

Focus for the Week: Gospel Luke 20: 27-38 Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the gospel reading the Sadducees tried to trick Jesus as he taught about life after death, a truth they did not believe in. Jesus' message to them was that those chosen to rise from the dead will be the sons and daughters of God and no longer subject to earthly rules.

Our resurrection is a gift from God to us, his followers. What a wonderful gift being able to live forever with God is.

Value Focus: Community Participation – Week 5

Famous Olympic Games revivalist, Pierre de Coubertin once said, "It is not the winning that counts, but the taking part." So what then is taking part? Is it showing up, honouring ourselves and our team mates and the opposition by giving our best effort and sportsmanship? Certainly these elements are vital, but we can look beyond the actual playing of sport (or any community-based activity for that matter) to the organisation that goes on before and after pursuits have ceased. If we are true community participants, we must be willing to do some of the behind-the-scenes work as well. Asking what needs to be organised, set up or tidied up in order for success, and doing some of these often thankless tasks, means we will gain some appreciation of what other do in the background. Such is the "glue" that binds communities together.

"Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once every three years, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in." - Unknown

Dear Parents and Friends of the School

Principal's Platform:

At this time of the year people are starting to look ahead regarding classes for next year. The 2011 school structure will be revealed in next week's newsletter. The process for consultation will be notified in a later newsletter. The classes for 2011 will be available before the end of the school year. **Once published no changes to class compositions will be made unless initiated by the Principal.**

I don't wish to sound like a stuck record, but I do need to know if your child is not returning in 2011. One child less at any level will make a difference as to how the school is structured. **This information is needed urgently.** I currently have a waiting list of catholic children wanting to enter the school next year.

Mass: There will be no Team Mass this week.

SPORTS PHOTOS Are available for viewing and ordering. The photos are on the back wall of the Hall. Should you wish to order a photo please complete a form at the office and enclosed payment in the envelope.

Last day for ordering photos is Wednesday 24 November. **THERE WILL BE NO LATE ORDERS ACCEPTED!**

Pat Ave Thank You: A big thank you to everyone who went to the 'Gathering of Scarecrows' at the Hamilton gardens last weekend. Room 23 were judged 3rd place and room 24 were highly commended in the public votes. Thanks again for all your support. – Sue

Sewers Wanted For Team 1 Nativity Play:

If you can assist with the sewing of costumes for the main characters, please see Dael Cullingworth in Rm6.

Team 1 Lost Property. There is a large amount of lost property in the Team 1 box which is not named including some brand new sandals. Well named clothing is also regularly going missing from classrooms. Please check carefully through your children's clothing and make sure that they haven't accidentally brought someone else's belongings home.

Many thanks, Team 1 teachers.

Celebrating Success: Congratulations to the following for their achievements:

- Congratulations to Kellie Petrin who swam in Te Awamutu All comers Swim Meet held on Saturday
She gained 1st 25 Free, 2nd 25 Breast 3rd 100 Breast Stroke, 4th 50 Breast, 7th 50 Free.
Overall rankings for fastest time 10yrs and under: 3rd 25 free, 1st 25 Breast, 6th 100 Breast, 13th 50 Breast, 26th 50 Free. Kellie also beat all her times for 4 out of 5 races, well done!

Lost:

- A bucket hat named Chelsea Lin – Return to Rm 15.
- A polar fleece named Liam Jamieson (or Lucy van der Hulst on iron-on-label). Size 8 or 10. Please return to Room 13.

Health Nugget for the Week:



TIP SHEETS!

HEALTHY ACTIVE IDEAS

This term we will be giving you two tip sheets that you can stick up on the fridge.

Look out for these coming home soon!

So stick them on the fridge and remember - Eat Healthy, Be Active and Have Fun!

Waterpolo Fundraising:

Carwash/Cake Stall - Reminder that after 7.30 and 10.30 Masses on Sunday 14th November the Marian School Waterpolo teams will make your cars sparkle for a \$5.00 donation.

Garage Sale/Cake Stall - To Be Held on 20th November. Reminder to bring any unwanted treasures to Room 17.

Juicies - On sale outside Atrium morning tea and lunchtime every day this week \$1.00 (Except Thursday due to Athletics)

Raffle - Waterpolo "Fun in the Summer Sun" raffle. Tickets for raffle are on sale outside Atrium for \$1.00

Out of School Music: Finish dates for 2010 are as follows

- Guitar Tuesday 16/11, Friday 26/11
- Clarinet 10/11
- Saxophone 11/11
- Flute Tues 9/11, Friday 12/11
- Violin Tuesday 16/11, Wednesday 17/11
- Brass 23/11
- Orchestra will continue until Week 9, 8/12

If your child wishes to keep their instrument over the holiday break please complete the form below and return to the office. All year 8 instruments must be returned by week 9.

THE CATHEDRAL ANNIVERSARY CONCERT will take place Friday November 12th at 7.30pm at the Cathedral. Tickets are \$30.00 for an adult and \$15.00 for school age children. A fantastic line up of professional artists from around the country will be present. Ben Makisi from 'Operatunities' is well known to many throughout the country. Other artists are Evelyne Bourton, Julia Booth, St Joseph's Maori Girls Choir, and Francis Cowan. Come and enjoy a wonderful evening's entertainment. Come and take part in building up our community, and celebrate our identity and the role we play in the city of Hamilton

Libraries programme to re-enact Battle of Hastings ... with flour bombs!

It's back! Learn about history while having an awesome flour bomb battle! Last year it was a Zulu Battle, this year it's the Battle of Hastings. Hamilton City Libraries in conjunction with Alf's Army are letting kids aged 5 to 16 loose with shields,

swords and flour bombs, all in the name of learning. The battle is set to take place on Sunday, November 21 at 11.30am at Innes Common (by the Hamilton Yacht Club). Parents and caregivers are invited to join in ... if they dare! But this comes with a warning – this is not for the faint hearted and you really need to wear old clothes you don't mind getting dirty ... really, really dirty! If you are interested, please register before November 14 by phoning 838 6839 or email compro@hcc.govt.nz. More information is on the libraries website www.hamiltonlibraries.co.nz

Kid's Language Club Open Day

汉语 *español* 日本語

Your child can learn Chinese, Japanese or Spanish in 2011! Join our open day for fun trial lessons, to meet the teachers and find about our exciting 2011 programme.

Saturday 27th November 11.00am - 1.00pm
Celebrating Age Centre, 30 Victoria St, Hamilton

For more info: phone 0800NZFUSION (0800693874) or visit www.fusionlanguages.co.nz

Relocation sale: 2003 Volvo S80 T6 tiptronic 59000kms, \$14500 ono. 1997 Mitsubishi Carisma auto 97800kms, \$4500 ono. Contact George 8437589/0210664749.

For Sale: A girl's pushbike with training wheels (suitable for 2-3 year old). Also, a small chest of drawers (suitable for a girl). Phone Carrie 858 2538 (evenings) OR 021 123 4017

Sausage Sizzle: This Friday \$1.00

God Bless You
John Coulam
Principal

Flyers:

- Sport
- Bulletin Notes for Changes to Mass – Part 2

Out of School Holiday Instrument Hire:

I currently have a school hire instrument and would like to keep it over the Christmas holiday break. I understand that this does not ensure that I will have a school instrument for next year.

I undertake to take responsibility for the careful handling of the instrument while in my possession.

INSTRUMENT.....

SERIAL NUMBER (engraved on instrument)

CHILD'S NAME.....

PHONE.....

PARENT SIGNATURE.....