

LENTEN REGULATIONS

DIOCESE OF DUNEDIN

Whilst the law of the Lenten Fast remains in full vigor the following regulations are made in virtue of powers received from the Apostolic See, and by special indult granted to all the Bishops of New Zealand in March, 1908, for ten years:—

1. Flesh meat is allowed at Dinner on all days in Lent, except Wednesdays and Fridays, and on the Monday in Holy week.
2. On Fasting days a refection is allowed in the morning, and a collation in the evening, at which (except on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday) butter, cheese and milk in moderation may be used.
3. Eggs may be used at dinner on all days except Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
4. Lard and dripping may be used as a condiment instead of butter on all days except Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
5. Fish and flesh meat cannot be used at the same meal during Lent.
6. Persons who are not bound to fast may take flesh meat at all meals on those days on which flesh meat is allowed at the chief meal.
7. There is neither fast nor abstinence on Sundays in Lent.
8. There is neither fast nor abstinence on St. Patrick's Day (March 17).
9. We hereby authorize priests having care of souls, and confessors, to grant to the faithful such further dispensations as may be deemed necessary according to the circumstances of each case.
10. Persons under twenty-one years of age or over sixty, and all persons who are unable to fast on account of sickness or hard labor, etc., are exempted from the general obligation of fasting.

All persons who have arrived at the years of discretion are bound to receive Holy Communion within Easter time, which in this diocese commences on Ash Wednesday and ends on the octave of the Feast of SS. Peter and Paul.

A collection for the Seminary Fund shall be made on the second Sunday in Lent in every church where a priest officiates, and in all other churches on some Sunday during Lent. The Faithful are earnestly solicited to contribute generously to this fund.

The collection for the Pope shall be made in each church on some Sunday before the end of September next, and for the Aborigines on some Sunday before the end of November.

✱ MICHAEL VERDON,

Bishop of Dunedin.

Dunedin, January 23, 1914.

DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH

The following are the Lenten and other regulations to be observed in the Diocese of Christchurch:—

In virtue of special faculties received from the Holy See, we hereby grant the following dispensations:—

1. Permission for flesh meat, at dinner only, on all Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, and also on all Saturdays.
 2. Lard and dripping may be used at dinner on days of fast and abstinence during Lent, and throughout the year, except on the first and last Wednesdays of Lent, and Good Friday.
 3. Butter, milk, cheese and eggs are allowed on all days at dinner and collation, except Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
 4. Fish and flesh are not allowed at the same meal during Lent.
- There is neither fast nor abstinence on Sundays in Lent, nor on March 17, Feast of St. Patrick.
- All who have completed their twenty-first year are bound to fast and abstain, unless excused by the state

of their health or the nature of their employment; and all who have arrived at the use of reason, though not bound to fast before the completion of their twenty-first year, are, nevertheless, bound to abstain from the use of flesh meat on the days appointed, unless exempted for legitimate cause, of which the respective pastors are the judges.

All who have arrived at the years of discretion are bound to go to Communion within Easter time, which in this diocese commences on Ash Wednesday and ends on the Octave of Saints Peter and Paul.

The collection for the Holy Places will take place on Good Friday.

The collection for the Seminary Fund on Whit Sunday, or on the Sunday or Sundays following, when there are two or more churches in the district.

The collection for the Diocesan Charities will take place on the first Sunday in October, or on the Sunday or Sundays following, when there are two or more churches in the district.

The collection for Peter's Pence on the Sunday within the Octave of the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul.

N.B.—According to instructions recently received from Rome the special collection for the Holy Places should be made on Good Friday, or the first available occasion afterwards, in every church or chapel where the Holy Sacrifice is offered in the presence of the faithful, and the whole proceeds be immediately forwarded to us.

✱ JOHN JOSEPH GRIMES, S.M.,

Bishop of Christchurch.

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(From our own correspondent.)

February 16.

His Grace Archbishop O'Shea, S.M., returned to Wellington by last Wednesday night's ferry steamer.

The Very Rev. Father O'Connell, S.M., was engaged last week in conducting a retreat at Mount Magdala.

His Lordship the Bishop's most interesting and instructive pastoral treating of the Papacy was read in all the churches on Sunday.

Master Arthur Gregory, an ex-pupil of the Christchurch Marist Brothers' School, left on last Saturday to enter the ecclesiastical seminary at Mosgiel, with a view to training for the priesthood.

Mr. P. Amodeo, an ex-pupil of the Marist Brothers' Sacred Heart College, Auckland, passed the recent solicitor's examination. He is engaged in the office of Messrs. Duncan, Cotterill and Stringer, Christchurch.

The many friends of Mr. W. F. Roche, who is well known throughout the Dominion in his capacity of commercial traveller, will be pleased to learn that he has regained his health after treatment in the Christchurch Hospital.

Last Monday Mr. Paul Dufault, the eminent tenor, visited the Sacred Heart High School (Instituto of Notre Dame des Missions), and delighted the Sisters, their pupils, and a few friends with some of the choicest gems from his repertoire. Among those present were his Grace Archbishop O'Shea, his Lordship Bishop Grimes, and several of the clergy.

The Nursing Sisters of the Little Company of Mary, who arrived in Christchurch a fortnight ago, find now that it will be longer than they expected before they are able to get into their premises on Bealey avenue. It will probably be three weeks before the building is ready for them. In the meantime the Sisters are out doing private nursing. The Rev. Mother Xavier, Superior of the Lewisham Hospital, New South Wales, must leave Sydney on April 7 for Rome, to attend a meeting of the General Chapter there. She will therefore leave Christchurch about March 5, when Sister Boniface will take charge of the Christchurch community. The Christchurch house will be known as the Lewisham Private Hospital, Bealey avenue.