

**First Reading**

**Wisdom 2:12,17-20**

The godless say to themselves: 'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing. 'Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have. If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies. Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after – we have his word for it.'

*The word of the Lord*

**Psalm: 53 (54): 3-6, 8**

**Second Reading**

**James 3:16 – 4:3**

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

*The word of the Lord*

**Gospel**

**Mark 9:30-37**

Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

*The Gospel of the Lord*

**"Who ever wants to be first, must make themselves last and servant of all"**



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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*

**HANGI !!!**

Our Hangi is packed, ready to go into the ground and the fire pit is dug! For those who have bought tickets, pick up will be on Friday, 21 September at 3pm from the school.



**YUMMY STICKERS**

Our sticker charts have to reach the Yummy Fruit Company by Friday, 28 September 2018. **If we could have all the sticker charts in by Monday, 24 September, it will leave enough time to mail them.**



**Mōrena**  
Good Morning

**Ngā mihi o te ahiahi**  
Good Afternoon

**Pō mārīe**  
Good Evening

**He aha te utu?**  
How much does this cost?

**Kei te hia āwhina koe?**  
Can I help you?

**Kei te pēhea koe i tēnei rā?**  
How are you today?

**Kei te pai au**  
I am well

**Kia ora**  
Thank you

**Nau mai ki...**

Welcome to...  
Ka kite anō  
See you later  
Kia pai tō rā!  
Have a good day!

**OUR SYMPATHY**

It is with sadness that we offer our sympathy to Julie Gordon, on the loss of Robert, her husband and father to Rhonda and Bob, Katelin, Grant and Ann, Lauren and Ben, Daniel and James. and grandfather. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and may God comfort and keep you close in this sad time. Julie is known to all of us, as she's our Dental Technician on the mobile unit and her children Daniel and James attended St Joseph's School.



**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 don't have one yet!**



**REMINDER: The Pet Demo Day will be held on Thursday 27th September from 1.30pm at St Joseph's.**

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

**"As we journey through life, we are called to grow in God's likeness, we are called to grow in his love. Love is what draws us more completely into being the person we are called to be."**

*With Hearts Burning - Module 6*

<https://www.proudtobecatholic.org.nz/download-modules>





## MRS. DOWNEY'S NOTES ...

Kia Kaha te Reo Māori

Everyone has a part to play - *Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, engari he toa takitini*; My achievements and strengths are not those of the individual, but those of the many.

These are quotes from the Caritas resources for Social Justice week last week. The students have watched a video about inclusion and had discussions in class about how important it is that we appreciate that everyone has a part to play - no matter what. The readings at Mass on Tuesday were from 1 Corinthians about how just as the human body is made of many parts, so it is with Christ. As Christians we are expected not to identify our 'body' by its individual parts. We are called to be appreciating of, and inclusive of, all people. This is a message we need to hear and convey to our tamariki. It is not good enough to 'pick and choose'. If we do we miss out on valuable learning and contributions to the whole 'body'. We as adults need to model this in our words, thoughts and actions especially when our tamariki are around us.

### **Te Reo Maori**

Last week each class was challenged to learn a new waiata for te wiki o te reo Maori. This week they shared with each other the waiata. It was amazing! It was a fantastic idea and each class really worked hard to present their waiata with correct pronunciation and energy. Thank you staff for supporting this initiative.

### **Hamilton Catholic Principal Association Meeting**

Last Thursday and Friday the Hamilton Diocese Catholic Principals all met in Te Kuiti. The Wellington trip picked this up as a fundraiser. Thank you soooo much for the generous donations of food and kind. Our school was hailed as showing amazing manaakitanga to this group. Special thank you to Kylie Leineweber, Cheryl Randle, Pam Kirkland, Lizzie Rendall, Elmarie Senger and Jeheli Singh for being there to put out, set up and clean up. Awesome Team Effort. Thank You!



### **Sports Photos**

Thanks to the coaches, managers, parents and students for being prepared for these photos. It is quite something for a school of our size to take ALL day for sports photos! The uniforms have come back in clean and tidy and I appreciate that also. Special Thank You to Koewyn Kearins Te Whare, Zoe Rawles, Ebony Phillips, Helena Shearer and Jack Leineweber. These students were outstanding support collecting team members, taking them over to the photographer, helping tidy the uniforms - all with an amazing positive, helpful, respectful attitude. Top Work!

### **Global Games**

The Rugby Global games begins in Taupo today. All the best to our students who are part of the team representing the King Country. Our students who are part of the team is Koewyn Kearins Te Whare, Jack Leineweber, Corban Dunlop, Libby Kearins Te Whare, Joel Rendall.



Ma te Atua e Manaaki ,  
Suzanne

## PARISH NEWS AND DIOCESE SNIPPETS

### REMINDER: HILLVIEW SERVICES

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

### PARISH ACTIVITIES

Times for parish activities (e.g. Holy Mass) and other details are listed on the notice board outside the Church.

### SCRIPTURE STUDY

This week Scripture Study will be replaced by the next With Heart's Burning meeting.

Details: Monday evening, 7pm in the Presbytery.

### ALPHA

We are in the initial stages of (God willing) establishing Catholic Alpha in the parish. More details will follow. This is a programme designed to help fallen-away Catholics and non-Catholics draw close to God in Faith. If you know someone who is searching for the truth and would be interested in attending these non-threatening discussion evenings (8-10 of them), please contact Fr. Matt or Alex Bailey ([alex@cdh.org.nz](mailto:alex@cdh.org.nz)). Alpha evenings always includes a meal. So a simple dinner will be provided.

### THE MASS - VIDEO SERIES

The Pastoral Services Team is excited to announce a new video series 'The Mass' hosted by [Bishop Steve Lowe!](#) Season One kicks off with a three part intro 5th-7th September, followed by weekly episodes every Friday at 7pm.

Download the episodes here: <https://goo.gl/AxcyPU>

Watch the series on the various platforms below...

- On Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/CatholicDioceseofHamilton/>
- On Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/catholicdiocesenz/>
- On Youtube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqgfwCqh8NbWENaNQHQGQbA>
- On our website [videos.cdh.nz](https://www.cdh.nz/videos)



### IT'S ALL ABOUT THE MISSION! WITH HEARTS BURNING - MODULE 6

"We need the courage to go beyond just saying "I'll pray for you" and say, "How about we pray about this now?"

Bishop Steve's last With Hearts Burning module is available, please pick up your copy in the foyer, join the discussion group, and post your reflections on the website [whb.cdh.nz](https://www.whb.cdh.nz).



### MAX18NZ – A NATIONAL CATHOLIC EVENT FOR MEN, ENDORSED BY THE NZ CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE

28-30 September 2018, Kings College, Auckland.

Great lineup of international speakers, single room accommodation, excellent food, not to be missed.

Places still available but registration closing soon. Don't miss out

Details and registration online at [www.max18nz.info](https://www.max18nz.info)

### RETREAT IN EVERY DAY LIFE

Fr Richard Shortall SJ is holding a worship day on the 10th November in Te Awamutu for the three parishes of Te Kuiti, Te Awamutu and Otorohanga. For more information please have a look in the back of the church.





## FROM FATHER MATT ...

The quest for Holiness is essential. God wants us to strive for sainthood. The world doesn't seem to care about sanctity but to be Holy is to be happy. With this in mind here is part 2 of the edited article by Fr. Wade Menzies. Part 1 was last week. He identifies practical steps to help us become saints.

Blessings  
Fr. Matt

### 7. Two Daily Examinations of Conscience

I recommend a *par-ticular examination* and a *general examination* every day. Each of these should take only about two or three minutes and should close with an Act of Contrition.

The particular examination looks at a specific virtue that you've been trying to cultivate in your life, or at a specific vice that you've been trying to eliminate. It is as simple as asking yourself: "How have I done so far today?" Similarly, at the end of the day, just before you retire for bed, make a general examination of your entire day — that is, how you did overall that day in following God's will. Recognise certain instances during that day when you practiced virtue; and don't hesitate to recognize certain instances when you sinned. These two daily examinations help us to grow in self-knowledge by recognizing and admitting any sin we may have committed that day. If your sin is venial, your fervent Act of Contrition will wipe it away. If it is mortal, pray an Act of Contrition and get to the Sacrament of Reconciliation as soon as is reasonably possible and certainly before receiving Holy Communion.

### 8. Aspiratory Prayers

These are simple one-or-two-sentence prayers that can be said in a single breath — hence, "aspiratory." These are great to get into the habit of saying because they help us recognize the presence of God throughout the day. These short prayers can be based on Scripture or other devotions. For example:

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.  
Jesus, Mary, and Joseph — I love you, save souls.  
My Guardian Angel, protect me.  
My Jesus Mercy.



### 9. Daily Liturgical Reading

Have a plan to read the daily Mass readings for the day, perhaps along with a short meditation, so that even if you don't get to daily Mass you can still read the Scriptures with the Church.

### 10. Utilise Sacramentals

Sacramentals are "Sacred signs which bear a certain resemblance to the sacraments, and by means of which spiritual effects are signified and obtained through the prayers of the Church" (CCC, glossary). They can include blessed objects and places, such as holy water, shrines, and religious medals (for example, those of your patron saints).

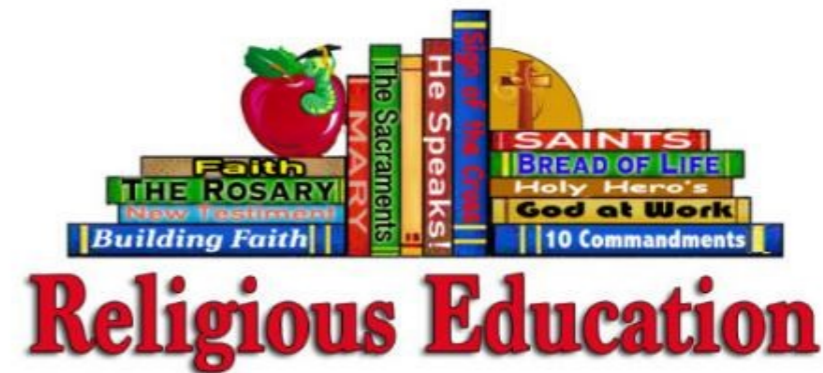
### 11. Read good theology books.

Lastly, there are chief texts that I'd like to recommend that you become very familiar with:

**Sacred Scripture:** Try to read one chapter daily — roughly a five-minute exercise — leaving some time for meditation.

**Catechism of the Catholic Church:** Try to read and study three to five paragraphs each day. This is a great way to catechise yourself at your own pace and learn faithfully the teachings of Holy Mother Church.

**Lives of the Saints:** Try to read a condensed version of one saint's life per week. Good, condensed versions will not take you more than a few minutes.



## SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2018

Our Sacramental Programme is well underway. The students have made their first Reconciliation and almost completed their learning about the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Please keep the following students in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist in November.

Archie Phillips

Ebony Phillips

Corban Dunlop

Kynze Dunlop

Bree Dunlop

Benjamin Morris—Wilson

Ruby Walker

Carta Macrae

Lachlan O'Rourke

Eddy Penny



**Sacramental Programme continues tonight at 5.30pm in the Basement!**

**Remember to bring a gold coin donation and your scrapbooks.**

## SOCIAL JUSTICE LEARNING

Catholic social teaching says that each person is a gift from God. The principles of HUMAN DIGNITY and PARTICIPATION are especially key when considering what it looks like to be inclusive and ensure kotahitanga – integration.

Experiencing disability and illness also teaches us about accepting suffering and limitations.

How can we treat everyone with dignity?

Thank you to those students who have been visiting Hillview for the Church service on Thursday afternoons.



## SPORTS NEWS

### 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:

To see the draw please go to <http://www.sportsground.co.nz/mini> or see St Joseph's Facebook page.

## ALTRUSA AWARDS

Each year we are given a special opportunity to identify students who have a love for literacy and continue to extend their own learning in this area. Last Thursday Ebony Phillips and Mitchell Hedley received book awards from the Altrusa Club at a ceremony at Centennial Park. Thank you to the Altrusa Club and congratulations to our students.

Ebony Phillips was nominated because he should be recognised because of her passion and love of literacy. She has an inquiring mind in all areas of literacy, always wanting to find out more. Ebony will independently find out word meanings of new and unknown words. She remembers these new words and uses these in her written work, making her writing interesting to read. Ebony loves to read and is engaged in a variety of books at any one time. I think that Ebony really deserves this award because she will always help out others with their spelling, reading or writing by sharing her knowledge and expertise.

Mitchell Hedley was nominated because of his consistency in his effort in all literacy areas this year. He writes thoughtfully with detail. Mitchell takes extra care to make sure he proof-reads his work for spelling, punctuation and sense. His speech topic this year "Why Professional Sports Players Should get Paid Less" showed he can articulate his thoughts, research and knowledge, carefully constructing his writing into an outstanding speech. Mitchell reads for information, finding the meaning of the texts he reads. He has worked his way through the class spelling programme over the past two and a half years, finishing the final level. Mitchell always completes all literacy tasks to a high standard. He also helps out others with their learning.



## STUDENTS' WRITING

"Last night at 7pm I danced a hip hop dance for the Te Awamutu School of Dance. I was so excited to perform. I danced my heart out and I got this trophy that says TDI Dance performance Award. My dance was to a song called 'Yonce' by Beyonce. Overall I had a great time. Jake and I are the top hip hop dancers in our company."

**By Tess Randle - Room 2**

"At Miniball on Wednesday the dragons played Piopio Falcons. We scored 2 goals and the other team scored lots. Even though we lost it was a very good game. My favourite part was when my team helped me score a goal. Thank you for my coaches for coaching us. I really appreciate your help."

**By Hollie Kirkland - Room 1**

"On Wednesday St Joseph's Thunder played TKP Ninjas. The score was 22 to 19. We won. I was the team captain. My favourite part was when we won. It was easy. I got about 6 goals."

**By Karla Davey - Room 1**

"Last week on Wednesday At Joseph's Panthers played Piopio Chargers. The score was 27 / 33 to us. My favourite part was when our team helped us get goals. My favourite part was when we all had fun and enjoyed the game. We were all player of the day. It was really fun."

**Malia Bourke and Hannah Leineweber - Room 1**



## TECHNOLOGY CHALLENGE

Some of our senior students attended the Technology Challenge last week Friday. Thank you to Sarah Fagan for accompanying them and providing the photos.

