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Community Newsletter

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UNIFORM

Just a reminder that we changed from winter uniform (socks and school shoes) to sandals with a back strap on Tuesday, 25 October.

In term 4 the students start wearing hats again to protect their heads from the summer sun. The school have decided to do a bulk order of hats by the end of next week. Please let Elmarie know if you would like to order a hat (and what type of hat) for your student/s and what the correct size hat they need. We will need payment up front before we put the order in. The hats cost \$18 for a bucket hat and \$19.90 for a wide brim hat.

Please deposit the money into the following account:

St Joseph's School Board of Trustees Acc number: 03 - 0449 - 0107422 00 Reference: Child's name and School Hat



DROPPING OFF & PICKING STUDENTS UP AT SCHOOL

Please take note that students can be dropped off by the Queen Street and Seddon Street gates.

WE REQUEST THAT YOU REFRAIN FROM DRIVING INTO THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

to drop your student off and pick them up, as this is not safe for students who are in the school grounds.

Children are unpredictable and the chances for an accident to occur is too great a risk.

Thank you

NO DROP OFF

WAITOMO TRAIL RUN FUNDRAISER - HELP NEEDED

St Joseph's School has an opportunity to help at the Waitomo Trail Run again this year. We need 6 helpers to replenish food and water at the 35km runner station.

The aid station is on the Stubbs farm airstrip, 914 Te Anga Rd, from 8.30am till 3.30pm approximately on Saturday, 5 November 2022.

PLEASE CONTACT BIDDY STUBBS ON 0277661122 IF YOU'RE ABLE TO HELP.

Anyone is welcome to help, this is not restricted to the Parent Support Group.

REGENERATION

Our Year 7 and 8 students will be going to St John's College in Hamilton on Monday 31 October to attend this year's Regeneration event. We've booked the Nr 12 van for transport. They will leave at 8am and return at 4pm.

ALL SOULS DAY - WEDNESDAY 02 NOVEMBER

Our whole school will be going to the cemetery on Wednesday, 2 November when we celebrate All Souls Day. Please send your student to school with some flowers and / or greenery to place on the graves. The bus will leave school at 10:45 am and return approximately 12:30pm.

CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The day for this celebration as a Parish is Sunday November 13th 2022 9.30am at St George's Church. Put it in your diary and come along and celebrate this special Mass with the children and their families.

WHAT ARE WE UP TO?

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

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

FROM MRS. DOWNEY'S DESK THIS WEEK

Kia Ora Koutou e te Whanau

Today we celebrated at Mass Saints Simon and Jude - the Apostles.

Simon and Jude travelled together to teach others about Jesus. Because of their eyewitness accounts of Jesus' miracles and his death and Resurrection many people became believers and were baptised. Simon and Jude died for their faith on the same day in Beirut. Jude's body was later returned to Rome where it was buried in a crypt under St. Peter's Basilica.

These two saints remind us to learn all we can about Jesus and to share it with others, as they did.

The church year celebrates All Saints Day on Wednesday 1st November. All saints day honours not only the saints in heaven whom we know by name, but also any saints in heaven whose names are unknown.

They all remind us to learn all we can about Jesus and to share it with others.

All Hallows Eve is the vigil of All Saints Day also known as All Hallows Day. The word as a verb, "hallow" means 'holy" as a noun, an old English word for saint.

You won't find Halloween on the official liturgical calendar of the Church; the holiday has its roots in the popular piety of past centuries. Back then, the celebration was all about remembering the dead and confronting the reality of death and evil in the world. The full meaning of the holiday was always realised in light of the next day's celebration, the Feast of All Saints—the triumph of God's people, and the victory of light over darkness.

For young children, there's another important dimension of Halloween that's worth affirming: pretending to be someone else—someone stronger, more powerful, or more grown up than themselves. This isn't necessarily a bad thing, especially if you can gently guide them toward thinking about their ultimate identity: they are children of God, called to goodness and greatness through their relationship with Jesus Christ.

As a school we go to Mass on Wednesday 2nd November and then travel to the Cemetery in Te Kuiti with flowers and greenery to place on the graves. It is a very special day and all our community are welcome to attend with us. Father Joseph will come and bless the graves with the children. Those children who wish to visit the Urapa may do so with their family as well. Please send your child along with some flowers or greenery to take with them. Talk to them about any family or friends graves that we can bless.



Ma te Atua e manaaki

Suzanne

Great NZ Shake Out

The whole school participated in this Civil Defence practice on 9.30am.

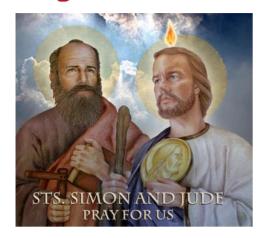
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Religious Education



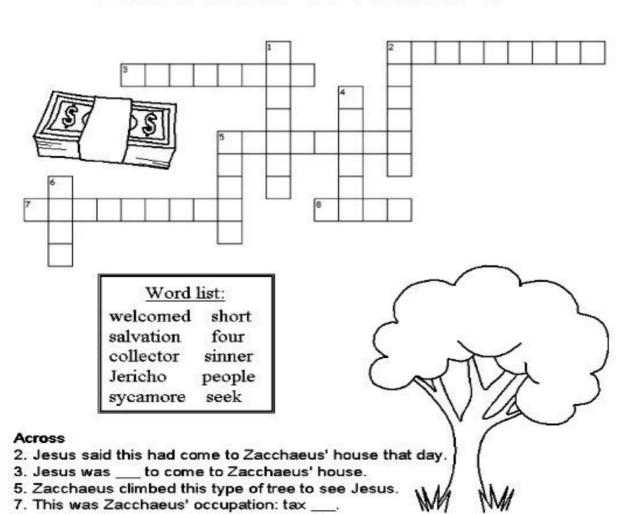
Sunday 30th October 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time

What do we learn from Zacchaeus' encounter with Jesus? Firstly that he was determined to see him so he climbed a tree to do so. That the experience had a transformative effect on him. That he hurried to welcome him. This leaves us with the questions: what do I need to get out of the way so I can encounter Jesus in my life? Where do I see Christ's presence operating in my life? Do I welcome Christ in my daily life?

28th October Saints Simon & Jude

Very little is known about these two saints other than they were both Apostles, they knew Jesus personally and were witnesses to his life, death and resurrection. They travelled to Persia to spread the Gospel and were martyred there. Jude wrote the epistle that bears his name.

Zacchaeus Crossword



Jesus came to ___ and to save the lost.

- 1. This was the city where the story took place.
- 2. The crowd was surprised Jesus would go to a house of this type of person.
- 4. There were a lot of these surrounding Jesus.
- 5. Zacchaeus wasn't tall but this.
- Zacchaeus didn't just pay people back but gave them ___ times more.



PERMISSION SLIPS

Permission slips will be sent home to be completed if you'd like your student to be allowed to walk home after the event.



6.30pm. Each child will receive a free sausage, popcorn and juicy, please bring own water bottles. Younger siblings are able to attend and must be accompanied by a parent/caregiver

Students walking home unaccompanied after the disco must have a permission slip returned by Wednesday 2nd November



SNAP SNAP!!

BOOK YOUR SESSION!

Time slots for the photo sessions are filling up fast.

Please contact Christelle on christellepenny@gmail.com to allocate a slot or two for your family to have their photos taken. Just in time for Christmas to be a great gift!!

Mini Photo Sessions

St Joseph's Catholic School Fundraiser

Where: St Joseph's School Basement

26 Seddon Street

Te Kuiti

When: 9.30am - 2.30pm Saturday 19 November 2022

9.30am - 2.30pm Saturday 26 November 2022

Cost: \$10 per 5 minute session

Includes one free digital file (selected by

Photographer)

Additional photos \$10 each

1 Session per child

1 group session can be booked for siblings (i.e. if you have 3 children this would cost \$40

for all sessions)

Info: Multiple scene sets to choose from

This mini photo sessions is for children only Photos will be emailed within 2 weeks of shoot

Bookings will be confirmed upon payment

To book and for payment details please contact Christelle Penny Christellepenny@gmail.com

Beyond The Shot Photography

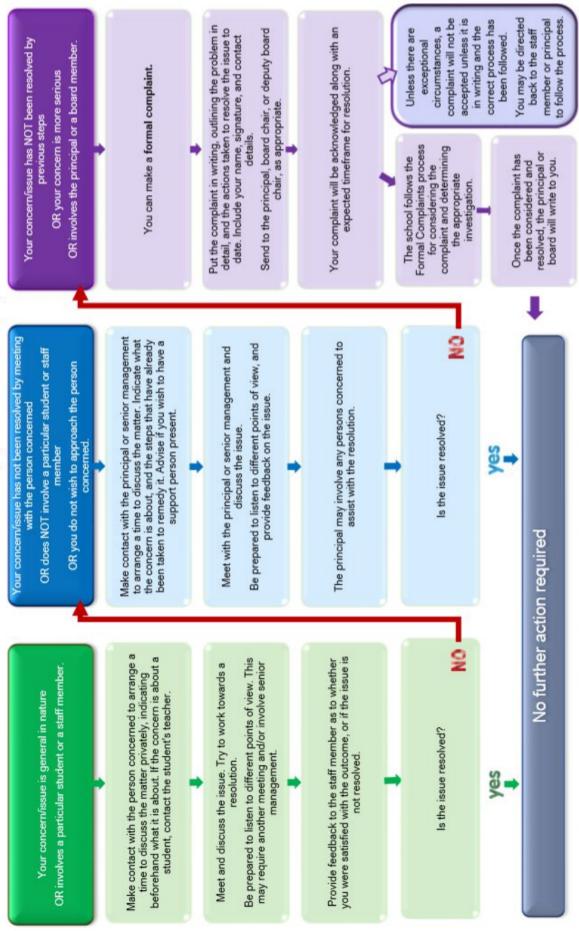






Concerns and Complaints Process

Most concerns can be resolved informally by discussions with the people concerned.



This flowchart aligns with the school's Concerns and Complaints policy and procedures.

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First Reading Wisdom 11:22-12:2

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground. Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent.

Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it. And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you?

You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all. Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned, so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

The word of the Lord

Psalm 144 (145):1-2,8-11,13-14
R:.I will praise your name forever, my king and my God.

Second Reading 2 Thessalonians 1: 11-2:2

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the Lord has already arrived.

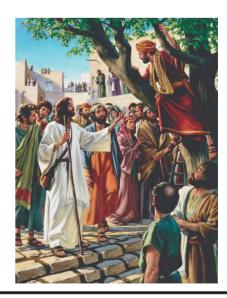
The word of the Lord

Gospel Luke 19:1-10

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance: he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short and could not see him for the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and spoke to him: 'Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today.' And he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was happening. 'He has gone to stay at a sinner's house' they said. But Zacchaeus stood his ground and said to the Lord, 'Look, sir, I am going to give half my property to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount.' And Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man too is a son of Abraham: for the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.

The Gospel of the Lord

'the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.'



Readings for next week: 30th October

First reading 2 Maccabees 7:1-2,9-14 Second Reading 2 Thessalonians 6:16-3:5 Psalm 16(17):1,5-6,8,15 Gospel Luke 20:27-38

