

First Reading Acts 10: 25-26,34-35,44-48

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said 'I am only a man after all!'

Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.'

While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

The word of the Lord

Psalm 97 (98):1-4

R: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power

Second Reading

1 John 4: 7-10

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

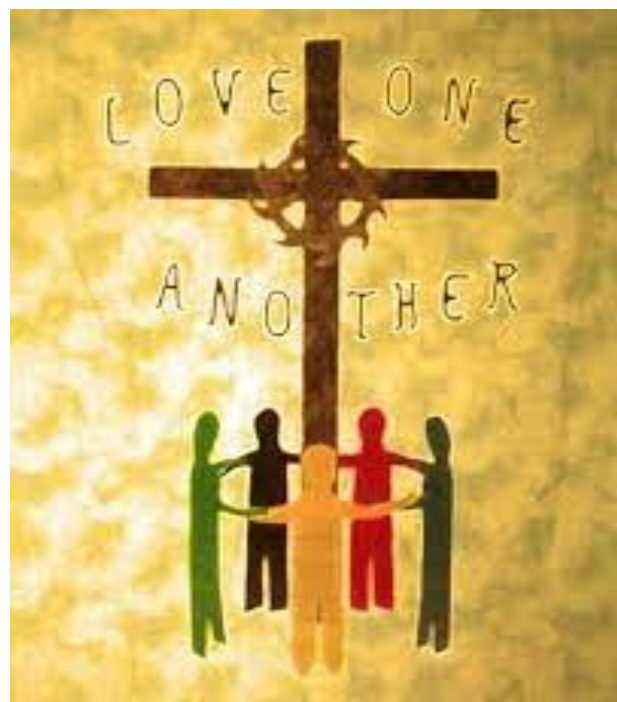
The word of the Lord

Gospel John 15: 9-17

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me; no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.'

The Gospel of the Lord

'This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you.'



Readings for next week Ascension Sunday 16th May
1st Reading Acts 1:1-11, Psalm 46 (47): 2-3,6-9; 2nd Reading Ephesians 4:1-13,
Gospel Mark 16:15-20



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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

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR DETAILS:

It is imperative that we should be able to contact all parents/caregivers in case of an emergency or an unreported absence. Please e mail us your new details on office@stjosephk.school.nz



STUDENT ABSENCE

Thank you very much for contacting the school in the case of your child being absent. Please continue to do so if your child is not going to be at school for **any reason** please call 878 8190/3 and in case of no answer please leave a message, send us an e mail, text on 027 878 8190 or send through an absence notice from the website. Thank you.



FOOTSTEPS

Will be at our school next week to teach our students some dance steps to impress you



WHAT ARE WE UP TO ?

- MAY 2021**
- 07: MASS AT 9.15AM
- 10: FOOTSTEPS: SEE PAGE 2
- 17: ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY
- 21: INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY - RANGITOTO

- JUNE 2021**
- 04: PHOTOLIFE: PORTRAITS AND CLASS PHOTOS

WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL!

This week we would like to welcome Olive Cammock to our school. Olive is Jackson and Max's younger sister. She is Belinda and Joe Cammock's daughter. We hope you will enjoy learning with us, Olive!



WINTER UNIFORM - CHANGE AFTER QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY WEEKEND

Please take note that we change to our winter uniform after Queen's Birthday long weekend. **The change involves a change in footwear.** The students are expected to wear long grey socks with 2 maroon stripes in the fold over. We have stock in the office at \$10.00 a pair. The sandals with a back strap is to be replaced with closed leather shoes available at any good shoe shop.



MUFTI DAY SUPPORT - THANK YOU

We would like to thank you families for their support given on the last day of Term 1 by donating funds towards the Children's Cancer charity. It was interesting to see which careers the students chose for themselves that day. We managed to raise \$124.00 in cash and there were online donations made too. Our school raised \$129.00 for this charity.



Whanaungatanga Connections

Together we are more

Kia Ora, St Joseph's Whaanau

Welcome to Term Two

Arts and Health Curriculum

'Jellybeans Music' last term was an opportunity to support the development of the Arts curriculum. The students **explored** a range of music, developed practical **knowledge** and **ideas** about beat, rhythm pitch tempo, dynamics and tone. This all culminated in a 'play out' where their skills were **shared** and **responded** to by others. All the sound arts objectives were met. The staff and I wish to thank Margaret who travelled from Auckland each week to be here at 0800 ready to start at 0900. Margaret thoroughly enjoyed our students and loved coming to our school each week. Thank you Margaret.



'Footsteps Dance' comes next week! Each class group will receive 45min of dance tuition each day for a week. Again the Arts objectives will be met - **Understanding** dance, developing **knowledge** and **ideas** and **communicating** and **interpreting**. These opportunities are fully funded by the school.



You are invited to a 'dance show and tell' on **Friday 14th of May at 12.00 - 12.30 pm**. Please put this in your diary. We would love to see you.



Life Education has been with us this week. The students have loved seeing Harold again - I hope you have been hearing a lot about him and the health and well being tips he shares. He was a bit naughty and locked the tutor Sarah out of the van on Wednesday... so he has a bit of reconciliation to do!

Parent Professional Development

Last Term we held three PD sessions for parents - Literacy/Numeracy and Flexible Learning and Teaching. Mr Jeremy Kedian who came to support our Flexible Learning and Teaching Evening phoned to say how much he had enjoyed the evening. He felt that our parents were Insightful, Real and posed sound questions about learning. He wanted you all to know that he was impressed with the positive, respectful culture of learning that was evident in the room.

There will be another evening planned for Term 2. If you have a particular topic you would like to explore please let me know. I have time to find outside professionals that can meet our needs.

Our sympathies

To the Kelly family whose Father/Grandfather's funeral was yesterday. Frank and Margaret Kelly's children all went to St Joseph's as did Margaret and her Kearins siblings. It was humbling to say the rosary and participate in the requiem Mass alongside past pupils - who reflected later on how St Joseph's School prepared them so well in life and leadership skills. God Bless you all.



St Joseph's School Centenary

Yes! The St Joseph's 100 years of Catholic Education centenary planning meeting happened on Wednesday night. A plan was formed and a date is being confirmed with the Bishop for NOVEMBER. Thank you to all those who emailed an apology and to those who came with energy to mark this milestone. If you would like to still put up your hand to help please phone the office or myself on 021877861 - **FACT: The first day of school was on 07/07/1921**



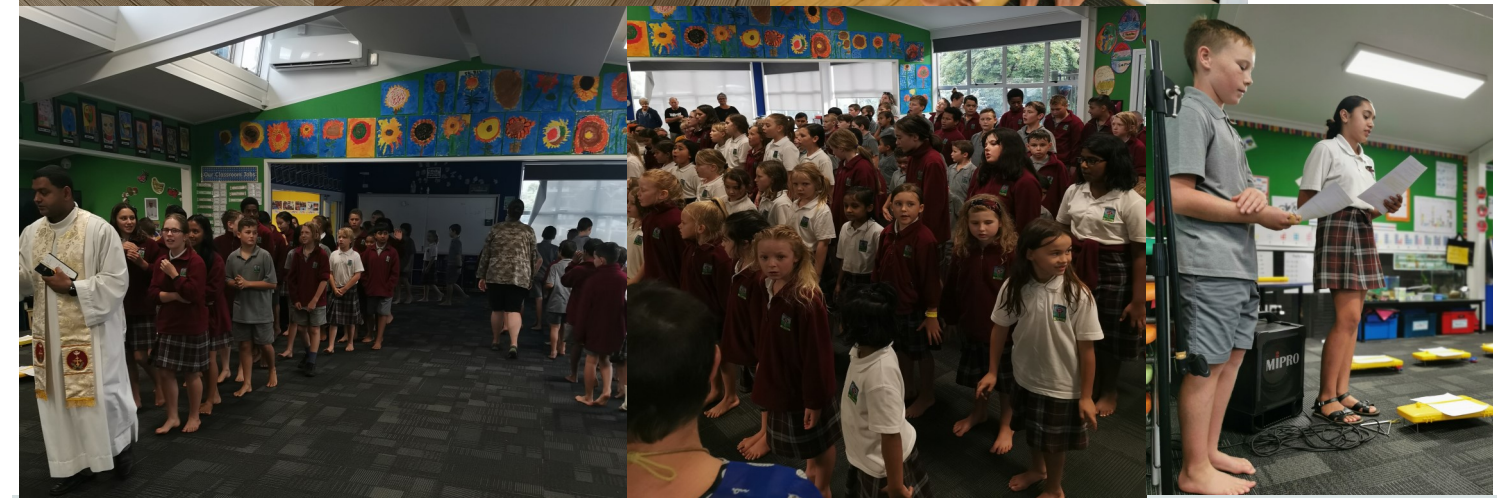
God Bless, Suzanne

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

BLESSING OF THE NEW FLEXIBLE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS



Father Joseph George did the blessing and the current oldest and youngest student in the school took care of the ribbon cutting ceremony.



PARISH AND DIOCESAN NEWS

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy to the Kelly Family on the passing of Frank a much loved Father, Grandfather and Great-Grandfather. Frank along with his late wife Margaret were long time parishioners here at St George's, Te Kuiti and very supportive of both the Church and the school. Franks favorite saying was 'there has always been a Kelly or a Kearins at the school'. He will be sadly missed, may he Rest in Peace.



FOR THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

Fr Carl Telford SM will be giving a talk on St Joseph at St Columba's Frankton. You are invited to attend on either Tuesday, 1st June at 7.00 pm or Wednesday, 2nd June at 10.00 am. There will be a short time of adoration after each session and Confessions will also be available. All are welcome.



ST JOSEPH'S CENTENARY FUNDRAISING

We have been offered 2 weeks at the Te Kuiti Op Shop to help raise funds for the up coming centenary. The first week is June 28-2 July, then again 23-27th August. A reminder for donations of goods and baking will be sent but for now we are looking for volunteers for the first week. If you are able to help man the shop please contact Sharon 0210719774.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

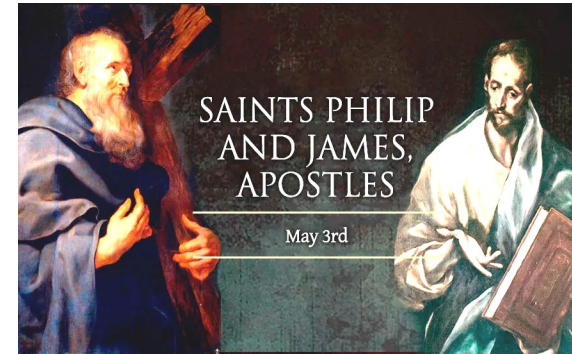
ANZAC DAY CELEBRATIONS - 25 April 2021



LIFE EDUCATION - VISITS TO HAROLD THE GIRAFFE



Religious Education



9th May 6th Sunday of Easter John

Peter's encounter with the centurion Cornelius marks a turning point in the mission of the early church. Baptism and participation is no longer limited to Jewish Christians only. In the Gospel Jesus continues his theme of 'remaining'. He emphasises the relationship between Jesus and the believer is of love. The chain of love runs from the Father to the Son, and the Son to the believer. This chain is unbroken as long as the believer follows the commandment of Jesus 'to love one another as I have loved you'.

3rd May Saints Philip and James Apostles

We know almost nothing of these men except Jesus chose them to be part of the 12 pillars of the New Israel, his Church. Philip came from the same town as Peter and Andrew, Bethsaida in Galilee. Jesus called him directly, whereupon he sought out Nathanael and told him of the "one about whom Moses wrote." As in the case of the other apostles, we see in James (not James the brother of John) and Philip human men who became foundation stones of the Church, and we are reminded again that holiness and its consequent apostolate are entirely the gift of God, not a matter of human achievement

REMINDER: Sunday Mass at 9.30am at St. George's Church, Seddon Street, Te Kuiti



8 Tips For Celebrating May, The Month Of Mary

Put up an Image, a Picture, statue, or even home screen on your phone or PC.
 Read a passage on Mary from the Bible each day or week .
 Present someone with a Marian gift.
 Say the Rosary and Angelus daily.
 Take part in a Marian Procession, maybe even organise one!
 Participate in the Sacraments.
 Works of Mercy; spend some time with the frail or helping those in need.
 Evangelise: Share your love for Mary with others

St Joseph's and Rangitoto's Cross-Country 2021

**AVAILABLE ON OUR
SCHOOL WEB PAGE**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This year St Joseph's and Rangitoto School students will run their Cross-Country together at Brook Park in Te Kuiti on Monday 17th of May. The whole school will attend and our students will run in year groups with Rangitoto students.

Day Plan:

Time	Action
9.00am	Class roll, prayers
9.25am	Depart by bus to Brook Park
9.30am	Chn to sit in the Rotunda. Parent helpers needed to marshall the course
9.45am	Briefing of course. Parent helpers to walk to marshalling spot
10.00am	Races starting - Year 8 first finishing with Yr 0/1.
12.00pm	Parents are welcome to take their children home. Remainder children will be walking back to school

Please note the finish time is approximate

Items to pack:

- Full change of warm clothes (just in case it is wet or your child slips over)
- Shoes to get changed in to after the race
- Bag to put in dirty shoes or clothing
- Lunch and drink bottle full of water/money - Rimu are providing a sausage sizzle and soup
- Jacket
- Small towel to wipe off mud
- Positive attitude and a smile

Items to wear to school:

- Sports uniform
- Socks and running shoes
- Polo Fleece
- Jacket if wet

It should be a super day of running!
Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,
St Joseph Staff



WE NEED HELP:

Parent Name _____

Mobile Number _____

- I can help with marshalling at the event.
- I can help with Rimu's sausage sizzle

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

PHOTOLIFE - CLASS PHOTOS AND PORTRAITS

Please take note that our individual portraits and class photos will be taken on Friday, 04 June 2021 after the students have been to Mass. We do realise that it is the Friday before the Queen's Birthday long weekend, but we had no other alternative than to accept this date. We would appreciate it greatly if you could delay leaving, for the long weekend, to as late as possible before the end of school on that day. Thank you.



BAPTISM INFORMATION EVENING

We will be hosting an evening discussing the sacrament of Baptism with Father Joseph George and members of the St George's Parish on Tuesday, 18th May 2021. Everyone is welcome to join the discussion and learn more about this sacrament. The time and place will be communicated closed to the date.

KIDS YOGA

Yoga is extremely beneficial for kids as it helps with not only the physical aspects of balance, coordination, stability and strength, but also teaches valuable self expression and mindfulness tools in a non competitive environment. We have so many fun and meaningful self regulation tools we want to teach your little people to navigate through life.

We will be in Otorohanga on Mondays, and Te Kuiti on Wednesdays, beginning in week 3 of term 2. Boys and girls aged 5-10 are welcome.

We have limited spaces that are filling up fast but you can get in nice and early. Find more info and book with this link <https://iamyoga.co.nz/kidsyoga/>



Kids Yoga
8 week series begins
17th & 19th May



Mondays
Oto 3.30pm

Wednesdays
Te Kuiti 3.30pm

Learn more at

<https://iamyoga.co.nz/kidsyoga/>

Otorohanga Tennis Club

QUIZ NIGHT

Friday Quiz starts at 7pm
May 14 \$15 per person, 4-6 players
2021 BYO Nibbles and Drinks

Register your team (name & contact details) with Katrin Wörmer
0272036595 - woermerk@gmail.com by 12th May
Spaces limited so get in quick!

ST BRIDE'S CHURCH HALL - Haerehuka Street, Otorohanga