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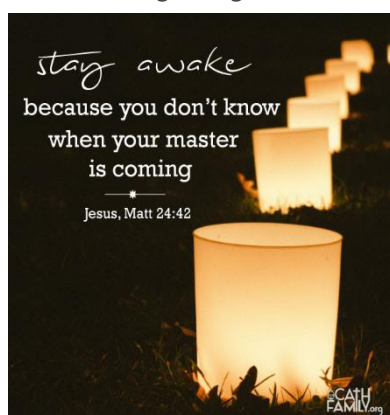
Date 4 December 2019

Focus for the Week

Gospel Reflection

Matthew 24:44

Sunday's Gospel is perfect for the beginning of Advent, as it suits this time of waiting that may end at any time. If Jesus returned tomorrow, would we be ready to face him? Or would we need more time to prepare ourselves? It is very easy to go about our lives and forget that Jesus will be returning at an hour that we cannot predict. Let's remember, and live our lives as if he is returning at any moment. In this way, we will not be caught out and will feel confident in meeting Jesus.



School? To show our faith in God to others in the way we serve - to be the hands, face and voice of Jesus.

PRINCIPAL'S REFLECTION



ADVENT - *peace, hope, joy, love*

As we begin the season of Advent ... we pray that peace will come into our world, our families and our hearts, as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

Charism Focus

Our Charism focus for this term is LIVE MISSION. This week we are focusing on allowing our words to show our faith. We have faith in God and we show this faith in the way we act and serve others.

Our actions will speak far louder than our words ever will ... We need to think about what our faith looks like to others. To keep that faith alive and thriving, we have to put it to use.

Live Mission means to live service - showing the faith we have by our actions. Looking for opportunities to show the love of God in our actions that benefit others. So what does that mean to us at Marian

THANK YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL PARENTS

As we draw to the end of the year it is important to acknowledge the wonderful support we have received from our parent and parish community this year. A HUGE thank you to each one of you for your support, and generous assistance in so many ways. Thank you to all the parents who:

- coach and manage sports teams,
- provide transport,
- help with supervision,
- assist at school events,
- are invaluable camp parents
- put away reading books
- outstanding music support
- PTFA and Board of Trustees members.



A very special thank you to our parish family, Fr Darren and Fr Matt, and Andrea and Lila for all their love and support throughout the year.



On behalf of the students and staff – thank you all for your time, energy and generous spirit. May God bless you all and your families.

RESIGNATION

It is with regret that I announce the resignation of Mrs Antonia Fong. Mrs Fong has won a teaching position at Endeavour School Hamilton. Mrs Fong has taught at Marian in both full and part time positions over the past fifteen years. She is a talented experienced junior teacher and will be greatly missed. Thank you Antonia for the contribution you have made to hundreds of students learning over the years. May God continue to bless you and our family.

GOLD CARD ASSEMBLY

Next Thursday we are having our final Gold Card assembly for 2019. I would like to thank Emma Taylor for her generous sponsorship of our Gold card awards. Emma presents each gold card recipient with a \$10.00 book token.

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Ngā mihi nui
Debra White
PRINCIPAL

D.R.S. Corner

ADVENT



On Sunday we began the season of Advent. Advent is a time of waiting – a time when we prepare ourselves for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, at Christmas time. Like our many ancestors before us, we wait in hope and take the time to prepare ourselves for the rebirth of Jesus into our lives.

MONDAY LITURGY

At Monday's Liturgy, the school celebrated the start of Advent, using the symbol of the Jesse Tree. Jesse Trees are a very old Christmas tradition and first started in medieval times. They are used to help tell the story of the Bible from creation to the Christmas Story. The name comes from Jesse, who was the Father of the great Jewish King David.

"And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots." Isaiah 11.1



HAMILTON COMBINED CHRISTIAN FOODBANK

At our final school Mass for the year 19th December at 9.10am, we will be presenting groceries at the offertory that will be given to the Food bank for Christmas. For the last few years we have collected special grocery items that could be distributed at Christmas time to families in need. Items such as: chocolates, christmas mince pies, sampler packs of biscuits, etc. Boxes will be placed in each room to collect the groceries.

God Bless,
Nicki Whyte



Ham Orders

Order sheets for our annual Christmas Hams were sent home yesterday via the Linc-Ed email.

Paper copies are in the school office. Please make sure that your orders and payment have been returned to the

office by 3:30pm on **Thursday 12 December**. Hams are \$52.00 each



LC1 & 2 Nativity Play

You are invited to the
LC1 & LC2 Nativity

"Topsy Turvy Christmas"

The show has been extended to two days this year

Thursday 5th December

Friday 6th December

Gerry Sullivan Events Centre

Please be seated by 1:30pm for a 1:45pm start

Gold Coin Entry

Marian School Holiday Programme

The Marian School Holiday Programme for 2020, begins 13 January, 2020

Cost: \$32.00 per day per child.

Time: 8am – 5pm Daily

Venue: Marian School Hall

Morning and afternoon tea provided. Bring your own lunch.

To register, see Mrs Coman in the Hall at 3pm or email mcoman@marian.school.nz

**There will be NO After School Care on
Friday 20 December.**

Saints United Trials - 2020

Saints United 2020 Trials

Basketball

4.15 -5.30pm on Friday 6th and
Monday 9th December

@ St Johns College (School
Gym)



Cricket

3.30 – 5.00pm on Friday 6th and Wednesday 11th
December @ Marian

Information sheets on both trials are in the School Office or just email me to get one sent out please. Please register your interest by email to me ASAP jmcintyre@marian.school.nz

Georgia's Dance Demo

Georgia is holding her dance demo for any students who are interested.

Monday 9th Dec

Held in the GSEC

Morning Tea – for **Yr 3 & 4** – Jazz Funk

Lunch – for **Yr 5 to 8** – Jazz, Funk and Contemporary

Please wear PE Gear

Dates to Remember

4 Dec	Community Morning Tea Cultural Assembly @ 1:30
5 Dec	LC1 & LC2 Nativity
6 Dec	LC1 & LC2 Nativity
9 Dec	Georgia's Dance Demo for those interested
10 Dec	Yr 8 Retreat Yr 7 Leadership Day
11 Dec	LC5 Waterworld Fun Day
12 Dec	House Games Gold Card Assembly Ham Orders due by 3:30pm
13 Dec	LC4 & LC5 Prizegiving Carols at Marian
18 Dec	Leavers' Ceremony
19 Dec	End of Year Mass
20 Dec	Last day of Term – School closes at 12noon

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Holidays

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Sausage Sizzle this week

This Friday - \$2.00 per sausage.

This Week's Health Nugget

GLOBAL FLAVOURS

FRESH ASIAN STIR-FRY

Ingredients:

- 1 tsp oil
- 1 onion, sliced
- 1 Tbsp soy sauce
- fresh or frozen vegetables
- choice of meat, thinly sliced

Brown onion in pan with oil and add meat. Cook for 5min then mix veges through. Stir-fry until veges are just cooked – they should still be a little crunchy. Add soy sauce for flavouring. Serve hot with brown rice or udon noodles.



CHICKEN **BEEF** **PORK** **FROZEN VEG**

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Science Box Christmas Workshop



SCIENCE BOX

22nd DEC



Christmas

SPECIAL WORKSHOP

For kids ages 5 - 12

Come and join our Christmas workshop with fun-filled Christmas science!

5-7 y/o:	9am - 10:30am 11am - 12:30pm
8-12 y/o:	1pm - 2:30pm 3pm - 4:30pm

LOCATION
Chartwell room,
Hamilton Gardens

\$10/child
Register at
www.sciencebox.co.nz

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Sport Notices

Marian Catholic School Sports Notice Wednesday 4 December 2019

FUTSAL

Friday 6 December

Marian Y7&8 vs Northern United U13
Juventus @ 6.45pm @ Hillcrest High 2
Marian Colts vs Predators @ 7.30pm @
Waikato Dio
Marian Brumbies vs Gordonton Avalanche @ 5.15 pm
@ The Peak Crt 2



<http://www.waibopfootball.co.nz/FUTSAL/Leagues/Waikato-Junior-DrawsResults>

FLIPPABALL

Sunday 8 December

Marian Dolphins – draw unavailable at time of publishing



<http://waikatowaterpolo.co.nz/competitions/flippa-ball/flippa-ball-draw/>

CRICKET

Friday 6 December

Marian Heat vs Horsham Downs
Knights @ 5.30pm @ Marian
Catholic School
Marian Blasters vs Te Kowhai Y4 @
5.30pm @ Willowbrook Park, Te Kowhai



Saturday 7 December

Saints United Prems vs Te Aroha Spartans @
10.00am @ Waikato Uni - 3
Saints United Development vs St Peters Prep Blue @
9.00am @ St Peters Artificial 3
Marian Titans vs Hamilton Old Boys Y7&8 Stars @
9.00am @ Swarbrick Park - 2
Marian Knights vs Cambridge Colts @ 9.00am @
Flagstaff Park - 1
Marian Wizards vs Hamilton Old Boys Y5 Falcons @
9.00am @ Elliot Park - 1

Draws can be found at:
<https://www.hamiltoncricket.co.nz/primary-intermediate/>



LACROSSE

Saturday 7 December

Saints United Storm vs CMS Buzzards @ 3.00pm @ Tamahere Park – Field 4

SPORT AVAILABLE IN TERM 1 2020

SUMMER HOCKEY – EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Friday nights at Gallagher Hockey Centre
Dates: Friday 28 February – Friday 3 April 2020
Kids 6 aside, mixed teams, ¼ field, 13 min halves
Grades available: Years 3&4 and Years 5&6
Cost: \$25 per player (to be paid in 2020)



Please register your interest to me before Monday 16 December 2019 at

sportscoordinator@marian.school.nz

CRICKET – TERM 1 2020

Friday Night Cricket – Years 1-4

8 a side game
Start date: Friday 14 February
Finish date: Friday 27 March
Games start at 5.30pm
Venue: Various around Hamilton
Cost: \$20 per player (to be paid in 2020)



Saturday Morning Hardball Cricket - Years 5&6

8 a side game
Start date: Saturday 15 February
Finish date: Saturday 28 March
Games start at 9.00am
Venue: Various
Cost: \$40 per player (to be paid in 2020)

Wednesday Girls Junior NPL – Years 7&8

8 a side game
Start date: Wednesday 19 February
Finish date: Wednesday 25 March
Games start at 4.00pm
Venue: Various
Cost: \$20 per player (to be paid in 2020)

Registrations close 9am Monday 3 February 2020

Forms are in the office, or feel free to email me and I will send you one.

A payment reminder will be sent when teams are confirmed early in term 1. Please do not pay anything now.

If late, there is no guarantee your registration will be considered.

No team will be registered to play without an adult to coach or manage the team. Please consider taking up a one of these roles so our kids can play!



WATERPOLO for YEAR 7&8 – TERM 1 2020

We are looking for expressions of interest from year 7 & 8 children wanting to play Waterpolo in Term 1. Games are played at Waterworld Te Rapa on Sunday afternoons, with a tentative start date of Sunday 16 February.

Cost will be approximately \$50 per player and will be confirmed once the team is.

We do require a Coach for this team. If interested, please let me know as soon as possible. I can not register a team without a coach.

A few key points to understand about waterpolo, and must be considered before you commit to playing:

You can't touch the bottom of the pool.

You must be able to confidently tread water, swim and play the game for at least 5 minutes without a rest

You have to swim to a ball, catch the ball (with one hand) and pass the ball

Please register your interest to me at sportscoordinator@marian.school.nz by Monday 3 February 2020

FLIPPABALL for YEAR 5&6 – TERM 1 2020

We are looking for expressions of interest from year 5 & 6 students (or tall year 4's) to play Flippaball in Term 1. All students must know how to swim. Unfortunately no information is available at this stage with regards to start dates etc, but games are played on Sunday afternoons. Cost should be between \$40-50 per player and will be confirmed once the team is.

Please register your interest to me at sportscoordinator@marian.school.nz by Monday 3 February 2020

FUTSAL and TOUCH registrations will hopefully be available next week.



WEETBIX TRYATHLON

DATE: Morning of Sunday, 16 February 2020
LOCATION: Waikato University Fields, Hamilton East, Waikato
ENTRY AGE: Entry is open to all 6 to 15 year olds
(Based on age on event day)

ENTRY OPTIONS

Splash&Dash 6 years
Individual TRYathlon 7 – 15 years
Junior Team 7 – 10 years
Senior Team 11- 15 years



Both team members must meet age requirements.
Teams can be mixed gender (i.e boy / girl). One team member completes the swim, one team member completes the cycle and both complete the run.

EVENT DISTANCES

Individual Age Group

6 years: Swim 50m, Run 1.5km
7 years: Swim 50m, Cycle 4km, Run 1.5km
8-10 years: Swim 100m, Cycle 4km, Run 1.5km
11-15 years: Swim 150m, Cycle 8km, Run 1.5km

Teams - Age Group

Junior Team of Two (7 years): Swim 50m, Cycle 4km, Run 1.5km
Junior Team of Two (8-10 years): Swim 100m, Cycle 4km, Run 1.5km
Senior Team of Two (11-15 years): Swim 150m, Cycle 8km, Run 1.5km

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Tri Kids 9.30am – 12pm

14, 15, 16 January 2020
University of Waikato grounds, Silverdale Rd, Gate 3a
21, 22, 23 January 2020
Te Rapa School, 61 Ashurst Ave, Pukete

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Cost: \$20
Register: www.sportwaikato.org.nz/calendar
(limited to first 50 registrations)
For more info: contact Melissa on 021 907 984 or melissas@sportwaikato.org.nz

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