

Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 3 September

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 (chapel) Fridays 11:00am

(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

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NATIONAL OFFICE FOR PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

Maria & Mike Noonan Cell: 0212922753 safeguarding@cdd.org.nz

Sunday Readings:

1. Jeremiah 20: 7-9 2. Romans 12: 1-2

3. Gospel of Matthew: 16: 21-27

Responsorial Psalm:

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope Alleluia, alleluia!

Communion antiphon:

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessared are they who are persecuted for the sake of the righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven

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Let us remember and pray for those who have **Died Recently:**

And for those who have

Anniversaries

About this time:-

Gladys Waigth Conan Power Jim Burton Catherine McGettigan Angela Gibbons Gerald Gittens

Requiescant in Pace

Social Justice Week 3-9 September

Focus on Peace and Responding to conflict—
"PEACE BEGINS WITH YOU"

Caritas has created a reflection booklet as a resource which is available to all.

It covers What is peace, peace in our hearts, peace in our relationships, peace in our communities, peace in creation, peace in our work, peace begins with you

RESOURCES AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE

https://caritas.org.nz/parishes/social-justice-week.

To order free additional hard copies of the Reflection Booklet, please contact us on: **0800 22 10 22**, or email us at caritas@caritas.org.nz.

Parish Centennial 20–21st April 2024

Please spread the word to past and present Parishioners



Photos and articles relating to our parish would be appreciated.

Contact Kevin MacKenzie, Brian McLean, Margaret Bennie, Teresa Hughes or Fr Sani

Roster and Readings for next week:

Noster and Neadings for flext week.				
	9th & 10th September	Alexandra St John the Baptist	Omakau St Peters Saturday Vigil	Roxburgh Our Lady of Peace
	Greeters	Neroli Laidlaw Liz Anderson	Volunteer	Rod Dyson
	OHP	Sim Family	Ruth	Kylie Robb
	Intro/ POF	Margaret Bennie	Volunteer	Volunteer
	Readers	Tara Mulholland Sue MacKenzie	Leo Van Boxtel	Michelle Clarke
	Offertory gifts	Gerald Rogatski Pat O'Connor	Volunteer	Dave and John
	Special Ministers	Jude Parbhu Kathleen O'Kane Julie Flannery	R Kilkelly	Bill Clarke
	Cleaners	Barbara Grubb Sue MacKenzie	Rhonda	Glen Dyson
	Sacristans Alex	SU: Margaret TU: Donald and Jim	-	-
	Altar Servers Alex	CB: Olivia CH: Stefan CH: Curtis		-

OUT REACH



REACH OUT

At our recent Parish Council meeting Fr Sani spoke about the need in our Parish for us, as parishioners to be mindful of people in our community who would welcome some form of contact with them.

We have parishioners who are currently receiving The Eucharist in their homes as due to health reasons they are unable to attend Sunday Mass, but a visit or offer to bring them to Mass would be so meaningful to them.

We have new families to our Parish, a warm approach to them at Mass would be welcoming, invite them to join you for a cuppa after mass—this means of hospitality is the perfect opportunity to reach out. Put yourselves in their position and see what this would mean for you - uplifting

Jesus went about his ministry amongst the people—can we be on of his disciples?

REUNION

St Dominic's College Dunedin
Please register your interest in a proposed reunion
of those who attended St Dominic's College Dunedin
Phone 03 4543191 or e-mail stunpaul@xtra.co.nz

Next Week's Readings: 23rd Week in ordinary time

1. Ezekiel 33: 7-9

Romans 23: 8-10
 Gospel Matthew 18: 15-20

Laudato Si reflection
Social Justice Week and the Season of Creation

What brings about Rangimarie/Peace in our Te Ao/ World?

Francis says - LS#156-7: "An integral ecology is inseparable from the notion of the common good...

"Underlying the principle of the common good is respect for the human person as such, endowed with basic and inalienable rights ordered to his or her integral development. It has also to do with the overall welfare of society...[including] the family as the basic cell of society. Finally, the common good calls for social peace, the stability and security provided by a certain order which cannot be achieved without particular concern for distributive justice; whenever this is violated, violence always ensues. Society as a whole, and the state in particular, are obliged to defend and promote the common good".

Notices from Titipounamu

Study & Joy Women in the Bible with Kieran Fenn fms. Mondays, 4th, 11th 18th Sep, 7-8.30pm. ZOOM. Fee: \$20/session or \$45 or three sessions.

All sessions are connect but also stand alone.

https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/07/10/women-in-the-bible/

Liturgical Spaces with Prof Thomas O'Loughlin. Series on Muffin Talk radio programme freely available online

https://www.studyjoy.nz/2023/07/17/liturgical-space-thomas-

Social Justice Week: 3-9 September 2023

Imagine Peace for all: Peace begins with you! Pohewatia te Rangimārie mō te Katoa: Ka tīmata tonu te rangimārie i roto i ā koe!

Pope Francis said that
"Every human being desires communion and peace.
Everyone needs peaceful co-existence.
But this can grow only when we also build inner peace in our heart."

Each year, the New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference lead us in Social Justice Week to consider an issue of social justice in Aotearoa. This year marks the beginning of a three-year focus on building peace and responding to conflict. We hope people will begin their journey by reflecting on their own personal peace and how to seek the peace of God in all areas of their lives. For more information visit www.caritas.org.nz/parishes/social-justice-week.