

First Reading **2 Kings 4:42-44**

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear.' 'Give it to the people to eat', Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over."' He served them; they ate and had some left over, as the Lord had said.

The word of the Lord

Psalm: 144(145):10-11,15-18

Second Reading **Ephesians 4:1-6**

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, over all, through all and within all.

The word of the Lord

Gospel **John 6: 1-15**

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee – or of Tiberias – and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

The Gospel of the Lord



St Joseph's Catholic School

St. George's Parish

Community Newsletter

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Together we will provide a quality all round education, developing valuable contributors to society who reflect the teachings of Jesus Christ

"The disciples walking to Emmaus wanted Jesus to stay with them and this, our desire for Jesus to stay with us, must surely be our disposition as we come to celebrate the Eucharist.."

Module 5: WITH HEARTS BURNING - THE EUCHARISTIC ENCOUNTER WITH THE RISEN CHRIST - <https://www.proudtobecatholic.org.nz/with-hearts-burning/>



Welcome To Our School

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH'S, BRIONY!

We would like to welcome Briony Morgan to Room 4. Her mother is Claire and father James Morgan. We hope you will enjoy learning with us!

CATHOLIC CHARACTER REVIEW

Every three years the Catholic Education requires each school to have a Catholic Character Review. The review team is the Diocese School Manager Mr John Coulam, Sister Anne Skellers and the Director of Religious Studies from Marion School.

This team will be in the school on Thursday 23rd August and Friday 24th of August. They require before the review a questionnaire to be filled out by the parents. There will also be a face to face meeting on Thursday (time to be decided yet) for all parents/caregivers and whanau to attend. **The questionnaire is with this newsletter - please fill it out, place it in an envelope and return it to Elmarie at the office. The team will read them on their arrival.** For your information and a little clarification/refresher re the meaning of Catholic Character, I have included a page with the questionnaire.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

From next week we will be offering school lunches again. The lunches will be provided by New World Te Kuiti and delivered to school. **PLEASE TAKE NOTE:**

- **Lunch orders will only be available on TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS.**
- Orders must be handed into the office by 9am. No late orders please.
- Order forms will be distributed next week. The order form and cash amount is to be sent to the office in an envelope or zip lock bag.
- We are unable to offer lunch orders on credit— If you wish to pay via internet banking for the lunches, this transaction has to be done the night before, in order for us to recognise the funds in our account on the day the order is placed.



WHAT ARE WE UP TO ?

- 01 August: Ag Day Committee Meeting - 7pm
- 02 August: BoT Meeting at 6 pm
- 03 August: Volleyball Skills for Year 5 to 8
- 08 August: Vision and Hearing Testing
- 08 August: Parish Luncheon



MRS. DOWNEY'S NOTES ...

Kia Ora Koutou Whanau

Welcome to Term 3

We have been very grateful to have some 'rain free days' this week, and although cold, it has been fantastic that the students can get out and enjoy playing together. I note the latest game is an adaptation of four square, played in front of the church on the concrete. With extra large squares, a soccer ball, touches and an option of having 2/3 or 4 players per square. The students self manage the game by relating to each other and negotiation. It is awesome. Well done students!



Term 3 Curriculum

Attached to this newsletter is a list of events timetabled for the term. I have been explicit with the staff that this term we will action 'less is more' in an attempt to

- increase classroom learning time
- attend to pacing learning events outside the classroom for the students
- give students time to plan and lead
- attend to the well-being of our teachers and support staff
- focus fully on the prioritised catholic character events



To this end **two days of 'non outside school events' have been blocked out each week.**

You will note from the events timetable that there is still plenty going on! One decision that has been made, is to set aside for this year, the School Production. This traditionally has been a bi-annual event. Our last production was in 2016. This decision has been made with careful consultation and consideration and the Production will be re-entered into the 2019 curriculum plan keeping it away from the bi-annual Wellington Trip. From this term on, the planning, fundraising and learning around Wellington needs to take priority for our senior students.

Except in an emergency:

- Please respect the staff meeting time on Mondays 3-5pm, and
- Staff will answer school related phone calls and emails until 5pm each day, unless by other arrangement.



Parent Support Group

Last term the Parent Support Group presented the Board of Trustees with \$10,000. This has been acknowledged by the BOT in writing to the AGM last night. We as a school community family, have a fabulous team of fundraisers that really want to help make a difference for our school. If you have not had a turn yet on the Parent Support Group during your time at St. Joseph's, maybe now is your time! We also know that we have a very generous community both with time and resources and really do appreciate the 'YES' when asked to help the fundraising efforts in some way. Thank you Kelly Neustroski and your team for the energy you have around fundraising. We have our last big fundraiser in the QUIZZ coming up - please show your support - get together a team or offer your help to Kelly and her team. There is further information from the PSG in this newsletter. Phone the office for contact details.



God Bless you all

Suzanne.

DIOCESE SNIPPETS AND PARISH NEWS

REMINDER:

**If you need a priest while Fr. Matt is away, Fr Joe Stack can be contacted on 07 8716109 . He is our Parish Priest.*

**Please join us for Sunday Mass at 9.30am at St. George's Church, Seddon Street, Te Kuiti*

INVITATION: LUNCHEON AT ST LUKE'S

All members of the parish, is invited to attend a luncheon at St Luke's Church on Thursday, 02 August 2018 at 12 noon. There will be a guest speaker at 11.30am. For more information please contact Noeline Dempsey on 878 6247. RSVP by 30 July 2018. Transport is available.



MAX18NZ – a National Catholic Event for Men

28-30 September 2018, Kings College, Auckland.

Great line-up of international speakers, single room accommodation, excellent food, not to be missed.

Details available at www.max18nz.info or by email enquiry@max18nz.info or phone Jim Gribble on 027 249 5378

RETREAT IN EVERYDAY LIFE : OPPORTUNITY FOR SILENT IGNATIAN RETREAT

Fr. Richard Shortall SJ, Papal Missionary of Mercy, is coming back to the Hamilton Diocese to offer a Directed Retreat. If interested, please register the soonest. A reasonable level of fitness may also be required. Thanks to Bishop Steve for this initiative. Please find the details of retreat below:
Directed Retreat at Tyburn Monastery, Ngakuru:, Beginning Sunday August 26 at 6pm and finishing on Friday August 31 after breakfast, Cost: \$55/night (\$220).
To register contact Robert- robertg@cdh.org.nz or call 027-6274475.



ENABLING COMMUNITIES: A SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK WORKSHOP

Caritas Aotearoa New Zealand and the Hamilton Diocese Social Justice Office are holding interactive workshops on disability and participation in our community through the lens of Catholic social teaching.

Registration for the workshops can be done by calling us at 0800 22 10 22, emailing Joanna Viernes at joannav@caritas.org.nz

Saturday 4th August, 2018: Mt Maunganui, St Thomas More Church, 10:00am to 3:30pm

Saturday 11th August, 2018: Taupō, St Patrick's Church, 10:00am to 3:00pm

Sunday 12th August, 2018: Hamilton, Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 11:30am to 5:00pm



PSG - Parent Support Group

Quiz Teams....CHECK THIS OUT!

The next quiz team to enter gets a spot prize! We will also do a draw of all the quiz teams entered at the end of August for another spot prize! Get your team entered today!

Have you got your costume sorted? Prizes for best dressed, photo booth and photographer available on the night!



THANK YOU to those who attended our AGM last night!

Congratulations to Kylie Leineweber who is now our new Chairperson. Thank you for taking on this role. We look forward to your leadership with our school fundraising.

Welcome to our new members...

- Roy Morris-Wilson
- Catherine Kearins

We still have the following roles available to be filled...

- Secretary
- Treasurer

If you are interested in taking on one of these roles, please come to our next meeting on

Wednesday 8th August 2018

QUIZ NIGHT & AUCTION

Friday 7th September 2018

Doors open at 6pm

Quiz starts at 7pm

Teams of 6-8

\$80 per team

Theme - Back to the 80s

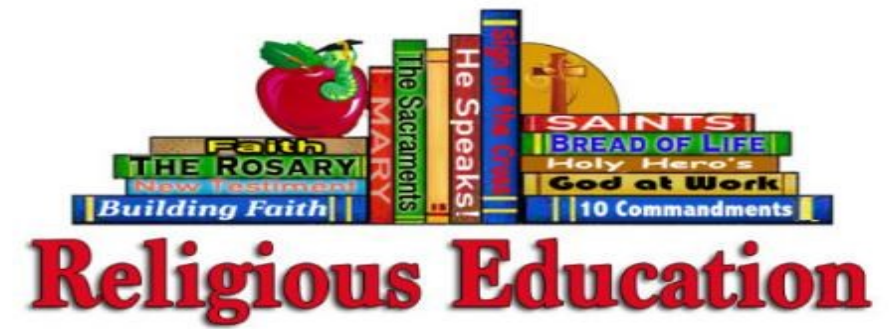
R18 event

Supper provided

Bar facilities

Amazing Auction Lots

Registrations forms at St Joseph's School office



RE learning

This term students will focus on the topics of Sacrament and God.

The Sacraments looks at the 7 sacraments of the Catholic Church:

That the Sacraments of the Church are the unique presence of the Risen Christ.

That the Sacraments nourish, strengthen and express Catholic faith,

That the celebration of the seven Sacraments are expressed in ritual, symbol, rite and story,

That people's own tapu sacredness, their spirituality and the sacramentality of life around them awakens and deepens their encounters and relationships with God.

That the Eucharist is the Sacrament of Christ's presence in the Church and in the world.

The God strand is focussed on students' understanding:

That God Te Atua is holy,

That people are created in the image and likeness of God,

That God's revelation began with creation,

That God wants all people to be saved,

That God's desire for humanity includes a relationship of unconditional love with each person,

That God is creator of all that is good.

Saint Anne and Saint Joachim

Feast day: July 26th

Joachim and Anne were the parents of Jesus' mother, Mary. We don't know many details about their lives because they are never mentioned in the New Testament. Everything we know about them comes down through tradition—the stories people told about them. We believe that they were respected members of the Jewish community and that they wanted to become parents so much that Joachim went into the desert to fast and pray that God would hear their prayer. It is said that an angel told them that they would soon have a daughter. Months later, Mary, our Blessed Mother, was born.

Anne is the patron of grandmothers, among many other things, and Joachim of grandfathers and grandparents.



Sacramental Programme

The Sacramental Programme is beginning this term. Students who are 8 years or older and are baptised are able to take part. If you wish to find out more there is an information evening tonight at 7pm.

Students who participate will prepare for and receive the Sacraments of Confirmation, Eucharist and Reconciliation.

The Programme begins on Sunday 19th August with a day preparation for reconciliation. The following sessions will be on Thursday evenings beginning Thursday 6th September.

If you would like your child to be involved or have questions please speak to Suzanne or myself (Anita Bailey).



Quiz Helpers

If you are not planning on being in a team, we need your help! We need quiz markers, food runners, bar staff, drink token sellers, auction lot organisers...

If you can help us in any way, please email Monique Needham at monique@stjosephsk.school.nz or fill in the form below. Thanks

Are you able to help us with our auction lots? Can you donate...

- Meat for a meat pack
- A load of firewood to raffle or auction
- Your handyman services
- Gardening services

Can your business help us in anyway? We would appreciate your support!

Please email Kylie on johnny.kylie_2@hotmail.com

Please send this form back to school by Friday 3rd August 2018.

I _____ can help at the Quiz Night.

I am available from (TICK ONE)

- 12.00pm for set up on Friday 7th September 2018
- 6pm
- 7pm

My preferred role on the night is _____

St Joseph's Catholic School

Dear Parents/Caregivers

We are committed to meeting the learning needs of your children. To do this we need your support and involvement.

At times you will have questions or concerns. We want to help answer and resolve these as quickly and effectively as possible. To help us in doing this we would ask that you follow the flow chart to the right.

This process is so that we are able to handle issues through a process that is fair to all.

Our overriding commitment is to encouraging our students to develop the knowledge, skills, and attitudes that see them striving towards their greatest potential.

Thank you for your support in this.

Suzanne Downey
Principal

Step One....

Speak to the staff member concerned. The staff member will attempt to resolve the matter with you.

Has your concern been resolved?

Step Two....

If a satisfactory conclusion is not achieved, you may refer the concern to the Principal. The Principal will meet with you to discuss the issue.

No

Yes
The staff member concerned will follow up to review the concern.

Has your concern been resolved?

Step Three....

Should the Principal be unable to resolve the matter to your satisfaction, you may raise the concern, in writing to the Board of Trustees Chairperson. The Chairperson will inform the Principal of your written concern once its received, and have it added to the agenda of the next Board of Trustees meeting.

No

Yes
The principal will follow up to review

Kua tae te wā - It is Time

It is right that I inform you of the increasing pressure the teacher union members are placing on the government in an effort to:

- Fix the teaching shortage crisis
- Secure more time for teachers and principals to teach and lead
- Fix issues with relativities and career development



Primary teachers and principals made their voices heard in June by attending paid union meetings, where they voted overwhelmingly to reject the Ministry's offer and to hold a three-hour strike on 15 August. In fact, the feeling at the meetings was so strong that there were increasing calls to turn the 3-hour strike into a full-day strike on **August 15**. Further feedback to National Executive resulted in a decision on July 20 to ballot for a full-day strike to replace the three hour stoppage. The outcome of this ballot will be announced by the end of the week. Lead negotiator for the primary principal's collective agreement Louise Green said: **"After a decade of neglect under the previous government, there are significant issues facing education, including a growing teacher shortage, stress and workload problems, and under-resourcing. Children with additional learning needs are not getting their needs met. Principals and teachers have these issues weighing heavily on their minds as they head to their union meetings"**.

DRAMA CLUB - THURSDAY LUNCHTIME

Kenzi Larsen is keen to start a Drama Club at school during Thursday lunchtime. There is no cost for this. Thank you Kenzi for offering to provide this opportunity to experience drama and have fun with actions and words!



CONGRATULATIONS

To the students who during the holidays competed or participated in out of school arts or sporting fixtures. There has been Speech and Drama competitions in Hamilton, Selections for Rugby Global Games for U11/U13's and Imperious Dance competitions. Students who participated have practiced long and hard and can be very proud of their placings and/or team selections.



SPORTS NEWS

WINTER SPORTS

St Joseph's Netball 2018

Draws on the KCE Maniapoto Netball Facebook page. Closing Day tournament will be on 18 August 2018 from 9am.

St. Joseph's Football season 2018 - CENTENNIAL PARK, Te kuiti

Draws are available on NKCF Facebook page or www.sporty.co.nz/nkcjf.

St Joseph's Junior Rugby 2018

See the season's draw.

SPORTS UNIFORM:

Our sports uniform is the black and white cooldry shirt with our school name on the back, black socks with white stripes and **PLAIN** black shorts.

Please ensure that your child has the correct uniform to play their winter sports games in.



MINIBALL

Forms went out earlier this week. **The permission slips need to be back by 30 July 2018** in order to enable us to finalise the teams. We need parent helpers to coach and manage the teams. Your help is greatly appreciated.