



Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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

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First Sunday of Lent

8 March 2020

MASS TIMES

Sundays

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

Weekdays [this coming week]

Alexandra

Tuesday 5:00pm (side chapel)
Wednesday 9:00am (church)
Thursday 9:00am (side chapel)
Friday 12:00pm (church)
Saturday 9:00am (side chapel)

Roxburgh

Wednesday 5:15pm (church)

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Alexandra

Friday 11:00am—Noon
(11:45am Benediction)

RECONCILIATION

Alexandra

Saturday 11:30am—Noon
(or on request)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Quarterly

Alexandra

Friday 12:00pm
(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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OTHER CENTRAL OTAGO PARISH SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Ranfurly 5:00pm (Sun) or
4:00pm during daylight
savings

Cromwell 11:00am (1st, 3rd, 5th Sun)
9:00am (2nd, 4th Sun)

Wanaka 9:00am (1st, 3rd, 5th Sun)
11:00am (2nd, 4th Sun)

Queenstown 6:30pm Vigil (Sat)
9:00am

Arrowtown 11:00am
Garston 11:00am (2nd Sun)
Glenorchy 11:00am (4th Sun)

Sunday Readings: Genesis 12:1-4; 2 Timothy 1:8-10; Matthew 17:1-9

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, let your mercy be on us as we place our trust in you.

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
Msgr Michael
Browne

Anniversaries
Glenn Thow

**Requiescant
in Pace**

WEDNESDAY MASS—The 9:00am mass this Wednesday will be a whole school mass and will be celebrated in the church. All welcome.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS—During the Fridays of Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be prayed in the Alexandra Church at 5:00pm—everyone welcome.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION—This Sunday at the 9am mass, some of our parishioners will be a Commissioned as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Thank you Bernadette Lanham, Neroli Laidlaw and Rosalie Bennett, for committing to this Ministry. Your service to the church is truly appreciated.

CORONAVIRUS & LITURGY—Please read the attached information from the National Liturgy Office. Copies in the church foyer. Thank you.

THE SALVATION ARMY & THE COMMUNITY FOOD BANK—This is now operating out of the new Combined Churches Food bank at the back of the Salvation Army hall (37 Royal Terrace).

There will be an official opening on Monday, 16th March at 10:00am. Anyone wishing to attend would be most welcome.

WEEKLY HOLY HOUR—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament occurs in the Alexandra church of St John the Baptist each Friday, 11am-Noon (concluding with Benediction at 11:45am). Come along and spend some quiet time in prayer before the Lord.

HEALTH CARE CO-ORDINATOR

The Diocese of Dunedin is looking to employ a Registered Nurse to oversee the health and wellbeing of our priests.

This will involve working throughout the diocese for up to 10 hours per week.

If you are interested or require more information please contact Fr Gerard Aynsley on gerard.aynsley@gmail.com

Applications close 9 March 2020.

HOLY WEEK MASS TIMES (Alexandra Pastoral Area)

Reconciliation Rite II—Alexandra—Monday, 30 March at 4:00pm.

Chrism Mass—Holy Wednesday, 8 April at St Joseph's Cathedral, Dunedin at 10:00am.

Alexandra

Holy Thursday—7:00pm

Good Friday—3:00pm

Easter Sunday—9:00am

Omakau

Holy Saturday—6:00pm (Easter Vigil)

Roxburgh

Easter Sunday—11:00am

OASIS OPPORTUNITY SHOP, Centrepont Mall, ALEXANDRA

The shop is open on Monday from 1 to 4 pm and from Tuesday to Friday from 11am-4pm.

WANT TO RECEIVE THE NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL?

Send the Parish an email (alexatholic@xtra.co.nz) and request to go on the mailing list.

SICK PARISHIONERS

If you're aware of any family or parishioners who are in hospital, a rest-home or homebound due to illness, please contact Fr Sani so that they can receive the Sacraments and pastoral care. Thank you.

THE COMMUNITY PANTRY

Presently we are urgently short of margarine, Vegemite/ Marmite small and medium, peanut butter, jams, honey, 2-minute noodles, sugar, tinned spaghetti, baked beans, pasta, tinned fish, rice risotto, long-life milk, 100's tea bags or donations to go towards the purchase of meat and cheese.

Thank you for your continued support.

NEXT WEEK

Readings for 15 March: Exodus 17:3-7; Romans 5:1-2, 5-8; John 4:5-16, 19-26, 39-42

14/15 March Rosters

Greeters: T Schaumann (Alex); R Dyson (Roxb).

Projector: Steve T (Omak); M O'Connor (Alex); A Compton (Roxb).

Altar Servers: Lily Middendorf, Taine Ballantyne, Tara Mulholland (Alex).

Intro/POF: C Sawers (Alex).

Readers: J Paulin (Omak); B Gibbons (Alex); M Card (Roxb).

Offertory: T Schaumann & K Ridden (Alex); M Card & M Sale (Roxb).

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: J Paulin (Omak); R Bond, F Clements, J Hogue (Alex); N Taylor (Roxb).

Sacristan: L Fonseca / J Hogue (Alex).

Cleaning: R Kinney (Omak); P O'Connor & M Stanaway (Alex); A Compton (Roxb).