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## St Gerard's Primary

School

Principal

Mrs Julie Flannery

## Director of Religious Studies

Mrs Neroli Laidlaw

## Board Chair

Mr Nathan McLean



# 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time 15 October 2023

## Mass times

### Alexandra:

Tuesdays 5:00pm (chapel)

Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays

9:00am (chapel)

Fridays 12:00pm (chapel)

Sundays 9:00 am (church)

### Roxburgh

Wednesdays 5:15pm (presbytery)

Sundays 11:00am (church)

### Omakau:

Saturdays Vigil Mass 6pm

## ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Alexandra (chapel)

Fridays 11:00am

(11:45am Benediction)

## RECONCILIATION

Alexandra

Saturday 11:30—Noon or by 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)

## Sunday Readings:

1. Isaiah 25: 6-10

2. Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

3. Gospel of Matthew 22: 1-14

## Responsorial Psalm:

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life

## Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are all called.

Alleluia, alleluia!

## Communion antiphon:

The rich suffer want and go hungry,

But those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.



Let us remember and pray  
for those who have

**Died Recently**

And for those who have

**Anniversaries**

About this time

**Requiescant**

**in Pace**



Please be advised  
that there is a

**Parish Council**

**Meeting**

on

**Thursday**

**19th October**

**7pm**

In the side chapel.

## NATIONAL OFFICE FOR PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

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*"The Lord will prepare a feast and will wipe away the tears from every  
cheek" - Is 25: 6-10*

## Roster and Readings for next week:

22nd & 23rd October	Alexandra St John the Baptist	Omakau St Peters Saturday Vigil	Roxburgh Our Lady of Peace
<b>Greeters</b>	Liz Anderson Glenda Chapman	Volunteer	Tony O'Driscoll
<b>OHP</b>	Delpont Family	Ruth	Angela Compton
<b>Intro/ POF</b>	Brian McLean	Volunteer	Volunteer
<b>Readers</b>	Sr Leona Coral Sawers	J Paulin	Margaret Card
<b>Offertory gifts</b>	Glenda Chapman Pat O'Connor	Volunteer	Neil and Rod
<b>Special Ministers</b>	Brian McLean Jude Parbu Barry Gibbons	R Kilkelly	Rod Dyson
<b>Cleaners</b>	Bernie Harvey Margaret Bennie	Win	Lynette O'Driscoll
<b>Sacristans Alex</b>	SU: Margaret TU: Donald and Jim	-	-
<b>Altar Servers Alex</b>	CB: CH: To be advised CH:	-	-

Next Week's Readings: 29th Week in ordinary time

1. Isaiah 45: 1, 4-6
2. 1 Thess. 1:1-5
3. Gospel of Matthew 22: 15-21

### Laudato Si' reflection



In 2023, Earth Overshoot Day fell on August 2.

Earth Overshoot Day marks the date when humanity has exhausted nature's budget for the year.

This means we are robbing the future to pay for our life-styles for the rest of this year.

From today's Alleluia : May the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, so that we may know what is the hope that belongs to our call.

### TE KUPENGA – CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE BACHELOR OF DIVINITY 2024 COURSE

Te Kupenga – Catholic Theological College will start accepting enrolments on September 25 for the 2024 First Semester Bachelor of Divinity and Graduate Diploma in Theology courses. With a dedicated and qualified faculty of theologians, and access to a wealth of resources, CTC has a programme that will empower you to critically analyse complex theological issues, foster spiritual growth, and prepare you for a meaningful career in ministry, education, or other fields where a profound understanding of theology is invaluable.

### Centenary Booklet

We are now in the process of compiling our Centenary Booklet. Any memories, anecdotes, or contributions from parishioners would be welcome for consideration. Please email: [margaret@bennies.co.nz](mailto:margaret@bennies.co.nz) If you have something to share

Many thanks

*Margaret*

### Parish Centennial

20– 21st April 2024

Please spread the word to past and present Parishioners Photos and articles relating to our parish would be appreciated.

Contact  
Kevin MacKenzie, Brian McLean, Margaret Bennie, Teresa Hughes or Fr Sani

### Notices from Titipounamu

**The Gospel of Mark** with Kieran Fenn fms.

Mondays, 13 and 20 November, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Free.

Donations/Koha are appreciated.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/10/10/the-gospel-of-mark/>

#### YouTube Recordings

Muffin Talk radio programmes are available online at:

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/category/resources/muffin-talk/>

For more information: [www.studyjoy.nz](http://www.studyjoy.nz)

# PRAYERS for PEACE

7pm - 8pm

Wednesday 18 October 2023

Alexandra Baptist Church | 6 Gregg Street, ALEXANDRA

*all welcome*

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No doubt you will be aware of the devastating conflict currently happening between Israel and the Hamas group in Gaza.

Several people at Alexandra Baptist Church feel burdened to pray for the complexities and challenges of this crisis, and so we've planned a prayer gathering for this coming Wednesday (18 October) to seek God's hand for the situation. You are all welcome to come and join us.

*Craig Ashby*

Lead Pastor Alex Baptist Church