

First Reading Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel together at Shechem; then he called the elders, leaders, judges and scribes of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Then Joshua said to all the people, 'If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve, whether the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are now living. As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord.'

The people answered, 'We have no intention of deserting the Lord and serving other gods! Was it not the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors out of the land of Egypt, the house of slavery, who worked those great wonders before our eyes and preserved us all along the way we travelled and among all the peoples through whom we journeyed? What is more, the Lord drove all those peoples out before us, as well as the Amorites who used to live in this country. We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

The word of the Lord

Psalms: 33(34):2-3,16-23

Second Reading Ephesians 5:21-32

Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord, since as Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives to their husbands, in everything. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body – and we are its living parts. *For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body.* This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church.

The word of the Lord

Gospel John 6:60-69

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before?'

'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer.

The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life.

'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him.

Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord

***"Lord, to whom shall we go?
You alone have the words of eternal life"***



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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

***So let us ask ourselves this evening, in
adoring Christ who is really
present in the Eucharist: do
I let myself be transformed
by him?***

With Hearts Burning - Module 5



THANK YOU!!

A big thank you from Room 4 to Mr. Downey for helping them with their science experiment!



WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL ROSIE!

Rosie started in Room 3 on Monday and she is the daughter of James and Claire Morgan and the younger sister of Briony Morgan in Room 4. We hope you will enjoy learning with us Rosie!



OUR SYMPATHY

It is with sadness that we offer our sympathy to Matheus, Nicola, Shannon and Brayden van Groenedaal on the loss of Kaylene Kingi, mother, mother-in-law and grandmother. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and may God comfort and keep you close in this sad time.



WELLINGTON TRIP 2018

We have a busy term fundraising for our Wellington Trip!

**St Joseph's is hosting the Hamilton Catholic Primary Principals Association (HCPPA) members on Thursday, 13th and Friday, 14th of September. They will be meeting at St. Luke's in Te Kuiti and the Wellington Trip has been given the opportunity to do the catering. We will need baking for morning teas, an afternoon tea and donations towards lunch. Helpers to prepare, serve and clean up will also be required. A note will come home next week listing what will be needed. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

**Our Year 7 & 8's is preparing a Hangi as a fundraising event for their Wellington Trip (3-7 December). They are putting down 150 Hangis and tickets will be available in the next couple of weeks. The Hangi is on the 21st September. Your support will be appreciated.

Notices have gone home with the Year 7 and 8 students regarding helpers and ingredients needed for the Hangi. Thank you to those parents who have replied, we appreciate it.



MRS. DOWNEY'S NOTES ...

Kia Ora Koutou Whanau

Whole School Mass:

We had a lovely day for our Mass on Sunday and it was great to see the attendance of our families. Thank you to parents and grandparents who brought their children along. Thanks for staying for the 'cup o tea' and a chat afterwards - it was the first time that I have seen our community enjoying each others company after Mass - the weather certainly helped!

Thanks to those who took the time to let me or the office know that you were unable to attend. We do appreciate the call.



Catholic Review

The Catholic Review Team, Mr John Coulam, Sister Anne Sklenars and Mrs Nicky Whyte have been in the school today. They were welcomed by the students this morning.

The purpose of the review process is examine what a school does to maintain its Catholic Character. It identifies and affirms what the school has done or is doing to grow Catholic Character, and identifies opportunities for further development.

Thank you to all those who attended the Parent Meeting this afternoon. The team will be in the school until Friday. If you still want to catch up with them you are most welcome too.

The school has Mass on Friday at 12.15pm with the team - again there is an open invitation for school parents to attend.



Australian Leadership Study Tour

Next week I will be absent from the school. I have been invited by my Principal appraiser Jeremy Kedian (Leadership Innovation NZ) to attend a week long study tour to Queensland schools as part of an International Study Tour for NZ Principals. We visit five different schools over five days and meet each evening for a 90 minute dialogue with Jeremy, where we can address and share what we have seen during the day. I am very grateful to have been granted this opportunity by the Board of Trustees. In my absence Mrs Pam Boroevich will be Acting Principal.



Netsafe Free Seminar for Parents and Caregivers (RSVP required - see advert in this newsletter on p6)

Wednesday 5th September 6 pm – 7.30 pm Te Kuiti High School Pavilion

I strongly encourage parents to come along to this Netsafe Free Seminar. The training is made available by the Maniapoto Family Violence Intervention Network.

Online safety for parents and whānau is more important than ever. As young people begin to spend more time online, it's important that parents start to teach them how to stay safe.

God Bless you all
Suzanne

KERALA FLOOD DISASTER RELIEF MISSION

Mrs Ngaire Grayson has had some correspondence from Father Seejo about the flood disaster in Kerala - his own family state. Floods in Kerala have taken away 324 lives, washed away 8000 houses and damaging 26000 other houses. 9,280,15 people have sought refuge in 5,645 rescue camps.

If anybody would like to donate and support the rebuilding of Kerala - please see Ngaire Grayson who can provide details re donations from Father Seejo.



DIOCESE SNIPPETS AND PARISH NEWS

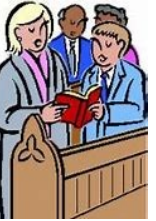
REMINDER:

**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*

REMINDER: HILLVIEW SERVICES

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



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.

PERSONALITY-PLUS" : AN INTRODUCTION TO THE ENNEAGRAM



On SATURDAY 22 SEPTEMBER we will hold a day in Rotorua to begin or to continue the exploration of how God has imbued you with very specific personality facets...of thinking, feeling, socialising, being with God, and praying styles.

"I really don't like to pray that way, I prefer to pray this way. Am I wrong?"

We will explore this and other very interesting questions on the day. A more indepth course can be made available later in the year. PLEASE contact Gabrielle 021-112-6804 to register interest or to register.

compassio@xtra.co.nz COST: \$50 or a koha BYO Lunch

DOVE CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN : "YOUR WORD FOR ME" – FR JOHN JOLIFFE SM

A Marist Missionary with several years of pastoral ministry in New Zealand and then places in Asia and the Pacific and more recently often assisting in Hamilton Diocese, will explore our scripture as we continue our theme: **"be steadfast, holy, always excelling in the works of the Lord."**

DATE: Thursday 6 September 2018

TIME: 7.30p.m. – 9.30 p.m.

VENUE: St Joseph's Parish Centre, 86 Clarkin Road, Fairfield, Hamilton

All women, all ages, all walks of life, welcome. A small plate for supper is optional.

For more information or transport please contact Raewyn 07 856 8321 or Nancy at nancyjames@actrix.co.nz What is Dove? Visit www.dove.org.nz






KETE KÖRERO

The latest edition of the Hamilton Catholic Diocese magazine Kete Kōrero is now available from the back of the church or school and parish offices. You can also read it online at <https://goo.gl/yHokTz>

Articles in this edition feature: Grateful stewards diocese funding; Pa Yvan Sergy – the priest on whom the sun shone; Catholic Education Conference inspiring and rewarding; Immigrant poem a prize-winner; Catholic and Anglican leaders finding a way to unity; and Sr Remedi's long journey to find a life with Jesus.

Note the deadline for the next edition is 9 October but email editor Mike Smith at kete@cdh.org for special arrangements. Photos and notes of parish events are most welcome.





ONLINE SAFETY

A free seminar for parents and caregivers

POWERFUL PARTNERSHIPS – WORKING TOGETHER TO SUPPORT YOUNG PEOPLE AS THEY NAVIGATE THE ONLINE WORLD.

Online safety for parents and whānau is more important than ever. As young people begin to spend more time online, it's important that parents start to teach them how to stay safe.

So, how do you get started?

This session will look at how parents and whānau can support and enable children and young people to navigate online opportunities, challenges and complexities.


Wednesday 5th September
6 pm – 7.30 pm
Te Kuiti High School Pavilion
Light refreshments provided

Please register by Friday 31st August

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About Netsafe:
Netsafe is an independent, non-profit New Zealand organisation focused on online safety. Netsafe provides specialist support for schools, educators and school communities around digital citizenship, responding to online incidents and other online safety issues.
netsafe.org.nz

This training has been made available by the Maniapoto Family Violence Intervention Network.




Religious Education


The Sacramental programme has begun....

On Sunday, 9 students, led by Suzanne and Anita, prepared and made their first Reconciliation. After the whole school Mass we spent time learning about the Sacrament and what it means. We enjoyed pizza for lunch, watched some video clips and listened to stories. The students were very receptive and participated with enthusiasm. We concluded the day with the Sacrament of Reconciliation which the parents also joined us for. It was a special day. We begin our Thursday classes on Sept 6 and we look forward to the possibility of other students joining us.

Please keep these children in your prayers as they prepare.




Reconciliation in the Church



Learning about Reconciliation


Thank you to everyone who attended our Whole School Mass on Sunday. It was such a lovely day to celebrate with everyone and to join together in fellowship after Mass and share morning tea together.



The Queenship of Mary

On the 22nd August each year the Church celebrates the Queenship of Mary also known as the Coronation or Crowning. After Mary was assumed into Heaven we believe she was then crowned Queen of Heaven.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee, blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.



Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death.

SPORTS NEWS

WINTER SPORTS WRAP

Football:

St Joseph's was well represented at football again this year with teams competing in all three grades of the competition and a strong interest in the Pods skills development from the under 7s. There was good support from parents helping with the coaching and managing of these teams.

The 13th Grade team was coached by Alan Curry with help from Graeme Penderleith

The 11th Grade team was coached by Marama Shearer

The 9th Grade team was coached by Joe and Belinda Cammock

All teams represented the school proudly each week by playing hard and trying their best regardless of the weather and sometimes being short of players.

The Green and Red pods were well supported by both players and their parents helping run the skills sessions.

There was 15 to 20 St Josephs players there each Saturday.

By Brendan Were - NKCF Committee Member



NETBALL

Saturday the 18th of August saw the St Joseph's Magpies compete in the KCE Maniapoto Closing Day Netball Tournament. We played 4 half hour games against TKP royals, TKP Rubies, Piopio Panthers and the Pukenui Allstars. We won against the Pukenui Allstars but lost the other 3 games on the day.

At prize giving we were awarded the Maniapoto Netball Centre B Grade runner up trophy. We played well as a team and got better as the season progressed. I want to thank Keryn Herbert for taking the time to coach us and Gemma Phillips for managing our team and coaching us at the closing tournament. Also thanks to Mikayla King for being our ref and Bobby Kearins for refereeing at the closing tournament and being a supportive parent. Thanks to all the girls in the St Joseph's Magpies team for making my last season of Primary School netball a good one and good luck for next year.

By Rose McDonald - Room 2



SPORTS / MINIBALL 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:

Miniball will start next week. To see the draw please go to <http://www.sportsground.co.nz/mini>. **PLEASE REMEMBER, YOUR CHILD NEEDS TO COMMIT TO THEIR TEAM FOR THE WHOLE MINIBALL SEASON.** Please see above for the Sports uniform requirements. The senior teams will be given an official black singlet provided by the school. **NO UNIFORM=NO PLAY, coaches please reinforce this rule.**

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: SPORTS COMMITTEE MEETING POSTPONED UNTIL MID SEPTEMBER



STUDENTS' WRITING



"On Sunday I played rugby for the Te Kuiti Under 38kg team. We played 4 games. Our first game was against Taumarunui. Then we played Piopio/Waitomo. After that we played Otorohanga. Our final game was against Taupo. We won the final and got a trophy. I made new friends and I had fun."

"On Saturday I went to Pokuru Motocross track. I was in the 9 - 11 year, 65CC division. My first race was tough because I crashed on the first corner but then a miracle happened. I came from last and won the race. In the second race I didn't crash and got second place. In the third race it was the final showdown between this other guy and I. I pretty much just had to come second and I did. When it was the prize giving I was surprised that I got placed with most points overall because I thought I didn't have enough points. I had a fantastic day and Corban got placed third overall. He tried really hard."



PLEASE TAKE NOTE

ST JOSEPH'S AGRICULTURAL DAY 2018

St Joseph's Agricultural Day will be held on **Thursday, 18th October 2018** (week 1 of Term 4).

Come pick up your entry form from the office if you did not get one from your teacher last week!

The completed entry forms need to be handed into the office by Friday, 28th September 2018.



We know many families struggle to manage asthma and that it results in days off school/pre-school, anxiety for staff and miscommunication between parents and the school/pre-school. The resulting confusion can potentially place the child in a dangerous situation. Asthma Waikato is here to help, free of charge.

Asthma Waikato offers FREE asthma consults for families of children aged 0-15, living in the Waikato, who struggle with asthma. We accept self referrals.

If your child suffers from asthma and you would like some help getting on top of it, please visit www.asthmawaikato.org.nz and fill in the online referral form by clicking the blue button top right "Make a Referral". We are here to help.

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