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2nd Sunday of Lent. Year C

13th March 2022

MASS TIMES

Sundays

Omakau 6:00pm Vigil (Sat)

Alexandra 9:00am

Roxburgh 11:00am

Weekdays

(14th-19th Mar 2022)

Alexandra

Tuesday, 15th 5:00pm (chapel)

Wednesday, 16th 9:00am (church)

Thursday, 17th 9:00am (chapel)

Friday, 18th midday (church)

Saturday, 19th 9:00am (chapel)

Roxburgh

Wednesday, 16th 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: Gen 15:5-12. 17-18, Phil 3:17-4:1,
Lk 9:28-36

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is my light and my
salvation.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well
pleased; listen to him.



Died Recently

Anniversaries

Betty & Herbert

Williams

Glenn Thow

John Dallas

Requiescant

in Pace

Transfiguration

When Jesus took his friends up the mountain, he changed his appearance for them. He showed them his glory so they would know where he came from, why he was there, and where he was going. He came to earth from God the Father. He was on earth to show everyone what God was like. And, he was going to Jerusalem to die for everyone, so he could rise again.

Where did Jesus come from? Jesus is God. And he became human. Imagine what like would be like to pour God into a human being. Someone once described it as pouring all the oceans into a single soda bottle. When the Son of God became a human being, he limited himself with a human body, mind, heart, and soul. He did this for us! We call "God becoming man" the Incarnation. Why was Jesus there with his followers? When Jesus walked the earth, he taught about God's kingdom. And he healed the sick. When he changed his appearance on the mountain, he showed his followers the source of his teaching and healing: God himself. To make the point, Jesus appeared with Moses, the one who gave the people God's law. Jesus also appeared with Elijah, the first of the prophets. In the time of Jesus, Jews called the Bible "the Law and the Prophets." Since Jesus appeared with the people who represented the Bible, and since the Bible came from God, Jesus came from God. He was God's living word.

Where was Jesus going? Jesus was with Moses and Elijah. What they were discussing gives us the answer.

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Jesus and the Scriptures

How do we know about the life, death and resurrection of Jesus? We read about Jesus in the Bible. But the Bible is more than a book of stories. It is God's word.

Just as God spoke through Moses and Elijah, God speaks through the Bible to us. The Holy Spirit directed people to write down God's message so people could come to know their Creator and come to follow their Savior. The direction the Spirit gave is called "Incarnation." In this way, the Bible teaches us the truth about God "firmly, faithfully, and without error" (CCC107).

There are two parts to the Bible: the Old and New Testaments. The Old Testament tells us how God created the world, called the Israelites to be his people, and was active with his people. The Old Testament can be divided into four sections: 1) the Law, 2) the prophets, 3) history of his people and 4) Wisdom writings (Psalms and other books of sayings). On the mountain, Moses and Elijah represented the Old Testament.

Jesus represents the New Testament. This part of the Bible focuses on the Lord and his Church. The New Testament can be divided into four sections: 1) The Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John), 2) the Books of Acts (a history of the early Church), 3) letters from Paul and other writers, and the 4) Book of Revelations.

Together, the Old and New Testaments tells us about our life with God, as both point to Jesus, God's living word. In Jesus, we find everything God is and everything God says to us. We honor both the Bible as God's word because it shows us God's Eternal Word, the Christ. The Bible shows us where Jesus came from, why he came, and where he went. It tells us Jesus did all this for us.

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Information can also be found on our website:

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(Under NOPS in the toolbar)

Choir

Our choir numbers are down considerably with only a handful of ladies and 1 male voice. Billie would like to begin preparations for our Easter ceremonies. If you would like to be part of this Ministry please pop upstairs and see Billie. You will be welcome. Students are encouraged to join the choir.

Parish Pastoral Council-Vacancies

If you would like to represent your Parish in this important Ministry please complete a Nomination Form. Forms are available in the church foyer and may be placed in the box provided or email your form to: alexatholic@xtra.co.nz

Church Ministries

If you would like to be involved with any of these please fill up a form and tick the appropriate Ministries. If you already are committed to a Ministry please also complete the form so that our records are correct. These forms can be placed in the "Ministries" Box in the church foyer.

Wearing a Face Mask

As Covid 19 is spreading rapidly in the South Island, wearing a face mask is encouraged in the church.

Station of the Cross

During the Fridays of Lent the stations of the cross will be prayed in Saint John the Baptist Church, Alexandra at 5pm.

VACCINE PASS MASSES:

~Omakau: Saturday 6pm vigil
~Alexandra: Sunday 9am
~Roxburgh: Sunday 11am



NEXT WEEK

20th March Readings: Ex 3:1-8, 13-15, Cor 10:1-6, 10-12, Lk 13: 1-9

19th-20th March Roster:

Greeters: Bernie Harvey & Donald Lamont (Alex), Averell McElligott (Roxb)
Projector: Joan (Omak); Olivia Delport (Alex); Kylie Robb (Roxb)
Altar Servers: Tara Mulholland (CB), Addison Mulholland, Freddie Ryan
Intro / POF: Joan (Omak); Varna Sim (Alex); Volunteer (Roxb)
Readers: J Kinney (Omak); Kevin MacKenzie, Rosemary Bond (Alex); Margaret Card (Roxb)
Offertory: Volunteer (Omak); Coral and John Sawers (Alex), Pene and Anne (Roxb)
Special Ministers: Jude Parbhu (Alex)
Sacristan: Margaret Bennie, Santilal Parbhu (Alex), Angela Compton (Roxb)
Cleaners: W Donnelly (Omak), Felicity Clements, G Chapman (Alex) Liyanarachchi family (Roxb)