

Te Whetu O Te Moana / Star of the Sea Marlborough Catholic Parish

From the Sounds to the Sea, the Mountains to the Plains,
We Are One Mission. One Parish.

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Newsletter 41, 2nd November 2025 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time, All Souls Day

Hi, my name is Nguyen Van Tuan, but you can call me TJ. It's a wonderful opportunity and blessing to be able to call Marlborough Star of the Sea Parish my home for the next few years.

I come from the north of Vietnam, from Vinh Phuc Province, the town of Thong Nhat. I have two younger brothers, and a younger sister. My parents are Nguyen van Truong and Tran Thi Tham. My father is a carpenter, and my mother sells hot corn by the roadside. Before joining the Passionists, I studied Music at the Cultural and Art College, Vinh Yen.

I joined the Passionists because I love the charism of St Paul of the Cross, and I love the way of living together as a family. While in Vietnam, I worked in shelters that looked after people who had mental illnesses. I helped feed them, and I played the young and old. I found it meaningful to play with them, and make them happy, and I found a peaceful place where I can be present among them. I found God among those people that I have served.

Thank you for making me welcome here, and I look forward to our time together. I feel very blessed to be here in New Zealand.



Parish Calendar, News & Notices

CALLED & EQUIPPED Formation Programme - Applications for 2026 now open! Are you looking for an opportunity to dig deeper into your faith, and to learn how to share it with others? Would You like to know more about what it means to be catholic? Do you want to serve in your parish community, but feel you don't know enough? **JOIN US** on an exciting journey that offers personal faith formation and equips you for ministry and service. For more information, contact Lucienne Hensel at 04 496 1715 / l.hensel@wn.catholic.org.nz Applications close 30th November.

Annual Bereavement Mass: This coming Thursday 7pm in St Mary's Church. Supper to follow. All are welcome to join us.



First Communion classes continue for Blenheim, Picton & Seddon children at 9am on Sunday 9th November in the Community Centre and 16th Nov with First Communion being celebrated at 10am on 23rd November. These classes are for children who have received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and are over the age of 8years old. For more information or any questions please email trukwalker@gmail.com or 0276246264. For Kaikoura, please contact Sr Maureen or Breanna Moller. First Communion there is also on 23rd November at 9.30am.

November is Catholic Social Services Annual Appeal Month. We live in challenging times – times that are causing many people to lose hope. The poor and vulnerable among us are especially affected. This is why we need your help. Your ongoing support helps us bring hope to those who need it. Supporting this valuable mahi is easy, and there are many ways to do so, including the link: www.catholicsocialservices.org.nz/donate. Prefer to donate via bank transfer? You can use CSS' bank account details to donate directly through your internet banking service.
BANK: BNZ ACCOUNT NUMBER: 02 0560 0213864 000 PARTICULARS: your surname & initial
REFERENCE: Your phone number CODE: CSS-HOPE

Those wanting to say the Our Father in another language at 5pm and 10am BHM weekend masses, please contact Belinda Vavasour 021 774 858.

Men's breakfasts will be held on the first Sunday of each Month at 8am. The locations will vary. Please contact Maurice Davies at 0274445506 to be added to the Star of the Sea Men's What's app group.

Are you looking for a daily reflection. Click on the link below which takes you to the Passionist Website and their daily reflections. [Daily Reflection | The Passionists](#)

A Warm Welcome to Our Parish Family of Marlborough

We are joy-filled missionary disciples: walking in Christ's light, growing in faith together, and taking the Gospel and the love of Jesus to the people of Marlborough and beyond.

Parish Calendar, News & Notices

Mass & Liturgy Schedules

Saturday 1st Nov-All Saints
Blenheim 9.30am **Mass** followed by reconciliation

31st Sun of Ord time

Sat 1st Nov-All Saints

Blenheim 5pm –**Mass**

Picton 5pm—**Mass**

Sun 2nd Nov-All Souls

Seddon 8am - **Mass**,

Kaikoura 9.30am– **Mass**

Blenheim 10am– **Mass**

Blenheim 5pm –Mass

Tuesday-4th Nov

Blenheim 9.30am **Mass**

Kaikoura 9.30am W&C

Wednesday-5th Nov

Picton 9.30am **Mass**

Kaikoura 9:30am W&C

Blenheim 12.05pm **Mass**

Thursday-6th Nov

Blenheim 9.30am - **Mass**

Kaikoura 9.30am -W&C

Kaikoura 10am Scripture

Picton- 5.15pm Adoration

Blenheim 7pm Bereavement Mass

Friday-7th Nov

Kaikoura 9.30am -W&C

Blenheim 11am - Exposition

Blenheim 12.05pm –**Mass**

Saturday 8th Nov

Blenheim 9.30am **Mass** followed by reconciliation

32nd Sun of Ord time

Sat 8th Nov

Blenheim 5pm –**Mass**

Picton 5pm—**Mass**

Sun 9th Nov- Dedication of St

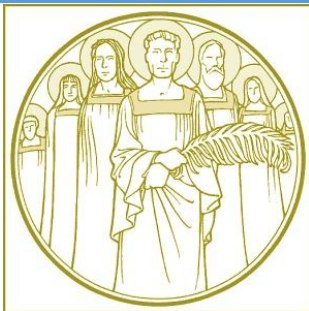
John Lateran

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Kaikoura 9.30am– **Mass**

Blenheim 10am **Mass**

Blenheim 5pm –**Mass**



Readings for:

2nd-9th Nov 2025

Sun 02 Nov-All Souls Day

Wisdom 3:1-9

Rev 21:1-5,6-7

Luke 7:11-17

Mon 03 Nov

Romans 11:29-36

Luke 14:12-14

Tues 04 Nov-St Charles Borromeo

Romans 12:5-16

Luke 14:15-24

Wed 05 Nov

Romans 13:8-10

Luke 14:25-33



Thurs 06 Nov

Romans 14:7-12

Luke 15:1-10

Fri 07 Nov

Romans 15:14-21

Luke 16:1-8

Sat 08 Nov

Romans 16:3-9,16,22-27

Luke 16:9-15

Sun 09 Nov-Dedication of St

John Lateran

Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9,12

1Cor 3:9-11,16-17

John 2:13-22

Find peace in God's Word

Collections: We are most grateful for your support.

Last Week:

Total: \$2,823.92

Misson Sunday: \$1,295.10, final

figure for the last 2 weeks

\$2,054.20, Thank you.

If you would like to contribute to

the running costs of the Parish,

here is our account number:

Star of the Sea Parish

02-0600-0154396-00

Please put "Planned Giving" in the reference so we know its purpose and contact Ginetta at the

Parish Office for a giving number

before starting online banking so

you can claim on your donations

each year.



**Remembering the Holy souls –
May they Rest In Peace**

Dominic Hassan;

Colin Miller;

Sr Frances Anna

smsm;

Graham Check;

Jack Walker;

Mary O'Halloran;

Dan Murphy;

Ossie Hickman,

friends & family of

Mary Hickman.

Also all our deceased

parishioners and

benefactors.

Intentions: please keep these parishioners in your prayers.

Richard Booker;

Donna Lippiatt;

Luke Clayton;

Nancy Spatz;

Phil Best;

Esme Murphy;

Eileen Moreland;

Glenn Ormsby;

Craig & Viv Grant;

Charlotte Cagney;

Johan Van der Geest;

Terry Price;

Maria Prutten;

Russell Millar;

Lex & Mary Agnew;

Robin O'Kane;

Ewen Robinson;

Nancy Woolford-

Stayner;

Peter Smith;

Margaret Searle;

Anne Rundle;

Francesca Perkins;

Aveera & Araylee

Marsh;

Rilee Wright;

Elizabeth & Don

Boyd;

Craig Jackson;

Catherine;

Jill Carpenter;

and those unnamed

that need our

prayers at this time.

If you, or a loved one, are in hospital or at home unable to get out, contact Mary Tolan 021 184 0617 to arrange for a Eucharistic Minister to bring out Communion to you.

Community Foodbanks:

Our Community Food Banks help people in need.

The bins in our churches are cleared every week so donations can be made outside of the times listed.

1st Sunday @ Kaikoura

All Sundays @ Picton & Blenheim

Please consider donating nonperishable goods: Canned tomatoes, fruit, vegetables, Canned spaghetti, canned Baked beans, Canned Fish, Sugar, rice, Soup mix, Flour, Pasta sauce, spreads, Longlife milk, Breakfast cereals, Weetbix, salt, Pasta, school lunch items.

Annual Foodbank appeal:

24th November, 6-8pm

Quote from the Popes

"The New Testament does not only tell us of the earthly Jesus and his tangible and loving relationship with the world. It also shows him risen and glorious, present throughout creation by his universal Lordship. "For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross" (Col 1:19-20). This leads us to direct our gaze to the end of time when the Son will deliver all things to the Father so that " God may be everything to everyone"

The very flowers of the field and the birds which his human eyes contemplated and admired are now imbued with his radiant presence.' *Laudato Si' 100*

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Pastoral Assist:

Youth Ministers: Maurice & Mieke Davies – stmarysyoungroup@xtra.co.nz – 022 391 8584

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