



## Newsletter 3 Term 4 *Date 31 October 2018*

### Focus for the Week

**Let me see - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Mark 10: 46-52**

In this week's Gospel we learn of Blind Bartimaeus asking to be healed so he could see again. Bartimaeus had faith and truly believed Jesus would make him whole. Jesus heard his calls and healed him. Because of his faith, his heart and mind as well as eyes were opened by God's love and he followed Jesus.

Jesus offers his healing to everyone but we often forget to ask Him for His help when we are troubled, In faith may we see and ask to be healed just like Bartimaeus.

### Values Focus

**Value Focus: Love of God, Self and Others -**

Looking out for and after ourselves in the context of "Love of self" means not to have a selfish outlook but, an understanding that to best help others, we should have our own lives in balance. If we take the analogy of the flight attendant's pre-flight safety check, whose oxygen mask are we asked to attend to first? Our own. The reason being - if we cannot breathe ourselves - who can we help?

Likewise, we should be prepared to set time aside for our own interests, our own health and leisure, so that when we are called upon to help others, the perspective and assistance we give to others is our very best.

*"Take care of your body. It's the only place you have to live."* Jim Rohn

*"You should take care of yourself, because God helps those who helps themselves"* James Brown

### Māori Language Phrase

*Kāore au i te mārama.*  
I don't understand.

### Principal's Reflection

**Celebrating our Catholic Colleges**

Last Friday St John's College, Mr Steve Andrew and two senior students, delivered custom made tables for our students. These tables were the result of a year long technology project that involved the SJC students working with our senior students to design a brief, then to develop working drawings, and design and build three tables. There is one table for the inside of the Atrium complete with interactive game boards, and two outdoor picnic tables.





A HUGE thank you to St John's College, it is fantastic to be able to work with your staff and students on this type of technology project.

Yesterday Mrs Dale, twelve Year 8 boys and I attended St John's College End of Year Mass. This is always a special Mass celebrating the achievements of our local College High School. On Thursday Mrs Walters-freke, Mrs Vosper and a group of Year 8 students will attend Sacred Heart Girls College End of Year Mass. Congratulations to all the Year 13 students who are leaving this year and on behalf of the Marian Catholic School community all our prayers and best wishes are with you as leave to embark on the next exciting stage in your lives.

### **WOW - Year 7-8**

Last Thursday I travelled to Wellington and joined with approximately 100 other proprietors and principals of State Integrated Schools across New Zealand to meet with our Education Ministers Salesa and Hipkins. The purpose of the meeting was to reassure the State Integrated sector of the government's continued support and an opportunity to express our concerns. During the morning the Special Character of our schools was discussed and reflected on.

On my return to Hamilton I travelled straight from the airport to school to attend the Team Four Wearable Art Celebration. As I heard the explanations of each Wearable Art creation I felt so incredibly proud of our young people who were displaying the very values and Special Character that was being highlighted and celebrated in Wellington. Congratulations to each of our Year 7-8

students and to the outstanding teaching team in Team Four.

### **NZEI Industrial Action - Tuesday 13th November**

NZEI are planning a week of rolling one-day strikes from 12-16 November. Our proposed day is Tuesday 13th November. More information will be shared once confirmation is received. The key points being addressed:

Increasing Classroom Release Time (CRT)

Reducing class sizes

Increasing resourcing for Learning Support

Attracting and retention of quality teachers.

### **Resignation**

It is with regret I announce the resignation of Mrs Erin Sawyer. Mrs Sawyer has enjoyed the opportunities and experiences in her position here at Marian however, she has found it difficult balancing the demands of the job with her young family. Mrs Sawyer has accepted a position beginning in 2019 that will be a little easier to manage. On behalf of our community I thank Mrs Sawyer for her enthusiasm, warmth and strong curriculum knowledge she brought to our school and wish her all the very best in her new role.

### **Retirement**

At the end of the year Mrs Marie Montgomery will be retiring from her teaching position. Mrs Montgomery is a well-regarded teacher, who in recent years has specialised in Reading Recovery making huge progress with many of our young readers. On behalf of the school community I wish to thank Mrs Montgomery for her huge contribution over the past 14 years and wish her all the very best in the next stage of her life.

### **Outstanding Accounts**

We have over 150 families with outstanding accounts for various school activity charges. These charges include museum trips, performances, tech arts payments etc. The school has paid these accounts and are now in a budget deficit waiting on parent payment of these accounts. Your support for this is most appreciated. We have noticed a marked drop in parents paying for these as we have moved onto our Linc-ed system and rely on email accounts.



## Welcome

We warmly welcome into our school community Arael Rebello (Rm4) and family ,

## Full School Mass

Mass will be celebrated for All Saints Day, tomorrow (Thursday) 1 November at 9:10am. All parents welcome.

A non-perishable item for the foodbank would be most appreciated.

## Enviroschool Notice

Over the coming weeks/months you might notice a couple of the school gardens change.

The Team 4 Enviroschool group are developing a Mary Grotto garden by the main office block, Room 13 Enviro Warriors are developing a garden in the middle block and Rooms 15 & 16 are establishing a flower garden in front of their classrooms.

If you are a keen gardener, landscaper or even a builder and can help us out, we would love to hear from you. Please email the school office on [secretary@marian.school.nz](mailto:secretary@marian.school.nz) or phone 856 7515.

## ICAS Results - Spelling

	Name	Class	Result
Yr 3	John Alcantara	7a	Credit
Yrr 4	Tory Arnold	11	Distinction
Yr 5	Fred McKenzie	14	Distinction
Yr 6	M Matijasevich Irish Lee Niamh Hall	15 15 16	High Distinction Distinction Credit
Yr 7	Joie Lin Serenita Wijaya	22 20	Credit Credit
Yr 8	Finn Ryan Reilly Benefield Yashika Patel Tyler Bormans Sarah Hilton	22 20 21 21 19	Distinction Credit Credit Distinction Credit

## Bake Sale

In Room 13 everyone has worked on a Genius Hour project to have a positive impact on our school community. Georgia and Olivia have decided that they would do a Bake Sale to raise money to support families in our school. The money we raise will go towards the Marian Catholic School Welfare Fund and also to the school office so that they can have food for children without lunch.

The bake sale will be on Friday in the hall at morning tea time. The price ranges from \$1 to \$3. There will be a gluten free option. We would really appreciate if you bring money to get something delicious to eat.

## Dates to Remember

Thurs 1 Nov	Full School Mass – 9:10 <b>Twilight Concert</b> – 6pm
Friday 2 Nov	Bake Sale by Room 13
Wed 7 Nov	Markets at Marian – 6pm
Fri 9-11 Nov	Family Weekend
Mon 12 Nov	T 3 and T4 Athletics @ Porritt
Tues 13 Nov	<b>Proposed Strike Day</b>
Thurs 15 Nov	Kapa Haka Festival – 6pm
Mon 19 Nov	C.I.S. Athletics @ Porritt
Wed 21 Nov	Orchestra Trip
Thurs 22 Nov	Full School Mass Junior Discos
Wed 28 Nov	WFP Athletics – Team 4 Op Shop Ball – Team 4
Fri 30 Nov	Interscholar Athletics – Team 3

## Celebrating Success

- Congratulations to Jack Kneebone and Harry Ward-Crook who have successfully been selected for the "Hamilton A Representative Cricket Team. And to Luka Dale who has been selected into the "Hamilton B Representative Cricket Team".
- Well done to Joseph Rutene who has been selected for the Waikato Representative Under 10s Touch Team.





## Out of School Music Twilight Concert

Date: 1 November

Time: 6pm start

Venue: Gerry Sullivan Event Centre

Students performing must be there

at 5:30 for turning and warm-up.

They also need to be in full school uniform.



This event showcases the achievements of our students in the Out Of School Hours Music programmes.

It is a wonderful night for all families and friends to see how hard the children and their tutors have worked throughout the year.

## Ukulele and Guitar class

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### Marian Catholic School Sports Notice Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018

#### TOUCH

##### Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November

Marian Green vs Nawton Cubs @ 3.45pm @ Field 2B (Swarbrick Park)

##### Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November

Draw not available at time of publication

Steele Park Draw

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/steeleparkjunrtouch/Draw-1/151018#>

Swarbrick Park Draw (Marian Green)

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/swarbrickjnrtouch/Draws/181018>



#### CRICKET

##### Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

Marian Wizards vs Horsham Downs Sixers @ 5.30pm @ Horsham Downs School

Marian Blasters vs Aberdeen School Aces @ 5.30pm @ Marian Catholic School

##### Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

Saints United 1<sup>st</sup> IX vs Fairfield Int. 1st @ 10.00am @ Fairfield Intermediate

Saints United Dev vs Southwell 2<sup>nd</sup> XI @ 9.00am @ Southwell School - D

Marian Titans vs Hamilton Old Boys Hawks @ 9.00am @ Marian Catholic School

Marian Knights vs Cambridge Cricket Strikers @ 9.00am @ Leamington Domain



#### WATERPOLO

##### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November

Marian Sharks vs Southwell Makos @ 3.40pm @ St Peters



#### FUTSAL

##### Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

Marian Colts draw not available at time of publication



## LACROSSE



**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**

Saints United Storm vs CMS Tigers

@ 2.00pm @ Field 1



**DATE** - Morning of Sunday, 17 February 2019

**LOCATION** - University Fields, Hamilton East, Waikato

**ENTRY AGE** - Entry is open to all 7 to 15 year olds. (Based on age on event day)

**ENTRY OPTIONS** - Individual / Junior Team 7 – 10 years / Senior Team 11- 15 years

NB: Both team members must meet age requirements. Teams can be mixed gender (i.e boy / girl)

### **EVENT DISTANCES**

#### Individual

7 Years: Swim 50m; Cycle 4km; Run 1.5km

8-10 Years: Swim 100m; Cycle 4km; Run 1.5km

11-15 Years: Swim 200m; Cycle 8km; Run 1.5km

#### Teams

Junior Teams of Two (7 Years): Swim 50m; Cycle 4km; Run 1.5km

Junior Teams of Two (8-10 Years): Swim 100m; Cycle 4km; Run 1.5km

Senior Teams of Two (11-15 Years): Swim 200m; Cycle 8km; Run 1.5km

NB: One team member completes the swim, one team member completes the cycle and both complete the run.

Click the link below to register under our Marian School Group

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=31839&G=68060>

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