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St. George's Parish Community Newsletter

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Sausage Sizzle



WHEN: Friday 20nd of May
WHERE: Motakiora/Brook Park
WHY: To raise money for Rimu's End of Year Function
WHAT'S ON OFFER: Sausage/bread - \$1.50
Juicies - \$1.00
Afghans/Cookies - \$1.00

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

If you have a fantastic fundraising idea please let the PSG know. It's so important that we raise funds for the school so that extra resources can be purchased for our students.



UNIFORMS

Please take note that when you are ordering uniform items from Elizabeth Michael, ***you are welcome to have the items shipped to the school at 26 Seddon Street Te Kuiti.*** You can also add this request into the "Comments" box on the order form and Elizabeth Michael will send it to the school address. If delivery is made in the holidays, the items will be sent home once term starts again, as the office will not be open during the school holidays. Students start wearing winter uniform after Queen's birthday weekend. Please ensure you order what you need in good time.

ElizabethMichael
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WHAT ARE WE UP TO ?

PLEASE HEAD TO OUR SCHOOL CALENDAR ON OUR WEBSITE VIA THIS LINK

<https://www.stjosephsk.school.nz/calendar/>



FROM MRS. DOWNEY'S DESK

"TAKE FRESH COURAGE"

Kia Ora e te Whanau

Firstly, apologies for the newsletter being out on Friday.

Te Ara a Maria (Mary's Way Icon).

The Icon arrived last Friday as planned. Father Joseph brought it down from Otorohanga.

It was such an honour to welcome such a beautiful piece of art, that we could see Aotearoa so clearly within. The school did a Haka Powhiri, outside as the Icon was carried in by our senior students. They did a fabulous job. Thank you to Jess Hutson for supporting us with the move too.

I know all the students were quite in awe when the doors of the Icon were opened, revealing Our Lady. The colours were stunning. After an explanation and decade of the rosary, each class was able to sit up close and have a good look. Thank you Father Joseph for making this happen for our community.

Interested to have an online look? www.tearaamaria.nz

Health and Safety

We have a freshly trained group of Road Patrollers. They began their duties this week. Congratulations to them all for working alongside Constable Kat to learn this new skill. They take it very seriously. Crossing the Road Safely is their brief. Thank you for supporting your child and waiting for them to finish their duty. Mrs Matthews is the Teacher In charge of Road Patrol.

Covid19

Covid19 continues to be in our community, and will be for a while yet. Please continue to be vigilant and reinforce the washing of hands and sanitising. Thank you for informing the school the reasons for your child's absences.

Maori and Pasifika Consultation

This took place last Thursday night. Thank you for coming along and sharing your whakaaro. There were some great 'take aways'. The Board of Trustees will receive a report at the meeting next week. If you were unable to attend the questionnaire has been forwarded to you. I invite you to complete it and send it back to school.

Thank you.

Teacher Only Day - the new Religious Education Curriculum

The staff want to thank our community for making alternative arrangements for your child, whilst we attended this hui. It was so valuable to have all the staff hearing the same korero. They were also able to see the people who support the RE curriculum in the Diocese, and the people who work at NCRS (National Centre for Religious Studies) and designed the curriculum that has a coherent pathway from pre-school to secondary.

Ma te Wa -

Have a great weekend.

Suzanne.





Sunday 22nd May 6th Sunday of Easter

Jesus assures us that God lives in our hearts. The Father, the son and the Holy Spirit are active within us. It is an amazing thought to dwell on. The effect of God's presence is peace. The peace in our hearts spreads peace to our communities and is the foundation of peace in the world.

Religious Education

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Te Ara a Maria - Mary's Way visit to St George's Parish last Friday
 Ask your child to explain some of the features



Football Photos

-Thank you Shaina Downey



First Reading**Acts 15:1-2,22-29**

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us; and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols; from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

The word of the Lord

Psalm 66(67): 2-3,5-6,8**R: O God, let all the nations praise you.****Second Reading** **Apocalypse 21:10-14,22-23**

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

The word of the Lord

Gospel**John 14: 23-29**

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own:

it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you. Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Readings for next week: The Ascension of the Lord

First reading Acts 1: 1-11

Psalm 46 (47):2-3,6-9

Second Reading Ephesians 1:17-23

Gospel Luke 24: 46-53

