



MACKENZIE CATHOLIC PARISH

Albury-Fairlie-Tekapo-Twizel



Vision

To be a community of intentional disciples, united and guided by the Holy Spirit of the Risen Lord.

Priorities

Worship – Evangelization – Service

ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS - YEAR C

1st & 2nd Nov 2025

READINGS AT MASS

All Saints

Apocalypse 7:2-4,9-14 † I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language

Psalm 23(24):1-6 *Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.*

1 John 3:1-3 † We shall be like God because we shall see him as he really is

Matthew 5:1-12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven

All Souls

Isaiah 25:6-9 † The Lord will destroy death for ever.

Psalm 22(23) *Though I walk in the valley of darkness, I fear no evil, for you are with me.*

Romans 5:5-11 † Having been justified by this blood, we will be saved from God's anger through him

Luke 7:11-17 † Young man, I say to you, get up

Communion

This weekend's Solemnity of All Saints and All Souls' Day invites us to celebrate God's gift, the Communion of Saints. This communion demonstrates the deep spiritual unity that is shared among all members of the Church; those in heaven (the Saints), those in purgatory (the souls being purified), and those on earth (the faithful). This is known as the Communion of Saints.

On All Saints' Day, we celebrate those who already share fully in divine life with God, while on All Souls' Day, we pray for those still journeying toward that fullness. Together, these feasts express the living bond of love and grace that unites the whole Church across heaven, purgatory, and earth. St. Bernard of Clairvaux says: *"The Church of all the first followers of Christ awaits us, but we do nothing about it. The Saints want us to be with them, and we are indifferent. The souls of the just await us, and we ignore them. Why should our praise and glorification, or even the celebration of this feast day, mean anything to the saints? What do they care about earthly honours when their heavenly Father honours them by fulfilling the faithful promise of the Son? What does our commendation mean to them? The Saints have no need of honour from us; neither does our devotion add the slightest thing to what is theirs. Clearly, if we venerate their memory, it serves us, not them. But I tell you, when I think of them, I feel myself inflamed by a tremendous yearning [for heaven]."*

Fr. Tien Cao

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PARISH MASS TIMES

FAIRLIE - ST. PATRICK'S

Sunday 9:30 am

Tue – Fri (in house chapel)

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 Nov 30th at 6:00 pm

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DIOCESAN AND PARISH NOTICES

1. Alpha in Fairlie – A testimony from a young adult - *“Before Alpha, I didn’t really have a space to talk about deeper things like the meaning of my life or my relationship with God. With my friends, it’s usually just news, sports, and small talk. But at Alpha, I’ve found a place where I can be real, ask questions, and grow in faith with others. It’s been such a great experience — I really encourage you to give it a try!”*

A Holy Invitation: Please Join Us - As the next step on our Parish Renewal Journey we are hosting ALPHA meetings again each Sunday after Mass during the next few weeks. You are invited to join in with these gatherings as we discuss our shared beliefs, our faith journey so far and what we hope the future will bring for us, our parish and our world. Each session starts with a shared meal followed by a short video to start our discussions and then the opportunity to talk about and hopefully widen our own and each others understanding of the faith we share.

2. All Saints & All Souls: This weekend, we joyfully come together to celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints on Saturday, 1st November, and All Souls’ Day on Sunday, 2nd November.

These special days remind us of the beautiful friendship God has given us — our communion with the Saints in heaven and with all our loved ones who have gone before us in faith.

After the 5:00 p.m. Mass in Twizel, we’ll visit the cemetery there.

Following the 9:30 a.m. Mass in Fairlie, we’ll gather at the Fairlie cemetery.

And on the following Sunday, **9th November, we’ll visit the Albury cemetery after the 9:30 a.m. Mass.**

Let’s come together in prayer and remembrance, giving thanks for the great cloud of witnesses who continue to inspire and accompany us on our journey of faith.

3. First Holy Communion: For parents, grandparents, and godparents, our parish will be running the First Holy Communion program at the beginning of November.

This is our second announcement, so if you would like your child to take part this year, please let Fr. Tien know. We look forward to sharing this special journey of faith with our children and their families!

4. Mackenzie Catholic Parish Vision 2025-2030: Where to From Here?

Our parish will continue praying the Prayer to the Holy Spirit and including our parish vision in the Prayer of the Faithful at every Sunday Mass for the next three years.

5. Great Saints of Italy Tour 2026: Fr Chris Friel from Timaru will lead a two week tour to Italy in May 2026. Please contact Pilgrimage Tours Ph 0800 99 77 88 or www.theTOURcompany.net for the full itinerary and price.

6. Columban Art Calendar 2026 – Now Available: The Columban Art Calendar for 2026 is now available! By purchasing a calendar, you are supporting the missionary work of the St. Columban Mission Society and helping to share the Good News throughout the world.

The calendar beautifully highlights the feasts of our faith and serves as a gentle daily reminder of God’s presence in our lives. It also makes a thoughtful gift for Christian friends and family.

ALL SAINTS TWIZEL ROSTER

Date	Reader	OHP	Extra-Ordinary Minister
Nov 1 st	Sue Atkinson	Lenise Kearnes	Bronwen Dauvin
Nov 8 th	Chris Grant	Bronwen Dauvin	Rosalie Ardagh

Church set up for NOV 2025: Mary Murdoch

ST. PATRICK’S CHURCH FAIRLIE ROSTER

Date	Reader	Prayers	Ex'Ord Minister	Collector	Greeter
Nov 2 nd	Tony Hill	Tony Hill	Christine O'Connell	Abella Family	Tony Hill
Morning Tea:		Later in Nov. TBC			
St. Patrick's Church Cleaning Roster:			7 Nov/14 Nov Christine O'Connell/ Terry O'Connell		
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