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# Newsletter 3, Term 3

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# **Focus for the Week**

Gospel Reflection: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 12: 13-21

The parable of the rich man is an interesting one as the two characters, of the rich man and God, are well defined and sharply contrasted. The man is full of selfsatisfaction, prideful vanity and self-indulgence. God's response is chilling. He reminds us of the danger of being possessed by possessions, being focused on things and wealth, rather than having God as the centre of one's life. The parable reminds us that we are called to rise above the material things of the world that keep us from being Christ-like. By setting our hearts and focus on Christ, we will grow rich in God.

#### **Charism Focus**

Our Charism focus for this term is LIVE COMMUNITY. At Marian School we are guided by the model of the original founders, Euphrasie Barbier and Marcellin Champagnat to find out how they acted upon the Gospel values and took action to live their faith in their communities.

They recognised God in everybody and in all of creation. Euphraise and Marcellin listened to God in prayer and through reading and hearing His Word. They reflected on God's Word and acted on it. Euphrasie and Marcellin kept talking to God and remembered that He was there to help them. They did what they thought was right, no matter what.

So what does this mean to us at Marian School? We can follow the model that Euphrasie and Marcellin began. We too can live community and keep working to make a difference. Being the hands, face and voice of Jesus with those we meet during our day.

Bring Christ into the World

The following story was written by Felicity Lewis, a Year 1 student in Room 3.

# Community

Do you know what unity means? It means we come together as one. A community is like a class. The community I belong to is the Room 3 community. I love the teachers in my community. What makes me happy is playing outstanding games. Thank you God for all my community. I love the fun games that the teachers let us play.

# **Maori Phrase for Week**

Mā wai te kai e whakapai? Who will bless the food?

# PRINCIPAL'S REFLECTION

E raka te maui, e raka te katau A community can use all the skills of its people.

# **Building our School Community**

Our charism focus this term is Live Community. With this in mind, we are planning to hold a Whole School Cross Country on Tuesday 27 August. All students from Year 1 through to Year 8 will be able to participate in a school cross country run. We will celebrate our Houses with each runner earning participation points for their House.

The top runners in Year 4-8 will go on to represent our school in various inter school cross country events. We will have tea and coffee available in the GSEC for parents to help themselves to, a couple of fundraisers

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for our netball AIMS Games team, and hamburgers on sale for lunch. Proceeds from the hamburgers will go to our Mary Garden. More information about this school event will follow.

# School Speech Finals - Thursday 29 August @ 6.00pm

This term we are extending our school speech finals to include Year 4 through to Year 8. Our Year 7-8 speech winners will go through to the Waikato Full Primary Association regional and finals representing our school. If your child is involved in our School Speech Finals you will receive more information.

# **Learning Discussions - Thank you**

A HUGE thank you to parents who attended our Learning Discussions held this week. These discussions are a vital link between school and home and crucial to support positive learning. They provide an opportunity to celebrate with your child their learning and a chance to talk about their next learning goals. Please do not hesitate to contact our teachers on any matters you wish to follow up from these discussions. Your attendance shows your support for your child, their learning and our school. Thank you all so much.

# **Congratulations Choir for Kids for Kids Show**

Congratulations to our Year 3-6 Choir who participated in the recent Kids for Kids Show at Claudelands. This is an excellent concert and a great opportunity for our choir to perform. I would like to acknowledge the role Mrs Judi Clark our Choir teacher takes preparing and promoting our choir.

Thank you so much for the amazing work you do with our choir. Thank you to the parents who supported our gorgeous children to attend this event.

One of our singers is Levi Christenson who also belongs to a children's choir called the Tron Songsters. I asked him to write about his recent performance with the Hamilton Civic Choir: "In the holiday's we performed with the Hamilton Civic Choir and the

Toronto Children's Chorus. We sang songs called Orange Tree, Humpty Dumpty, Pokarekareana and Nature Sings. My choir teachers' names are Hannah and Maria.



I love to sing because it makes me happy. The best thing I love about choir is how to use your singing voice in different ways, by singing different types of music." Levi

Check out Tronsongsters @ hamiltonchildrenschoir on facebook or their

website https://www.tronsongsters.com/

# **Teacher Only Days**

Friday 16th and Monday 19th August

Ngā mihi nui Debra White PRINCIPAL

# **D.R.S.** Corner



# **Adoration and Benediction**

Tomorrow, Thursday, all students will have the opportunity of visiting the Chapel with their class, spending time in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Later in the afternoon, the whole school will join together in the Cathedral for Benediction.

Faith Insights WEEK 3: 5th - 10th August 6th Aug: The Transfiguration of the Lord 8th Aug: Feast Day of St Mary of the Cross (MARY MACKILLOP)

Mary MacKillop was born in 1842. In Australia. She was a fine teacher, the founder of schools and the religious order, Sisters of St Joseph. She devoted her whole life to following Jesus and helping others, especially poor children. Mary spent time in NZ and the Sisters of St Joseph opened many schools throughout NZ.



Many people who knew her could tell she was extraordinary. Mother Mary radiated God's love and energy to everyone she met



#### **SCHOOL MASS**

Next Thursday, August 15th, is the *Feast of the Assumption*. A special day for us at Marian Catholic School. As a school we will join together for Mass at 9.10am on that day. A special welcome to any parents or parishioners who are able to join us for this Mass.

# **DAVID WELLS**

Our Diocese is sponsoring a FREE event for the public Saturday 17th August 3-4pm - *The Joy of The Gospel* in the Cathedral. David Wells is an engaging and inspiring speaker, who will be presenting this talk for all ages on sharing our Catholic Faith.

# Welcome

We warmly welcome into our school community, Caleb Wood Rm 4.

#### EPRO8

Our EPRO8 Year 5/6 and Year 7/8 teams competed in the Bay of Plenty and Waikato finals recently. The challenges were very tough and the competition gruelling but our students really did do us proud. Year 5/6 team came in the top 12. Our Year 7/8 team came SECOND overall - which was a wonderful achievement. Thank you to all the staff and parents/family who supported the children. EPRO8 has been such a fun learning experience we will look to

open this opportunity of Science, Engineering, Technology and Maths team challenges up to more students next year.



A big congratulations to the Yr 7/8 Epro8 team who finished 2nd (tied with two others) at the grand final in Matamata. This was the final for all of Waikato and the Bay of Plenty.

Kaylin, William, Marco and Finnula were fantastic representatives of Marian Catholic School. Living our values as they worked through some challenging tasks.

#### **Kids for Kids concert**

The Kids for Kids "Big Aroha" choir concert certainly was showing the love last Friday night at the Claudelands Arena.

With almost 900 young voices from around 20 Waikato schools, it was an experience of a lifetime for our Marian singers. (And the parents loved it too!!)

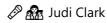


Jackie Clarke and Nathan King we're wonderful with the children and soloists were selected on the day to sing with the Stars.

Nathan King sat down beside our very own Ruben Wren and handed him his microphone for a sing along!

Fun, excitement and lots of laughs we're the order of the night. Oh, and a whole lot of singing! Well done to all of our Marian year 3-6 choir. You were outstanding and you made us very proud.





# Whanau Hui

Whānau Hui Te Whare Taonga Tuesday 13th August 5.30pm A warm invitation to all Whānau Māori at Marian Nau mai haere mai



# Waikato Catholic Kāhui Ako

#### Te Hui Ahurea

#### **Maori and Pasifika Cultural Festival**

DATE: Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August TIME: 10am to 4:30pm

VENUE: Activate Church, 11 Bisley Rd, Enderley Come and celebrate our Maori and Pasifika students as we highlight their culture through a day of song and dance.

There is no charge to attend, so bring your whanau and aiga. Food trucks and coffee cart will be available to purchase food.

# **PTFA Notices**

#### **PTFA Fundraising Goal**

We are currently fundraising for shade sails in the middle school playground. Help keep our kids sun safe by supporting the PTFA.



TICKETS NOW ON SALE!!!! Quiz night and auction Friday 23rd August. Enjoy a fun night out and support your

school at the same time. Contact <a href="mailto:marianptfa@gmail.com">marianptfa@gmail.com</a>
to secure your tickets. Single tickets \$25, Standard table \$160 (max 8 people) or Gold table \$200 (max 8 people). Be in to win great spot prizes or bid on one of our many fantastic auction items.

#### **Entertainment Books:**

The last of the books are on sale at the school office. Get in quick and purchase yours today.



# **Celebrating Success**

Cousins **Dallas Lee** (Room 7A) and **Keilana Lee** (Room 14) both competed at the New Zealand *National Karate Championships* held in Auckland on the 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> July. The tournament had the best fighters in different age groups competing for

national honours. Both fought really well and came away with the following placings:

#### Dallas Lee:

- Bronze medal in Kata for 7 year olds.
- Bronze medal in Kumite for 7 year olds.

#### Keilana Lee:

- Bronze medal in Kumite for 9 year olds.

# **Dates to Remember**

15 Aug	Waikato Science Fair
	Waimaths 4-6pm Southwell Sch
	Full School Mass
16 Aug (Fri)	Teacher Only Day – school closed
19 Aug (Mon)	Teacher Only Day – school closed
23 Aug	PTFA Quiz Night
2 Sept (Sun)	LC3 Mass

# This Week's Health Nugget



# Sausage Sizzle this week

This Friday - \$2.00 per sausage.



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# **Sport Notices**

# Marian Catholic School Sports Notice Wednesday 7 August 2019

#### **HOCKEY**

#### Friday 9 August

Saints United 1<sup>st</sup> XI vs CMS A @ 7.40pm @ GHC2



Saints United 2<sup>nd</sup> XI vs CMS Blue @ 5.30pm @ Fraser

Saints United  $3^{rd}$  XI vs CMS White @ 7.45pm @ St Pauls

Intermediate draws are available at http://www.waikatohockey.org.nz/Junior-1/Intermediate

# **Saturday 10 August**

Marian All Stars vs Aberdeen Celtics @ 12.15pm @ GHC2HA

Marian Rebels vs Hukanui Speedstars @ 11.15am @  $\operatorname{GHC1HC}$ 

Marian Strikers vs St Pius Arrows @ 10am @ GHC2QA Marian Thunder vs Tamahere Jnr Sticks @ 8.30am @ GHC1RB09 (Skill Session @ 8am)

Junior draws are available at http://www.waikatohockey.org.nz/Junior-1/Mini-Hockey-1

# **NETBALL**

# Wednesday 7 August

Marian Ferns – Draw unavailable, but as its your last day, you will be playing 3 mini games of netball in a Future Ferns Fun Festival Day.



# Thursday 8 August

Marian Pulse vs Fairfield Ferns @ 5.30pm on Crt 3 Marian Mystics vs Gordonton Dauntless Y6 @ 5.30pm on Crt 4

Marian Stars vs Templeview Firebirds @ 4pm on Crt 2

#### **Saturday 10 August**

Saints United 8A vs St Peters 8A @ 9.30am on Crt 13 Saints United 8B vs Maeroa Y8 @ 10.30am on Crt 14 Saints United Red vs Rotokauri Eagles @ 9.30am on Crt 8

Saints United 7A vs Maeroa Y7A @ 8.30am on Crt 1 Saints United 7B vs Melville Y7 Ferns @ 8.30am on Crt 7 Saints United Gold vs Te Rapa Raiders @ 8.30am on Crt 17

# **Tuesday 14 August**

Marian Magic vs TMM Rangatira @ 5.15pm on Crt 5 Marian Tactix vs Te Kowhai Angels @ 4pm @ Crt 5

All netball draws can be found at https://netballhamilton.org.nz/

#### **BASKETBALL**

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# Wednesday 7 August Marian Eagles vs TOA Aces @ 4.50pm @ YMCA Ct1



Marian Hawks vs HES Tuataras @ 4.25pm @ YMCA C+2

# **Thursday 8 August**

Marian Tuis vs Frankton Lakers @ 4.25pm @ YMCA Ct2

Marian Wekas vs Aberdeen Keas @ 5.15pm @ YMCA Ct2

Draw not available at time of publishing

# Friday 9 August

Marian Ospreys - Draw not available at time of publishing





# Marian Catholic School Netball, Hockey & Basketball Prizegiving 2019 Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September @ 5.30pm Gerry Sullivan Events Centre

Awards to be presented to teams, followed by a shared supper.

I would appreciate all parents providing a small plate to share on the night

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