

**SOUTH OTAGO PASTORAL AREA**  
**Parishes of Balclutha, Milton & Lawrence**  
**Bulletin – 5<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

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**Weekend Masses:**

**Lawrence** – 5.30pm Saturday  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday – 11am

**Milton** – 9am Sunday

**Balclutha** – 10.30am Sunday  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday – 5.30pm Vigil

**Weekday Masses:**

**Lawrence** – to be advised

**Milton** – @ St Mary's School, to be advised.  
- 9am Saturday

**Balclutha** – 10am Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

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**SUNDAY READINGS FOR THE COMING MONTH**

**5<sup>th</sup> June – 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time** – 1 Kings 17:17-24, Galatians 1:11-19, Luke 7:11-17  
**12<sup>th</sup> June – 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time** – 2 Samuel 12:7-10,13, Galatians 2:16,19-21, Luke 7:36-8:3  
**19<sup>th</sup> June – 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time** – Zechariah 12:10-11, 13:1, Galatians 3:26-29, Luke 9:18-24  
**26<sup>th</sup> June – 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time** – 1 Kings 19:16,19-21, Galatians 5:1,13-18, Luke 9:51-62  
**3<sup>rd</sup> July – 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time** – Isaiah 66:10-14, Galatians 6:14-18, Luke 10:1-12,17-20

**Solemnity of Saint's Peter & Paul - Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June**

Peter, the head of the Apostles, and Paul, the great Apostle to the Gentiles, have been remembered together on this date since ancient times.

Peter started life as Simon, a simple fisherman from Bethsaida who worked alongside his brother Andrew. Jesus changed his name to Cephas (Greek: Petros), meaning "rock." "On this rock, I will build my Church." (Mt 16:18)

Paul had been Saul, a Pharisee and proud persecutor of Christians. After an encounter with the resurrected Christ on the road to Damascus, he gave his life to preaching the Gospel to pagans throughout Asia Minor.

Tradition holds that both men were martyred in Rome.

By celebrating the memory of these two great saints together, we remember how valiantly – and humanly – they struggled to bring together into one Church under one Gospel those who were divided by the differing heritage & belief of Jew and Gentile.

Sts Peter & Paul pray with us.

(Magnificat June 2016)

**Remember your 'Peter's Pence' brown collection envelope – 26<sup>th</sup> June  
for Pope Francis's intentions.**

**Day of Prayer for Refugees and Migrants:**

The New Zealand Catholic Bishop's Conference has set the Day of Prayer for Refugees and Migrants for **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June**. This year Pope Francis reminds us to be inspired by the Gospel of Mercy. *Migrants and Refugees challenge us to ensure that God's love is felt by every individual, and to welcome them "home."* Let us pray today for all migrants and refugees, that all people may feel accepted and welcomed as part of the one human family.

**We pray for:** those recently deceased **Cam Goodlet, Emeritus Bishop Len Boyle,** and those whose anniversaries are at this time: **Val Dale, Raymond Churstain, Gilbert Philpott, Johannes Tamis, Patricia Restall, Mary Hale, Fr Kevin Morton.**

**Anointing Mass:**

We hope to hold this Mass on a more regular basis in Balclutha – the first will be **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June, 10am** in **St Virgilius Chapel.** Morning tea to follow.

**Heroes Youth Balclutha**

This group has recently been established following on from the Heroes Youth Camp held last month in Balclutha, for student's year 7-13. The first Heroes Youth Group meeting will be **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June 6.30-8.30pm** at the Mary MacKillop Centre Balclutha (formerly known as The Parish Room). Bring a friend!

Any enquiries: Contact Ashley Ho ph. 0220914021 Stephanie Bowden ph. 418 1365

**Pastoral Area Dinner:**

Please join in this annual event - **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June,** at the Balclutha Town & Country Club. \$40pp – 6.30 for 7pm dining. Please add your name on the list in the church or contact Pauline Dodds ph. 418 1230 to book your place.

**Invite one of our many new parishioners, 'shout' someone a meal, bring a car load and enjoy a pleasant winter's evening out.**

Now is the time of Mercy – **'Divine Mercy is the Second Greatest Story Ever Told'**

This is a dramatic 10 episode film journey which brings to life the vast panorama of God's work of mercy in the world. Featuring Fr Michael Gaitley MIC. It includes the history of Poland, the transforming message of St Faustina, St Mary's appearance at Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe and the papacy of St John Paul II.

This will screen, in the first instance on **Friday mornings following 10am Mass and cuppa in St Virgilius Chapel, Balclutha, commencing Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June.**

**Clydevale Mass:** This has recently been established and will continue on a regular basis at the Presbyterian Church in Clydevale. The next Mass is **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June @ 7pm.** All welcome to come along and bring a plate of finger food to share afterwards.

**Christie and Janice's Wedding Day!! God bless Christie and Janice as they celebrate their wedding @ St Mary MacKillop Church – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June.**

**CONFIRMATION:**

Please keep in your prayers the children from Milton and Balclutha who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation the first weekend in July. During Bishop Colin's visit for this Sacrament there is a **Mass timetable change!! Please note:**

**Saturday Vigil 2<sup>nd</sup> July is in MILTON @ 5.30pm** followed by a finger food tea. Please bring a plate of food to share and celebrate with everyone. **(No 9am Mass on that Sunday 3rd).**

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July is in BALCLUTHA @ 10.30am** followed by a finger food lunch. Please bring a plate of food to share and celebrate with everyone.

**Holmdene Rest Home Service:**

We are continuing to assist in this Pastoral Care of the elderly by leading a service every month now. Readings, prayer, hymns and laughter! Please consider coming along to join in and help in this interaction vital to the resident's well being. **28<sup>th</sup> June, 26<sup>th</sup> July, 30<sup>th</sup> August @ 4pm for 40 minutes or so in the Holmdene Chapel.**

**Parish Pastoral Council Meetings:**

St Patrick's Lawrence – 8<sup>th</sup> June

St Mary MacKillop Balclutha – 14<sup>th</sup> June