



Diocese  
of Dunedin

# Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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



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# 5th Sunday of Easter. Year C

15th May, 2022

## MASS TIMES

### Sundays

Omakau 6:00pm Vigil (Sat)

Alexandra 9:00am

Roxburgh 11:00am

### Weekdays

(16th - 21st May 2022)

#### Alexandra

Tuesday, 17th 5:00pm (chapel)

Wednesday, 18th 9:00am (church)

Thursday, 19th 9:00am (chapel)

Friday, 20th 12:00pm (church)

Saturday, 21st 9:00am (chapel)

#### Roxburgh

Wednesday, 18th 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

(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)

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## Readings:

Acts 14: 21-27, Apoc 21: 1-5, Jn 13: 31-35

## Responsorial Psalm:

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

## Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

## Communion Antiphon:

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.



## Died Recently

Jim de Thierry

## Anniversaries

Bernard O'Neill

Dick & Edith

Chapman

Jack & Emily O'Neill

Kevin Norton

**Requiescant**

**in Pace**

## CATECHISM THEME: GENERAL MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH (934-943)

There are two types of ministry in the church: a general ministry all Christians are called to and a specific ministry individual members within the Church are called to. The general ministry is to serve the world. The specific ministry is to serve the members of the Church in the name and person of Jesus. These specific or "sacred" ministers who serve the Church (bishops, priests, and deacons) are called "clerics." All other Church members are called "laity." (934-935)

The three aspects of general ministry are the roles of priest, prophet, and king. As priests, all Christians are called to pray. As prophets, all Christians are called to witness for Jesus through their words and actions. As kings, all Christians are called to lead others as Jesus did, through loving service. (941, 942, 943)

All Christians are called to witness by example. The example of prayer, word and deed, and loving service. Jesus gave an example of God's presence in the world. We are to continue that example. The love Jesus gives us in the same love we share with others. That love defines us and motivates us. It is the love that grows beyond words.

[world.sunday.com](http://world.sunday.com)

## Notices from *Titipounamu Study & Joy*

### Online Sessions (Evening):

**Mary – Our Inspiration** with Kieran Fenn fms.

Friday, 20 May, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Free.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/mary-our-inspiration/>

**St Paul – The first Missionary** with Kieran Fenn fms.

Mondays, 13 -27 June, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.

All sessions are connected but also stand alone.

\$25/session or \$50/series.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/st-paul-meet-the-first-missionary-7/>

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

Many thanks and blessings.

## Kia ora koutou,

Blessings to you all in this Easter season. Please enjoy reading our latest pastoral newsletter which you will find here. Also attached is a brochure explaining an exciting proposal for a new Family Support Facility in South Dunedin for Catholic Social Services in partnership with The Sisters of Mercy. In the newsletter you will find a video link explaining more about this project and how you can support the inspiring mission of Catholic Social Services.

Ma te Atua koutou e manaaki (God's blessings to all),  
The Diocesan Pastoral Team

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## PARISHIONERS IN NEED OF PASTORAL CARE

If you are 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 pastoral care.

## PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

<https://www.youtube.com/watchv=XxcNuaH4qrY&t=1s>

## Laudato Si’- On Care for Our Common Home

“This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” Jn 13:35

What does God’s love ask of us?

“Love, overflowing with small gestures of mutual care, is also civic and political, and it makes itself felt in every action that seeks to build a better world.” ( LS 231)

## 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.

## NEXT WEEK

**22nd May Readings:** Acts 14:21-27, Apoc 21:1-5, Jn 13:31-35

### **21st-22nd May Roster:**

**Greeters:** Dona Foley, Bernie Harvey (Alex), Rod Dyson (Roxb)

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

**Altar Servers:** Tara Mulholland (CB), Addison Mulholland, Angel Bruce

**Intro / POF:** Ruth (Omak); Sue MacKenzie (Alex); Volunteer (Roxb)

**Readers:** R Kilkelly (Omak); Coral Sawers, Neroli Laidlaw (Alex), Michelle Clarke (Roxb)

**Offertory:** Volunteer (Omak); John & Coral Sawers (Alex), Glen and Kylie (Roxb)

**Special Ministers:** J Paulin (Omakau), Neroli Laidlaw (Alex)

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

**Cleaners:** J Kinney (Omak), (Alex), Katrina van de Water (Roxb)

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