

First Reading **1Kings 19: 4-8**

Elijah went into the wilderness, a day's journey, and sitting under a furze bush wished he were dead. 'O Lord,' he said 'I have had enough. Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down and went to sleep. But an angel touched him and said, 'Get up and eat.' He looked round, and there at his head was a scone baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. But the angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, 'Get up and eat, or the journey will be too long for you.' So he got up and ate and drank, and strengthened by that food he walked for forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.

The word of the Lord

Psalm: 33(34):2-9

Second Reading **Ephesians 4:30-5:2**

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God who has marked you with his seal for you to be set free when the day comes. Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody, or call each other names, or allow any sort of spitefulness. Be friends with one another, and kind, forgiving each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ.

Try, then, to imitate God as children of his that he loves and follow Christ loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

The word of the Lord

Gospel **John 6:41-51**

The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus, because he had said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' 'Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph' they said. 'We know his father and mother. How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus said in reply, 'Stop complaining to each other.

'No one can come to me unless he is drawn by the Father who sent me, and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets:

They will all be taught by God,
and to hear the teaching of the Father, and learn from it, is to come to me.

Not that anybody has seen the Father, except the one who comes from God:

he has seen the Father. I tell you most solemnly, everybody who believes has eternal life.

'I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the desert and they are dead; but this is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that a man may eat it and not die.

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

The Gospel of the Lord



Te Kura Katorika o Hato Hohepa

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

"Often we hear comments such as, 'Mass is boring', for others, however, the Mass is the cornerstone of their prayer life and a wellspring of the life Christ gives us through his Eucharist." "

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



CATHOLIC CHARACTER REVIEW

Please attend to the questionnaire that was in the newsletter, as soon as you can - Thanks. If you have lost the questionnaire or the information page, please ask for another!

THE SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

This programme begins on Sunday 19th of August. We begin with one whole day set aside for the sacrament of Reconciliation. A note will be sent home to all participating students (those 8 years and older) detailing the day. Mass is at 9.30am followed by morning tea. The children can then be left at school for their learning. At 1.30 the parents are required back for a parent session. The children then make their First Reconciliation at the end of the day. If you are needing further information please contact Suzanne Downey or Anita Bailey.



WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL EASTON!

This week we welcomed Easton Te Wao to our school. Easton is in Room 3 and has an older brother, Cruz in Room 4. Easton is the son of Dickie and Tiffany Te Wao. We hope you will enjoy learning with us!



WHAT ARE WE UP TO ?

- 09 August: St Mary of the Cross Feast Day
- 15 August: Strike Day
- 20 August: BoT meeting at 6pm
- 23 & 24 August: Catholic Character Review



"KUA TAE TE WĀ – IT'S TIME"

The results of the recent ballot held by the New Zealand Teachers' Union (NZEI) are in and both primary teachers and principals have voted for full day strike action on Wednesday 15th August. The teachers' union have 3 areas they want the government to address. These being to fix the teaching shortage; secure more time for teachers and principals to teach and lead and fix issues with relativities and career development



→ We have sent a letter from the Board of Trustees home on Monday, 6th August advising that our school will be closed for teaching on 15th August. Please make alternative arrangements with your children. ←

MRS. DOWNEY'S NOTES ...

Kia Ora Koutou Whanau

It is timely to write today about the history of our school. Catholic schools speak of their particular CHARISM

A Charism is a gift - a living passion, a burning desire in the heart of a founder/foundress to share a dimension of the life of Christ that was needed at the time.

A Charism lives on in us, in another day and age.

A Charism is ever evolving and developing from age to age - growing up in new ways.

The Charism of St Joseph's Te Kuiti is based on the amazing work and life of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop and the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart.

It was the Sisters of Saint Joseph (the order begun by St Mary MacKillop) who came to live and teach in Te Kuiti in 1921.

In three years time we will be 100 years old. Yes - the Year 5 students presently will be our Year 8's!

We have an exciting time to look forward to! Today the children did their learning about St Mary MacKillop, building that ever evolving charism that reflects how we LIVE AND LOVE LIKE JESUS.

Listen to God - Have an attitude of gratitude - Make room for all - Do your bit
Some of the videos and photos have been uploaded to Facebook for you to watch.

Thank You

To Father Joe who said Mass for us on Wednesday - the feast day of St Mary MacKillop.

Sacramental Programme

Begins on Sunday 19th August. Further information is in this newsletter and a personal note will be sent home next week.

Music Teacher

Mrs Rae Bennett began teaching music at school on Tuesday. Thank you for the amazing support you have shown for the continuation of in school music lessons. It is a special situation to have music lessons available and it can only be because of the support we have from families.

Learning the piano is one of those skills that takes time and practise - a key competency that all children need to appreciate and value, in our world of 'the instant'.

Catholic Character Review

PLEASE!! fill in the form for the review. Your voice is important.

Kua tae te wā - It is Time The Teacher and Principal STRIKE is going ahead and notification that the school being closed on August 15th has been circulated. No buses will obviously be operating either.

The teachers and myself on this day, are expected to travel to a gathering and march in Hamilton and/or Te Kuiti.

Holy Day of Obligation

The 15th is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. A Holy Day in the church. Mass will be celebrated here in Te Kuiti and at the Cathedral at 12.00pm.

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*

HILLVIEW SERVICES

To our loyal group of singers, our month for Hillview is September. The first service will be on the 6th September at 4.30pm.



TE KUITI ASSUMPTION MASS - HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

The Assumption Mass will be said on Wednesday, 15 August at by Father Joe at St. George's Parish, Te Kuiti

FATHER ENRICO'S LAST DAY AT ST GEORGE'S

**"SA INYONG
PAGAARUGA
SA MGA PAKARAAN NA
LINGGO, KAMI PO
DITO SA PAROKUA NI
ST. GEORGE
AY LUBOS NA
NAGPAPA SALAMAT.
NAWA KAAYO PO
AY PAGPALAIN NA
POONGA MPYKAPAL"**



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 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





St Joseph's PSG
QUIZ NIGHT
& AUCTION
 Theme
BACK TO THE EIGHTIES
 LES MUNRO CENTRE
 Teams 6-8
\$80
7 SEPT 2018
 Doors Open 6pm Quiz Starts 7pm Sharp



KEEP CALM AND PRETEND IT'S THE 80'S



THEME: 80'S!! PLEASE SUPPORT THE PSG BY COMING DRESSED FROM THE 80'S

CASH BAR AVAILABLE - ID REQUIRED

SUPPER PROVIDED

GET IN QUICK AND REGISTER YOUR TEAM NOW! LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE!

COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW AND RETURN WITH PAYMENT TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE

QUIZ TEAM REGISTRATION FORM

TEAM NAME: _____

NUMBER IN TEAM: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

CONTACT PHONE NUMBER: _____

AMOUNT PAID: _____

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 _____



Religious Education

The Sacramental programme is beginning soon!

If your child is...

- *8 years or older
- *Is baptised (or would like to be baptised)
- *Is willing to participate and prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation...

...Then they are invited to join us on **Sunday 19th August** for the first session. Please fill out the form and return to the office.

The following sessions will be on Thursday evenings beginning *Thursday 6th September* at 5.30pm.

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

Whole School Mass

Sunday 19th

August

@ 9.30am

Put it in your diaries

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Today we celebrated our founder's feast day by creating presentations based on quotes from Mary MacKillop. The groups did so well presenting their ideas. It was good for us to think about how St Mary of the Cross MacKillop lived and loved like Jesus to help us in our living and loving.

"Never see a need without doing something about it."



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.

Cowboys (Under 7) - Ripa Rugby - This Saturday at waitete

Please come and support our Under 7 Ripa Rugby team this Saturday, 11 August at Waitete at 9 am where they will be playing the final against Pukenui.

SPORTS UNIFORM:

Our sports uniform is the black and white cooldry shirt with our school name on the back and **PLAIN** black shorts. **Please ensure that your child has the correct uniform to play their Miniball games in.** Sports shoes must be worn on court. The senior grade play in official basketball tops with numbers printed on both the front and back. These are provided by our school.



MINIBALL

Teams will be finalised soon.

PLEASE REMEMBER, YOUR CHILD NEEDS TO COMMIT TO THEIR TEAM FOR THE WHOLE MINIBALL SEASON.

Games are played in Te Kuiti at the Waitomo Stadium from 3.30pm onwards. Some intermediate and senior games are held at Te Kuiti High School in their gym. You are responsible for arranging transport for your child to get to and from games.



PLEASE TAKE NOTE

ST JOSEPH'S AGRICULTURAL DAY 2018

St Joseph's Agricultural Day will be held on Wednesday, 24th October 2018 (week 1 of Term 4). Waikato Show will be held on Friday, 26th October 2018. The Te Awamutu Judges Day will be held at the Kihikihi domain on 11th September 2018. This is an opportunity for anyone to go and see how things are done.

Keryn Herbert and Jock Gollan will host a demo day at St Joseph's School on 26th September, and they will provide the animals for this day.

It is important to note that this year our Agricultural Day will allow **LAMBS AND GOATS ONLY.**

Jock Gollan has a contact for goats. The owner of the goats will provide milk and the goats can go back to them after our Agricultural day. Please email Jock and Beth on twtcb@hotmail.com or contact the school office.

If anyone has spare lambs, please give Elmarie a call at the school office (878 8190).

Students will be allowed to have two pets, but sharing of a pet will not be allowed. Pre-schoolers who will be attending St. Joseph's in the future are welcome to participate. We invite other schools in the Te Kuiti area to also bring their pets to our Agricultural Day. Pre schools are welcome to visit us on the day.

Entry forms will be available soon and need to be handed into the office on Friday, 21 September 2018.



STUDENTS' WRITING

"On Saturday Waitete Blue played Waitete White at Waitete Field one and it was the most challenging game this season. I was able to score a try with my team and the final score was 17: 14 to Waitete Blue. The Player of the Day was Riddick from Centennial Park School. "

"On Saturday the two Waitete teams played in the finals. Our team won. The score was 20 to 5. Our team won the trophy. My favourite part of the game was seeing my team run 100 metres to score a try. "



Waitete White and Waitete Blue represented by our students

Waitete White Under 11 winners

" On Saturday, the Broncos had their last game of rugby against Piopio. We had an awesome season and learnt lots of new rugby skills."

"Two Saturdays ago, we played on the big field for the first time for football and we played really well, even though we lost 3 goals to 5. I really enjoyed it. We worked as a team. "

" On the weekend I played football in the 9th grade. We had 4 games. The first game we lost 2 - 0, the second game we tied 0 - 0 and that was my favourite. The third game we lost 2 - 0 and the last game we won 2 - 0. My favourite part was nearly getting a goal. We worked hard as a team."

VOLLEYBALL SKILLS

Our school arranged with Sport Waikato to come in and teach our Year 5 to 8 students some Volleyball skills. The students had a wonderful afternoon learning new skills.

