



Diocese  
of Dunedin

# Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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



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# 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. Year C

## 23rd January 2022

## MASS TIMES

### Sundays

Omakau 6:00pm Vigil (Sat)

Alexandra 9:00am

Roxburgh 11:00am

### Weekdays

(24th-29th January 2022)

#### Alexandra

Tuesday, 25th 5:00pm (Side Chapel)

Wednesday, 26th 9:00am (Side Chapel)

Thursday, 27th 9:00am (Side Chapel)

Friday, 28th midday (Church)

Saturday, 29th 9:00am (Side Chapel)

#### Roxburgh

Wednesday, 19th 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: Neh 8:2-6.8-10,1Cor 12:12-30, LK 1:1-4;4:14-21

### Responsorial Psalm

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia!

### Communion Antiphon

Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.



**Died Recently**  
*Herman Jannink*  
*James K.V*

**Anniversaries**  
*Catherine Scanlan*  
*Molly Middlemiss*  
*Ray Dryden*

**Requiescant**  
**in Pace**

## Catechism theme: The Proclamation of the Kingdom

When Jesus proclaimed Isaiah's prophecy fulfilled, he proclaimed the presence of the Kingdom. With his proclamation, Jesus invited everyone to enter, Jew and Gentile alike. To enter the Kingdom, however, we must accept his word. In doing so, we become dependent upon him to lead us to the Father. "The Kingdom belongs to the poor and lowly, which means those who have accepted it with humble hearts." (CCC 544) With the proclamation of the Kingdom comes an invitation to receive the Spirit, its guidance and its consolation.

*Catechism*

## VACCINE PASS MASSES:

~Omakau: Saturday 6pm vigil

~Alexandra: Sunday 9am

~Roxburgh: Sunday 11am

## OPEN MASS (i.e. NO vaccine required.)

~Cromwell: Sunday 5pm

5 Sligo Street.

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**Based on John 1:29, 32-34**

In the gospel of John, another John, the Baptist, had a problem. He did not know who God had sent to save his people. Then, he saw Jesus and announced to the crowd, "Look! The Lamb of God!"

Now John knew. This man named Jesus would die for the sins of everyone, just like the animal that the priests in the Temple sacrifice for the sins of the people. The animal took the place of the worshipers at the Temple. Jesus would take our place.

But, why Jesus? John saw the answer. God had poured his Spirit into this man. The power of God was in Jesus. And he would share that power with his disciples.

John saw the Spirit in Jesus. But who invited John to recognize Jesus in the first place? God's Spirit. The third person of the Holy Trinity, invites us, like John, to recognize Jesus as our Savior. Once we accept his invitation, the Spirit brings all of God, Father, Son, and Spirit, to live in us. As God's power, the Spirit introduces us to Jesus, invites us to believe, and bring the Trinity to live within us.

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**OUR PARISH WEBSITE: [www.alexatholic.nz](http://www.alexatholic.nz)**

Visit our website for General Information, Past & Present Newsletters, Diocesan Newsletters & other Publications, Sunday Readings, Rosters.

Information/Resources for Sacraments is available under the Menu tab.

**NEW PARISHIONERS—WELCOME**

If you are new parishioners to our parish, we would like to inform you that there is a New Parishioner Form on the table in the church foyer.

You are invited to fill and place in the box provided. Many thanks.

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**NEXT WEEK**

**30th January Readings:** Jer 1:4-5. 17-19, 1Cor 12:31-13:13, Lk 4:21-30 .

**29th-30th January Roster:**

**Greeters:** Vicki and Brian Maclean (Alex)

**Projector:** Ruth (Omak); Jim Dunlay (Alex); Volunteer (Roxb)

**Altar Servers:** Charlotte O'Kane (CB), Milla O'Kane, Paige O'kane

**Intro / POF:** Ruth (Omak); Varna Sim (Alex); Volunteer (Roxb)

**Readers:** P Conney (Omak); Barbara Grubb, Kevin McKenzie (Alex); Glen Dyson (Roxb)

**Offertory:** Volunteer (Omak); Gerard Rogatski (Alex); Pene and Anne (Roxb)

**Special Ministers:** Jeremy Hogue (Alex)

**Sacristan:** Margaret Bennie, Donald Lamont (Alex), Angela Compton (Rox)

**Cleaners:** R. Kilkelly (Omak); (Alex); Pene Morris (Roxb)