



Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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

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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ— 11 June

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

ANOIDING 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 Readings:
Responsorial Psalm:
Praise the Lord, Jerusalem

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
Whoever eats this bread will live forever.
Alleluia, alleluia!

Communion antiphon:
Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.



Let us remember and pray for those who have
Died Recently:

And for those who have
Anniversaries
About this time:

Colin Stuart Gunn
Neil Alexander Gunn

Requiescant in Pace

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

It has been four weeks now and to date **NO nominations** have been received to fill the vacancy left by Billie Tohill. If you are interested please collect a form from the foyer of the church and place, the completed form in the envelope provided. It is not an onerous task, **4 meetings a year.** This is your parish, we value your input.

Please Remember to pick up a nomination form TODAY

OASIS

The ladies continue to look at ways they can to support Catholic Social Services to provide counseling and social support through out the local region.



Our local workers are Dona Foley and Geoff Heward who are based in Alexandra Community House but also visit Roxburgh and Ranfurly on a regular basis. Both work part time, 3 days a week each and remain very busy with high demand for referrals.

All funding comes from donations, koha from clients and local grants. They are extremely humbled by the work that the Oasis volunteers have given to help support them to help people live well. The Accessory Sale is one way that they have continued to support the Service.

Thank you all and God Bless!

Thank you to everyone who has supported OASIS with gifting goods to be sold at
"THE ACCESSORIES SALE"

Please come along and support us: Saturday 10am to 2pm at Alexandra Community House



Roster and Readings for next week:

17 & 18 June	Alexandra St John the Baptist	Omakau St Peters Saturday Vigil	Roxburgh Our Lady of Peace
Greeters	Trish Schaumann Glenda Chapman	Volunteer	Margaret Card
OHP	Rosemary and Martin	Volunteer	Glen Dyson
Intro/POF	Coral Sawers	Jill Paulin	Volunteer
Readers	Rosemary Bond Tara Mulholland	Jill Paulin	Michelle Clarke
Offertory gifts	Glend Chapman Trish Schaumanns	Jill Paulin	Tony and Lynette
Special Minister	Brian McLean	Jill Paulin	Bill Clarke
Cleaners	Jill Paulin Maureen Stanaway	Volunteer	Margaret Card
Sacristans Alex	SU: Margaret TU: Jim	-	-
Altar Servers Alex	CB: Varna Sim CH: Liberty Sim CH: Ivan Sim	-	-

Next Week's Readings: 12th week, Ordinary time

1. Jeremiah 20: 10-13
2. Romans 5: 12-15
3. Gospel Matthew 10: 26-33

Notices from *Titipounamu Study & Joy*

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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.

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For more information:

World Youth Day — fundraising

Our very own Danielle Carpenter (who you'll probably know from her Tuesday afternoons volunteering at Oasis) is the only one from the Dunedin diocese to be apart of the 123 young kiwis on the Aotearoa pilgrimage to celebrate mass at World Youth Day with his holiness Pope Francis in Lisbon.

The pilgrims leave next month for Paris and make their way down to Lisbon visiting many holy sites along the way. As you can imagine this life changing experience won't come cheap and Dani has been saving hard and selling chutneys and knitting etc to fundraise as every dollar counts but if you are able and would like to make a contribution to her pilgrimage you can leave an envelope in the shoebox with her name on it in the church foyer. Or make an on line payment to: .Danielle Carpenter 12-3030-0508685-00 *Thank you!*

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Laudato Si' Reflection for Corpus Christi



As Christians we share not only one planet but one body of belief in Christ.

Patriarch Bartholomew reflects on the ethical and spiritual roots of environmental problems, our call "to accept the world as a sacrament of communion, as a way of sharing with God and our neighbours, on a global scale.

It is our humble conviction that the divine and the human meet in the slightest detail in the seamless garment of God's creation, in the last speck of dust of our planet". (LS 9).

PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

Parish—Fr Sani : Good attendances at our Holy Week celebrations in both Alexandra and Omakau parishes. Our parish hosted the Combined Churches Stations of the Cross ceremony on Good Friday. 40 people from different churches were present. Morning tea followed. Lovely feedback. Father has had 3 baptisms and 1 wedding

School: Sunday Family Masses are being difficult to organize due to winter sports being played on Sundays. Whilst we know this is not ideal the children are attending whole school Masses every third week per term. Council is looking at ways to get around the Sunday Mass commitment. The Children entertain the residents in rest homes on a regular basis.

Choir: - Billie has resigned as a Parish Councillor but she would like to see more choir members supporting her in the loft. If this is you then pop up and join the few dedicated members

Altar Servers: Fr Sani is training new altar servers with the assistance of Kiri and Kelly

Centenary Planning is underway. You will be informed further as plans fall into place.

Thank you—Vicki McLean has retired from her tireless work with the Combined Churches Food bank. **Barbara Grubb** is now our parish Trustee representative along with Sally Ferreira who has stepped up to the role of Chairperson.

Success ! - Our Sunday morning teas are proving popular. Mingling with Fr Sani and your fellow parishioners is a great way to get to know each other!