

# Stella Maris Catholic Primary School

Dear Families

In the gospel this Sunday we hear about Judas betraying Jesus. Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Holy Week, and commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem, days before he was crucified

One of the messages of Holy Week is that sooner or later every disciple will betray Jesus. We may betray him in the workplace when it will cost too much to think like a Christian, or in our homes when the anger is so great that we hurt those who trust us. We may betray Jesus by our indifference to the poor, or by our refusal to turn the other cheek to our enemies, or by the deaf ears we turn to heaven's call to live for higher purposes.

The Auckland Regional Public Health Service is managing a mumps outbreak in Auckland. More than 35 cases have been confirmed so far and more than half of these are occurring in children and teens aged 10-19 years. "I urge parents to check with their doctors to ensure their families' measles mumps and rubella vaccinations are up to date. I recommend this is done before the school holidays. Vaccination is free and it will protect your child and the community," says Medical Officer of Health Dr Michael Hale.

We wish our Soap Box Derby teams all the best for this Saturday. This year we have two teams competing. Special thanks to Miss Cyprian, Steve Flemwell, Mrs Law and all the parents who have supported the practices. Thanks also to our sponsors Clarkson Electrical (Full Sponsor for trolley 309) Aspire Engineers, J G Civil, Lawson Roofing Ltd and Crest Clean (Sponsors for trolley 303). Thank you also to the Porter Family for sponsoring/providing the shirts for our second team.

## Coming Events To Note:

Apr 07	Mufti Day – bring a gourmet item for Easter raffle
Apr 08	Soap Box Derby at Brightside Road
Apr 10	Holy Week Begins
Apr 11	Pasifika Meeting in the staff room at 6.00pm BOT meeting in the staff room at 7:30pm
Apr 12	PTFA Annual Meeting 7.15pm
Apr 13	Term 1 ends at 2:45pm

## TEAM NEWS

**Matikao Team:** We are looking forward to seeing everyone dressed up on Friday for mufti day! Don't forget a gourmet item to go into the PTFA raffle baskets. We are learning about the Stations of the Cross, which we will be seeing on Holy Thursday next week in the hall.

**Mokehu Team:** We are coming to the end of a very busy term. We thank you for your support. We are delighted with the independent learning evidenced in both maths and reading in Personal Learning Time (PLT). They are beginning to make connections between making positive choices and achievement of their learning goals. Holiday Task: save boxes (food, easter egg boxes) and construction materials for our Robot structures for term 2.

**Huruhuru Team:** Congratulations to our Interschool swimmers who had fantastic results last Thursday. Best of luck to all our drivers, pit crew and mechanics preparing for this weekends Soap Box derby at Stanmore Bay. All spectators are more than welcome.

God Bless

Alan Watts



Today, at our whole school Liturgy, St John class helped us remember the events of Holy Thursday. They reminded us how Jesus gathered with his friends for the Last Supper – this was the first Eucharist. By washing the feet of his disciples Jesus showed us how important is to serve others with love. Thank you, St John for your prayerful sharing.

On Sunday the celebrations of Holy Week begin with Palm Sunday (which is also called Passion Sunday). We remember, not only the joyful arrival of Jesus into Jerusalem, but also the events that are to follow as we listen to the Passion of Jesus. Ask your children how much of this story they know – they have been listening to it in prayer time this week. On Thursday next week (13th April) we will come together in the hall and St Joseph class will lead us in praying the Stations of the Cross. We end our school term and start our Easter celebrations reflecting on this story that is central to our belief as Christians. Feel free to join us at 9am for this liturgy.

*“This is the wood of the cross on which hung  
the Saviour of the world.” “Come let us worship”*

*From the Good Friday Liturgy*

Kathie Bodle  
DRS

## SCHOOL NEWS

### ANZAC Day

This year ANZAC day falls in the second week of the school holidays 25th April. The school usually have a small contingent of students who join with other schools to march in the 11.00am service at the Whangaparaoa RSA. This year we have been invited to have two students read the Ode, one in Maori and the other in English. We also need a student to do the Gospel reading. I therefore need a commitment for some students to be at this service, realising it will occur in the holidays. If you are able to make this commitment now for the 25th, can you please let Mrs Watt know in St John. We can then choose our students to represent the school community and give them the appropriate readings to practise.

### Help Our School Win A Digital Camera!!

For every recycled mobile phone our school sends to “The Sustainable Coastlines Phone Recycling Scheme” we are entered into a draw for a Digital Camera! There is a box at the school office for collecting the phones. To be entered into the draw phones need to be at the school by Wednesday 12th April. Thank you for your support.

### Pita Pit Lunches

Ordering envelopes can be collected from the school office and needs to be returned to the office by 9.00am on Friday morning. Last weeks ‘golden ticket’ winner was Rosie Thomas. Rosie gets her next pita pit for free.

### Donations Receipt

If you are wanting to receive a receipt for donations paid to the school for the last financial year 01.04.2016 - 31.03.2017, please email [achieve@stellamaris.school.nz](mailto:achieve@stellamaris.school.nz) This will be emailed back to you.

### Soapbox Derby

We hope you are able to come along and support the Stella Maris teams at the Soapbox Derby on the weekend of 8th - 9th April, Brightside Rd, Stanmore Bay.

### Calling All Flipper Ballers - Last Chance To Register!

The Sunday night league at Stanmore Bay will kick off again from Term 2. If your child has played before, or you want to give it a go, please email [shporter@slingshot.co.nz](mailto:shporter@slingshot.co.nz) to register your interest! There will be teams for years 3 - 6, but if you're year 2 and confident in the water you can give it a go too! Heaps of fun, and no experience needed. Games are played Sunday evenings at the Stanmore Bay pool through Terms 3 and 4.

## PTFA NEWS

### Stella Raffle Tickets Books Due Back Tomorrow

There will be prizes for the children - most tickets sold in each age group (Matikao years 0-2; Mokehu years 3-4; Huruhuru years 5-6) and for fastest sold. There are great raffle prizes to be won too, including \$1000 International travel voucher, Masport Elite BBQ RRP\$999, and 3 gourmet Easter baskets. All proceeds going towards phase 2 of the playground upgrade project. Thank you to our sponsor Chaffey and Szymanska Travel Associates and kind donations from Wright's Outdoor Equipment Centre, Hoyts Whangaparaoa, and Silverdale Adventure Park.

### Mufti Day Tomorrow

**Bring A Gourmet Item - One Per Family  
For Our Easter Raffle Baskets**

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### PTFA Market Day Tomorrow

**School Uniform And More  
8.15am In The School Foyer**

## PTFA Annual General Meeting - 12th April

The end of the PTFA financial year is coming up, so time to elect our Chair, Treasurer and Secretary for the year to come. Each role comes with a full hand over process and is in need of volunteers, especially the treasurer and secretary roles. Please consider taking on one of these key leadership roles. Nominations are due in the Red PTFA box by 3pm 11th April. Any questions, please do ask. Many hands make for fun work.

## PARISH NEWS

### Sacramental Programme HBC Parish

Please pray for the following students as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation and First Eucharist.

*Nathan Craig, Anthony Goodall, William Grounsell, Kobi Harwood, Sophia Lopez, Hannah O'Neill, Elizabeth Brennan, Caitlyn Zwart (Carmel)*

The Celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist is at St John's Church on the 11th of June at 10.15am Mass.

### Sacramental Programme Puhoi / Warkworth

Please pray for the following students as they prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist.

*Dylan Blanchard, Connor Garrity, Kyle Habeck, Ned Hancock, Monty Hakaraia, Bianca Person, Jasper Quinlan, Pipi Quinlan (Carmel), Nadine Rao (Kingsway)*

Reconciliation is on Monday 10th of April at 5pm at Puhoi Church. The evening is also open to everyone wishing to take 'advantage' of the opportunity!! The 10th is Monday of Holy Week - hoping this will set the children up to feel VERY HOLY for Easter!! The Celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist is at Warkworth Church on the 5th of August at 5pm. (Saturday Vigil Mass)

### Stations Of The Cross

Will be held at St John's Church on Fridays at 7.30pm and St Francis' on Sundays at 4.00pm during Lent.

### Eucharistic Convention

All are invited to this convention from Friday Evening 21st April to Sunday 6pm on 23rd April at Netball North Harbour Centre. To register and to view details on the inspirational speakers visit the website [www.auckland.eucharist.nz](http://www.auckland.eucharist.nz)

### Flowers In Praise Of The Lord

If you would you like to join a friendly group which provides floral arrangements each week on a roster basis at St John's and St Francis Churches. Contact Theresa in the parish office for more details or to volunteer ph 426 5599.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Miniball / Basketball

Miniball is a simplified, shorter version of Basketball for children years 1-4. Years 5-6 play Basketball. Games are at the Stanmore Bay Leisure Centre, Tuesdays Years 5-6, Wednesdays Years 1-2, and Thursdays Years 3-4. If anyone is interested in their child playing or putting a team together for the local Basketball / Miniball league, please text Tina McKee Wright on 029 244 4777

### Physique Rugby Academy

Silverdale Rugby Club, Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April. 9.00am-3.00pm daily. \$140.00 including Physique Rugby Hoodie. This is a great opportunity to get all rugby players ready for the season so register now. Contact Moni Collins, Mobile: 0274 263451 Email: [moni.collins@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:moni.collins@yahoo.co.nz) or [physiquesports@mail.com](mailto:physiquesports@mail.com)

### Snowplanet Stella Maris Ski And Snowboarding Programme

The program includes: 1 Hour group lesson PLUS 1 hour rental equipment hire, Skis & Boots or Snowboard & Boots. (Clothing not included) PLUS 1 hour Helmet hire (Helmets are compulsory, and must be worn to participate in the programme) A skills awards program is available as part of Entry level training. The program emphasises skill development designed to allow an individual to enjoy the sport of skiing for life and, if they are interested, to have the confidence to move to more competitive racing. For more information Contact Victoria Thorpe 0274733249 or [vicandchristhorpe@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:vicandchristhorpe@yahoo.co.nz)

### NZ Basketball Factory

Provides coaching on Sunday afternoons at the Stanmore Bay Leisure Centre. \$60 for 9 sessions starting 30th April. Please email [nzbballfactory@gmail.com](mailto:nzbballfactory@gmail.com) for more information.

### Grand Opening Of Party Kingdom

All proceeds from Saturday 15th April to Friday 28th April in aid of The Debbie Greenwood Family. Run and Explore the magical land of fun and excitement that is Party Kingdom. Open 10am – 4pm, 16 Karepiro Drive, Whangaparaoa. \$5.00 entry per child.



# EASTER SERVICES

Hibiscus Coast Catholic Parish

St John's Church, 180 Centreway Road, Orewa – St Francis Church, 7 Motutapu Avenue, Manly

**HOLY THURSDAY – APRIL 13**  
 7.30 pm – Mass of the Last Supper,  
 Foot Washing and Vigil until 10pm  
*St Francis, Manly*

**GOOD FRIDAY – APRIL 14**  
 3.00 pm – The Celebration of the Lord's Passion  
 Veneration of the Cross  
*St John's, Orewa*

**SATURDAY – APRIL 15**  
 8.00 pm – Easter Vigil Mass, Renewal of  
 Baptismal Promises, 1st Mass of Easter  
*St John's, Orewa*

**EASTER SUNDAY MASS – APRIL 16**  
 8.30 am – *St Francis, Manly*  
 10.15 am – *St John's, Orewa*

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
 7.30 pm – Friday *St John's, Orewa*  
 4.00pm – Sunday *St Francis, Whg*



## Mark Your Diaries

|           |            |                                                                         |
|-----------|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 07        | Apr        | Stella "Market Day" 8.15am school foyer                                 |
| 07        | Apr        | PTFA Mufti Day - Gourmet item for Easter Raffle hampers                 |
| 10        | Apr        | Sacramental programme Reconciliation 5pm Puhoi                          |
| 11        | Apr        | Pasifika Parent Meeting 6.00pm                                          |
| 11        | Apr        | BOT Meeting 7.30pm                                                      |
| 12        | Apr        | PTFA AGM 7.15pm to 9.15pm                                               |
| <b>13</b> | <b>Apr</b> | <b>TERM ONE ENDS</b>                                                    |
| <b>14</b> | <b>Apr</b> | <b>GOOD FRIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED</b>                                        |
| 08        | May        | Road Safety Week Begins                                                 |
| 09        | May        | BOT Meeting 7.30pm                                                      |
| 12        | May        | Mum's Day 12pm-2.45pm                                                   |
| 15        | May        | Book Fair Week                                                          |
| 23        | May        | ICAS Digital Tech 9am                                                   |
| 24        | May        | Full School Mass - St Patrick's Cathedral 10am                          |
| 24        | May        | PTFA Forum 7.15pm to 9.15pm                                             |
| 29        | May        | Travelwise Survey Week to 2nd June                                      |
| 31        | May        | ICAS Science 9am                                                        |
| 11        | Jun        | The Celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist at St John's Church |
| 13        | Jun        | ICAS Writing 9am                                                        |
| 13        | Jun        | BOT Meeting 7.30pm                                                      |
| 14        | Jun        | ICAS Spelling 9am                                                       |
| 20        | Jun        | Open Day for 2018 Enrolments 9am - 12pm                                 |
| 28        | Jun        | PTFA Forum 7.15pm to 9.15pm                                             |
| 04        | Jul        | BOT Meeting 7.30pm                                                      |
| 06        | Jul        | Catholic Schools Mufti Mania - Gold coin for Caritas                    |
| 06        | Jul        | Reports Home Today                                                      |
| <b>07</b> | <b>Jul</b> | <b>TEACHER ONLY DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED</b>                                 |
| 26        | Jul        | Parent Interviews <b>School Closes at 12.20pm</b>                       |
| 27        | Jul        | Parent Interviews from 3pm                                              |
| 31        | Jul        | NED Show 1.30pm                                                         |
| 01        | Aug        | ICAS English 9am                                                        |
| 05        | Aug        | The Celebration of Confirmation and First Eucharist at Warkworth Church |
| 10        | Aug        | Orewa College Year 7-9 pre enrolment Information Evening                |
| 16        | Aug        | Orewa College Enrolment Evening                                         |
| 17        | Aug        | Orewa College Enrolment Evening                                         |
| 15        | Aug        | Full School Mass - St John's Church - School Feast Day 9.30am           |
| 16        | Aug        | ICAS Maths 9am                                                          |
| 23        | Aug        | PTFA Forum 7.15pm to 9.15pm                                             |
| 29        | Aug        | Photolife - Class and Individual Photo's                                |
| 30        | Aug        | Team and Group Photo's                                                  |
| 01        | Sep        | Dad's Day 12.00-2.45pm                                                  |
| 24        | Sep        | DAY LIGHT SAVING STARTS                                                 |
| 27        | Sep        | PTFA Forum 7.15pm to 9.15pm                                             |
| 24        | Oct        | Grandparent's Day 8.45-12.00pm                                          |
| 25        | Oct        | PTFA Forum 7.15pm to 9.15pm                                             |
| 13        | Nov        | Orewa College ICL Workshop                                              |
| 14        | Nov        | Orewa College ICL Workshop                                              |
| 15        | Nov        | Orewa College ICL Workshop                                              |
| 22        | Nov        | PTFA Forum 7.15pm to 9.15pm                                             |

**Please Note: School Calendar Dates May Be Subject To Change**

### 2017 School Term Dates

|                                                        |         |            |   |          |              |
|--------------------------------------------------------|---------|------------|---|----------|--------------|
| TERM 1                                                 | Tuesday | 31 January | - | Thursday | 13 April     |
| TERM 2                                                 | Monday  | 01 May     | - | Thursday | 06 July      |
| <b>FRIDAY 07 JULY TEACHER ONLY DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED</b> |         |            |   |          |              |
| TERM 3                                                 | Monday  | 24 July    | - | Friday   | 29 September |
| TERM 4                                                 | Monday  | 16 October | - | Friday   | 15 December  |

### 2017 Public Holidays

|                  |                   |
|------------------|-------------------|
| Easter           | 14th - 17th April |
| ANZAC Day        | 25th April        |
| Queen's Birthday | 5th June          |
| Labour Day       | 23rd October      |

## Telephone

### Kelly Sport

- Cancellation Number -  
09 427 9377

### Netball

- Cancellation Number -  
09 424 2318

### Parish Office

- Parish Secretary -  
Theresa Fouché

[theresa@hbcp parish.org.nz](mailto:theresa@hbcp parish.org.nz)

- Pastoral Associates -  
Deacon Murray Morgan  
[murraymorg@gmail.com](mailto:murraymorg@gmail.com)

09 426 5599

### SKIDS

- After School Care -  
027 846 1725

### School Dental Clinic

09 426 8470

### Bayes Buses

09 426 5504

### Ritchies Buses

09 420 6091

### Public Health Nurse

09 427 0300 ext 4339

### Influenza A (H1N1)

- Advise Healthline -  
0800 611 116

### Stella Maris School

- Website -  
[www.stellamaris.school.nz](http://www.stellamaris.school.nz)

### School Bank Details

Attendance Dues & Donations  
12 3046 0362238 **01**  
All other Payments  
12 3046 0362238 **00**

### PTFA Bank Details

12 3046 0376269 00

### Waitemata Health

[www.webhealth.co.nz](http://www.webhealth.co.nz)

### Vodafone

- Intelligent Rewards -  
0508 011 737  
[www.intelligentrewards.co.nz](http://www.intelligentrewards.co.nz)

### Auckland Youth

[www.akyouth.org.nz](http://www.akyouth.org.nz)

**"Ki te ingoa o te Matua, O te Tamaiti O te Wairua Tapu, Amene"  
In the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Amen**