

# of Dunedin Alexandra Catholic Pastoral Area

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

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# First week of Lent - 26th February 2023

### **Mass times**

Alexandra

Tuesday, 28th 5:00pm (chapel) Wednesday, 1 March 9:00am (chapel) Thursday, 2nd 9:00am (chapel) Friday, 3rd 12:00pm (church) Saturday, 4th 9.00am (chapel) Sunday, 5th 9.00 am (church)

Roxburgh

Wednesday, 1 March 5:15pm (presbytery) Sunday, 5th 11.00am (church)

Omakau

Saturday, 4th March 6pm vigil

Stations of the Cross Firday's 5pm (Alex)

#### **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)

Roxburah

Wednesday 5:15pm

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

#### Today's Readings:

1. Genesis 2: 7-9, 3: 1-7

Romans 5: 12-19

**3.** Gospel: Matthew 4: 1-11

**Responsorial Psalm:** 

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned

#### **Gospel Acclamation:**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!

#### **Communion antiphon:**

One does not live by bread alone,

But by every word that come forth from the mouth of God.

Diocesan Newletter February Edition is available now on line@www.cdd.nz/news

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**Died Recently**Ursula Mahoney

#### **Anniversaries**

William Oswald, Neville Paul Sklenars, Annie Altenburg, Florencio Guardiario

> Requiescant in Pace

# Laudato Si reflection

- First Sunday of Lent

"A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me."



In these challenging times, we pray to remember ourselves as part of God's living planet. Our source of life is not 'bread alone' but serving 'God alone', through caring for all. Let us reconnect in love, through prayers, fasting, and giving of our best selves.

https://franciscanaction.org/40-days-40-ways -a-guide-to-a-green-lent/

#### **Cyclone Gabrielle Appeal**

The Catholic Caring Foundation has launched an appeal to support the communities impacted by Cyclone Gabrielle.

Donations can be made to the Catholic Caring Foundation: 06 0901 0054866 00.

Use your name as the code and please email <a href="mailto:paulinel@cdd.org.nz">paulinel@cdd.org.nz</a> so that a tax receipt can be issued. Thank you.



"Where sin increased, there grace abounded all the more" Romans

Jesus fasted for forty days and forty nights

2nd week of Lent: Weekend of 4th—5th March

Readings:

Genesis 12: 1-4
 2 Timothy 1:8-10

3. Gospel: Matthew 17: 1-9

4th & 5th March	Alexandra St John the Bap- tist	Omakau St Peters	Roxburgh Our Lady of Peace
Greeters	Brian and Vicki McLean	Volunteer	Margaret Card
OHP	Mulholland Family	Jane Kinney	Lynette O'Driscoll
Intro/ POF	Coral Sawers	Volunteer	Volunteer
Reader	Margaret Bennie Varna Sim	J Paulin	Kylie Robb
Offertory gifts	Gerard Rogatski Pat O'Connor	Volunteer	Michelle and Bill
Special Minister	Brian McLean	Pat Cooney	Rod Dyson
Cleaners	Jill Paulin Maureen Stanaway	W Maclean	Margaret Card
Altar Servers Alexan- dra	Olivia Delport (CB), Stefan Delport (CH) Milla O'Kane (CH)		
Sacris- tans Alexan- dra	Margaret (S/U) and Donald(T/U)		

#### St John the Baptist Parish Centenary 1924—2024

Our Parish will be celebrating its 100 year centenary on 20th April 2024. If you would like to be part of the Centenary Committee please email Fr Sani @

alexcatholic@xtra.co.nz

#### **Ordination—Peter Chadwick**

As you are aware Peter was part of our Parish community latter part of 2021, preparing for his journey toward ordination to the Priesthood. Peter's ordination will be at Holy cross Mosgiel on Friday 14th April at 7pm. If you would like to make a contribution to help cover costs of Peter's parents to come from Samoa for this happy event, you can either place your donation in an envelope marked "Peter" and place it in the collection basket over the next two Sundays or you can pay into:

**ANZ Bank A/c No. 06091 000454866**. Please state "**ordination**" as the code and **your name** for a receipt. It would be very special for Peter to have his family present.

#### The Combined Churches

Would like to thank parishioners for their generous contributions toward towards the fruit stall last Sunday.

Over \$500 was added to the Cyclone Relief Fund.
Thank you!

#### Dates to Note:

#### Fridays during lent: Stations of The Cross Alexandra

Caritas Lenten appeal continues throughout Lent for more info: <a href="https://www.caritas.org.nz/lent">https://www.caritas.org.nz/lent</a>

Friday 3rd—World Day of Prayer St Aidan's Anglican Church at 10am—All welcome!

8 March: Charismatic Conference Registrations Close

24 March Charismatic Conference Opens

**14 April: Ordination** of Rev Peter Chadwich 7pm @ Holy Name Church North Dunedin.

**24th June: Ordination** of Rev Suu Van Ngyuen and Rev Joseph Long Van Ngyuen (together @11am) in St Therese of Lisieux Church, North Invercargill.

**Lenten Appeal 2023** - to support the work of Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand

Money raised through the NZ Catholic Bishops Lenten Appeal helps

Caritas fund development and emergency relief work worldwide.
Your support is greatly appreciated.

Lenten Giving Envelope Packs are available in the foyer of the Church.

Donation envelopes can be returned during the offertory collection or you can send them to Caritas directly.

NZ Post specifies that cash must not be sent through the post. Donations received by Caritas in these envelopes by 31 March 2023 will be sent receipts for the 2022/23 tax year.

Donations received by Caritas after 1 April 2023 will be sent receipts

for the 2023/24 tax year.

Thank you for your generous support.

## **Lenten Retreat 2023**

Hosted by the Little Sisters of the Poor, Dunedin

#### **Tenderness of God's Love**

A Lenten journey with the Prodigal Son

Who: Single, Catholic women aged 18—40
Where: 295 Brockville Road, Dunedin

When: Saturdays—11th & 25th March 2023

Time: 9.30—5pm
Cost: Donation

For registration or for more information please contact Sr Mary Lourdes

Email: sc@lspdun.co.nz or phone 03 4762028

Webite: littlesistersofthepoor.org.au

Please join us directly after Mass for an opportunity for fellowship over morning tea at the back of the church.



All parishioners, their families and our visitors, here today are warmly welcomed