



# Te Whetu O Te Moana | The Star of the Sea Marlborough Catholic Parish

From the Sounds to the Sea, the Mountains to the Plains

**We Are One Mission. One Parish. Seven Communities**

Blenheim | Havelock | Kaikoura | Picton | Renwick | Seddon | Ward

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## Newsletter No 22: 17 June 2018 11th Sunday of the Year

### Our Liturgy Plan

*When a priest is not available, Word & Communion will be led by parishioners.*

#### **Blenheim**

**Tues:** 9.30am Mass

**Wed:** 12.05pm Mass

**Thurs:** 9.30 am Mass

**Except 1st Thurs:** Beth-saida **10.30am**

**Fri:** 11am Adoration

11.30 Reconciliation

12.05pm Mass

**Sat:** 9.30am Mass

Reconciliation to follow

**Sat:** 5pm Mass

**Sun:** 10am Mass

(2nd & 5th Sunday

Word & Communion)

#### **Havelock**

**Sunday:** 11am

(4th Sunday

Word & Communion)

#### **Kaikoura**

**Tues:** 9.30am

**Wed:** 9.30am

**Wed:** 7pm Rosary

**Thurs:** 5.15pm

**Fri:** 9.30am

**Sun:** 9.30am

(1st & 3rd Sunday

Word & Communion)

#### **Picton**

**Wed:** 9am Mass

**Sun:** 9am Mass

(4th Sunday:

Word & Communion)

#### **Renwick**

**3rd Sunday** 5pm Mass

#### **Seddon**

**Sun:** 8am Mass

(2nd & 5th Sunday

Word & Communion)

#### **Ward**

**4th Sunday** 4pm Mass

### Baptisms

Celebrated during week-end Mass or other times.

### Marriages

Marriages celebrated in all our Churches. Please contact the Parish Office well in advance.

### A Warm Welcome to Our Parish Family of Marlborough

We the people of  
Te Whetu O Te Moana,  
Star of the Sea Parish,  
are committed by our baptism in Christ, to share our living faith, and make God visible, in joyful union with all people, by our actions in the community.  
(Parish Mission Statement)

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**Parish Finance Committee Chair:** Tom Harrison

## Young Girl I Say to You: Arise!

### Called to Help

The Gospel today has Jesus being called to attend three people with various illnesses. He goes beyond his comfort zone, what he is happy doing, and travels to three places to attend to those needing encouragement and support. Jesus touches their lives, and change occurs. And in the end he is very practical, he says "Give her something to eat". Corpus Christi continues.

### Stepping Up and Stepping Out

Their lives are restored or renewed Jesus empowers and calls them to get up, walk, follow. And like many they do, and he forms them as missionary disciples into their own towns and villages, amongst their own people.

### The Pilgrim's Walk

Last month Cardinal John had a different holiday. He went for a walk, from Lisbon in Portugal to Compostella in Spain. In the centre pages today we have reproduced his reflections and photos. He was praying for Vocations.

### Where are the Priests?

In mid last century, there was a boom in the number of ordained priests

and professed religious. Now we are in a trough. We know vocations to Church service come from our families.

Today, many vocations are coming as 2nd careers, men and women who have lived life, travelled, and now chosen another path. Perhaps we need to take up the Cardinal's challenge, go for a walk and invite young adult men and women to come with us.

### Gone Walkabout.

Last Monday I went to Sydney for personal business, and get my various documents for ministry and working with children checks renewed. This weekend I have a few days at Nambour in Qld with my brother and his family. Next week I am attending a National Religious Leaders Conference with our Passionist Council. We then have a Council meeting next weekend.

The Passionists currently have too many vocations in PNG and Vietnam, and not enough ANZ priests to accompany them. We also have vacancies for PP's and Superiors. And most of us are at or nearing retirement age. What will we do? These are some of our challenges. Please pray for us.

**John Pearce CP**

### Readings for Eleventh Week Ordinary Time

**Sun 17th: Eleventh Week Ordinary Time** Day of prayer for Refugees & Migrants

Ezekiel 17:22-24

2Corinthians 5:6-10

Gospel Mark 4:26-34

**Psalm response:** Lord it is good to give thanks to you

**Mon 18th:**  
42

1Kings 21:1-16

Gospel Matthew 5:38-

**Tues 19th:**  
48

1Kings 21:17-29

Gospel Matthew 5:43-

**Wed 20th:**  
18

2Kings 2:1,6-14

Gospel Matthew 6:1-6,16-

**Thu 21th:**  
15

Ecclesiasticus 48:1-14

Gospel Matthew 6:7-

# The Pilgrim's Walk



## The Pilgrims Walk with Cardinal John Dew

*Last month Cardinal John walked the Camino de Compostela from Portugal to Spain. The following are his Facebook reflections and photos. Please read slowly, maybe a few days at a time.*

### May 9

I have now been walking for three days on my way to Santiago de Compostela. In these early days most of the other pilgrims (mainly Portuguese) are actually doing the Camino to Fatima.

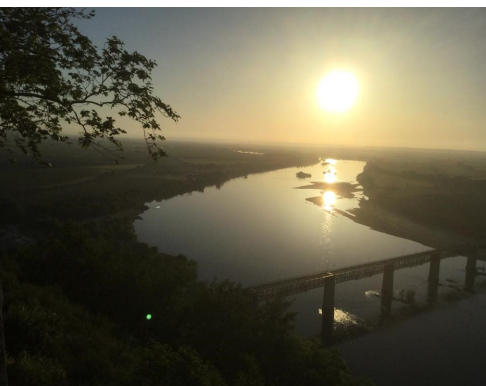


Today we passed the 100K mark to Fatima. It occurred to me as I walked along praying for vocations that all the other pilgrims would have prayer intentions to.

These roads and walkways are therefore places of deep prayer. Most of the pilgrims so far speak very little English, but we have the language of prayer in common.

You too are all being held in prayer. Thank you too for your prayers for me.

### May 11



This morning I left Santarém early as I wanted to get to Porta do Sol (the Gate of the Sun) over-

looking the River Tejo.

As I saw this beautiful scene I thought of a saying of Thomas Merton - "every rising morning is a promise of Christ's glorious rising."

A great saying for Ascension Thursday here in Portugal, and it fills me with hope as I walk and pray for vocations.

### May 16



I am now nine days into my walk to Santiago and have about 270 kilometres behind me.

As I walk I pray to a number of Saints who accompany me along the way, St James of course whom legend has is buried in Compostela - pilgrims go there to pray for many intentions.

Thank you for joining me in prayer as I pray for vocations.

### May 18



Today, the hottest day of the journey so far at about 34 degrees I stopped and sheltered in the shade of this tree outside this little chapel, which is right in the middle of the village square.

Within minutes a man came out and gave me to magnificent oranges and wished me "Buen Camino."

About two hours later I saw a van stop and someone speak to the pilgrim a couple of hundred meters in front of me, then he stopped beside me and asked if I was on my way to Santiago, when I said I was he handed me a bag with apples, oranges and a bottle of water.

I mentioned this in the next village and was told that he does that every day during his own lunch hour.

The kindness, the hospitality

and the good will and helpfulness of the Portuguese people is wonderful.

Pope Francis would say "This is holiness."

### May 23



The yellow arrow markers of the Camino have become very familiar to me in the last 16 Days.

It is clearly essential to keep looking all the time in order to follow the right path and not get lost.

I have been reflecting that this is very much what Pope Francis is telling us all the time about discernment and making the right choices in life.

Look for the right signs in Scripture, prayer and reflection and we will find the right path. Thank you everyone for your prayer.

### May 24



**"Everything is a gift, and God is the Giver behind the gift."**

I chose a theme hymn when I walked the French Camino, it came to me very suddenly as I walked one day.

This time I decided to do the same thing and again it was easy, it is "Gentle as Silence", and especially the line "and his giving is gentle as silence."

There are just so many things that are God's gifts to us.

### May 26

The bridge over the Minho River is the border between Portugal and Spain, I crossed that border today and have about six days walking to go until I reach Santiago.



## The Pilgrim's Walk

As I walk I pray this prayer:  
**"Circle me, O God  
 Keep faith within,  
 keep doubt without.  
 Circle me, O God  
 Keep hope within,  
 keep despair without."**

I have prayed this daily for many years as I walk.

The wonderful thing is that we can change the words and put into that prayer whatever gift from God we know we need at the present moment.

### May 30



As I have walked this Camino I have walked over many bridges which were part of original roads built by the Romans.



I have also passed, and visited some, beautifully attended cemeteries.



I have often thought about the people who have crossed those bridges for centuries, and those buried in those cemeteries.

I am grateful for those who have gone before me and who have passed on life, faith, wisdom and love.

### May 31

Today, 31st May, I arrived in Santiago de Compostela.

I have been to the Cathedral and talked to St James about the fact that I have made this pilgrimage in the hope of more vocations for the Archdiocese of Wellington.

The day before I left Lisbon I received many many text messages and messages on this Facebook page.

One of those messages said "you are being carried in love and prayer."

That is very true and I thank you all for that love and prayer.

St James, pray for us.



## Church Humour: Some Gems from Youngsters

### Three-Year-Old Reese:

"Our Father, Who does art in heaven, Harold is His name." Amen"

**A Sunday school class was studying the Ten Commandments.** They were ready to discuss the last one. The teacher asked if anyone could tell her what it was. Susie raised her hand, stood tall, and quoted, "Thou shall not take the covers off the neighbour's wife."

**After the christening** of his baby brother in church, Jason sobbed all the way home in the back seat of the car. His father asked him three times what was wrong. Finally, the boy replied, "That preacher said he wanted us brought up in a Christian home, and I wanted to stay with you guys."

**I had been teaching** my three-year old daughter, Caitlin, the Lord's Prayer for several evenings at bedtime, she repeat after me the lines from the prayer. Finally, she decided to solo. I listened with pride as she carefully enunciated each word, right up to the end of the prayer: "Lead us not into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us some E-mail. Amen."

### One particular four-year-old prayed,

"And forgive us our trash baskets as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets."

**A Sunday school teacher asked her children,** as they were on the way to church service, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" One bright little girl replied, "Because people are sleeping."

**Six-year-old Angie** and her four-year-old brother Joel were sitting together in church. Joel giggled, sang, and talked out loud. Finally, his big sister had had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church." "Why? Who's going to stop me?" Joel asked. Angie pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two men standing by the door? They're hushers."

**A mother** was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin, 5, Ryan, 3. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake. Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson. "If Jesus were sitting here, He would say, 'Let my brother have the first pancake, I can wait.'" Kevin turned to

his younger brother and said, "Ryan, you be Jesus!"

**A father was at the beach with his children** when the four-year-old son ran up to him, grabbed his hand, and led him to the shore, where a seagull lay dead in the sand. "Daddy, what happened to him?" the son asked. "He died and went to Heaven," the Dad replied. The boy thought a moment and then said, "Did God throw him back down?"

**A wife invited some people to dinner.** At the table, she turned to their six-year-old daughter and said, "Would you like to say the blessing?" "I wouldn't know what to say," the girl replied. "Just say what you hear Mommy say," the wife answered. The daughter bowed her head and said, "Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"

**Congratulations** to Mons John Carde, Pat Moloney and Fr Earl Crotty sm on 60 years of service to the priestly ministry.



# Parish Calendar, News & Notices

## Weekend Mass Times

To assist in planning ahead

**June 11-26, Fr John**  
in Sydney and Brisbane for  
National Religious Leaders Conference,  
& Passionist Provincial Council Meeting

### 11th Sunday of the Year (3)

Assisting is Fr Tom Rouse SSC

#### Sat June 16

Blenheim (5pm) Mass/Fr Tom

#### Sun June 17

Seddon (8am) Mass/Fr Tom

Picton (9am) Mass/Fr Pat

Kaikoura (9.30) **W&C**

Blenheim (10) Mass/Fr Tom

Havelock (11) Mass/Fr Pat

Renwick (5) Mass/Fr Pat

### 12th Sunday of the Year (4)

Assisting is Fr Carl Telford sm

#### Sat June 23

Blenheim (5pm) Mass/Fr Pat

#### Sun June 24

Seddon (8am) Mass/Fr Carl

Picton (9am) **W&C**

Kaikoura (9.30) Mass/Fr Pat

Blenheim (10am) Mass/Fr Carl

Havelock (11am) **W&C**

Ward (4) Mass/Fr Pat

Tuesday 26th, John returns

### 13th Sunday of the Year (1)

#### Sat June 30

Blenheim (5pm) Mass/Fr John

#### Sun July 1

Seddon (8am) Mass/Fr John

Picton (9am) Mass/Fr Pat

Kaikoura (9.30) **W&C**

Blenheim (10am) Mass/ Fr John

Havelock (11am) Mass/ Fr Pat

### 14th Sunday of the Year (2)

#### Sat July 7

Blenheim (9.30am) Mass/

Blenheim (5pm) Mass/Fr Pat

#### Sun July 8

Seddon (8am) **W&C**

Picton (9am) Mass/Fr Pat

Kaikoura (9.30) Mass/Fr John

**Post Synod Day to follow**

Blenheim (10am) **W&C**

Havelock (11am) Mass/Fr Pat

## Caritas Emergency Appeal for the Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh

Since August, 700,000 Rohingya have fled from Myanmar to Bangladesh. Many refugees have settled in a refugee camp in Cox's Bazar. Though the Rohingya are now safe from persecution and being supported by organisations on the ground, they are now faced with the risk of flooding from monsoon rains. Heavy rain and high-winds may destroy shelters, create landslides and pose health risks.

Caritas is working with Caritas Bangladesh and others to build re-tainer walls, stronger shelters and to meet the needs of the Rohingya people.

As Pope Francis said, "embrace all those fleeing from war and hunger, or forced by discrimination, persecution, poverty and environmental degradation to leave their homelands." The Rohingya are an example of his message. Caritas invites you to stand in solidarity with the Rohingya by supporting our emergency appeal. **Right now, each donation is doubled (up to \$250,000) by the New Zealand Aid Programme.** To give call 0800 22 10 22 or online [www.caritas.org.nz/donate](http://www.caritas.org.nz/donate).

## Coming Events

### July 8: Kaikoura Post Synod Day.

Last year some of our community members travelled to Wellington as part of the 15 strong Marlborough Parish delegation for the Archdiocesan Synod. Through our participation in the discernment process, we helped shape the concluding statement signed of by our Archbishop, Cardinal John.

Kaikoura missed the Parish Day in Blenheim on February 18, due to the last major slip that cut the Highway for 2 weeks.

On July 8, Kaikoura Community members are invited to participate in a follow up session where we determine local action on Synod recommendations.

### You are Invited

### Kaikoura Community Post Synod Day

**Sunday July 8, after Mass**

10.30am Morning Tea in Hall

Post Synod Session

Lunch to follow

**RSVP.** Please let us know if you are participating.

### St Mary's School Board

Congratulations to Joju Kalan Jose who has been appointed a proprietors representative on the Board by Cardinal John. Joju and his family pray with us every weekend.

### Bequest from Estate of Fr Eric

This month we are receiving the gift of funds from Fr Eric's Estate, for use by Sacred Heart Com-

munity & St Joseph's School in Kaikoura.

Stewardship Group & Pastoral Team have agreed that funds will be used for Pastoral needs, and not for building repairs or maintenance. Distribution will be by way of grants.

Details of the Grants Framework were distributed at Mass in Kaikoura last Sunday.

A Grants Committee will now be set up by the local Stewardship Group. The Committee Leader will be Michael Hammond, who designed the framework. Expressions of interest should be direct to Julie, Deb or Fr John by June 25.

**Rosters:** for the BHM community are now available in the foyer for those who haven't received them by email.

## Parish Calendar

### June

### Jun 17: 11th Sunday of the Year

Jun 17 ... **Seddon/Ward:** Family Mass & Meal **POSTPONED**

Jun 19 ... **Blenheim:** Parish Pastoral Council (7)

Jun 21 ... **Blenheim:** St Mary's Pre school Board

**Blenheim:** Passionist Companions "Come & See" Session 3 in Community Centre (7pm)

### Jun 24: Birth of John the Baptist

Jun 26: **Wellington:** Clergy Day (Pat)(10-4)

**John** returns from Brisbane

Jun 28 ... **Blenheim:** Finance & Property Committee

### July

### Jul 1: 13th Sunday of the Year

Jul 2-6 **Sacraments:** Information & Registration for Confirmation & Communion.

Jul 3 ... **Wellington Ministry Day** (John & Pat)

Jul 4 ... **Blenheim: Sacrament** Information Night for Confirmation & Communion

Jul 5 ... **Blenheim Ministers**

### Jul 8: 14th Sunday of the Year

Jul 8: **Kaikoura: Post Synod Work**



## Let Us Remember in our Prayers and at Mass:

**Recently Deceased:** Sr. Mary (Liguori) MacRae, Jacob Ng (Malaysia, father of Andreanna Hamilton, KK)

**Anniversaries:** **13 June** Tom Maher, **15**, Jim Mason, **19**, Bridget Shelley, Patrick Brunel, Margaret Curtin, Elizabeth Adair, Anton Van Den Hondel, **20**, Joseph Small, Mary Smith, Kathleen Williams, Brian Walker, Bernard Gibson, **21**, Annie Gray, Phyllis Thomas, John Adair, **22**, Drv Peoples, John Eaton, Colleen Mitchell, Margaret Muir, **23**, John Kelly, Winifred Nunn, **24**, Lorna Baker

**Other Intentions:** Julian Pereira, Edie Barry Happy **100th** Birthday! Peter & Mary Hope Happy **60th** Wed-

ding Anniversary! Fr Earl Crotty sm, & Mons John Carde who celebrate 60 years of priestly ministry.

### COLLECTIONS:

We are most grateful for your support of our Parish of Star Of The Sea.

### Last week:

AP's:	\$2118.00
Envelopes:	\$1441.90
Loose:	\$ 800.10
Seminary Appeal	\$ 10.00

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you!