justice Week and Refugees & Migrants Day of Prayer resources for parishes. New Zealand-based advocacy and tangata whenua work is also supported from the Lenten Appeal and it also is a key support for our work overseas for vulnerable communities around the world.

Lenten Giving Envelope Packs are in the church foyer. You can either use the weekly or single donation envelopes. You may return your donation either in the specially marked box in the church foyer, in the collection basket or send it directly to Caritas (use freepost envelope for this option). Do not send cash through the post. Thank you for your generosity.



COMBINED CHURCHES SERVICES

Good Friday—2 April

Hosted by Dunstan Anglican Parish. Service starts at 9:30am at St Aidan's (Alexandra).

Easter Sunrise Service—4 April

Hosted by Alexandra Baptist Church. Service starts at 7:00am at the Alexandra Lookout (Little Valley Road).



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 Sundays.

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 generosity and continued support.

ALEXANDRA PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Parish Council nominations are 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 (This Sunday).

Thank you.

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.

COLLECTIONS & INCOME

February 2021

Alexandra / Omakau

Parish	\$1,016
Sales	\$ 32
Alexo	\$ 162
Education Appeal Collection	\$ 260

Roxburgh

Parish	\$ 391.30
Roxo	\$ 40

Pastoral Area

Presbytery	\$ 965
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Automatic Payments

Pastoral Area (2/3)	\$2,365.33
Presbytery (1/3)	\$1,182.62

NEXT WEEK

4 April Readings: EASTER SUNDAY

Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9

3rd/4th April Roster:

Greeters:	G Chapman (Alex); R Dyson (Roxb)
Projector:	J Kinney (Omak); J Dunlay (Alex); G Dyson (Roxb)
Altar Servers:	Georgie Moloney, Stefan Delpport, David Fonseca, R Kilkelly (Omak); A Delpport (Alex); K Robb (Roxb)
Intro / POF:	R Kilkelly (Omak); O Delpport & L Garchow (Alex); K Robb (Roxb)
Reader:	Volunteer (Omak); K Moloney & G Chapman (Alex); Clarke family (Roxb)
Offertory:	
Extraordinary Ministers:	J Kinney (Omak); C Grieve, R Bond, M O'Connor (Alex); R Dyson (Roxb)
Sacristan:	L Fonseca (Alex)
Cleaner:	R Kilkelly (Omak); M Bennie & B Harvey (Alex); A Compton (Roxb)