



Diocese  
of Dunedin

# Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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



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# Christmas Vigil and Christmas Day — 2022

## New Year's MASS TIME

New Year's Day 1st January 2023  
9am Alexandra and 11am Roxburgh

### Weekdays

27th—31st December Alexandra

Tuesday 27th	5:00pm	(chapel)
Wednesday, 28th	9:00am	(chapel)
Thursday, 29th	9:00am	(chapel)
Friday, 30th	12:00pm	(church)
Saturday 31st	9:00am	(chapel)

### Roxburgh

Wednesday, 28th 5:15pm (presbytery)

## ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Alexandra (church)

Friday 11:00am—Noon  
(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)

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## Vigil Mass : 9pm Christmas

### Eve

### Readings:

Isaiah 62: 1-5, 2. Acts 13: 16-17

Gospel Matthew 1:1-25



### Responsorial Psalm:

For ever I will sing the goodness  
of the Lord

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Tomorrow the wickedness of the earth will be de-  
stroyed: the Saviour of the world will be our King  
Alleluia!, alleluia!

### Communion Antiphon:

## Christmas Day:

Readings: Isaiah 52: 7-10, Hebrews 1:1-6

Gospel John 1:1-18

### Responsorial Psalm:

All the ends of the earth have seen the  
saving power of our God

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia,

A holy day has dawned upon us. Come  
you nations and adore the Lord.

Today a great light has come upon the earth

Alleluia!, Alleluia

### Communion Antiphon:

The glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all flesh will see  
the salvation of our God.



## Died Recently

### Anniversaries

Mary Paulin

Mary Ellen Taylor

And for all our dear

family members

### Requiescant

in Pace

## ON SALE NOW



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It is Christmas....

We light our Christ candle and welcome our lord  
into our hearts



# Merry Christmas to you all



## Dunedin Diocesan Service Group

We are having a day of Praise and Worship with ministry in Mercy Parish St Patricks Basilica, Macandrew Road South Dunedin on the 11th of February 2023.

The day will start at 10am with a cuppa followed by opening prayer and talk by Helen Smithson {National President of Charis N Z }

There will be Praise and Worship with opportunity for personal ministry. We will have a shared lunch and the day will conclude at 3 30pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to be refreshed and restored in the Holy Spirit.

More information to follow. Contact Mary Snelling 0274256804 [masnelling@xtra.co.nz](mailto:masnelling@xtra.co.nz). or Kathy Mayo. 0211325400.

## COLLECTIONS October and November 2022

### Alexandra / Omakau

Parish \$ 2,225.00  
Presbytery \$ 1,112.50

### Automatic Payments

Parish \$ 5,861.80  
Presbytery \$ 2,930.89

### Roxburgh

Parish \$ 979.00  
Presbytery \$ 482.00

Donations \$ 200.00

Advent Calendar—sales \$ 12.00

Advent Charities \$ 25.00

### Automatic Payments

Parish / Presbytery \$ 1,410.00

## Community Pantry

A huge **THANK YOU** to all who have contributed grocery items throughout the year to our pantry basket.

Your generous donations have helped us feed our community.

Please continue to support us with non perishable as you can.

And if you will like to make a donation or regular giving to the Community Pantry you may do so by making a bank payment to:

**Community Pantry Account:**  
**020 916 0124660 00**

## Readings for New Year's Day (Octave of Christmas)

- Feast day of Mary Mother of God

1. Numbers 6: 22-27
2. Galatians 4: 4-7
3. Gospel Luke 2: 16-21

31st Dec & 1st Jan	Alexandra St John the Baptist	Omakau St Peters	Roxburgh Our Lady of Peace
<b>Greeters</b>	Trish Schaumann Jane Kinney	Volunteer	Margaret Card
<b>OHP</b>	Jim Dunlay	Jane	Pene Morris
<b>Intro/ POF</b>	Brian McLean	Volunteer	Volunteer
<b>Reader</b>	Barry Gibbons Margaret Bennie	A White	Kylie Robb
<b>Offertory gifts</b>	Coral and John Sawers	Volunteer	Clarke Family
<b>Special Minister</b>	Jude Parbhu	P Cooney	-
<b>Cleaners 24th- 7th</b>	Bernie Harvey and Margaret Bennie	K White	Angela Compton
<b>Altar Servers Alexandra</b>	Milla O'Kane (CB), Varna Sim (CB) Liberty Sim (CH)		
<b>Sacristans Alexandra</b>	Margaret (S/U) and Jim (T/U)		

## CHARISMATIC CONFERENCE – MARCH 2023 'RECEIVE HOLY SPIRIT POWER'

Friday, 24 March, 7 p.m. to Sunday, 26 March, 2 p.m.

This Conference will take place at El Rancho, 58 Weggery Drive, Waikanae Beach, Kapiti Coast.

**SPEAKERS:** Opening Message: Cardinal John Dew

**KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:** Dr Mary Healy (USA); Robert Falzon (MenALIVE); Fr John Rea SM

Final Mass Celebrant: Archbishop Paul Martin, SM

**REGISTRATION FEE:** \$135.00 which includes meals.

**REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN** but close 8 March.

Onsite Accommodation is available at different rates.

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**TRATION:** [www.currentofgraceconference.info](http://www.currentofgraceconference.info)

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