



MACKENZIE CATHOLIC PARISH

Albury-Fairlie-Tekapo-Twizel

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3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR C

3rd & 4th April 2025

READINGS AT MASS

- *Acts 5:27-32.40-41.* Neither prison bars nor formal warning will seal the mouths of the apostles, whose task it is to be fools for Christ.
- *Revelations 5:11-14.* The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.'
- *John 21:1-19.* 'It is the Lord' who makes the breakfast meal, which welcomes the apostles ashore after toil and affords Peter the opportunity to redeem his three-fold denial of Jesus.

Jesus Showed Himself Again to the Disciples

At the end of today's Gospel passage, St. John reminds us that 'This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.'

In this post-Resurrection appearance, Jesus reveals Himself to the disciples not in the grandeur of a temple but on the familiar shore of Galilee, amid their ordinary work of fishing. The scene reminds us that the Risen Lord meets us in the midst of our daily lives and calls us anew to mission. Despite their initial failure to catch anything, Jesus directs them to cast the net again, and their obedience results in a miraculous catch. This moment recalls their original calling (Luke 5:1-11) and reaffirms their vocation: to be fishers of men. This image of fishing also teaches that we can catch more fish by using a net. Here, Jesus wants us to form a network of relationships in our common work of evangelization and our common goal in discipleship.

Theologically, the passage speaks of Christ's continued initiative in revealing Himself. Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberiasand it was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore. Jesus wants the disciples to grow in faith and recognition of his resurrection, and they did. As John said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" (v.7). This faith was strengthened by the miraculous catch which points to the fruitfulness that comes from obedience to Christ. And while the breakfast on the shore reflects Eucharistic overtones, the meal that was shared in communion with the Risen Lord demonstrated the power of abiding in the Lord and his presence.

Jesus feeds them, just as He continues to feed His Church today, especially in the Eucharist. His quiet, gentle presence by the fire also shows us that resurrection glory is not always dramatic, but often intimate and restorative. This encounter prepares the disciples for their mission; it assures them that the Lord is with them, guiding their labor and sustaining them with His love.

Finally, today, Jesus continues to be with us wherever we may be, he calls us to follow him, and to share the good news with him. He may not call those who are equipped, but those that are called by him, he will equip them. Thus, do not be afraid to give yourself to the Lord. As the Scripture says, give yourself to the Lord and he will act. He is here, he is alive among us.

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PARISH MASS TIMES

FAIRLIE - ST. PATRICK'S

Sunday 9:30 am

Tue – Fri

Adoration: 8:00 – 9:00 am

Mass: 9:15 am

Reconciliation every day during adoration

TWIZEL – All Saints'

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

TEKAPO - Good Shepherd Church

Last Sunday of the Month

Mass 25th May at 6:00 pm

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LITANY OF THE SAINTS

Praying for a New Pope

Cardinal John Dew, Archbishop Emeritus of Wellington, was present in Rome for the funeral of Pope Francis. Now, he and the other cardinals prepare for the Conclave in which they will elect the next successor of St Peter. Before leaving for Rome, Cardinal John explained that the Litany of the Saints will be sung as the cardinals commence the Conclave, calling upon the saints for their help and intercession. A friend of Cardinal John said they would pray a Litany each day before and during the Conclave for the Cardinals. Cardinal John himself has added a recitation of the Litany of the Saints to his daily prayer. He said if other people would join him, “that would be wonderful”....Let us unite our prayers with those of Cardinal John, his fellow Cardinals and the universal Church, that the Holy Spirit will give wisdom and insight to all those who enter the Conclave on Wednesday, 7 May.

E te Ariki (Lord), Lord, have mercy.	Saints John and James pray for us.
E te Karaiti (Christ), Christ, have mercy.	Saint Thomas pray for us.
E te Ariki (Lord), Lord, have mercy.	
Holy Mary, Mother of God ĭnoi mō mātou (pray for us).	Saint Matthew pray for us.
Mother of the Church ĭnoi mō mātou.	Saint Mark pray for us.
Queen of Apostles ĭnoi mō mātou.	Saint Luke pray for us.
Queen of Peace ĭnoi mō mātou.	All Apostles and Evangelists pray for us.
	All you holy men and women, pray for us.
Saint Michael the Archangel ĭnoi mō mātou.	Saint Stephen ora pro nobis (pray for us).
Saint Gabriel ĭnoi mō mātou.	Saints Perpetua and Felicity ora pro nobis.
Saint Raphael ĭnoi mō mātou.	Saint Peter Chanel ora pro nobis.
Holy Angels of God ĭnoi mō mātou.	All Martyrs of the Church ora pro nobis.
Saint Joseph ĭnoi mō mātou.	Saint John XXIII ora pro nobis.
Saint John the Baptist ĭnoi mō mātou.	Saint Paul VI ora pro nobis.
Saint Mary Magdalene ĭnoi mō mātou.	Saint John Paul II ora pro nobis.
All disciples of the Lord ĭnoi mō mātou.	All Popes of the Church orate pro nobis.
All you holy men and women. pray for us.	All you holy men and women, pray for us.
Saints Peter and Paul pray for us.	
Saint Andrew pray for us.	

Vocations Sunday (May 11th) & Vocations Awareness Week (May 11th - 17th): *Praying for our priests, seminarians and vocations on Thursdays.* Bishop Michael has asked that we continue to dedicate Thursdays as a day of prayer priests and vocations to the priesthood. Priests – where possible celebrate a votive Mass for vocations on Thursdays. At the end of Mass on Thursday, please recite the prayer for vocations. Prayer Cards have been printed for this purpose and I am happy to supply as many as you need.

ALL SAINTS TWIZEL ROSTER					
Date	Reader	OHP		Extra-Ordinary Minister	
3 rd May	Rosalie Ardagh	Lenise Kearns		Elizabeth Higgins	
10 th May	Elizabeth Higgins	Carolina Aldabe		Bronwen Dauvin	
Church set up for May 2025: Sandy Murray					
ST. PATRICK’S CHURCH FAIRLIE ROSTER					
Date	Reader	Prayers	Ex’Ord Minister	Collector	Greeter
4 th May	Tony Hill	Tony Hill	Christine O’Connell	Cath Hanrahan	Tony Hill
11 th May	Christine O’Connell	Christine O’Connell	Neville Smith	Lisa Holden	Amanda Obrien
Cleaners: 9 May/16 May Rosie Clark / Tessa Gallagher					