



Diocese  
of Dunedin

# Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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



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Mrs Neroli Laidlaw

## Board Chair

Mr Nathan McLean

# Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday 8th & 9th April 2023

## 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 (church)

Fridays 11:00am—Noon

(11:45am Benediction)

## RECONCILIATION

Alexandra

Saturday 11.30—Noon or by request

## ANOIDING 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)

## Sunday's Readings:

1. Acts 10:34, 37-43

2. Col 3: 1-4

3. Gospel John 20: 1-9



## Responsorial Psalm:

You believe because you see  
me:

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe

## Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast  
with joy in the Lord

Alleluia, alleluia!

## Communion antiphon:

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, Alleluia

Therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened  
bread of purity and truth,



## LAUDATO SI' - Jesus Rises From the Dead



*'The Spirit of Life dwells in every living creature  
and calls us to enter into a relationship with him.  
Discovering this presence leads us to cultivate the  
"ecological virtues".' (LS 88)*

Like Jesus, we will discard those linen cloths of death. God's Spirit builds an awareness of integral ecology in each us - we can remove the stone from the tomb of Earth's ecological dilemmas, allowing the wholeness of Creation to rise again with the Risen Lord.

Te Hei Maori Ora! / Behold the Spirit of Life!

Ko te tumanako ki te Ariki kua ara ake / Hope in the Risen Lord.

**(Diocesan Laudato Si' Group)**

## NATIONAL OFFICE FOR PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

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## Roster for next week:

15th & 16th April	Alexandra St John the Baptist	Omakau St Peters Saturday Vigil	Roxburgh Our Lady of Peace
<b>Greeters</b>	Brian and Vicki McLean	Volunteer	Margaret Card
<b>OHP</b>	Jim Dunlay	Jane Kinney	Lynette O'Driscoll
<b>Intro/POF</b>	Kevin MacKenzie	Volunteer	Volunteer
<b>Readers</b>	Coral Sawers (1) Milla O'Kane (2)	A White	Glen Dyson
<b>Offertory gifts</b>	Gerard Rogatski	Volunteer	Dave and John
<b>Special Minister</b>	Barry Gibbons	Pat Cooney	Angela Compton
<b>Cleaners</b>	Margaret Bennie Bernie Harvey	W Donnelly	Clarke Family
<b>Sacristans Alex</b>	Margaret (s/u) Donald (t/u)	-	-
<b>Altar Servers Alex</b>	Tara Mulholland CB Addie Mulholland CH Paige O'Kane CH	-	-

Next Weeks Readings: Second Sunday of Easter

1. Acts 2: 42-47
2. 1 Peter 1: 3-9
3. Gospel John 20: 19-31

### Rural chaplaincy training day.....

coming up in Gore where there will be talks on the theology of chaplaincy, visiting skills, listening skills, pastoral boundaries and self care. Dr Graham Redding, lecturer in chaplaincy studies in the Department of Theology at the University of Otago

This is an initiative the Anglican Diocese of Dunedin has taken up for rural Chaplaincy, and we have been invited to be part of. The idea is to train lay chaplains, in rural areas, to be available to visit, form relationships and create a network of care in the wider rural areas to assist priests who have a large area to cover.

Saturday April 29, 10am-4pm  
(tea and coffee available from 9:30am  
and pizza lunch provided)

Grace Presbyterian Church,  
30 Hamilton St, East Gore.

Register by 24th April to Barb Walker on [rural-revbarb@gmail.com](mailto:rural-revbarb@gmail.com) for catering purposes  
There is no cost to the day.

### Planned Giving Tax Certificates

Receipts for the 2022/2023 FY are now available.

Please collect yours from Phil at the church entrance at the 900am Sunday mass at Alexandra over the next two or three weeks.

See Fr Sani, who may be able to assist, if you want to collect yours at the Omakau services.

If for any reason you cannot collect yours at a Sunday service please call or text Phil on 027 4990277 to make other arrangements

Also, if there is any problem with your collected receipt please contact Phil to discuss.

Note: The total amount collected in the past year was \$71,402.

This is 5.4% more than was collected last year.

We thank all contributors for their generosity and consistency without which the Alexandra Parish could not exist.

*"This is the Day that the Lord has made,  
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!"*



Come and rejoice with us with morning tea to be served at the back of the church at the conclusion of Mass  
Everyone is warmly invited to join us  
Celebrate the Risen Lord!

### Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy

#### The Book of Job – a Book of Hope?...

with Kieran Fenn fms.

Monday, 24 April, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.

Fee: \$25 (incl. study material)

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/03/28/the-book-of-job-a-book-of-hope/>

#### YouTube Recording

Kieran Fenn fms reflects on Passion Sunday and Good Friday in the liturgical year of Matthew:

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/04/02/passion-sunday-good-friday/>

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

#### Executive Director

sought for NZ Catholic Bishops Conference, Wellington-based

The New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference-Te Huinga o ngā Pihopa Katorika o Aotearoa is seeking a Wellington-based Executive Director who will be responsible for working with NZCBC agencies in implementing the decisions of the bishops. T

he closing date for applications is 17 April, 2023. Full details of the position and how to apply are here:

<https://www.catholic.org.nz/news/media-releases/exec-director/>