

Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area Diocese of Dunedin

Omakau (1870) ALexandra (1924) Roxburgh (1950)

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The Baptism of the Lord

10 January 2021

MASS TIMES

Sundays

Omakau Alexandra Roxburgh

6:00pm Vigil (Sat) 9:00am 11:00am

This Week (12th to 16th January)

Alexandra

Tuesday, 12th 5:00pm (side chapel) Wednesday, 13th 9:00am (side chapel) Thursday, 14th 9:00am (side chapel) Friday, 15th Noon (church) Saturday, 16th 9:00am (side chapel)

Roxburgh Wednesday, 13th 5:15pm (presbytery)

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Alexandra (church) Friday 11:00am-Noon (11:45am Benediction)

RECONCILIATION

Alexandra Saturday

11:30am-Noon (or on request)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Quarterly

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

Roxburgh Wednesdav 5:15pm (1st Wed of the months of Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec) Readings: Is 42:1-4,6-7; Acts 10:34-38, Mk 1:7-11 **Responsorial Psalm** The Lord will bless his people with peace. **Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia. alleluia! The heavens were opened and the Father's voice was heard: This is my beloved Son, hear him. Alleluia! **Communion Antiphon** Behold the One of whom John said:

I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

х **Died Recently**

Anniversaries

Requiescant in Pace

Notices from Titipounamu Study & Joy

Online Session (Retreat Day): Who am I? – Reflecting on our Identity in God with Eamon Butler. Saturday, 30 January, 10:30am-4:00 pm. Fee: \$60, 700M

https://www.studyjoy.nz/events/virtual-retreat-day-with-eamon-butler-who-am-i/

For more information and registration: info@studyjoy.nz

FATHER JOHN REA

Father John Rea will be holding a Healing Seminar at Mercy Parish on the 5th and 6th of March 2021 (Friday evening at 7pm and Saturday from 9.30 am till 3 pm).

Father John has a well known ministry for praying for the sick and injured, over many years and seeing people healed. A woman whose cancer disappeared, a child violinist whose crushed hand was restored, a dumb teenager with paralysis whose paralysis and speech was reversed. Father John though in advancing years is in demand in New Zealand and overseas, some of you will remember him from last year when he visited.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2021

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On sale in church foyer for \$12 each.

Congratulations to Sr Leona Garchow RSM, who celebrated her Golden Jubilee (50 years) of Profession on 3rd January 2021.

We look forward to having you in our parish.



BAPTISM Many blessings and congratulations to Walter Jack Lepper on being Baptised on Saturday, 9 January 2021. May God Bless you and all your family - Fr Sani.



BAPTISM OF THE LORD

The 10th of January is observed by the church as the feast day commemorating the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River by John the Baptist.



COMMUNITY PANTRY

The Foodbank is presently short of bread products and margarine. Many appreciative thanks to our regular contributors.

	PARISHIONERS IN NEED OF PASTORAL CARE
OASIS OPPORTUNITY SHOP Centrepoint Mall, Alexandra Opening hours as follows:	If you are aware of any family or parishioners who are in hospital, a rest- home or homebound due to illness, please contact Fr Sani so that they can receive the Sacraments and pastoral care. Thank you.
Mondays 1:00 to 4:00pm, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 11:00am to 4:00pm. Thank you for your continued support.	MAKE SUMMER UNSTOPPABLE
150 YEARS OF DOMINICAN SISTERS IN NEW ZEALAND	<u>NEXT WEEK</u> <u>17 January Readings</u> : 1 Sam 3:3-10,19; 1 Cor 6:13-15, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42
18 February 2021 will mark 150 years since ten Dominican sisters arrived from Ireland to begin the congregation in New Zealand. The sisters are taking this opportunity to remember with gratitude all those who have enabled and supported our life in this country: family, friends, women who have shared our life, former pupils, parishioners, benefactors and supporters in prayer and minis- try.	16/17 January Roster:Greeters:B Brown & E Patrick (Alex); A McElligott (Roxb)Projector:Jane Kinney (Omak); M O'Connor (Alex); K Robb (Roxb)Altar Servers:Charlie Diver, Joshua Brown, David Fonseca Joan Kinney (Omak); B McLean (Alex); G Dyson (Roxb)Reader:Joan Kinney (Omak); M Bennie (Alex); G Dyson (Roxb)
A public mass will be held at St Mary's Church, Mosgiel, at 10am on Saturday 20 February, to which all are welcome.	Offertory:Volunteer (Omak); B Brown & E Patrick (Alex); A McElligott & A Compton (Roxb)Extraordinary Ministers:R Kilkelly (Omak); R Bond, C Grieve, J Hogue (Alex); N Taylor (Roxb)Sacristan:L Fonseca / J Hogue (Alex) Cleaner:Cleaner:R Kilkelly (Omak); (Alex); A Compton (Roxb)