



Week 9 and 10 Term 3 17th September 2019

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Weeks 9 and 10

Today's newsletter will get us through to the end of term. If there are any new notices we will put them directly on the app.



Thank you to those who joined us on Friday night for our annual quiz night. Thank you also to Jacki Clark for organising and running this event. You are appreciated.

This Sunday at 9.30 Mass we have 29 students being Baptised and 27 students having their First Communion. Please come along support our school during this very special time.

Have a great fortnight!

God Bless!

Jacqui Luxton



Our very excited group of children being baptised and taking first communion this weekend. They had a great time with Father Marcus who showed them what to expect and were able to ask their many questions.



School Mass

September 22nd @ 9.30am

This term's School Mass is really exciting as we have 29 students who will be receiving the Sacraments of Baptism and First Eucharist.



Receiving these Sacraments is a wonderful step in their faith journey and an amazing encounter with Christ.



We are wanting to help these students celebrate this day, so please make sure that you commit this morning to your family diary. Your child will have to be at St. Mary's Church by 9.15am wearing their school uniform.

After Mass we will continue to celebrate with a special morning tea with the community, please bring a plate to share.



Jesus 4 Real– 2nd of October –6th of October.

The camp is for Year 7, 8, 9 & 10's.
For those who need transport–
Cullinane have spaces in their van.
Please contact the school for details.

The cost of the camp is \$165.
For those where money maybe a barrier please contact Justin Harper at Cullinane College
jharper@cullinane.school.nz for assistance.



RAISING THE POWERS OF LOVE

GO AND DO THE SAME.

GATHERING:

Sit quietly and sense the Divine Presence that is in and around you.

Gaze at the image and allow it to resonate in you...

THINKING:

How do you usually show people that you care?

Tell about one thing a friend or relative did for you this week to show concern.

What do you do whenever you see people on the street asking for help?
Why do you think you respond that way?

LISTENING:

Read the story of the Good Samaritan Luke 10: 25-37.

Discuss or think about what you see in the image and hear in the Gospel and how it speaks to you.



The Good Samaritan (c.1920) set in Flanders by an unknown artist who borrowed the simple style of Gauguin's Breton period. Used with permission from Liss Llewellyn image and copyright holder.

RESPECT – MANAAKITIA

Manaakitia, manaaki, hospitality, manaakitanga, manaakitia action = outward act of giving, called to act in a generous, hospitable way

Respect (Manaakitia) is expressed in relationships where people work together in communion with God and one another, to bring alive the vision of “Love, Learn, Serve”. We are challenged by the parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37) to really understand the meaning of respect for other people. The Good Samaritan reached out to assist a person considered by society to be unacceptable. According to this parable, a traveller, probably a Jew, is stripped of clothing, beaten and left to die on the side of the road. First a Priest and then a Levite come by, but both avoid the man, passing him by on the other side of the road. Finally, a Samaritan comes by and helps the injured man – he reaches out in compassion for him and shows the true meaning of respect. If a Samaritan could be respectful to a Jew, and Jesus told us to “go and do the same”, then all of God’s people must be respectful. Here Jesus is telling us to follow the Samaritan’s example in our own conduct. We must be fully respectful of others, irrespective of socio-economic standing, ethnicity or disability. We are to set aside any prejudices we might have and show respect and love for those we encounter in our everyday activities. We are called to openness to the ways of God. God’s goodness to us and our goodness to one another can only have one measure: God’s love for us. This is his new commandment: that we love one another as he has loved us. (Luke 10:25-28).

A STORY ABOUT MARY MACKILLOP

A long time ago in Adelaide, South Australia, there was a man named Fagan who was in prison for a very serious crime. Some of the priests went to see him but he was like a raging lion when they came near his cell. He wouldn't talk to them. He became so wild that the warders had to chain him down. He screamed and yelled and behaved like a wild animal in a cage.

Mary MacKillop heard about him. Mary took Sister Felicity with her to visit Fagan in prison. The warders told them not to go near him or his cell. But Mary insisted that they open the door and let them in. Mary and Sister Felicity went in and simply knelt down and prayed. As Mary prayed, she began to cry. The tears poured down her face at the sight of the poor man in chains. Fagan was so affected by this that he knelt down and prayed with them. At first, he would only speak abruptly to Mary when she spoke to him. Gradually he began to trust her and became calm. As the days went by, Mary prepared him to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation which he celebrated in his cell when a priest finally came. The day after this, Mary and Sister Felicity visited him again. They were pleased to see that he no longer had chains holding him down. When the priest came, Fagan knelt down between Mary and Sister Felicity and received Communion. They all prayed together.

Fagan was one of the worst criminals they had ever seen in the Adelaide prison up to that time, yet Mary was able to help him. She believed God called her to help Fagan and, with courage in her heart, she answered the call.

PRAYERS/OWN PRAYERS

MUSIC: When I needed a neighbour <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ym8yOdCFGpc>

RESPONSE: Compassionate God, be with us.

- Open our eyes that we might see what the Good Samaritan saw. Grant us the insight to see the need in others, the wisdom to know what to do, and the will to do it.
- God of love give us a deep love for you, so that we can see the world as you see it, feel the compassion you feel, and be a people whose lives mediate your love to others.
- We pray for those we might cross the road to avoid, those who have been excluded socially because of their race, financial status, or history. May the dignity that is theirs be restored to them.
- We pray for all those people, who in many and various ways, have been stripped, beaten and left for dead. We pray for children who are growing up in difficult circumstances, especially for those starved of love or food, shelter or security. May they receive the future you have planned for them.

BLESSING:

Loving God,

Bless us with hearts full of compassion.

With minds that are accepting and respecting of all.

With hands that help those in who are in need.

With lives lived for others.



**The Good Samaritan
Vincent Van Gogh**



Prepared by the Josephite Companions Aotearoa



Duffy Theatre Fun

WHANGANUI SOFTBALL

GAMES
SKILLS SESSIONS
TEEBALL
SOFTBALL
SPOT PRIZES TO
BE WON

GIVE IT A GO!!
TEEBALL AND SOFTBALL

GAMES

**SAUSAGE
SIZZLE**

SPOT PRIZES

Saturday 28th
September
11am-1pm

Whanganui
Ballpark
Puriri Street

WHANGANUI
SOFTBALL IS
HOSTING
FUN AND GAMES
FOR THE WHOLE
FAMILY.

REGISTER ON THE
DAY!!

Athletic

Athletic vs Mustangs

1.30pm—Womens
Game

3.00pm—Mens Game



Room 10 Poetry

This term in writing we have been learning about poetry. We have learnt several different kinds of poetry as well as the proper use of figurative language and poetry conventions like prose poetry, couplet poetry and poetry with a stanza.

Whilst learning about the stanza of a poem (a regular rhythm) we got into 'Slam Poetry'. Slam poetry is a form of performance poetry that combines the elements of performance, writing, competition, and audience participation. Modern slam poetry has lots of deep, powerful rhymes.

Here are some of our slam poems that we have written. These are about The Sky, Money and Pollution.

Pollution

by Cyrus Houshang

Pollution is not the solution,
to the execution of evolution.

We need to take a stand,
the world will be a wasteland,
let's save the motherland.

Remember the turtles before its too
late
to stop their fate.

I fight for the turtles.
This is a universal hurdle,
we are not immortal.

We be burning coals,
we should be warning souls,
let's save the arctic before it's
departed,

Ice turns to water,
your daughter won't age long
because of this wrong,
Pollution ain't no solution.
It's an execution.



Toxic Earth

by Patrick Daignault

Pollution is not the solution,
to save our evolution
We need your contibution,
to stop pollution.

So we can save our evolution.
The plastic is drastic,
and we have trashed it.
It's not fantastic.

The air is toxic it is so thick,
it makes you sick.

The planet is destroyed, I'm annoyed,
I would rather be hit by an asteroid.
Than live here.

The animals have been bathed in oil,
now they are going to boil,
in the soil,
their death bed.

I'm fed,
up with this.

We need your contribution to save our
evolution.

Big Blue by Lucca Chant

Way up in the sky,
very very high,
people believe when you die you go
way way up high
sometimes in the night, you will take
flight.

Oh wow, what a sight,
when you take a flight you will fade,
into the blue, but no one will ever
forget you.

they will always love you and they will be
watching from above
the form of a dove,
nice and pure.



Money by Kaleb Grant

Through the generations,
money has mutated,
like the human race,
from dimes to quarters,
from quarters to coins
from coins to notes,
like that 20 dollar note
with the queens face, and her
coat,
with the signature, she wrote.
People get jobs to fund their
lives,
they strive to survive.
to feed their families,
to clothe their child,
before they expire.
It corrupts the nation,
causing devastation,
frustration at the deflation,
of our foundation.
Money

Money by Lawrence Florendo

Money is the honey in our tummy,
That gives us the power to tower,
Over the people who can't afford
a simple door,

Investment is the key to success,
Unless you don't want to be
among the best.
While others live in their mother's
basement,
We are building city pavements.

So get off of your PS4's,
and finally, open up your household
doors.

You may not know much about the
economy,
But getting a job is far better than
being
A homebody
easter bunny.



Money by Marina Cosford

Sometimes I believe,
money's a connection.
It's a misconception,
we need a redirection,
to get away from the powerful deception,
let it bring,
you to dept, we all need to prep,
have a plan set,
for when you can't afford,
you're gonna get bored,
of that breaking cord,
when you keep buying new,
soon, someone will sue,
You just can't get that nice hot brew.
Money will give you stress,
if you don't get that dress;
sometimes it brings success, but soon you
have less,
help me prove that money is unfavourable
give it that label,
don't push it under the table.



Every year we compete in the New Zealand Police Competency Test.

St Mary's was represented by Kyah and Lucca Chant, Tara Knight and Charlie Anderson in this annual test.

This test included:

- pushing a trailer,
- running 200m,
- jumping through windows,
- climbing walls and wire fences and
- dragging heavy weights among other tasks.

This was a timed event and St Mary's finished with the second fastest time of the day.

This was a superb effort as our students were unplaced in the individual event.

However Tara Knight did finish a creditable fourth overall in the individual girls section.

Eleven Intermediate Schools attended with Ohakune travelling the furthest.



These students were a very successful netball team had a very successful netball season.

They moved from the C Grade into the B Grade and finished a very credible third place.

Congratulations girls.

Catholic Schools Speech Competition



Congratulations to all of our Speech Makers!

You are all superstars and demonstrated great courage and skill!

Year 5 and 6 Competition: Hunter came away with a Merit, Elise a third placing and Lucy a second placing.

Year 7 and 8: Grace came away with a Merit, Charlie a third in the Impromptu Speech, Tara a third in the Formal Speech and an overall third placing.

They did a stunning job!



FASTEST KID ON THE BLOCK

WHO WILL BE THE FASTEST KID ON THE BLOCK?

- THURSDAY 31ST OCTOBER – THURSDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2019
- AGE GROUPS: UNDER 9'S, UNDER 11'S, UNDER 14'S
- RACE DISTANCE: UNDER 9'S : 60M, UNDER 11'S & 14'S : 80M
- BOYS AND GIRLS RACES
- WINNERS RECEIVE CERTIFICATE AND PRIZE
- FASTEST KIDS WILL RUN AT THE 2020 COOKS CLASSIC ON SATURDAY 18TH JANUARY REPRESENTING THEIR AREA
- REGISTER @ WWW.SPORTWHANGANUI.CO.NZ



FASTEST KID ON THE BLOCK

- HEATS WILL BE RUN IN 8 DIFFERENT AREAS AS LISTED BELOW
- UNDER 9'S : 60 M RACE
- UNDER 11'S & 14'S : 80 M RACE
- HEATS WILL INCLUDE THREE AGE GROUPS: UNDER 9'S, UNDER 11'S UNDER 14'S
- WINNERS WILL RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE AND SMALL PRIZE
- WINNERS WILL REPRESENT THEIR AREA IN A FINALS RACE HELD AT THE COOKS CLASSIC ON SATURDAY JANUARY 18TH 2020

WESTERN

- INCLUDES ST JOHNS HILL , WESTMERE , WAVERLEY
- THURSDAY 31ST OCTOBER
ST JOHNS HILL SCHOOL – 3:30PM

EASTERN

- INCLUDES DURIE HILL , PUTIKI, UPOKONGARO, WHANGANUI EAST
- MONDAY 4TH NOVEMBER
DURIE HILL SCHOOL – 3:30PM

CENTRAL

- INCLUDES CENTRAL CITY , ARAMOHO
- THURSDAY 7TH NOVEMBER
PEAT PARK – 3:30PM

SPRINGVALE

- INCLUDES GONVILLE , TAWHERO, SPRINGVALE
- MONDAY 11TH NOVEMBER
SPRINGVALE PARK – 3:30PM

CASTLECLIFF

- INCLUDES CASTLECLIFF , MOSSTON AND SURROUNDING AREAS
- THURSDAY 14TH NOVEMBER
LONDON PARK – 3:30PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT JODIE BRUNGER : 0211448944 : JODIE@SPORTWHANGANUI.CO.NZ



The Catholic Parish of Whanganui
Te Pārihi Katorika ki Whanganui

PRESENTS
A FUNDRAISING CONCERT

Chris Skinner

SATURDAY 12TH OCTOBER, 2^{PM}
AT ST MARY'S CHURCH, WHANGANUI

Tickets \$25 (or \$20 with Gold Card), Children under 14 free.
Available from St Mary's Church office, 1 Campbell Street.

A FUNDRAISER FOR ST MARY'S MAINTENANCE PROJECTS.

WE ARE COLLECTING BREAD TAGS FOR SOUTH AFRICA

These bread tags are bought by a recycling company and the money is used to buy wheelchairs for the needy in South Africa.

This is our service teams international focus. We are wanting to start the collecting here and encourage every school to take up the call. So get all your family members on board. It stops them from getting in our landfills and helps keep NZ clean too!

**POP THEM INTO THE
JAR OF YOUR HOUSE
TO WIN POINTS**



PIC-COLLAGE



SANTOFT Forest & Beach

Date: 26 October 2019

Location: Scott's Ferry, Parewanui Rd, Bulls

Distances: Half Marathon, 10 and 5km

This is a fundraiser for South Makirikiri School and is going towards astro-turfing the existing court. Once turfed, it will provide a safer surface for all sports in all weather conditions and will become an area where teachers can take students for year round outdoor activities.

SOUTH MAKIRIKIRI
SCHOOL

Enter
Now

For more information and to enter visit

www.santoftforestandbeach.co.nz

www.facebook.com/santoftforestandbeach



Attendance Dues Notice – September 2019

We thank all the families who have already paid or have a payment arrangement in place for their Attendance Dues.

- Attendance Dues statements are being sent by post in the first week of September, requesting payment of the 4th and final instalment for 2019, plus any arrears from the first three instalments and/or previous years, by the **30th September 2019**, if a payment arrangement is not already in place.
 - The instalment amounts are:
 - **\$111.75** for each Primary student (Year 0 – 8) and
 - **\$223.50** for each Secondary Student (Year 9 – 13).
- If a regular payment plan would be the best option for you please contact the Attendance Dues team – Marcy, Susan and Mark – **before the 30th September** to discuss payment options. Our contact details are: **0800 200 208** or by email: dues@pndiocese.org.nz
- One-off payments by credit card or debit card (Visa or Mastercard only) can also be made using our website: www.pndiocese.org.nz/education/dues.

Summer Uniform Time



- St Mary's Hat
- Navy and Red Check Tunic
- Black Roman Sandals

Year 1-6

ITS SUMMER UNIFORM TIME

Please help us!
Name things in at least 7 places.
That way we can return misplaced
items to their rightful owner.



PE Gear.
St Mary's T-Shirt
Navy Blue shorts



- St Mary's Hat
- White Shirt
- Navy and Red Check Skirt
- Black Roman Sandals

Intermediate

No
Hat
No
Play



Andersons Uniform Shop
184 Victoria Avenue, Whanganui

Open 8.30a-5.00p Mon to Fri
9.00a-1.00p Sat

06 348 9232
uniforms@andersonswanganui.co.nz



- St Mary's Hat
- Grey Shirt
- Grey Shorts
- Black Roman Sandals

Year 1-6

ITS SUMMER UNIFORM TIME

Please help us!
Name things in at least 7 places.
That way we can return misplaced
items to their rightful owner.



PE Gear.
St Mary's T-Shirt
Navy Blue shorts



- St Mary's Hat
- Navy Blue Shirt
- Grey Shorts
- Black Roman Sandals

Intermediate

In Christ I Can... Champions!



Inclusion

Courtesy

Integrity

Courage



St Marys School

In Christ I Can

Name: Rhys Scott

Room: 3

Reason: for being committed to & gives hish.

Rhys put in an excellent effort during cross country training.

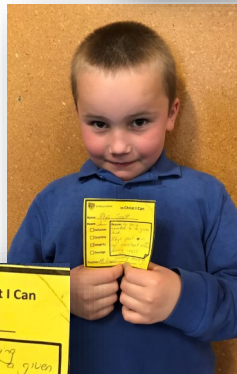
Teacher: Ms Lingard

☐ Inclusion

☐ Courtesy

☒ Integrity

☐ Courage



St Marys School

In Christ I Can

Name: Samuel

Room: 6

Reason: He was being a great role model by doing exactly what he was meant to be doing when he finished his plane procedure.

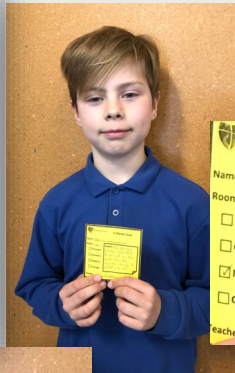
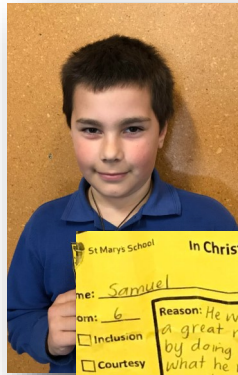
Teacher: Miss Cooper

☐ Inclusion

☐ Courtesy

☒ Integrity

☐ Courage



St Marys School

In Christ I Can

Name: Levi

Room: 6

Reason: for always being committed to his job as the milk monitor. you are doing a great job Levi.

Teacher: Ms Cooper

☐ Inclusion

☐ Courtesy

☒ Integrity

☐ Courage



St Marys School

In Christ I Can

Name: Xochi Campbell

Room: 3

Reason: Showed commitment to a role of responsibility in the classroom even when the class had a different teacher for the day.

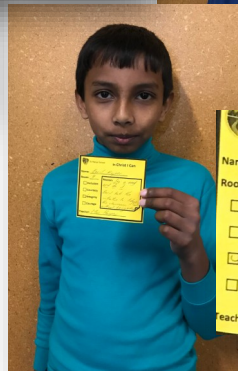
Teacher: Miss Lingard

☐ Inclusion

☐ Courtesy

☒ Integrity

☐ Courage



St Marys School

In Christ I Can

Name: David Payne

Room: 9

Reason: for always being committed to his job as the milk monitor. you are doing a great job David.

Teacher: Ms Cooper

☐ Inclusion

☐ Courtesy

☒ Integrity

☐ Courage



Congratulations Certificate Winners!





September

Tuesday 17th:

- Aranui Cross Country

Wednesday 18th:

- Technology Yr 7 & 8 at Cullinane
- Kapahaka
- Rotary Readers

Thursday 19th:

- Intermediate Immunisations
- Inter-intermediate Cross Country
- Parent Meeting Year 7/8 Camp 6.30 in Room 11

Friday 20th:

- Gifted and Talented
- Mass at Cullinane - Rooms 6 and 7

Sunday 22nd:

- **School Mass please be there by 9.15**



Wednesday 25th:

- Technology Yr 7 & 8 at Cullinane
- Kapahaka
- Rotary Readers
- Assembly Room 8

Friday 27th:

- Gifted and Talented
- Mass at Cullinane Rooms 10 and 11
- Litter Free Lunch Day
- End of Term

October

Monday 14th:

- Powhiri 10am

Tuesday 15th:

- Young Cyclist

Wednesday 16th:

- Technology Yr 7 & 8 at Cullinane
- Kapahaka
- Rotary Readers

Thursday 17th:

- Shake Out Day