

# **Queenstown Area Catholic Church**

St Joseph's Queenstown / St Patrick's Arrowtown / Community Church Glenorchy

2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

**YEAR B** 

25<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2024

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## LITURGY OF THE WORD

1st Reading: Genesis 22:1-2. 9-13. 15-18

Abraham is the great Old Testament figure of faith. At the age of seventy-five he answered the call of God and set off for an unknown land.

2nd Reading: Romans 8:31-34

Paul poses questions: "With God on our side who can be against us?" "When God acquits, could anyone condemn?" The answer is "No!"

Gospel Reading: Mark 9:2-10

For the second time in the Gospels, at Jesus' transfiguration, the voice of the Father informs the disciples that Jesus is the Father's beloves Son and add, "Listen to him."

# FEAST DAYS, SOLEMNITIES AND MEMORIALS

26<sup>th</sup> February – Saint Porphyry

27th February – Saint Gabriel of our Lady of Sorrows

28th February – Saint Hillary

29th February – Saint Auguste Chapdelaine

1st March – Saint David

#### FEATURED SAINT: Saint Gabriel of our Lady of Sorrows

Born: 1st March 1838 Assisi Italy / Died: 27th February 1862 (Aged 23) Italy

St Gabriel was an Italian Passionist clerical student. Born to a professional family, he gave up ambitions of a secular career to enter the Passionist Congregation. His life in the monastery was not extraordinary, yet he followed the rule of the congregation perfectly and was known for his great devotion to the sorrows of the Virgin Mary. He died from tuberculosis at the age of 23.

### NOTICES OF THE WEEK

#### **Did You Know?**

The Parish website at <a href="www.stjosephsqueenstown.co.nz">www.stjosephsqueenstown.co.nz</a> has an expanding amount of information. For example, you can find the Mass times for Queenstown, Arrowtown and Glenorchy, you can see who is on the Finance Committee and how to contact them, there is the Diocesan Newsletter that you can both read and download and news about our local issues and what is being done to rectify them. If you want to know something, check the website first.

# **MASS TIMES**

#### Queenstown

Saturday Vigil 6:30pm Sunday 9:00 Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:30am

#### **Tagalog Mass**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 7:00pm

#### Portuguese Mass

4th Sunday of the month at 7:00pm

#### Arrowtown

1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th Sunday at 11:00am 2nd Sunday - Liturgy with Holy Communion at 11:00am. Tuesday weekly at 4:30PM

#### Glenorchy

2nd Sunday of the month at 11.30am

#### Reconciliation

Queenstown 10:00am to 10:30am - Friday after mass otherwise when requested.

# Office Hours

Friday 10am – 12:00pm, email can be sent for any urgent matter outside of office hours.

#### Farewell for Colin & Mary Bellett

At the St Patrick's church cottage, Arrowtown, after the 11:00 AM Mass on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> of March.

#### **Anointing Mass - Arrowtown**

All welcome to our Anointing Mass on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February at St Patrick's Arrowtown at 4:30 PM

#### **World Day of Prayer**

An ecumenical group of Palestinian Christian women have prayed and reflected together over the past several years to respond to the invitation to write the 2024 program. Their theme is "I Beg You... Bear With One Another in Love," based on Ephesians 4:1-7. This program calls us to bear with each other in love, despite all difficulties and oppression.

Friday 01 March 10.30 AM at Salvation Army, 8 Pin Oak Avenue, Frankton.

#### **Lenten Study Group**

There will be an opportunity to be part of a group studying the Caritas Lenten Resource. This will be held in the **St Patrick's cottage**, **Arrowtown**, **starting 19**<sup>th</sup> **February from 10:30 AM – 11:45 AM on Mondays** and **St Joseph's Presbytery**, **Queenstown starting 18**<sup>th</sup> **February from 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM on Sundays** throughout Lent. All welcome. 'The theme is 'The Time is Now.' Each week during Lent will be dedicated to exploring a unique aspect of time, perfectly aligned with the key themes from the Gospel of that week. As part of our resources, we have intentionally connected a key Catholic social teaching.'

# Any queries please ring Sue: 027 223 2143 or Fr Pat 027 370 5095



We pray for all who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries occur about now: Mary Rooney, Rupert Stephen Hyland, Lisa Joanne Ennis, Joy Wijetunga, Fernando Sandez, Eleuterio Miranda, Chen XiaoRuo, Shen ZhuQin and Chen QingKang. May they rest in peace.

# **Food Donations**

Non-perishable food items and household items such as dishwashing liquid, washing machine powder and personal items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, baby foods and hair shampoo are gratefully received at the back of the church.

St Patrick's Arrowtown food donation is the first Sunday of the month and is delivered to Basket of Blessings at St Johns Presbytery Church in Arrowtown.
St Joseph's Queenstown food donation is delivered to Happiness House on the third Sunday of the month.

PARISH ROSTER	QUEENSTOWN		ARROWTOWN	
VIGIL	24th February	2 <sup>nd</sup> March		25 <sup>th</sup> February
WELCOME	Dawn Andrews	Anjie Wijetunga	LEADER	Father Pat
READERS	Colin Heath	Colin Heath	READER	Mary May
COMMUNION	Eliza Xalxo	Sharon Wild	PRAYERS	Bernese Byron
ALTAR SERVER			COMMUNION	Margaret Chamberlain
PROJECTOR	Joseph Leyden	Joseph Leyden	POWERPOINT	Trisch Inder
SUNDAY	25th February	3 <sup>rd</sup> March		3 <sup>rd</sup> March
WELCOME	Eammon Conaghan	Josephine Quero	LEADER	Father Pat
READERS	Marg Young	Eammon Conaghan	READER	Trisch Inder
COMMUNION	Peter Bennison	Alan Brown	PRAYERS	Mary May
ALTAR SERVER	Emmanuel	Emmanuel	COMMUNION	Tram Le
PROJECTOR	Amy Balila	Amy Balila	POWERPOINT	Sue O'Connor

NOTE: Anyone unable to meet roster commitment as listed above, must provide their own cover.

# Donations can now be made on our EFTPOS terminal at the back of the pews.

Our two churches of St Joseph's and St Patrick's are both Category 1 historic buildings and require ongoing maintenance. Your help is much appreciated. Bank Account: 06 0901 0054874 29 / Particular: Maintenance / Code: 131

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