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Newsletter

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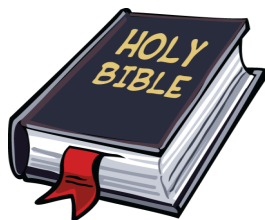
God speaks to us in many ways, including through the Sunday Scripture readings.

This week's Bible Quote

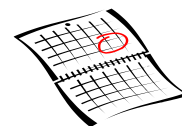
17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins,

Luke: 11: 4



Important Dates



July

Fri. 25th	Tree Planting - 1.45pm
Sat 26th	Parish/School Mass 5pm
Mon. 28th	Sports Club Meeting 7.00pm
Wed. 30th	Hall Blessing and Opening 10.00am
Thurs. 31st	Grandparents Day

August

Thurs 7th	Year 3/4 Te Awamutu Museum Trip
Fri 15th	Year 3 Speech Final
Mon 18th	SPC Speech Finals

Mission Statement

The students at
St Peter Chanel School
will receive a comprehensive education
with a special emphasis on
their Catholic faith development.

School Vision

Whole Education. Whole Person.
We want our students to be:
Followers of Christ, Thinkers,
Contributors, Communicators,
Self Managers



Grand Opening SPC Multi-Purpose Hall Wednesday 30th July 10.00 am.

Join us at St Peter Chanel Catholic School, 5 Vardon Road, Te Rapa, Hamilton, as we celebrate the opening of our new multi-purpose hall. Enjoy the celebration, the whakatau, the blessing, speeches, entertainment, and morning tea.

Please RSVP to admin@spc.ac.nz by Friday, July 25th, to assist us with seating and catering. We look forward to seeing you.

Parish/School Mass

**This Saturday, 26th July
5.00pm**

St Peter Chanel Catholic Church

We invite all our families to join us for this celebratory occasion. Our students will be taking on key roles during the Mass.



Parent Conferences

Thank you to all those who attended the parent/student/teacher conferences. The discussions and learnings between participants are crucial to the relationships and students' learning.

Holding the conferences in week two of the term put strain on the office staff and parents who had to organise themselves within the short timeframe. Changes will be made next year.

Some parents felt the 15-minute time slot was too short, especially if the student was leading the learning conversation. You are encouraged to contact your child's classroom teacher to arrange a time if you would like to meet for further discussions.

Grandparents Day

Next Thursday 31st July - 10.00 am. - 12.50 pm.

Programme:

10.15 am - School Mass

11.00 am - Morning tea in the school hall

11.30 am - Performances - kapahaka, choir, pasifika

Noon - Grandparents visit classrooms

12.50 pm. - Students have lunch break

Traditionally, we have a big number of grandparents attending, and we need help with the catering. If parents are in a position to contribute some food, e.g. cake, biscuits, or savouries, it would be greatly appreciated.

**GRANDPARENTS
DAY** * * *

New Van

We ordered the new van in May last year and it has finally arrived. Thank you to the Grassroots Trust for their contribution, the parents who helped at the painting working bees and the students who have bought sausages every Friday. As a community, we raised enough funds to cover the purchase price.



Ben Seward, the first ever passenger boarding the van for the seniors' visit to the Rototuna Library on Wednesday. It looks like Tyler was second!

Virtual Reality Experience

The Rototuna library provided the opportunity for 25 of our seniors to participate in a one-hour VR experience embarking on an underwater journey without ever leaving the library. During the hands-on STEM workshop, the students explored marine ecosystems through the immersive power of virtual reality (VR) using Meta Quest headsets. The students also swam alongside whales, explored coral reefs, and plunged into deep-sea trenches to encounter rarely seen creatures. It was a great experience. Thank you to Lihan Chunyu for the invitation.





Calling ex-pupils of SPC...we need you!

This term we are compiling stories, photos and artefacts of our Saint Peter Chanel history. Each class will be learning the skills of questioning, interviewing and recording information.

We would like to interview past students about their time at SPC. You may be asked about learning, play, activities, uniforms, the environment etc.

If you have any artefacts (photos or items) from your time here that you would be happy to share that would be appreciated.

If you think you would be a great person to interview, please email the classroom teacher or the Deputy Principal daniellac@spc.ac.nz and we can arrange for this.



SUPPORT OUR QUIZ NIGHT

SAINT PETER CHANEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER 2025

7.00 PM - LATE

**HELD IN OUR
BRAND-NEW SCHOOL HALL**

\$30 PER PERSON

Includes a free drink on arrival &
nibbles throughout the night.
Drinks available for purchase

**AWESOME
RAFFLES AND
PRIZES!**

**PRIZE FOR
BEST DRESSED
TEAM!**

**TEAMS OF
6 - 8**

**TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE, HAVE SOME
FUN AND HELP SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!**

**SECURE YOUR QUIZ
NIGHT PLACE
TODAY**

**SCAN HERE TO
REGISTER:**



TICKETS ARE LIMITED!

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

DONATE QUIZ NIGHT PRIZES

We're on the hunt for awesome raffle prizes for our upcoming quiz night! Think:

- Bottles of unopened alcohol or gourmet goodies
- Unopened toys or gift sets
- Or even a weekend at a family bach - anything goes!

If you have something to donate, please drop items to the School Office or get in touch:
spcptfa@gmail.com

CORPORATE SPONSORS WANTED

Do you own, work for, or know a business that might be in a position to support our school? We'd love to chat about sponsorship opportunities.

Please email: spcptfa@gmail.com

**THANKS IN ADVANCE
FOR YOUR SUPPORT**





What's on at Saint Peter Chanel?

Term 3, 2025

Tuesday 15th July	First Day of Term 3
Monday 21st July	Parent, Student, Teacher Conferences PTFA Meeting - 7:00 pm
Tuesday 22nd July	Parent, Student, Teacher Conferences continued PTFA Oxford Pie Orders Due
Thursday 24th July	Jumping June Event Day
Saturday 26th July	Parish/School Mass - 5.00 pm
Wednesday 30th July	School Hall Opening - 10.00 am
Thursday 31st July	Grandparents Day
Friday 1st August	PFTA Oxford Pie Delivery Day
Monday 18th August	SPC Speech Finals
Wednesday 20th August	Junior Cross Country - Years 0-3
Friday 22nd August	Te Hui Ahurea Cultural Festival
Monday 25th August	Senior Cross Country - Years 4-8
Friday 29th August	Daffodil Day - Mufti Day
Tuesday 2nd September	Junior Poetry Competition
30th August- 5th September	Aims Games Week
Saturday 13th September	SPC Hall Fundraiser Quiz Night
15th -19th September	Maori Language Week
Friday 19th September	Last Day of Term 3

Mass Times

St Peter Chanel

Tuesday 10.15am

Thursday 10.15am

Saturday 5.00pm

St Joseph's

Wednesday 10.15 am

Friday 10.15am

Saturday 9.00am

Sunday 9.00am

Donations to Parish of the Holy Cross:
One off Donations: Foyer envelope. Or
bank: 02-0454-0000400-000 Auto-
matic Payments: Contact office

Parish Priest: Fr Raj

Office & Residence:

86 Clarkin Rd Hamilton, 3214

Ph: 07 855 6214

Email: parishhc@cdh.org.nz

Website: holycross.cdh.org.nz

Office: St Joseph's 86 Clarkin Rd

Hours:

Wednesday 9.00-12.00

Thursday 9.00-4.00

Friday 2.00-4.00



School Dates 2025

Term 2 – 28th April—27th June

Term 3 – 14th July—19th September

Term 4 – 6th October– 19th December

Easter Friday 18th April (School Holidays)

Public Holidays – school closed

King's Birthday– 2nd June

Matariki – 20th June

(during term break)

Teacher Only Day Monday 14th July

Labour Day – Mon. 27th October



Absences

If your child is away it is vital you contact the school office and let them know.

Email: admin@spc.ac.nz or text: 022 156 6171 or Ph. (07) 849 3734 and leave a message. Please give the reason for the absence as the Ministry of Education collects this data everyday.



SPORT

2025 St Peter Chanel Sports Club Newsletter Term 3 Week 2

NETBALL

Saints United Sapphire - Early Game Victory!

Last Saturday, the Sapphire girls were on court bright and early at 8:30am, coming away with a convincing win against a team that had beaten us earlier in the season - a true reflection of how far they've come!

Player of the Day went to Mackenzie, who took on feedback earlier in the game and responded with smart, composed play.



Most Improved went to Lucianna, who also applied in-game feedback and showed fantastic growth in her positioning and decision-making.

It's so rewarding to see the girls responding to coaching and gradually applying it on court - their development has been awesome to watch. Huge credit to Miha, who's invested so much time, energy, and knowledge into helping them grow. His calm, consistent coaching is making such a difference

With just over 5 weeks to go until AIMS Games 2025 kicks off, the team's progress and momentum couldn't be better timed. Can't wait to see them shine!

Go Sapphire!

TERM 3 SPORTS INVOICES DUE OUT NEXT WEEK

Thank you to everyone who is supporting sport at SPC this Term! Sports fee invoices will be emailed out next week and are due for payment the following week. Please pay promptly. Thanks!

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR SPC SPORTS SPONSORS!

A massive **THANK YOU** to all of our wonderful sports sponsors! Your kindness and generosity mean so much to us and we truly appreciate you all. Thank you for helping make SPC sport outstanding!



SPORT PARENT LEADS

AIMS Games - Miha Brown, spcaimsgames@gmail.com

Basketball - Andre Rumney, andre.rumney@gmail.com

Gymnastics - Sandra Elliott-Brown, spcsecretary2020@gmail.com

Netball - Miha Brown, spcsecretary2020@gmail.com

Splash Polo - Sandra Elliott-Brown, spcsecretary2020@gmail.com

Touch - Jo McLaren, jo.mclaren@hotmail.co.nz

Water Polo - Sarah Quinn, quinnlandscaping@xtra.co.nz

For more information please contact Sarie, sports@spc.ac.nz

TERM 3 SPORTS ARE READY TO GO!

All Yr 3-6 netballers from Term 2 automatically rolled over into Term 3. Basketballers will need to re-register with Waikato Basketball - an email was sent to parents on Monday 30th June.



ALL YEAR 7 & 8 - TERM 3 SPORTS

For Term 3 our Yr 7 & 8 students can play the following sports with Saints United:

[Volleyball link](#)

[Basketball link](#)

For more info contact Philippa, saints@stjosephs.school.nz

