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



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Sixth Week in Ordinary time - 12th February 2023

Mass times

Alexandra

Tuesday, 14th 5:00pm (chapel)
Wednesday, 15th 9:00am (chapel)
Thursday, 16th 9:00am (chapel)
Friday, 17th 12:00pm (church)
Saturday, 18th 9:00am (chapel)
Sunday, 19th 9:00am (church)

Roxburgh

Wednesday, 15th 5:15pm (presbytery)
Sunday, 19th 11:00am (church)

Omakau

Saturday, 18th 6pm vigil

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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Readings:

1. Ecus 15: 15-20
2. 1 Corinthians 2: 6-10
3. Gospel Matthew 5: 17-37

Responsorial Psalm:

Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;

You have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia Alleluia!

Communion antiphon:

They ate and had their fill,

And what they craved the Lord gave them;

They were not disappointed in what they craved



Died Recently
Margaret Lynch

Anniversaries
Nancy Millar
Eileen Oswald
Mary Truesdale

**Requiescant
in Pace**

Titipounamu Study & Joy

Online Sessions (Evening):

Genesis – In the Beginning...

Part 1: The Creation Story (incl. study material) with Kieran Fenn fms.

Monday, 27 February, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.

Part 2: The Creation of Adam (Michelangelo) with Dr Christopher Longhurst.

Monday, 06 March, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM.

Fee: \$25 (NZD)/session or \$40 (NZD)/2 sessions

<https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/01/16/genesis-in-the-beginning/>

Focus on Target – Draw Fresh Momentum with Laetitia Puthenpadath.

Wednesdays, 15/22 February and 01/08 March, 12.30-1.30pm.

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

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

For more information: www.studyjoy.nz

**We still have
a number of**

**COLUMBAN ART
CALENDARS**
\$12 EACH
For sale



Today there is a special collection for the Diocesan "Education Appeal".

Everyone is invited join us immediately after mass for a cuppa and a chat at the back of the church.



Roster Reminder

Can all those who have Ministry roles please ensure they have any known unavailability dates to Margaret by Monday. An email has previously been sent out but there were few responses.

Easter may be a bit far ahead to know availability so at this stage I put TBA when doing the roster.

For any other dates not available please email margaret@bennies.co.nz

Thank you

Laudato Si' – Caring for Our Common Home

'... to act faithfully is a matter of your own choice' (Sirach 15:15)

[Our choices and our decision-making- it can be so complicated. Everyone's life is different](#)- we all need God's mercy and love and other people's mercy and love.

Earth, our common home, also needs our mercy and love.

“Saint Therese of Lisieux invites us to practise the little way of love, not to miss out on a kind word, a smile or any small gesture which sows peace and friendship. An integral ecology is also made up of simple daily gestures which break with the logic of violence, exploitation and selfishness. In the end, a world of exacerbated consumption is at the same time a world which mistreats life in all its forms.”

Oasis Opportunity Shop Notice

At our final gathering at the District club Donald Lamont took our group photo.

Donald has kindly mounted a photo, which is now on a table in the church foyer.

If any of our ladies would like a copy the cost will be \$9 for a 8x6 mounted photo (previously notice said unmounted).

There is an order form beside the photo to place your name and order if you wish to purchase a copy.

Payment will be taken when the photo is ready.

Our thanks to Donald for acknowledging the contribution we have made to Catholic Social Services.

From Margaret and Barbara



Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand—Current Vacancies

Executive Assistant

We are looking for an Executive Assistant / Office Manager who will be responsible for supporting our Chief Executive (CE). This role will also provide support to other Senior Leaders as required and work collaboratively across the Organization.

For more information on this role and details for applying, please visit the Caritas website (<https://www.caritas.org.nz/work-with-us>).

Advocacy Advisor

Caritas is on the look-out for an Advocacy Advisor to support the Engagement team in delivering high-quality research, analysis, and communications to advocate for justice, peace and development.

To find out more about this role and details for applying, please visit the Caritas website (<https://www.caritas.org.nz/work-with-us>).

Seventh Week in Ordinary Time : Weekend of 18th/ 19th February

Readings:

1. Levit. 19:1-2, 17-18
2. 1 Corinthians 3: 16-23
3. Gospel Matthew 5: 38-48

18th & 19th February	Alexandra St John the Baptist	Omakau St Peters	Roxburgh Our Lady of Peace
Greeters	Sue and Kevin MacKenzie	Volunteer	Ton O'Driscoll
OHP	Rosemary and Martin	Jane	Lynette O'Driscoll
Intro/ POF	Sr Leona	Volunteer	Volunteer
Reader	Milla O'Kane Ellen Middendorf	P Cooney	Margaret Gard
Offertory gifts	Gearld and Maire Healey	Volunteer	Neil and Rodd
Special Minister	Rosemary Bond	R Kilkelly	Angela Compton
Cleaners	Barbara Grubb Sue MacKenzie	Volunteer	Pene Morris
Altar Servers Alexandra	Olivia Delpont (CB), Stefan Delpont (CB) Georgie Moloney (CH)		
Sacristans Alexandra	Margaret (S/U) and Donald (T/U)		

Dates to Note:

22nd February: Ash Wednesday,

Caritas Lenten appeal begins for more info: <https://www.caritas.org.nz/lent>

24th February: Day of prayer for victims of abuse and violence

The National Liturgy Office has some resources and prayers (for the 2022 Day, which was on 4 March 2022) <https://www.nlo.org.nz/news-and-events/media-releases/day-of-prayer-and-penance-for-victims-of-violence-and-abuse/>

8 March: Kapiti Coast Charismatic Conference Registrations Close for more details:

www.currentofgraceconferenceinf.com, www.currentofgraceconferenceinf.com, [charisnz.com](http://www.charisnz.com), or on Face book m.facebook.com/charis/nz/ and check out poster in church foyer.

Deacons Ordination to the priesthood

Our three Diocesan Deacons Peter Chadwick, Suu Van Ngyuen, and Joseph Long Van Ngyuen, as to be ordained as follows:

Rev Peter Chadwick : Friday 14th April at 7 pm in Holy Name Church North Dunedin.

Rev Suu Van Ngyuen and Rev Joseph Long Van Ngyuen (together): on Saturday 24th June 2023 at 11 am in St Therese of Lisieux Church, North Invercargill. Please keep Suu, Joseph, and Peter your prayers leading up to their ordination to Priesthood.