



Gore Parish Bulletin

Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Gore

St Columba, Balfour

Community Centre, Tapanui

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The Ascension of the Lord 17th May 2026 Year A

Sunday Mass Timetable					
	1st. Sunday	2nd. Sunday	3rd. Sunday	4th. Sunday	5th. Sunday
Gore	5.00 pm (Sat.) 9.00 am	5.00 pm (Sat.) 9.00 am 7.00pm (Sun) Filipino Mass	5.00 pm (Sat.) 9.00 am	5.00 pm (Sat.) 9.00 am	5.00 pm (Sat.) 9.00 am
Balfour	11.00 am	11.00 am	11.00 am	11.00 am	11.00 am
Tapanui	3.30pm (Sat.)		3.30pm (Sat.)		

Usual Gore Weekday Timetable


Mass: Tuesday Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday at 9am. Friday at 1.30 pm.
Anointing Mass: 1st. Friday of Month at 1.30 pm. Preceded by Exposition from 12.30 pm.
Reconciliation: By appointment or First Friday of the month 12.30-1.20 pm and at other times by request

This weeks activities:
Meditation Group: provided after both Masses 23/24 May
 Meets this week **Combined Churches Ecumenical**
 Thursday 21st May **Pentecost Service:**
 2pm . All welcome, Hosted by St Andrews
 42A Saleyard Rd Presbyterian Church
 Charleton. Contact Dave 022 0847 160 7pm 24th May.
 for more information Fr Sani will be the Preacher. Please
Pentecost: come and support
 Multicultural Mass and celebration, food this combined service




This Sundays Readings: 17 May

1st Reading: Acts 1:1-11
Psalm: 47
2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23
Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

24 May: 
1st Reading: Acts 2:1-11
Psalm: 104
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 3-7,12-13
Gospel: John 20:19-23

Anniversaries: Raymond & Darren Watson, Fr Tom Keyes, Percy Whelen, Pauline Page, David Brown, Lester McDonald, Miladeh Ellias Kortbaoui



Parish Collections: Weekend Collections: \$1033.70 Building Fund: \$99.00 Seminary: \$50.00
 Automatic Planned Giving April: \$10740.00 **Gore Parish Bank Details are:**
Roman Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of Dunedin Gore Parish Account 06-0901-0054866-03.
 Please include your name and code 105 (Also please let the office know your details for tax receipt purposes). If you prefer weekly envelopes for planned giving, they are available from the office.

Laudato Si' Week, 17-24 May 2026 - "From Hope to Action"

Join with Catholics around the world this coming Laudato Si' Week as we listen and respond to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

"Laudato Si' Week 2026 invites us to move *from hope to action*. Hope is not passive; it is lived and shared through daily choices, community life, prayer, and concrete acts of care. This year reminds us that ecological conversion grows step by step—through relationships restored, creation protected, and communities strengthened.

The next chapter of *Laudato Si'* begins with us, wherever we are."

Source: <https://laudatosiweek.org/>

Study Theology at the University of Otago

The Theology Programme at the University of Otago offers many opportunities for the study of Theology, Biblical Studies, Church History, Ministry, Pastoral Theology (including Chaplaincy) and Māori and Pacific approaches to Christian Theology. You can study either on-campus or across Aotearoa New Zealand through our distance study programme. We are committed to serving Christian communities throughout the country. Semester 2 starts on 13 July.

For details of papers go to: <https://www.otago.ac.nz/theology/study/papers/>

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Gore Parish Sacramental Programme 2026

All lessons take place during 9am Sunday Mass.

Confirmation Lessons Sundays 9am:

17th, 24th May, 7th June (No lesson Sunday 31st May, Kings Birthday)

Confirmation: Sunday 14th June 9am

First Holy Communion Lessons Sundays 9am:

16th, 23rd, 30th August, 6th September

First Holy Communion Sunday 13th September 9am

Meals available through St Mary's School

Just to let you know we have lots of yummy meals in our school freezer as well as plain venison mince - if you know of any families in our parish (they do not need to have a connection to school) who might benefit from these - please just let us know or feel free to pop in to the office and we can grab you some. **Please know these meals are there to be used. If this could help your family or someone you know, please feel free to call into the office or contact Di or myself (Mallory Hood). This can all be done very discretely.**

Tax receipts not collected have now been posted out. Any queries, please contact the office

Church Cleaning Roster: There are a few spare copies of the roster in the foyer. Rostered for 18th May to 24th May for the various areas are: Cheska Acuna (Area 1 Blue), Justine Abernethy (Area 2 Red) Jemily Kubala (Area 3 Pink), Anna Cummingham (Area 4 Yellow), Andrei Morus (Area 5 Green). If you are unable to clean your area, please arrange a replacement. Also, anyone needing to clean after 5pm (when the Church is locked) please contact the office, or Fr Sani to make arrangements. Thankyou

Next week's Duty Roster:	Sat. 23rd May Vigil 5.00pm Mass	Sun. 24th May 9am Mass
Welcoming	Multi Cultural Event TBA	Multi Cultural Event TBA
Childrens Liturgy		Kristy Barbour
Readers	Multi Cultural Event TBA	Multi Cultural Event TBA
Intro & P.O.F.	Multi Cultural Event TBA	Multi Cultural Event TBA
Offertory Gift bearers	Multi Cultural Event TBA	Multi Cultural Event TBA
EMHC	Multi Cultural Event TBA	Multi Cultural Event TBA
Setting up for Mass	Melissa King	Chris & Suzanne Boyle
Hospitality:Cup of Tea Duty	Multi Cultural Event TBA	Multi Cultural Event TBA
Data Projector	Barbara	Terrys