



Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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

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The Sixth Sunday of Easter 14th May



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
(1st Fri of the months of Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec)

Roxburgh
Wednesday 5:15pm
(1st Wed of the months of Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec)

Sunday's Readings:

1. Acts 8: 5-8, 14-17
2. 1 Peter 3: 15-18
3. Gospel John 14: 15 –21

Responsorial Psalm:

Let all the earth cry out to God with Joy

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Communion antiphon:

If you love me, keep my commandments says the Lord, And I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete to abide with you for ever, Alleluia



Let us remember and pray for those who have

Died Recently:

Fr Tom Keyes
Michael Campbell

And for those who have

Anniversaries

About this time:

Jim De Thierry
Rev B.R.O'Brien
Neville Altenburg
Dorothy Dunlay

Requiescant in Pace



Happy Mothers' Day to all our mothers, where ever they may be. We thank them for their love and

encouragement throughout our lives and for all the positive things they have shared with us.

Let us pray for them and for our Mother Mary who watches over us all.

Enjoy your special Day Mums



Loving God,

we thank you for the love of the mothers you have given us, whose love is so precious that it can never be measured, whose patience seems to have no end.

We pray for those mothers who fear they will run out of love or time, or patience. We ask you to bless them with your own special love.

Amen.

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Today is the sixth Sunday of Easter—
"They laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit"
Happy Mother's Day to all our Mums

Roster for next week:

20 & 21 May	Alexandra St John the Baptist	Omakau St Peters Saturday Vigil	Roxburgh Our Lady of Peace
Greeters	Donald Lamont Dona Foley	Volunteer	Elizabeth Reid
OHP	Rosemary and Marty	Ruth	Lynette O'Driscoll
Intro/POF	Amy Delport	Volunteer	Volunteer
Readers	Olivia Delport Barry Gibbons	Jill Paulin	Michelle Clarke
Offertory gifts	Donald Lamont Dona Foley	Volunteer	Neil and Rod
Special Minister	Margaret Bennie	Jill Paulin	Bill Clarke
Cleaners	Barbara Grubb Sue MacKenzie	Volunteer	Glen Dyson
Sacristans Alex	SU: Margaret TU: Jim	-	-
Altar Servers Alex	CB: Stefen Delport CH: Freddy Ryan CH: Tommy Ryan	-	-

Next Weeks Readings: Ascension of the Lord

1. Acts 1: 1-11
2. Ephesians 1: 17-23
3. Gospel Matthew 28: 16-20
4. Gospel Matthew 28: 16-20

Laudato Si - Reflection

Caring for our Common Home - Truth and Love



In this age of mis/dis/information, **where is truth?**
Jesus says "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of Truth..."

How can we believe the interwoven anguish of the poor and earth?



Peter Healy SM (Tui Motu April '23), suggests:

"We need an earth literacy that moves us away from entitlement into ... mutual enhancement... characterised by pulling back and scaling down, by restraint and responsibility."

Spirit of Truth fill **our hearts with the grace that all may be renewed.**

Parish Council Vacancy

The Parish has one vacancy to be filled.

If you would like to be a representative on the Parish Council and would like to know what is involved then please speak to any of our council members.

They are:

Fr Sani, Pat Cooney, Jill Paulin, Kelly O'Kane, Margaret Bennie and Julie Flannery (representative from the school)

Nomination Forms are available in the church

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy

Mary in the Scriptures with Kieran Fenn fms.

Mondays, 19/26 June & 03/10 July, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.

Fee: free. Donation/Koha appreciated.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/04/25/mary-in-the-scriptures/>

Focus on Target - Draw Fresh Momentum with Laetitia

Puthenpadath

Tuesdays, 27 June & 04/11/18 July, 12.30-1.30pm. ZOOM.

Fee: \$20/session or \$70/4 sessions.

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/01/11/focus-on-target-draw-fresh-momentum/>

For more information: www.studyjoy.nz

OASIS - Supporting Catholic Social Services



The Oasis ladies are having an

"ACCESSORIES SALE"
ON SATURDAY 10TH JUNE

10 am to 2pm

@ Alexandra Community House

Our stalls will have scarves, hats, clothes, shoes, boots, belts, wallets, bags, jewellery (of all kinds

No baking or clothing this time

If any parishioners would like to donate their unwanted accessories you can place them in the white bin marked "Oasis" in the church foyer.

If you would like good picked up then please call us and we will collect

Margaret (027 4255 935) or Barbara (021 137 0218)

Thank you

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Information can also be found on our website:

www.alexatholic.nz

(Under NOPS in the toolbar)

Website for Catholic Enquiry Centre

Visit it to find out about faith, explore Catholicism, order booklets or make a donation:

<https://www.catholicdiscovery.nz/>

The former CEC website has now been removed.