



Queenstown Area Catholic Church

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

19th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

YEAR C

10th August 2025

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

1st Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9

The dark night of the Passover became light for God's children through faith and hope. They had to rely on faith, but it was that faith that marked them as God's chosen people. A people threatened and vulnerable became strong in hope through their trust in God.

2nd Reading: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-9

Faith is the foundation of a life lived in hope, even for people who never live to see their ultimate hopes fulfilled. The scriptures give us many examples of hope-filled lives that built a future for God's people. Our security lies in our faith and hope in God's unshakeable love.

Gospel Reading: Luke 12:32-48

Jesus teaches us that what we cherish most is the sign of where our heart lies. God's heart is set on us, for we are God's priceless treasure. Setting our hearts on God's kingdom and its justice will lead us to the deepest union with Jesus and to building a world after his own heart.

FEAST DAYS, SOLEMNITIES AND MEMORIALS

11th August – Saint Clare of Assisi

12th August – Saint Jane Frances de Chantal

13th August – Saints Pontaan (Pope) and Hippolytus (Priest)

14th August – Saint Maximilian Kolbe

15th August – Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

16th August – Saint Stephen

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Church teaches that Virgin Mary "having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory". This doctrine was dogmatically defined by Pope Pius XII on 1st November 1950, Munificentissimus Deus by exercising papal infallibility. To avoid all that is uncertain the Pope did not state either the manner of the circumstances of time and place in which the Assumption took place – only the fact of the Assumption of Mary, body and soul, into the glory of heaven, is the matter of the definition.



MASS TIMES

Queenstown

Saturday Vigil 6:30 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM

Monday, Wednesday and

Friday 9:30 AM

**Exposition, Adoration
of the Blessed
Sacrament and
Rosary every Friday
5:00 PM**

Tagalog Mass

3rd Sunday of the month at
7:00 PM

Portuguese Mass

4th Sunday of the month
at 6:00 PM

Arrowtown

1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th

Sunday at 11:00 AM

2nd Sunday - Liturgy with
Holy Communion at
11:00 AM

Tuesday weekly at 4:00PM

Glenorchy

2nd Sunday of the month
at 11.30 PM

Reconciliation

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

In partnership with the Tindall Foundation, the Diocese of Dunedin invites applications for grants that will support families and social services within the Diocese.

Applications relating to the following are particularly welcome:

- Young children
- Youth development
- Literacy, numeracy and budgeting skills
- Māori
- Migrant and refugees
- Rural communities

Grants are available up to a maximum of \$7,000.

Applications close on 15 August 2025.

The application form is available on-line at www.cdd.nz/grants or by contacting Pauline Lee on (03) 4745750 or paulinel@cdd.org.nz

St Joseph's Choir Practice

We are looking for people to assist with the playing of music at Mass. This could be as an organist, guitarist or to play the recorded music on the organ. If you would like to help, please contact Vicki on 021 918 853 or Jeanette on 027 414 8288.

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 food donation is the first Sunday of the month delivered to Basket of Blessings and St Joseph's is the third Sunday of the month to Happiness House.

LAUDATU SI' REFLECTION

Singing the Hymn of Existence

In Sunday's Gospel reading we are asked, "Who, then, is the faithful and prudent steward?" [Luke 12: 42] In Laudato Si' (#85) we hear these joyful words, "To sense each creature singing the hymn of its existence is to live joyfully in God's love and hope". [see also the Laudato Si' Movement's August Prayer Guide.]

A challenge for us - How do we live kaitiakitanga, live as faithful stewards of Earth, our common home? How do we sing the hymn of our existence while also allowing others to sing their hymn?

"Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College" is offering a webinar on "Parish Ministry in Aotearoa New Zealand" with Emily Sit, the director for mission and evangelization for Palmerston North. This webinar is on Wednesday, 20 August 5:00-6:00pm via Zoom. To register, go to www.tekupenga.ac.nz/webinar2025

We pray for all who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur about now:

Peter Tait, SJ Venning, Elizabeth Roche, Margaret Philippini, Jim Russell, Sr Kathleen McAlleese, Faustina Mamaril and Hazel Robertson
May they rest in peace.

PARISH ROSTER	QUEENSTOWN		ARROWTOWN	
VIGIL	9th August	16th August	LEADER	10th August
WELCOME	Jenny Heath	Patricia Burdon	READER	TBA
READERS	Colin Heath	Jenny Heath	PRAYERS	Jane Louise Cook
COMMUNION	Fae Robertson	Sharon Wild	POWERPOINT	Tim Cook
ALTAR SERVER	Tehan	Tehan		Margaret Chamberlain
PROJECTOR	Joseph Leyden	Joseph Leyden		Giovanna Sarrafe
SUNDAY	10th August	17th August	LEADER	17th August
WELCOME	Josephine Quero	Simon Hayes	READER	Fr Cipriano
READERS	Tuska Erpe	Peter Bennison	PRAYERS	Ruth de la Mare
COMMUNION	Alan Brown	Banjo Balila	POWERPOINT	Bernese Byron
ALTAR SERVER	Arie	Arie		Phil de la Mare
PROJECTOR	Amy Balila	Amy Balila		Ann-Marie McCrostie

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 2 historic buildings that require urgent as well as ongoing maintenance. Your help is much appreciated.

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