



# St. Patrick's Catholic School News

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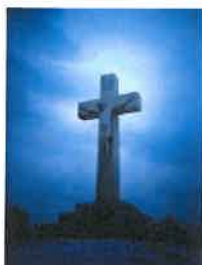
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**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**  
**2015**

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*Kia Ora Parents, Guardians and Children,*

## Today is Holy Thursday...

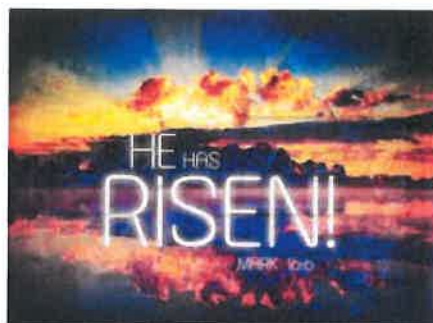
Today we recall the Last Supper which marks the institution of the Eucharist. The 'Mass of the Last Supper' is on at 7pm followed by an opportunity to pray with Jesus in the 'Garden of Gethsemane' as the Eucharist is removed from the church to the 'Altar of Repose.' Tomorrow is **Good Friday** when we recall the death of Jesus and we mark this by a solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion at 3pm – the time that tradition says that Jesus died.



**Saturday** is the day that we recall Jesus laid in the tomb and there is no liturgical action until the evening when, in the dark of night we mark the stirrings of Jesus

rising from the dead with an Easter Vigil Mass at 7pm.

**Easter Sunday** is the Day of Resurrection as the angel said, 'He is not here, he has Risen!' We celebrate with a 'Mass of Resurrection' at 10am.



## TERM DIARY

HOLY WEEK	
<b>Wk 9</b>	Thur 2 <sup>nd</sup> Apr : <b>HOLY THURSDAY – Last Day of Term One.</b> Easter Liturgy 1:45pm in the Church Mass of the Last Supper @ 7pm Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Apr : <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> Comm of the Lord's Passion @ 3pm Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> April : <b>Easter Saturday</b> – Vigil Mass @ 7pm Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> April : <b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> – Mass of the Resurrection @ 10am
<b>Wk 1</b>	<b>TERM 2</b> Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Apr : School opens for Term 2. Prayer Ass 8:55am CH : Stewardship Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> April : Beginning of Term Mass/ANZAC Mass @ 9:15am Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> Apr : <b>ANZAC DAY</b> – School invited to participate in Civic Service 10:30am
<b>Wk 2</b>	Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> Apr : ANZAC DAY Observance – <b>School Closed</b> Tue 28 <sup>th</sup> Apr : Prayer Ass 8:55am CH : Stewardship Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> May : Mother/daughters breakfast <b>Feast : St Joseph the Worker</b> – Combined Schools Mass @ 10:30am & fellowship together. Team 1 & 2 Assembly @ 2:30pm
<b>Wk 3</b>	Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> May : Mother's Day Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> May : Prayer Ass 8:55am CH : Stewardship Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> May : Team 3 Assembly 2:15pm

Please check the online version of the school calendar by following the link: [http://www.stpatta.co.nz/1/embedded\\_items/1-school-calendar](http://www.stpatta.co.nz/1/embedded_items/1-school-calendar) as this is updated as events or changes come to hand.

## A quote from St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

'God is comforted when we prove we are no cowards in God's service.'

19<sup>th</sup> November 1873



**St Mary of the Cross MacKillop.....**  
**Pray for us**

**Our Vision:** 'To provide 21<sup>st</sup> century learning in a Catholic environment which empowers children to strive for excellence'.

*'Empowered today for tomorrow's world'*

## ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards at the Whole School Charism Assembly on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2015.



### CHARISM AWARDS – “Empathy”

R1	Riley Wood	R5	Shania Holmes
R2	William Bowmar	R6	Olivia Wrathall
R3	Jarred Collins	R7	Jacob Gollledge

R4	Rachel Gleeson	R10	Jake Dolan
R8	Xanthe Johnson	R11	Daniella Krippner
R9	Alana Oliver		

### Annual update of our database & Cybersafety forms.

Please return to the office ASAP.



## ANZAC CENTENARY

April 25 2015

### School overnight remembrance Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April

From the red leaflets sent out 3 weeks ago....

To date, we have had 17 replies with only 4 families able to support this initiative.

Thank you to these families, however as there are only 4 families who are showing support and there will be organization needing to happen over the holidays, I have decided **NOT to go ahead with the Overnight Remembrance** but instead I invite you to participate by :

- Attending a Special ANZAC Day Mass @ 9:15am on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April.
- Encourage all students to attend the Civic Ceremony on ANZAC Day in school uniform to march from the RSA at 10:30am.

### MATHLETICS..... Free Parent Access!!!

You can register for free parent access so you can view your child's progress and certificates.

- Visit [www.mathletics.co.nz/parent](http://www.mathletics.co.nz/parent)
- Fill in the required fields and submit
- Record your username and password

All you need is your child's username and password.

Thank you so much for your support and encouragement during our **Mathathon Week**. Well done – total raised as of today is : \$1,100.00 (this is in addition to the \$20.00 Mathletics fee that has credited to participating student's accounts). We look forward to updating you with totals raised in Term 2.

### Vinnies - Easter Egg Drive!



A big thank you to all those who donated Easter eggs. Because of your generosity, and the large number of eggs collected, we were able to support both the Te Awamutu and Cambridge Woman's Refuge Centres. Your efforts have brightened up at least five families' Easter.

### Vinnies – Sausage Sizzle for Vanuatu.

A big thank you to those people who supported this venture on Wednesday – we raised \$304.50 which has been donated to CARITAS. A big thanks to our parish, St Vincent De Paul 'team' who helped cook the sausages and to **Simply The Best Takeaways** who supplied the gluten free sausages. Support our supporters at 'Simply The Best Takeaways'.

**Winter Uniform.** We change from summer to winter for Terms 2 and 3. This usually is 'no hats' but while the sun is still quite high in the sky we will continue with these as an option. A reminder about 'proper' school shoes – they are to be leather, non/low heel and not fashion/sports shoes. The girls are to wear navy blue (below the knee) socks and the boys are to wear navy socks with the maroon stripe.

### Thank You from St Therese's School Houma, Tonga...

We were very thrilled to receive a gift from this preschool in Tonga that we sent funds raised by a mufti day to, via St Patrick's Catholic Women's League late last year.



Danielle and Erin are holding the gift.

## PTA NEWS

**School lunch roster...** We are always looking for people to help out for a couple hours on Friday mornings, please contact Maree Orr (0275 336 555) if you are able to go on the roster.



## SPORTS NEWS

**Swimming....** Following our School Swimming Sports, 29 students travelled to Waterworld, in Hamilton, to compete against other Catholic Schools. This was the next step in competition as the swim lengths doubled. St. Patrick's can be proud of this team of swimmers and their achievements. Our stand out swimmers were; from Year 8, Sinead Cooper, and from Year 7, Kate McQuilken.

**Te Kowhai Top Schools Games...** On Sunday the 29<sup>th</sup> March 12 talented Students drove to Te Kowhai School to attend the annual Top Schools Games. They competed against 19 Schools in 10 wet, soapy, muddy and challenging games. There were heaps of raffles and prizes won by a few of our students. We had so much fun and recommend it to other students. We came fourth place which is pretty good considering we came 12<sup>th</sup> last year. **Thank you** to our team manager Hayley McConnell and all the parents, Nicole Southcombe, Stuart Cockburn and Sue Freeman. By Kendall Payne & Sinead Cooper.

*Awesome effort kids!*

### Cricket...!



Wednesday Lunchtime was the final of our Inter House Cricket Tournament. Maungatautari and Kakepuku battled it out for the title and right to play the TEACHERS on Thursday at lunchtime.

The Teachers have been

practising but skills of the students have been steadily improving over this term.

**Rugby 7's...** What a fantastic day we had last Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March and what a riveting last game, St Pats 1 vs TAPS. As per the rules, in a draw the first team who scores a try wins, TAPS won. The event which was held at TAPS was the first 7's tournament this year with a follow up in Term 3. Watch



out TAPS because we are on your tail! A Big thank you to Shane, The Honda Shop, for sponsoring this event with gazebo's and rugby ball player of the day awards, and to all the parents who supported our players. Also, a thank you to Mrs Carr for taking us along to this event. We will see you all again in term 3.



God bless

Brian Belczacki  
Principal

## ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS

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### Mass Times

#### Weekday Masses

Wednesday to Friday @ 9.15am

Holy Hour: After 9:15am Mass with  
Benediction around 10:30am

### EASTER TRIDUM...

**Holy Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> April : Mass of the Last Supper @7pm**

**Good Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April : Comm of the Passion @3pm**

**Holy Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April : NO 5:30pm Mass**

**EASTER Vigil Mass @ 7pm**

**Easter Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April : Resurrection Mass @ 10am**

### Sacramental Programme Students...

Congratulations to these children and young adults who made their First Confession last Friday evening.

The programme will take a break over Easter and the School holidays and resume with the Confirmation component-10am mass and teaching session on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May.

Any children/young adults who have made their First Reconciliation/Confession but have not yet completed Confirmation and First Holy Communion are welcome to join us. Please contact Anne Poole (07) 870 2963.



#### Back:

Katrina, Caterina and Anne Tuigaiata, Jack Dillon, Gabriella Fernandez, Malachai Jolly, Torlesse Liddell, Sienna Overwater, Luke Sicklemore, Grace Armstrong, Jennifer Oliver, Sam Salcedo.

#### Front:

Madelaine Jolly, Seren Crowley, Annabelle Fielder, Laura Oliver, Olivia Dillon, Gwen Bos, Ruby Waugh.

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