



## Newsletter 10, Term 3

*Date 24 September 2019*

### Focus for the Week

**Gospel Reflection:** Luke 1: 1-13  
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Gospel reading is about how we should use money. The choice is stark-either choose God or make money your God. It is not possible to serve both. Yet the advertising media would have us believe that money, ever more money, is the key to eternal happiness. The liturgy invites us to reflect on who our God is. Which master claims our time and energy? By what standard will our life be measured? By our material wealth and possessions or how we behave as followers of Jesus.

### Charism Focus

Our Charism focus for this term is LIVE COMMUNITY. All term we have been focusing on ways that we can build our community of faith. Learning to be a supportive and loving community has helped us understand how we can help each other feel welcome, supported and included.

At our school, we work to bring Christ into the World. We need to stop, think and then act. Are our actions showing the love that Jesus showed? Our Charism of LIVE COMMUNITY has helped us to think about our actions and what it means to be part of a community. We need to show through our actions and reactions how we are and can be the hands, face and voice of Jesus.

When we listen, work and share our gifts with each other, and do things to help and support each other we can achieve great things.

### Maori Phrase for Week

Me tiki kawhe tāua?  
Would you like to grab a coffee?

### PRINCIPAL'S REFLECTION

As we come to end of Term Three we have much to **celebrate**.

Our Gold Card Assembly is a wonderful celebration of learning across the school. The class items were amazing. Sir Peter Blake Young Leaders Award - a truly deserving winner – Congratulations to Lavelua Kaufononga (Rm21), an absolutely beautiful leadership ambassador for our school.

Our AIMS Games results are to feel truly proud of, we certainly 'punch above our weight' with our GOLD win in Futsal. This more competitive sporting opportunity is an asset for our school and students. Thank you to both Mrs Nicole Higby and Mrs Katarina Dale. Last week Serenita Wijaya and Raphael Ferdinands both placed 2nd in the Waikato Regional Speech Final Competition. Congratulations to you both, I was so impressed with our School Speech Competition I am not surprised with this awesome result.

This term we have had excellent learning across the school including; outstanding assemblies, LC2 celebration of their Community Learning, flower gardens outside Room 4-5, LC1 wonderful 'Learning through Play' projects and 100 day celebrations, a whole School Cross Country, Healthy Hamburgers, school and Waikato Science Fair, Interschool Cross Country events, winter sports, extension art project, and ICAS tests. We have much to feel very proud of being part of such a dynamic highly effective Marian Catholic School. I would like to acknowledge our



outstanding staff and a HUGE thank you to our parents for your wonderful support.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Mrs Donna Meehan who had a nasty fall at school on Monday lunchtime. May God hold her in the palm of His hand and comfort her through her recovery.

### **CLASS ORGANISATION for 2020**

We are about to start our 2020 class organisation. We have a thorough process whereby each class teacher provides learning, social and behaviour information on each student. The Deputy Principals use this information to develop the class groupings. These draft class groupings are then shared with each Learning Community before confirming placements. Many factors are taken into consideration when placing children in classes. If you would like to provide any information about your child that may be taken into consideration please email Mrs Toni Walters-Freke for Years 1-4, and Mrs Anita Asumadu for Years 5-8. We would need these emails no later than Friday 18 October 2019.

### **CHILDREN NOT RETURNING IN 2020**

To help us with our class organisation for next year, please inform the school office or myself if your child is not planning to return in 2020 by 25<sup>th</sup> October.

### **LOST PROPERTY**

Mrs Debbie Anderson is reviewing our Lost Property procedures and looking to clear out all Lost Property by the end of the term. Unnamed items will be on display in the GSEC each afternoon. Please have a look and collect any lost items. All items left at the end of term will be washed and given to the Second Hand Uniform shop.

Please note: There will be **NO MUFTI DAY** this Friday as we will have a Mufti Day on the first Friday back as part of our Mission Day fundraising.

Thank you for your support this term in so many areas across the school. I wish you all a very safe holiday break and I look forward to welcoming you back next term.

Ma te Atua koutou e manaaki  
Arohanui,  
Debra  
Principal

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

### **Full School Mass**

This Thursday, we will celebrate our End of Term Mass beginning at 9.10am. Learning Community 2 (LC2), will be leading the roles in this Mass. A special welcome to any parents and parishioners who are able to attend.



### **First Reconciliation**



Last Sunday, a large group of students received the *Sacrament of Reconciliation* at the Cathedral. At present these students are preparing for the Sacraments of

Confirmation and Eucharist which they will receive in November.

### **Grocery Trail**

Next term as a part of our Mission Day fundraising, we will be having a Class Grocery trail. Each class will collect items of non-perishable grocery items and fill the space on the inside the letters, *Live Mission* on the senior courts. All of the groceries collected will be given to the Christian Combined Foodbank. This will be held on the first Wednesday of Term 4, **16th October**.

### **Mission Day**

On the *18th October*, the first Friday of next term, our school will celebrate MISSION DAY. It is a very special day in Marian School calendar- a day that all of the students look forward to.

It is the time of year when we are called to support our Church's involvement in Missionary work, both in New Zealand and overseas. As a school, it is our tradition to hold a Mission Day so that our students have an opportunity to be actively involved in raising money to support missionary efforts. This event supports our Charism in Term 4 of *Live Mission*.

For those of you who are not familiar with this day, it is a wonderful day with the older students running events and stalls to raise money for the Missions. Children are allowed to **wear mufti** and are asked to bring along a **gold coin** for the Mission Day



fundraising. Children will also need **small change** to spend at the stalls.

LC4 will be holding a stall with books, toys and board games, so if you have any of these at home and wish to part with them, LC4 would much appreciate it. Please bring these items into the school office.

God Bless,  
Nicki Whyte DRS

## Bereavement

We extend our deepest sympathies to the family of Namina and Marian Robata and Ioane Tabokaai whose much loved grandfather passed away.

## Online Photo Access – school photos

A reminder to order your class/individual photos online. Children were sent home with the Key codes last week.

**The FREE DELIVERY period expires at Midnight on SUNDAY 13 OCTOBER, 2019**



## After School Care Holiday Programme

The Marian School Holiday Programme will be running in the first week of the School Holidays from 30th September to 4<sup>th</sup> October.

Time: 8am – 5:00pm

Venue: The School Hall

Cost: \$32.00 per day per child

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We hope you enjoy the honey; thank you for your support,

Marian PTFA.

## Dates to Remember

26 Sept	School mass led by LC2
27 Sept	Term 3 ends
13 Oct	School photos - <b>Last day for free delivery</b>
14 Oct	Term 4 begins
18 Oct	Mission Day
31 October	OOS Music – Twilight Concert

## Lost

- A school polar fleece named Carter – please return to Room 14.

## This Week's Health Nugget

An infographic titled 'HUMMUS AND VEGE STICKS' with a 'Sport Waikato' logo. It lists ingredients: 1 can chickpeas, 2 tbsp olive oil, 1 clove garlic, ¼ cup water, and juice of 1 lemon. It includes instructions: 'Drain chickpeas and put into blender with olive oil, lemon juice, garlic and water. Blend well. Add more water if needed. Season with salt and pepper. Serve with veggie sticks or grainy crackers.' The image shows a bowl of hummus and carrot sticks. At the bottom, it says 'www.sportwaikato.org.nz' and '© This resource was developed by Sport Waikato 2019'.

## Sausage Sizzle this week

This Friday - \$2.00 per sausage.

## Family Weekend

Fri 15- Sun 17 November, 2019

All saints by the Sea Parish (aka St Thomas More)

17 Gloucester Rd

Mount Maunganui

Cost \$110.00 flat fee for the whole family.

For more details, visit

[familyweekend.cdh.nz](http://familyweekend.cdh.nz)

Registrations on line

## No Sport Notices Today

From the Team at Marian Catholic, have a great and safe holiday.





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