

South Otago Pastoral Area..20th June 2010

The parishes of - Lawrence, Milton and Balclutha.



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Sunday mass times for July:

Milton - July 4th 18th - 8:30am

- July 11th 25th - 10:30am

Balclutha - July 4th 18th - 10.30am

- July 11th 25th - 8:30am

Lawrence - 4:30pm each Sunday.

Weekday masses for this week:

Milton - wed - 9am, fri and sat - 9am.

Balclutha - tues - 10am, and thurs - 10am

Confession: after weekday mass, or by appointment..

We pray for our loved ones who have died recently - especially **Mary Hale**, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Mary's funeral will at the Presbyterian Worship Centre in Kaitangata on Tuesday the 22nd of June at 130pm. Fr Michael will lead the service for Mary. All welcome..

Peters' Pence Collection - 27th June!!

"The Gifts @ Promises of Divine Mercy"

A multi media presentation led by Ted and Eileen Jordan of Upper Hutt, will be held in the Balclutha Parish Centre at 3pm on Sunday the 4th of July. Also - books, pictures, CD's and DVD's for sale. Plus a cuppa.

Couples For Christ - Youth Ministry!!

Aims to provide a Christian support environment for teenagers between 13 to 21 years of age. We have two young ones in the Lawrence area - Brian Cabuyao and Cellina Cabuyao, who are busy fundraising for their work and the approaching Oceania Leader's Conference. Please watch for them asking for your support in the coming weeks after mass.

St Peter's College - Gore!!

Enrolments for the college and the hostel are open for 2011.

Enquiries to The Principal - 03 208 9060.

Enrolments close - 30th July 2010.

Become One Body One Spirit in Christ

With any significant change, sound preparation and thorough formation is essential.

This will be particularly true for the change that will come with the introduction of the **Roman Missal** (Third Edition). The texts of the mass that we have been using for the past forty years have become very familiar to us. It will not be easy to let go of the words we have spoken, heard and sung at mass and receive the words that are changing.

Bishops, priests and people alike will need to learn again how to use these words for our prayer - to praise, to bless and thank God, to ask for God's help in our need.

Catholic Prison Chaplain Vacancy!!!!

A position is available for 20 hours a week at the Invercargill Prison. For a copy of the application requirements please write to - The Bishops's Office, Catholic Pastoral Centre, Private Bag 1941, Dunedin. 9054 Applications close - 216th July 2010.

Why Peter Knew Jesus was the Messiah!!

God calls us gradually, from one level to the next. He attracts us in some mysterious way. We become aware of it after it is done. But it often very simple: our conscience is stirred, or becomes uncomfortable. We don't always believe that faith is already there, that it is calling us, and that God is stirring up our jealousy!! In a discrete way God proposes something better, a surpassing of ourselves, within our conscience. God arouses us and stirs us up, but we are always free to prefer something else and not pay attention. One aspect of the beginning of faith, which is not only a calling, an attraction to surpass ourselves, but something which provokes us to a struggle, a struggle against ourselves, the same force that gripped St Peter from his interior weakness.....