

Diocese Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time—Pear A

MASS TIMES

Sundays

Omakau 6:00pm Vigil (Sat) Alexandra 9:00am

Roxburgh 11:00am

Weekdays

Alexandra

Tuesday 5:00pm (side chapel)
Wednesday 9:00am (side chapel)
Thursday 9:00am (side chapel)
Friday Noon (side chapel)
Saturday 9:00am (side chapel)

Roxburgh

Wednesday 5:15pm (presbytery)

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Alexandra

(side chapel)

Friday 11:00am—Noon

(11:45am Benediction)

RECONCILIATION

Alexandra

Saturday 11:30am-Noon

(or on request)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Quarterly

Alexandra

Fridav 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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Sunday Readings: Wis 12:13,16-19; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, you are good and forgiving.

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!

Communion Antiphon

The Lord keeps in our minds the wonderful things he has done. He is compassion and love; He always provides for his faithful.

₩ <u>Died Recently</u>

<u>Anniversaries</u>

Irene Callaghan
Peter Callaghan
Edith & Dick
Chapman
Emily & Jack
O'Neill
Fr Brian Fenton
John Kilkelly

Requiescant in Pace

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING—The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday, 23 July at 7:00pm in the side chapel.

DIOCESAN NEWSLETTER

Printed copies of the diocesan newsletter are in the church foyer. If you would like to receive this diocesan communication by email, go to www.cdd.org.nz and click on the database link on the right hand side of the home page to register your details. It only takes about 3 minutes to complete and enables us to keep in touch with what is going on. Alternatively, you could sign up by filling in the form available in the church foyer.

If anyone requires assistance with this, do not hesitate to ask Loretta Fonseca or Fr Sani.

ST GERARD'S SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMME 2020

Preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion will occur during Terms 3 & 4. Baptised children are eligible to receive these Sacraments when they reach 7 years of age. The enrolment form is on Skool Loop and should be completed by 22nd July.

If your children don't attend St. Gerard's and you would like them to be part of this programme, please contact Fr Sani on 021840259 or by email on alexcatholic@xtra.co.nz

WORLD DAY AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS—30 July 2020

Pope Francis is one of the world leaders speaking out about the scourge of trafficking in the world. In February, he warned that migrants and refugees often fall victim to trafficking and slavery organised by corrupt people willing to do anything for financial gain. He is calling us all to stop this gruesome industry. We can do our bit by being aware of what trafficking is and how to recognise it in our country.

Join the Zoom meeting from your home to hear Gemma Wilson SM speaking on "Human Slavery

Today"

Time: 7:00-8:00pm

Date: Thursday, 30 July 2020





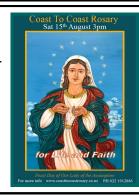
SACRED HEART SCHOOL, DUNEDIN—125th CELEBRATIONS—Labour Weekend 2020—Sacred Heart School opened 125 years in North East Valley in October this year YES, this celebration is going ahead. A variety of functions have been put together to encourage past pupils, teachers and friends of the school to attend and celebrate this milestone at Labour Weekend 2020. If you've been associated with Sacred Heart School, you are invited to email your committee at reunion125@sacredheartdn.school.nz or phone the school on 03 473 8362.

A Registration Form will be available for you to download very soon. We are also interested in gathering Memorabilia for the weekend and would be delighted to hear if you have photos or other memorabilia to share. Please email or phone the school with what you've got available and do make sure your name and address is on any original items sent which you require to be returned after the weekend. Thank you.

COAST TO COAST ROSARY—Rosary for Life and Faith

This year's Coast to Coast Rosary for Life and Faith will be held on Saturday, 15 August at 3:00pm. The Patron will be Bishop Michael Gielen, the new auxiliary Bishop of Auckland. This Rosary comes at a very important time for us all. Anyone who would like to be a part of this Rosary, is most welcome to join in.

The Rosary poster and program is on the notice board in our church foyer. More information is available on the website: www.coasttocoastrosary.co.nz



OASIS OPPORTUNITY SHOP

Centrepoint Mall, Alexandra

The shop is open on Monday from 1:00 to 4:00pm and Tuesday to Friday from 11:00am to 4:00pm.

Thank you for your support.

TRANSPORT TO SUNDAY MASS

If anyone is in need of a ride to Mass or happy to offer one, please let Fr sani know on alexcatholic@xtra.co.nz
Thank you to those who have offered their services.

NEXT WEEK

26 July 2020 Readings: 1 Kg 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52

25/26 July Roster:

Greeters: D Lamont (Alex); A McElligott (Roxb)

Projector:

Altar Servers:
Intro / POF:

Readers:

Offertory:

J Kinney (Omak); J Dunlay (Alex); Volunteer (Roxb)
Tara Mulholland, Isabella Breen, Alia Ryan (Alex)
J Paulin (Omak); T Lamb (Alex); A Favel (Roxb)
J Paulin (Omak); M Tait (Alex); A Favel (Roxb)
M & G Healey (Alex); Dyson family (Roxb)

Extraordinary

Ministers of Holy

Communion: J Kinney (Omak); R Bond, J Parbhu, J Flannery

(Alex); A Compton (Roxb)

Sacristan: L Fonseca / D Lamont (Alex)

Cleaner: W Maclean (Omak); (Alex); Glen Dyson (Roxb)