



Striving for Excellence
In the Marist Tradition

St Mary's Catholic School

Putāruru

Tumuaki – Mrs Jenny MacKenzie

NEWSLETTER

16th November 2023

Mai i te Kōpae ki te Urupa, tātou ako tonu ai

From the cradle to the grave we are forever learning

MARIST

Excellence in learning and behaviour

We work hard

Kia mahi tahi tatou

ATTITUDE

Positive can-do attitude

We don't give up

Ngakau rekatou



RESPECT

Consideration for ourselves,
others

And the environment

We are caring and helpful

Manackitanaatou

YES

Yes to following in the footsteps of Jesus

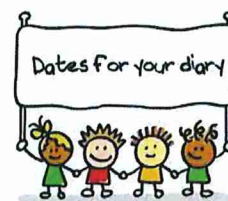
We say Yes to doing the right thing

Kia mahi pono tahi tatou kit e mahi
fikatou

FRUIT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT - JOY - TERM 4

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

20th Nov	-	Teacher Only Day (no school)
21 st Nov	-	Interschool Athletics
22 nd Nov	-	School Disco 5:30 – 7:30pm
28 th Nov	-	Year 5/6 Beach Trip
30 th Nov	-	Flower Show / Grandparent Day
3 rd Dec	-	School Mass @ 9:30am
4-8 th Dec	-	Deck the Hall
6 th Dec	-	Fun day for the middle school
11 th Dec	-	Neighbours Concert
12 th Dec	-	End of Year prize giving & Liturgy @ 6:30pm
13th Dec	-	END OF TERM 3 (school finishes at usual time)



Please note, we are having a Teacher Only Day (no school) on Monday 20th November. Our teachers will be having a “Professional Development Day” for the maths programme for 2024

LIGHTHOUSE YOUTH GROUP

Lighthouse Youth Group Friday 3rd November 6:30-8:00pm in the Parish Centre. All 8-13 year olds are welcome. Please phone Angelina 07 882 1331 for more information if needed.



LIBRARY BOOKS

No more library books will be able to be taken out of the library from the 20th November. This is due to our annual stock take having to be completed.

Please ensure that ALL library books are returned before that date – thank you for your attention to this.



SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP

Our Social Justice Group are running a raffle to raise money for Kids In Need Waikato – tickets are \$2.00 each.

ROOM 3 & 4 AC BATHS (TAUPO) TRIP

A permission notice has been sent home to all Room 3 & 4 (and the year 4's from Room 5) for the trip to AC Baths in Taupo. Can you please ensure that these forms are signed and returned as soon as possible. Thank you



GRANDPARENTS / FLOWER SHOW DAY

Grandparents are invited on the 30th November – A Liturgy will be held in the church at 10am. All grandparents are then invited to visit classrooms to see the flower shows. We would love to see you there.

YEAR 5 & 6 BEACH TRIP

A permission notice has been sent home for the Year 5 & 6 beach trip – can you please ensure that these forms are signed and returned to school as soon as possible. Thank you.

SCHOOL MASS

Our School Mass is on Sunday 3rd December at 9:30am. Please ensure that your child/ren are in their full school uniform for this.



CHRISTMAS FLOAT PARADE

This year the Christmas Parade is on Friday 8th December. We will be entering two floats, will will have a Nativity Scene and the other will be Christmas Around The World.

We would appreciate some offers of help to decorate our floats – if you are able to assist, can you please let Sandra, in the office, know as soon as possible.

PRIDE IN PUTARURU PRESENTS

**PUTARURU CHRISTMAS PARADE
& CHRISTMAS
IN THE PARK WITH MARKETS**

GLENSHEA PARK, FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER - 6PM

**ARE YOU A SINGER/ BAND /
PERFORMER?**

**AND ARE AVAILABLE ON THE FRIDAY
8TH DECEMBER TO PERFORM AT THE
CHRISTMAS MARKETS AT GLENSHEA
PARK?**

IF THIS IS YOU!

**CONTACT:
INFO@PRIDEINPUTARURU.COM**

FOR MORE DETAILS

St Mary's School Disco

Wednesday 22nd
November



Junior Years 1-4 ... 5:30 – 6:30pm

Senior Years 5-8 ... 6:30 – 7:30pm

Location – St Mary's School Hall

Gold coin entry



Food for sale:

Fizzy Drinks - \$1.00

Popcorn - \$1.00

Mixed Lollies - \$2.00

Ice Blocks - \$50c

Theme

Favourite Sports

(eg, event/person/code)

All



students must be dropped off and picked up outside the school hall

TOUCH DRAW

This will be emailed out as soon as it's received.

TOUCH TEAMS

Year 7 & 8 - Touch Teams					
Red		Green		Orange	
CAMPBELL	Greer	BARRY	Noah	BATSON	Caleb
CASSELS	Brianna	BEAZLEY	Jaco	CLARK	Caleb
FARRELL	Toby	CHERRY	Eden-Dawn	DEIPARINE	Joy
HAYWARD	Thomas	CHRISTENSEN	Toby	GUNAWARDHANA	Lithula
HENARE	Myriah	McCHLERY	Ciara	LLUBIT	Bianca
McGUIRE	Liam	PRIESTLEY	TJ	McCHLERY	Orla
NEGI	Divyanshu	WALSH	Charlotte	ROSE-SPRAGG	Aiden
SUTTON	Alex	WERAHIKO	Jahdyn	ROSE-SPRAGG	Aliesha
TE WHAITI	Maz			WERAHIKO	Carlos
VAN DER HEYDEN	Korben				
Coach - Kirby		Coach - Waylon		Parent - Sarah Clark	

Year 5 & 6 - Touch Teams			
Blue		Purple	
BEGBIE	Ava	ANDREWS	Lola
CHERRY	Allura	CROKE	Fionn
COLMAN	Hannah	HYSLOP	Max
FARRELL	Octavia	McNICHOLL	Sofia
HENARE	Scarlet	OGLE	Lincoln
MANSELL-BENNETT	Caden	OGLE	Honour
NICHOLLS	Cienna	PRIESTLEY	Isabella
ORMSBY	Koby	ROGERS	Rebecca
PAKI	Hendrix	ROSE-SPRAGG	Violet
SIELY-CONWAY	Cade		
VAN DER HEYDEN	Ryder		
Coach - Tere-Anne			

TOUCH TEAMS

Year 3 & 4 - Touch Teams			
Yellow		Pink	
ANDERSON	Lyla	BURDON	Ashton
ANDERSON	Kaiya	HYSLOP	Lance
BARRY	Isla	JOHNSTON	Aurora
COLMAN	Caleb	LOP	William
CONWAY	Ruby	LOP	Charlie
CROKE	Cillian	PAKI	Ada-Dawn
GURUNG	Alvin	PATON	Bailey
LEAVAI	Molly	PERERA	Gavin
MATCHITT	Julian	STEWART	Isla
MONTERO	Clarke		
SHARMA	Hayaan	Coach - Tere-Anne	
STENSON	Quinn		
Coach - Justin			

Year 1 & 2 - Touch Teams					
Sky		Sea		Forest	
CHAUHAN	Ekam	ANDREWS	Arlo	BUCKLEY	Prisha
HUGHSON	Kenzie	CONWAY	Stella	CROKE	Niamh
McCHLERY	Tadhg	FARRELL	Sienna	HEAYSMAN	Lucas
PIKIA	Harper	MONTERO	Kheana	OGLE	Rejoyce
RATA	Denton	OGLE	Brooklin	ORMSBY	Lachlan
WELLINGTON	Ieshea	ORMSBY	Cooper	SIELY-CONWAY	Jaxon
WOODS	Harry	TEBRIO	LJ	WHITE	Emilia
		VAN DER HEYDEN	Harper	WOODS	Mikah
Coach - Blaze		Coach - Courtney		Coach - Malesa	

ST MARY'S FAMILY PICNIC EVENING

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29th November

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

We would like to welcome all whanau of St Mary's present and future to celebrate in a shared dinner to get to know each other and celebrate a successful year.

Bring a plate to share, BBQ available for use

Kapa Haka performance

Pool will be open - Bring swimming togs



BASKETBALL

**FUNDAMENTAL
ACTIVATION**



MONDAYS @ PUTARURU BASKETBALL
STADIUM

**IT'S NOT
TOO LATE!**

**6TH NOVEMBER -
11TH DECEMBER**

\$20.00 PER REGISTRATION

YEAR 5 - 9

LIMITED TO 40 SPACES

GET IN QUICK

REGISTER NOW

[HTTPS://WWW.SPORTY.CO.NZ/VIEWFORM/270314](https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/270314)

**Please make payment into
account**

06-0409-0062506-00

For more Information contact

Kirby 022 341 9096 or Lisa 0272 893 742





St Mary's Religious Education Newsletter

Week 6 - Term 4



13th - 17th November, 2023

Hamilton has a Bishop!

Father Richard Laurenson from the Diocese of Hamilton has been named the new Catholic Bishop of Hamilton by Pope Francis. The announcement was made in Rome at 11 pm New Zealand time on Wednesday, October 25. Bishop-elect Laurenson takes over the role from Bishop Stephen Lowe, who assumed the position of Bishop of Auckland in December 2021. With the recent ordination and installation of Bishop John Adams as Bishop of Palmerston North, all six New Zealand dioceses now have an appointed bishop. Bishop-elect Laurenson is expected to be ordained on Friday 8 December, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.



Important Dates...

Grandparents' Day
Liturgy

Thursday 30th
November

St Patrick's Church
10.00am

Whole School Mass

Sunday 3rd December

St. Patrick's Church
9.30am

End of Year Liturgy
& Prizegiving

Tuesday 12th
December

St. Patrick's Church
6.30pm

Putaruru Community Food Bank Roster:

ITEMS IN NEED...

Condiments, spreads, pasta sauces, toilet paper.

Thank you so much for your support!

- Week 1 - Room 1
- Week 2 - Room 2
- Week 3 - Room 3
- Week 4 - Room 4
- Week 5 - Room 5
- Week 6 - Room 6
- Week 7 - Room 7
- Week 8 - Room 8
- Week 9 - Staff
- Week 10 - Staff





33rd Sunday of Ordinary time - 19th November



Reading Summaries

- First Reading:

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31:

Proverbs 31 describes the qualities of an excellent wife or woman of noble character. The passage highlights virtues such as trustworthiness, industriousness, compassion, and wisdom. The woman described is depicted as a capable and resourceful individual who cares for her family, manages her household efficiently, and is praised for her fear of the Lord. This passage is often used as a guide for virtuous living and is sometimes known as the "Virtuous Woman" passage.

- Second Reading:

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6:

In this passage, Paul addresses the Thessalonian Christians about the coming of the day of the Lord. He emphasizes the unpredictability of this event, comparing it to the unexpected arrival of a thief in the night. Paul encourages believers to live in the light of their faith, staying spiritually awake and sober, rather than succumbing to spiritual slumber or darkness. The message is a call to be prepared and vigilant for the return of Christ.

- Gospel Reading

Matthew 25:14-30:

This passage contains the parable of the talents. In it, a master entrusts varying amounts of talents (a unit of currency) to his servants before leaving on a journey. The servants who invest and multiply their talents are praised, while the one who buries his talent is rebuked. The parable teaches the importance of using one's gifts and resources wisely in service to God, as well as the consequences of neglecting or misusing those gifts.



33rd Sunday of Ordinary time
GOSPEL PRAYER



Heavenly Father,

As we gather in Your presence today, we reflect on the parable of the talents from Matthew's Gospel. We are grateful for the reminder that You have entrusted each of us with unique gifts and talents, a reflection of Your boundless grace.

Lord, grant us the wisdom to recognize and appreciate the gifts You have bestowed upon us. May we approach life with a spirit of stewardship, understanding that everything we have is a gift from Your generous hand.

Help us to be faithful stewards, using our talents not only for our benefit but for the well-being of others and the growth of Your kingdom. May we be bold in our endeavors, knowing that You have equipped us with what is needed for the tasks You set before us. Forgive us for any fear or hesitation that may prevent us from fully utilizing our gifts. Grant us the courage to step out in faith, trusting that You are with us every step of the way.

May our lives be a testimony to the transformative power of Your grace. May the fruits of our labor bring glory to Your name and bear witness to the love and mercy found in Jesus Christ.

In times of challenge and uncertainty, remind us that You are the source of our strength. When we encounter difficulties, help us persevere with the assurance that Your grace is sufficient.

Lord, receive our gratitude for the talents You have given us and guide us in using them to build a world that reflects Your love and justice.

In the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Marist Students

Well done to these two students who have shown the Marist values to the best of their abilities in everything they do.



Gavin Perera - Room 4



Emily Loughnan - Room 7

