NEWSLETTER 25 May 2016

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St Anne's Catholic School

Living our faith through our actions

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discovering our past, living our present, inventing our future

It is very exciting to have so many of our 7 year olds and older completing their First Holy Communion on Sunday. This will be held at 10.30am at St Anne's Church.

Children often feel 'ripped off' when they can't receive communion and I explain it to them this way. What did the disciples have to do to receive communion? How long did they wait?

They usually don't know the answer, but when I explain that from the time of their 'calling,' they lived with and learned from Jesus for somewhere between **1.5 and 3 years**. We think that they had **daily contact and learning**. This emphasises that it takes a decent amount of understanding to follow the words of Jesus and the mystery of the Eucharist. Although they 'shared' meals regularly, it wasn't until the last supper the disciples received their First Holy Communion. Each of them would have been around 30yrs old.

If you picture this, the disciples became the apostles, and the apostles represent the Bishops, you can understand why the Bishops don't just give communion to anybody at anytime but they like people to be 'ready' and understand that it is much more than a free feed.

Those receiving communion this Sunday, you are ready, well done!

ZONES CROSS COUNTRY—Congratulations to the following students who attended the Zones Cross Country yesterday. They all competed well and represented St Anne's with pride.

Alecxis Trigg	Ema McLaughlin	Max Pickard
Leroy Cherry	Charlie Taylor	Charlotte Pender
WhunnDaa Taia-Gempton		

ABSENCE/LATENESS—Please try to call the office before 9am if your child is absent or late. Appointments attended during school time should be advised to the teacher or school office prior to the day of appointment to avoid absence follow up. If leaving a message remember to give the reason for absence as the Ministry of Education requires this to be recorded.

SCHOOL PHOTOS— Orders for school photos will need to be back to the school office by 9.00am Friday 3 June. Please do not remove the sample print from the envelope. All queries can be made directly to Langwood Photos.

God Bless

Dallas Wichman, Principal

COMING EVENTS

May

- 26 Reading Together Library 2.30-3pm
- 27 Rm 2 Assembly 9am/Mass 12noon
- 29 First Holy Communion 10.30am
- 29-4 June Samoan Language Week

June

- 3 Rm 1 Assembly 9am/Mass 12noon
- 12 Mass—Rm1&2 10.30am
- 15 BOT meeting staffroom 7pm
- 16 Reading Together Library 2.30-3pm
- 17 Rm 3 Assembly 9am/Mass 12pm
- 18 Mass— Rm 5 6pm
- 23 Open Night 5pm—7pm
- 24 Rm 4 Assembly 9am/Mass 12noon
- 26 Rm 3 Mass 10.30am
- 29 Rm 5 Mass

July

- 1 Rm 5 Assembly
- 3 Rm 4 Mass 10.30am
- 6 BOT Meeting 7pm
- 8 History of Dance performance 1.30pm—3pm

End of Term . Term 3 starts Mon 25 July @ 9am

Special Character

This coming Sunday, **Trinity Sunday**, is the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ.



Please remember in your prayers, the children who will be making their First Holy Communion at the 10.30 am Mass.

Let us Pray

[to the one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit that our lives may bear witness to our faith]

Father,

you sent your Word to bring us truth

and your Spirit to make us holy.

Through them we come to know

- the mystery of your life.
- Help us to worship you,
- one God in three Persons,
- by proclaiming and living our faith in you.
- We ask you this, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
- one God, true and living, for ever and ever.

HOW ARE YOUR BACON SALES GOING?

Hellers Middle Eye Bacon Fundraiser 400gm packs

Additional forms are available from the school office.

Bacon is available in the following quantities:

1 pack \$8.00 / 2 packs \$15.00 / 3 packs \$20.00

The due date for the **return** of the order form is **Wednesday** 1st June and the **delivery** date is **Friday** 1st July.

Year of Mercy Pilgrimage Stella Maris Parish of Ferrymead is holding a Pilgrimage to the Holy Door at St Mary's Pro Cathedral, Christchurch Sunday 29 May, 2.00pm—3.30pm



Everyone in the Parish is warmly encouraged to participate. It will be a time of prayer and reflection with Adoration and Benediction. Reconciliation will be available for those who wish. Please contact the Sisters on 967 2219 if you require transport.

A second pilgrimage to Sacred Heart Basilica in Timaru is being arranged for Monday 20 June. If this is of interest to you please reserve this date! Details to follow.



Board of Trustees' Election Declaration of Parent Election Results

At the close of nominations, as the number of valid nominations was equal to the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected:

Cost: **\$5 paid on the day.**

Julian Edlin

Wayne Franklin Evan Taylor Ryan Bailey

Kelly Petrie

Shelley Nicholson Returning Officer

Queen's Birthday Fun Football Festival - 'Be crowned king or queen of the day'

Christchurch Football Centre, in association with Mainland Football are excited to offer a fun football festival at CFC's Yaldhurst Rd facility, for ages 6-10 years old.

Come and test out your skills! Time: 10am – Midday Venue: 466 Yaldhu

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Register online HERE

Be in quick as spaces are limited

Events include: Small Sided Games—3v3 - 4v4 - 5v5

Individual challenges—Penalty Shootout/ Juggling/ Cross Bar Challenge/ Shooting Accuracy