

31 May

Focus for the Week: Prayer

Prayer makes us holy. It can make the naughty person good, the good person better, and the better person a great saint. Our growth in holiness hangs somewhat on how much we want to pray. In prayer we sharpen our wits against God. The desire to be holy as God is holy is felt by many in the worshipping community. To be the best person one can be is to accept the invitation from God to know him personally. Our response is one of love, and the more passionate that love, the greater the pull. Entering into the depths of God's holiness, preparing a place in the depths of our soul to receive him, is in essence a love story.

Sue Jones on Prayer – Marist Messenger

Dear Parents and Friends of the School

Principal's Platform:

I recently sent out with the newsletter the new Pastoral Plan for this Diocese, entitled 'Proud to be Catholic'. The Plan has three threads, Prayer, Evangelization and Communion. Put simply, communion is where everyone is 'singing from the same song book' so to speak. The plan challenges us to regularly to look at our prayer life, how we spread the word of Jesus through evangelization, and our commitment as one centered on the Eucharist. As a school community and as an important part of Parish, we too are called to reflect and act on each of the threads. Complacency is the enemy. If our prayer life is sound all else should follow. What is the place of prayer in your life? Do your children witness prayer in their daily life, or do they see it purely as something that is done at school?

Marist Junior Soccer Club

For those children playing Saturday morning soccer, the draw for the next four weeks can be viewed on the website, www.forcethree.com

To find the games, go to Waikato Juniors, Preliminary Round, type in the team name, e.g. Marist Mustangs and hit search. Please note that there is no Junior Soccer this weekend due to it being a long weekend.

No School Monday. – Queens Birthday weekend.

Welcome: We warmly welcome Alvin Rajan (Rm5) and his family into our school community.

Power Off: Due to work on the Admin block, the power will be off on Thursday afternoon as from 1:00pm. This means there will be no bell at 3:00pm.

Cathedral First Eucharist And Confirmation Programme

The next Parent Input talk will be on **MONDAY 5 JUNE at 7 pm** in the Cathedral. It is important that all parents/caregivers attend. At this meeting the second unit of work will be handed out. The topic is Reconciliation. If you have missed your family session please contact Andrea or your leader so we can arrange for you to attend another group this time.

Andrea phone 8566486 or email andrea@cathedralbvm.org.nz

Maths Games Evening

Home & School Partnership Programme

The second evening in the series is going to be held next week. If you weren't able to come to the first evening you are still more than welcome to attend. It is an opportunity to share ideas with other parents about how to support your child's learning in mathematics by playing family games and other activities. Light refreshments will be served.

Date: Thursday 9th June

Time: 7pm-8:30 pm

Venue: Whare - (next to the Cathedral carpark)

Co-leaders

Anne Stack, Nonu Tui-Samoa, Louella Diana and Evelyn Eron

Fieldays! HELP.....

I still need helpers for the Fieldays! Please contact me URGENTLY – Freda Grace; email f.d.grace@xtra.co.nz or 847 8727
 Alternative contact is Caroline Blair 858 3655
 Slots still available: –
 Wednesday: 7:30am – 1:30am x 4 positions
 11:00am – 3:00pm x 2 positions
 Thursday: 7:30pm – 11:00am x 1 position

Pies: Thank you for all the orders received so far. Keep them rolling in! Last day for placing orders with payment is Tuesday 6 June. Don't miss out on these yummy pies. You might regret it!
 Sheinping Dennis – PTFA

Pastoral Care Notice:

Re: Seasons for Growth Training.
 I am looking for older volunteers who would be interested in working with children through changes they may have.
 Full training and support given. If you are interested, please give me a call at school.
 Thank you - Martha

For Sale:

- Solid wood door and frame size 1980 x 810
- concertina panel door size 1980 x 2000

See John Groufsky – caretaker

Earthrace:

Great opportunity not to be missed! Come and see the Earthrace Boat – Raglan, Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 June, 2006.– phone 'Busit' 0800 428 5463 or www.busit.co.nz for details.

A big thank you to all sponsors for advertising, accommodation, food etc.

Parent Interviews: A reminder that these will be held on Tuesday 20 & Tuesday 21 June.

Reminder: Oral Communications Evening.

This will be held in the hall on Wednesday 14 June at 7pm. All welcome.



LiveLarge – The Ultimate School Holiday Experience (Waikato Institute for Leisure and Sport): Challenging activities for 11 – 13 year old girls and boys. From 3 July – 7 July. Activities are based on air, earth, water, heart and fire.

For more information, contact Shona 839 9909, or email shona@wilss.ac.nz or visit the web www.wilss.ac.nz

Lost:

- A pair of girl's school shoes. Black T-Bar with Pink lining and flashing hearts on the heels. They were last seen in the hall on Tuesday at lunchtime. Please return to Room 4.
- A pair of Lotto Soccer Boots left at Vardon Park. If you picked them up, please return to Simon Blanchett (Rm20)
- A Nokia cell phone with medical tape on keys. Please contact Simon 856 3313

Sausage Sizzle: This Friday - \$1.00 per sausage

God Bless You

John Coulam
Principal