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Community Newsletter

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Please take note of the dates and times:

- 06 April - Holy Thursday 7pm
- 07 April - Stations of the Cross Friday 10am
- 07 April - Good Friday Service 3pm
- 08 April - Easter Vigil Saturday 7pm
- 09 April - Sunday Mass 9.30am as usual



HOLY WEEK

TEACHER ONLY DAY

Our teachers will have a

Teacher Only Day on 24 April 2023.

This is the Monday of Week One of Term 2, after the school holidays.

Please take note that it is ANZAC DAY on Tuesday 25 April 2023, effectively making this a long weekend for our students.

We are giving you advanced notice to enable you to make alternative arrangements for your students for the Monday as there will be no school for them.

UNIFORMS

Please take note, with the weather surprising us with a winter blast so early in the year, we suggest that you ensure your student/s has their winter uniform all set when coming back to school on Wednesday, 26 April.

Winter uniform is the same as the summer uniform with a change to grey socks with maroon stripes in the fold over, for sale from Elizabeth Michael, and leather shoes available from the Warehouse.

Please follow this link to our website and instructions on how to order uniforms. If the rural delivery is too expensive, you are welcome to use the school street address for delivery (26 Seddon Street. Te Kuiti).

[School Uniform](#)

ElizabethMichael
UNIFORMS



DATES TO ADD TO YOUR DIARY!

PLEASE KEEP UP TO DATE WITH WHAT IS HAPPENING AT OUR SCHOOL BY HEADING TO THE SCHOOL CALENDAR ON OUR WEBSITE: [St Joseph's Calendar](#)

FROM MRS. DOWNEY'S DESK THIS WEEK

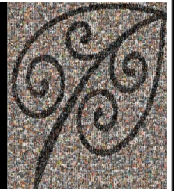
Kia Ora Koutou e te Whanau. Talofa, Kumasta

WHAKAKĀHORETIA TE KAIKIRI.
KOTAHĪ ANŌ TĀTOU I ROTO I TE KARAITI.

**SAY NO TO RACISM.
WE ARE ONE IN CHRIST.**



SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK
TE MĀHŪ O TE WHĀNĀ
4-10 SEPTEMBER
www.caritas.org.nz



**We wish you and
your loved ones a
Blessed Holy Week
and a
Joyful Easter!**

Thank you for journeying through Lent with our Caritas Resources. During the five weeks we and the students have looked at Challenges, and how they exist to be overcome! Being Transformed and how love transforms the ordinary into the extraordinary. Living Water and how Jesus' heart is to forgive, Jesus' heart is mercy, Jesus' heart is to love first. Being Restored and how we are asked to restore hope to our young people, help the old, be open to the future and spread love. Finally New Life, how we can use our words, hands and feet to bring love, joy and hope and the promise of New Life through the resurrection to all those we meet.

May this journey have brought you thinking about your personal relationship with Jesus and how his love for you is always waiting for your response.

Jesus's journey towards his death and resurrection is a key moment in history. On the surface, it seems to be one of pain, sadness and despair. But a deeper look shows that it is one of hope and, ultimately, love. The cross reminds us that love always triumphs over death.

Each act of love that we accomplish is a small victory of love over death. Imagine if everyone across the world came together and did this what a difference this would make!

Term One Reflection: In the Learning Environments it has been rewarding to see the evidence of learning that is conceptual and integrated across the curriculum. For example - chicken writing, observations, maths, reading, art and science. Maths in PE as learning about number is explored. Climate Change used as a concept being through Math, Reading, Writing and taken into Technology and Science.

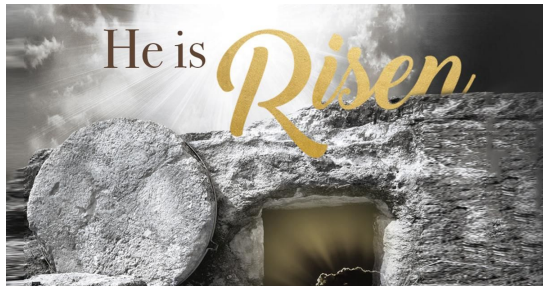
Our school activities - Tryathlon, Swimming Events, being so well supported by parents and caregivers who want to engage and help the Teachers has been a real highlight. Seeing our parents connecting with each other in and around the school day gives our tamariki the message that we care about them and that learning is very important - important enough to set an adult activity aside for. Thank you.

Looking forward - To more professional development about the new Curriculum Refresh, with the TOD on April 24th. This is a Ministry granted day. We will be spending the day with the New Zealand Curriculum Design Institute as our facilitators and St Joseph's will be hosting four other schools. Other events include Anzac, Sevens Rugby, Out of School Sports, Leadership day for Year 8's, Life Education, Cross Country and Class Photos.

Have a Blessed Easter. I'm looking forward to connecting with my Hawkes Bay grandchildren now the road is open! It has been ten weeks now and we are a bit desperate! Ma te wa - Suzanne.



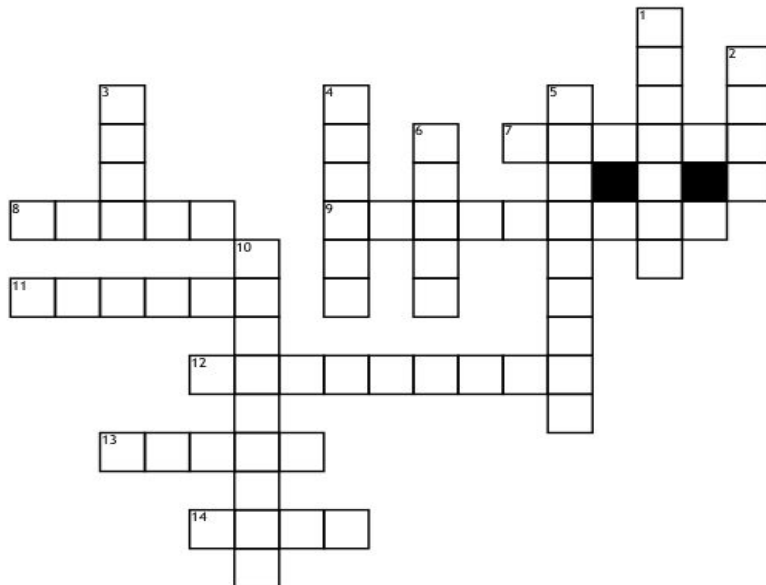
Religious Education



9th April Easter Sunday

The invitation of Jesus is to go to Galilee and there 'they will see me'. It's the same invitation he gives to us. 'Galilee' can be the neighbourhood, the family, the prayer space, the poor, and the many moments we find ourselves aware of Jesus' presence. Prayer is one of them; prayer will heighten our awareness of times we met the Lord. Go back in your own memory to when God was close, and be grateful. Allow God in prayer to tell you to 'go and see'.

Matthew 28: 1-10



Across

- 7. the day Jesus rose from the dead.
- 8. Who are the followers of the Savior?
- 9. Who are the followers are Christ?
- 11. what the ladies brought to the tomb.
- 12. we are _____ in Christ.

- 13. we _____ that Jesus is real.
- 14. Where was His body placed?

Down

- 1. _____ 28: 1-10
- 2. Who is the mother of the Savior?
- 3. What the ladies brought to the tomb.

- 4. the day in which Catholics go to church
- 5. the world was filled with _____ when Jesus rose.
- 6. who is the Savior of the world.
- 10. when Jesus went to Heaven, it was the _____.

PARISH NEWS

OUR PRIESTLY ROLE AS MEN - A ONE DAY CONFERENCE FOR ALL MEN

Saturday 13th May Church of the Holy Angels Matamata 9.00am -3.30pm. Lunch provided/cost koha. Enrolments:

dave.colquhoun@xtra.co.nz ph 0278848408.

NEWS

WAIKATO FULL PRIMARY SWIMMING:

After our keen swimmers went to the Catholic Swimming event, Cameron Downey, Ivy Larsen and Fern Kersel-Stubbs went to the Waikato Full Primary event.

A parent commented “ Great experience, some speedy swimmers but definitely are not being left in their dust”



Look closely at the staff room Prayer table. What can you see to do with Easter?
Thank you Sharon Mason for giving our table a joosh up!



Here are our New Entrants and Year One's having painted a background and used masking tape to make the crosses.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

BAPTISM:

There are a number of children in our school who were planning to be Baptised when Covid struck. Some of our parents even attended the classes, but did not get around to making a date for the Baptism to happen due to Covid restrictions. This situation needs attention.

It needs attention next term before the Sacramental Programme of First Holy Communion and Confirmation gets underway in Term 3.

If your wish is to have your child Baptised, or you would like to know more, please contact myself via suzanne@stjosephk.school or Father Rico at the presbytery - phone 07 878 6417. (Leave a message)



ARSON AT THE SCHOOL:

A group of young teenagers set the cubby holes on the Kahikatea Deck alight on Saturday afternoon. A huge thank you to Michael and Brenda Grainger who pretty much were local heroes. If Michael had not decided to do the rubbish on Saturday instead of his usual Sunday the situation would have been so different now. Thank you Michael. I also would like to thank the neighbours of the school who acted so quickly and informing the Police and Fire Brigade.



FUNDRAISING:

The sponsorship for the children of Cyclone Gabrielle brought in \$804.70

The children were sponsored to complete the Tryathlon. This is an amazing effort and we will continue to update you as to what/who and where the NZ Catholic Principals have gifted the monies.

Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser. ? Hot Cross Bun packets were sold, bringing in a profit of that will directly help renew the bark in our playground. Thank you Pip Kirkland and her team for organising this.

Remember the new way of fundraising now. See the School Shop on the website www.stjosephk.school.nz for details. All you need to do is fill out a form for the BOT and book a time to fundraise. We have two firewood raffles coming next term as well.

SHEARING CHAMPIONSHIPS

St Joseph's attended the Shearing Championships in Te Kuiti last Friday. The whole school walked to the Les Munro. A big shout out to Craig Fagan and Ngahuia Salmond who were amazing!

Together they spoke to our children in small groups, from a shearer and a woolhandler perspective (Ngahuia had made the semifinals in the woolhandling section). We are so grateful that local connections to St Joseph's still want to keep giving back to our students.

Keryn Herbert (Rikki's Mum) is going to Scotland in June, representing the Cook Island Shearing Team. Well done Keryn.

Here are a few pics below of the day - you may recognise some!

Devin Ball



Josh Balme



PLEASE TAKE NOTE

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Just a reminder that our school lunch order form is available on our school website. Follow this link to print one off. Lunches can be ordered on Tuesdays and Fridays.

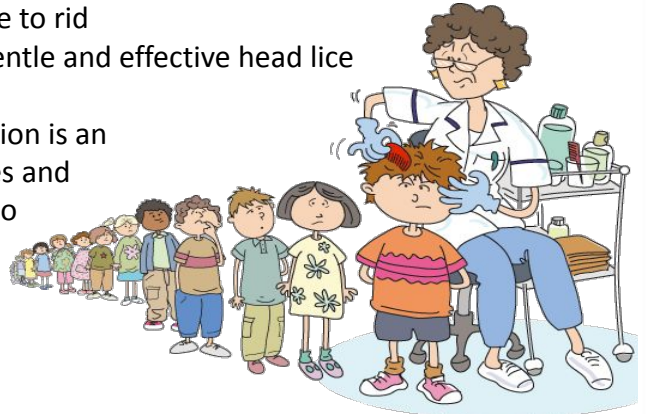
[School lunch order form](#)



HEAD LICE

It seems these little critters are ever present. Please check your children's hair for signs of headlice. The District Nurse has a brand new user friendly product to use to rid the hair of head lice. HealthE Dimethicone 4% Lotion is very gentle and effective head lice treatment.

Unlike other head lice treatment, HealthE Dimethicone 4% Lotion is an odourless, non-chemical lotion that does not contain pesticides and can be used on all hair types and multiple times because lice do not become resistant to this type of formulation. Please contact us if you need some of the product.



MOBILE DENTAL UNIT

Please take note that the mobile dental unit is at Pukenui School at the moment. They are due to remain there for a while yet. Please contact them on 021 487 914 if your student need to see them urgently.

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

Please ensure that the contact information we have on file for you, is the most recent. It is very important that we are able to reach you in case of an emergency. Please email the office with your most recent contact information. Thank you.



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS - KIWI KIDS CLUB

The Kiwi Kids Club at the Anglican Church Hall open Mon to Friday from 7am to 5.45pm ages from 5 to 13 years Winz subsidy available. I will be putting on a van to pick up TeKuiti children's limited seats pickups about 8-830am drop offs 5pm. Our programme is Ten pin bowling, Waingaro Hot Springs. Leap Trampoline laser tag and trap, Hamilton Zoo, Menz Shed. TeAwamutu Movies, Jewellery making, Technology and McDonalds, Carnival Day To enroll your child for what days you need contact Wiggs 021491616

FUNDRAISING - RAFFLE TICKETS FOR SALE!! [FOLLOW THIS LINK](#)

Mongoose 2021 Switchback Expert MTB Medium



Infused with over 40 years of experience and pedigree, the Switchback was designed with everything a rider needs to take on single track trails or put in mile after mile on crushed gravel paths – all at an excellent value.

Features:

- The Switchback Expert is a ultra-comfortable, well-rounded hardtail MTB perfect for newcomers to trail riding. Suggested rider height by size: SM: 5'2" – 5'6", MD: 5'5" – 5'10", LG: 5'9" – 6'2.
- Lightweight, stiff Tectonic T1 aluminium frame with replaceable dropout hanger and internal cable routing for clean lines and added protection.
- Shimano Altus 2 x 9 drivetrain with 3-piece Shimano aluminium cranks.
- Xposure 80mm travel fork with steel steerer lockout.
- 27.5" x 2.1" Kenda tires on aluminium double wall rims with Shimano BR-EF505 hydraulic disc brakes offer superior stopping power on all riding conditions.

Size Chart

2021 Switchback Expert MTB

Wheel size (Inch)	Frame Size	Height Range (cm)
27.5	S	157 - 167
27.5	M	165 - 177
27.5	L	175 - 188

This is a brand new bike we sourced from the ANZ School Rewards Programme when it closed in 2021. The bike was provided by Torpedo 7 in Hamilton. It is worth approximately NZ\$700.00

Last day to purchase tickets has been extended to 5th May 2023



First Reading

Acts 10:34,37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The word of the Lord

Psalm 117 (118): 1-2,16-17,22-23

R: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The word of the Lord

Gospel

Matthew 28:1-10

After the sabbath, and towards dawn on the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala and the other Mary went to visit the sepulchre. And all at once there was a violent earthquake, for the angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled away the stone and sat on it. His face was like lightning, his robe white as snow. The guards were so shaken, so frightened of him, that they were like dead men. But the angel spoke; and he said to the women, 'There is no need for you to be afraid. I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said he would. Come and see the place where he lay, then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him." Now I have told you.' Filled with awe and great joy the women came quickly away from the tomb and ran to tell the disciples.

And there, coming to meet them, was Jesus. 'Greetings' he said. And the women came up to him and, falling down before him, clasped his feet. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers that they must leave for Galilee; they will see me there.'

The Gospel of the Lord

'He is not here, for he has risen, as he said he would.'



Readings for next week: Divine Mercy Sunday

First reading Acts 2:42-47

Psalm 117 (118): 2-4,13-15,22-24

Second Reading 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel John 20: 19-31

