## ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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### **Community Newsletter**

Term 2 - Week 8 20 June - 24 June 2022 **Principal:** 

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#### **REPORTS**

If you have not received your child's report, please contact the office. Thanks for returning so promptly the interview slips for the learning conversations Week 1 Term 2. Reminders have been sent home between yesterday and today. Please have a look in your student's bags.

#### **OUR SYMPATHY**

Goes to Kristin, Macie and McKenna Kearins after the passing of Kristin's grandmother and Macie and McKenna's great grandmother, Pat Bradley. May she rest in peace.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

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 and choose from the available options - please leave a message, email the office, text on 027 878 8190 or send through an absence notice from the website.



### **WHAT ARE WE UP TO?**

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

https://www.stjosephtk.school.nz/calendar/

#### **WE WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU TO**

\*Whanau Ora and the Ngati Maniapoto Marae PACT Trust for the care packs they provided our families with. It was much appreciated!

\* The Campaign for Wool New Zealand Trust for the beautiful book they provided us with. It is going into our library to be enjoyed by our students.



#### **UNIFORMS**

Please take note: when you order uniform items from Elizabeth Michael, you are welcome to have the items shipped to the school at 26 Seddon Street Te Kuiti for more reasonable courier costs. You can also add this request into the "Comments" box on the order form and Elizabeth Michael will send it to the school address. Students are now expected to wear winter uniform. Students should wear school socks and leather shoes instead of sandals with a back strap.





# FROM MRS. DOWNEY'S DESK TAKE FRESH COURAGE...

Kia Ora Koutou e te Whanau

Amid the staff secrecy on Wednesday, I received a lovely surprise from the staff; a shared pizza lunch, flowers and a lovely card, acknowledging Tu Meke Tumuaki Week. "In acknowledgement and appreciation of all you do to lead our school and community. We know you give so much more than is ever seen! Nga mihi."

As term two comes to a close, and we are flooded with covid reinfection advice. I take stock and reflect on what has been a challenging half year for all of us. Aware of the ripple effects of school not open face to face - I am very proud of your St Joseph's staff team who together have been able to keep



St Joseph's open for face to face learning every day this term. Thanks goes to all our staff members, who needed to work selflessly and collaboratively for this to happen. To our relievers, office and support staff who stepped into 'other roles' when requested to. Thank you all very much. I'm sure our community echo my gratefulness as well.

#### Sports comes to an end

Most of the winter sports comes to an end this weekend. Getting around to Football, Rugby and Hockey this week was fantastic! Coming together for the photos yesterday were St Joseph's, Rangitoto and Centennial Park students - all just happy to be involved in teams and playing sport. Collaborating with other schools in this way is a very powerful experience and endorses fully Sports Waikato focus on <u>'creating a lifelong love of being active'</u>.

A heartfelt thanks to all our coaches/managers who have put their hands up to help coach and guide students through sport. A special thank you to Annabella Were, Cameron Downey, Harrison Matthews and Edward Penny who coached one hockey and one football team. Thank you for giving back to others what you received when you were starting out on your sporting journey! Tumeke!

#### Mr Robert Hallam

Mrs Pam Boroevich and I represented the school at Mr Robert Hallam's Interment in Piopio on Wednesday. Mr Hallam - husband of Susan and Father of Melanie, Sheena and Brendon, was the technology teacher at Piopio College and a member of our parish. Melanie taught at St Joseph's and was the Director of Religious Education for many years. May He Rest In Peace.



Have a safe and restful holiday break. May God Bless you all - Suzanne.



# Religious Education



#### Sunday 10th July 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jesus teaches us that we have to put aside our differences and help those who are in need of help. The Samaritan did not think about the race or the religion of the man; he just saw a man who needed help. Just as the Samaritan had to tend to the man at the roadside first, sometimes we just have to 'be' with a person before we can begin to help them.

## (WORD) SEARCH

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#### **PARISH NEWS**

#### Alpha Goes Digital - Join us now! - Starts Monday the 22nd of August, 8pm

"Alpha is a free, easy-to-use tool to help engage people in your community with the gospel. It creates a space for people to connect with others online to watch a series of episodes and explore the Christian faith together." (Alpha-Online)



Alpha has transformed many lives to Jesus and it's about people coming together, who are real, ready to relate, and rely on the Holy Spirit. It has reached many countries in different languages. It is again here in Hamilton NZ, at the comforts of your home.

#### **First Reading** Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

The word of the Lord

Psalm 68 (69):14,17,30-31,33-34,36-37 R: Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

#### **Colossians 1: 15-20 Second Reading**

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth:

everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head.

As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

*The word of the Lord* 

#### Gospel

Luke 10:25-37

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go, and do the same vourself.'

The Gospel of the Lord

### 'Which of these proved himself a neighbour'?



Readings for next week: 17th July

First reading Genesis 18:1-10 Psalm 14 (15): 2-5 Gospel Luke 10: 38-42

Second Reading Colossians 1: 24-28