



Diocese
of Dunedin

Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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



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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Year B

26th September 2021

MASS TIMES

Sundays

Omakau 6:00pm Vigil (Sat)

Alexandra 9:00am

Roxburgh 11:00am

Weekdays

(28th Sept - 2nd Oct)

Alexandra

Tuesday, 28th 5:00pm (Side Chapel)

Wednesday, 29th 9:00am (Side Chapel)

Thursday, 30th 9:00am (Side Chapel)

Friday, 1st midday (Church)

Saturday, 2nd 9:00am (Side Chapel)

Roxburgh

Wednesday, 29th 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

Wednesday 5:15pm

(1st Wed of the months of Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec)

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Readings: Num 11:25-29; James 5:1-6;
Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Responsorial Psalm

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word, O Lord, is truth:

make us holy in the truth.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,
by which you have given me hope.



Died Recently

Anniversaries

Adrienne Dey

Cuth Mowat

Requiescant

in Pace

LETTER FROM BISHOP

MICHAEL



21st September 2021

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Resumption of Public Masses at Level 2

The covid pandemic has thrown up many challenges for us but as people of faith we remember the Christian message that we are God's children and God is with us. With this hope we undertake those sacrifices that we are called to make for the health of our community. It has been difficult when we have been unable to physically gather for our Sunday Eucharist. The recent change to the restrictions on level 2 means that we now have an indoor gathering limit of 100 people.

I can announce that public Sunday Mass will resume in the Diocese of Dunedin from Sunday the 26th September. The celebration of Mass will be dependent on a restriction of 100 people and a venue in which people have adequate space. For those who are ill or uneasy about returning to Mass the dispensation from attending Sunday Mass continues...

Please turn over to continue reading

LETTER FROM THE BISHOP CONTINUED

...There are Masses available to be viewed online and on Shine TV for those who wish to participate in this way. It is important to follow level 2 regulations in our gatherings. If you are unwell stay at home. It is mandatory for all those attending Mass to be recorded either by scanning in or signing in. You are strongly encouraged to wear a mask and to practice social distancing with those outside your bubble. Congregational singing is not advised and the restrictions on Communion from the chalice, Communion on the hand only, no physical contact during the sign of peace and no holy water in the church porches remain.

It is good that we can join together in this limited way on Sundays but we remember following the restrictions is our practical means to love our neighbour in this time of pandemic. Most of all we remember that God is with us in our trials and will never abandon us.

Yours in Christ
+Michael Dooley
Bishop of Dunedin

ST GERARD'S SCHOOL STUDENT VEGETABLE GARDEN

St Gerard's are looking for volunteers to work alongside teachers and students in their vegetable garden, on Wednesday afternoons through Term 4.

The sessions would run from 1:30pm - 2:50pm. Volunteers would work alongside students, teachers and other volunteers in maintaining the garden through sowing seeds, planting, weeding, composting and other general maintenance.

Please contact Ollie Yeoman if you'd be available either on a regular or casual basis -

ollieyeoman@stgerards.school.nz



Alexandra's Light Party!
Saturday 30th October 4-7pm
Pioneer Park
FREE ENTERTAINMENT - FREE
FOOD - FREE EVERYTHING
FOR CHILDREN AGED 5-12 AND
THEIR FAMILIES

We need your help!

- Volunteer on the day: see your church representative for ways to help
- Donations of wrapped lollies, lollipops and balloons

BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE CHURCHES OF ALEXANDRA

NEW PARISHIONERS—WELCOME

If you are new parishioners to our parish, we would like to inform you that there is a New Parishioner Form on the table in the church foyer.

You are invited to fill and place in the box provided. Many thanks.

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Information can also be found on our website:
www.alexatholic.nz
(Under NOPS in the toolbar)

NEXT WEEK

3rd October Readings: Gen 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11;
Mk 10:2-16

2nd/3rd October Roster:

Greeters: Brown Family (Alex); R Dyson (Roxb)
Projector: Joan (Omak); M O'Connor (Alex);
P Morris (Roxb)
Altar Servers: Charlotte O'Kane, Liberty Sim, Freddie Ryan
Intro / POF: J Paulin (Omak); V Sim (Alex);
M Card (Roxb)
Readers: J Paulin (Omak); K. Mackenzie; C Sawers (Alex)
M Card (Roxb)
Offertory: Volunteer (Omak); Brown Family (Alex);
Kylie & Glen (Roxb)
Extraordinary Ministers: R KilKelly (Omak); M Bennie, F Clements,
R Bond (Alex), ...(Rox)
Sacristan: J. Hogue (Alex)
Cleaners: M Matheson (Omak); (Alex);
Kylie (Roxb)