



# POMPALLIER CATHOLIC COLLEGE

## Te Kāreti Katorika o Pomapārie

“Diligere Verum” “Love the Truth” “Arohatia te Whakapono”

Newsletter 4 : 23 March, 2018

### Tēnā Koutou Katoa, Greetings to you,

Is it acceptable to torture and kill an individual in order to bring some positive benefit to society as a whole? Some may think it is acceptable if the person being tortured is believed to have inflicted, or is about to inflict, some harm on society. Others may say that torture is never acceptable no matter what the circumstances are.

Would you allow an individual, who has brought no harm to others, to be tortured or killed because it brings benefit to others?

If you answered “No” to that question, what image of God do you have when you say the following words at Mass: “For our sake he was crucified..”, or “Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world”, or when you hear that Jesus died for our sins. If God uses torture for salvation, how do we reconcile that with the image of God that Jesus gives to us?

The idea that Jesus died for our sins is deeply ingrained in Christianity. It is clearly taught theology in the Catechism of the Catholic Church that Jesus’ death was the necessary payment for salvation. However, this is problematic at many levels.

The theology can suggest that within the deeply personal bond of father and son, the father desires the suffering and death of the child and the child shows their obedience and love by accepting the abuse. The abused remains silent and offers up the abuse to God.

There is no question that Jesus would have to die. All humans die. He died in a way that was terrible, that was shared by thousands of his countrymen, and was sanctioned by the state. That was because he upset those in power and they had a very simple way of dealing with trouble makers. There is no doubt that Jesus suffered in his death and that his suffering and death had a sacrificial value because that is clearly stated in scripture. But I don’t accept that he had to suffer and die in that manner because God demanded it in order to reconcile Himself to humanity.

There is no intrinsic value in suffering. Willing someone to suffer and die simply does not fit with what I understand about the nature of God as revealed by Jesus. Suffering certainly exists and I see this expressed in the words of Jesus feeling abandoned on the cross. He cannot find an explanation for his suffering. The mystery is beyond

him and he feels abandoned by God. Ultimately, suffering is a mystery. It is something we should try to minimise and not glorify.

Many Catholics believe that they must focus upon the crucifixion as being the source of our salvation, but this is not the only acceptable Catholic theology seeking to explain how Jesus enables our salvation. Some theologians, such as the Jesuit theologian Rausch, say that we should focus upon the life, death and resurrection as being saving acts. Even those who tend towards the more traditional theology who say that Jesus’ death *and resurrection* saved us from our sins agree that exactly how this occurred is a mystery and we are free to speculate in different ways (Robert Barron).

God bless you and your whānau this Easter.

**Richard Stanton**  
**PRINCIPAL**

## PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

(Year 7 - 13)

**Tuesday 27 March**

**3.30 - 5.30pm and 6.00 - 7.00pm**

The School Interviews website is open now to book interviews on the above date.

### How to book:

- Go to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz)
- Enter the school code: **5zpys**
- Follow the online instructions

**The booking site will close off at 8.00am Tuesday 27 March.**

Should you have any difficulty making an appointment, please contact Yvette Smith at the Student Centre on: 438 3950, Ext 202.

## VISION STATEMENT

*Pompallier Catholic College is a Catholic community with a Marist charism that challenges all students to excel in their endeavours. We promote Christian values, excellence in learning and quality relationships to enable students to be outstanding citizens. Our College shall be a place where all “...encounter the living God who in Jesus Christ reveals his transforming love and truth”.*



## UPCOMING EVENTS: Term 1

### MARCH

Sun 25 - Wed 28	12GEO EOTC Trip	Tongariro	
Mon 26 - Wed 28	Year 7 Camp	The Farm	
Mon 26 - Thu 29	Year 12 PE Kayak Camp	Ruakaka	
Tue 27	Parent / Teacher Interviews	College	3.30pm - 7.00pm
Tue 27 - Thu 29	Year 10 Retreat	Tangihua Lodge	
Wed 28	Victoria University Liaison Visit		9.00am
Thu 29	Stations of the Cross Liturgy	College Hall	2.00pm
Thu 29	Whakapiki Ake		8.45am - 9.45am
Thu 29	Year 8 HPV Vaccination 1	College Library	9.00am
Thu 29	Shakespeare Festival	Kamo High School	4.00pm - 9.00pm
<b>Fri 30 - Tue 3 Apr Easter Holiday Break</b>			

### APRIL

Wed 4	TIMMS Assessment	All Year 10 students	9.00am - 12.25pm
Thu 5	Inaugural Mass	College Hall	TBC
Thu 5	Nathan Wallis Seminar	Forum North	7.00pm
Fri 6 - Sun 8	NISS Athletics	Wanganui	
Sat 7 - Sat 28	Europe Trip		
Mon 9	Senior English Shakespeare Performance		11.30am - 12.30pm
Tue 10	AUT Insights Presentation		12.00pm - 12.50pm
Wed 11	Te Tai Tokerau Kapa Haka Festival	Kerikeri	7.30am - 8.00pm
Thu 12 - Tue 24	Japan Trip		
<b>Fri 13</b>	<b>Last Day of Term 1</b>	<b>School finishes 3.00pm</b>	
<b>Mon 30</b>	<b>First Day of Term 2</b>	<b>School starts 8.45am</b>	

## EVENT NOTIFICATION - Thursday 29 March

### Possible traffic delay around school

The New Zealand Motor Caravan Association (NZMCA) have notified us that they are holding their National Rally & AGM at Barge Park over Easter weekend, from Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March to Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> April.

Barge Park will be closed to the public from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March through to Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, while the area is set up.

The NZMCA are expecting approximately 550 motorhomes and caravans arriving at Barge park from Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March, from 9.00am onwards.

Traffic management will be in place at the entrance to Barge Park **from 7.30am on Thursday through to 4.30pm**, to control traffic flow. This will ensure there is as little disruption as possible to school bus arrivals and departures, and also to parents who transport their children to and from school.

**Therefore, please be aware that there may be a small delay if you are dropping or picking up your child on that day.**

Barge Park is closed to the public over the duration of the event, however it is open to the public on Easter Saturday and Sunday from 10.00am to 3.00pm when NZMCA will have trade stands, food trucks, static motorhome and caravan displays, and a craft market on Sunday.



## SPORTS DEPARTMENT NEWS : Term 1, Week 8

### NSS TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS - Week 7

We had 10 competitors in a variety of track and field events and they were supported by Mrs Meyer (Team Manager) and Mrs Prosser (Official). Thank you to these ladies and also thanks to Niall Prosser and Cole Anderson who assisted at Triple Jump.

These are our top results for the day:

- Niall Prosser** 1<sup>st</sup> Junior Boys Hammer – 15.14m  
**Daniel Meyer** 1<sup>st</sup> AWD PA Shot Put – 7.93m  
1<sup>st</sup> AWD PA Discus – 24.56m  
**Sharon Gadolo** 3<sup>rd</sup> Intermediate Girls Shot Put – 10.47m

### WPSSA SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

We had 10 swimmers attend this event last week and they were transported to the event, and supported by these parents; Vicki Meyer, Ruth Jones, Christina Da Silva, Helen Kim and Michael Benton. Thank you folks for helping provide this opportunity to the swimmers!

Results:

#### Year 7 Boys:

- 50m Backstroke: 1<sup>st</sup> Kayden Kim, 2<sup>nd</sup> Daniel Jones  
50m Breaststroke: 2<sup>nd</sup> Kayden Kim, 3<sup>rd</sup> Daniel Jones  
50m Freestyle: 1<sup>st</sup> Kayden Kim, 4<sup>th</sup> Daniel Jones  
Year 7 Relay – 1<sup>st</sup> place; swimmers were Kayden Kim, Daniel Jones, Anabella Hugo and Hayley Schutte.

#### Year 8 Boys:

- 50m Backstroke: 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Benton  
50m Breaststroke: 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Benton, 4<sup>th</sup> Lawrence Reade  
Year 8 Relay – 3<sup>rd</sup> place; swimmers were Chris Benton, Lawrence Reade, Carla Meyer and Georgia Limmer.

### PERMISSION SLIPS FOR COLLEGE EVENTS & TEAMS

Information newsletters and fees newsletters will be sent home with student players. Please try to have these signed and returned as soon as possible in every instance. This allows ample time for completing on-line entries, team transport issues, registrations etc.

### GIRLS FOOTBALL COACH & TEAM MANAGER NEEDED

If you are capable of taking the Girls First XI team, which plays in the mid-week competition (on Wednesdays), starting next term, please contact the Sport Co-ordinator (details on following page).

A role description can be emailed to you if interested.

### UMPIRING

The Whangarei Netball Centre runs courses for this and we highly recommend taking the class as it teaches you the rules and aids your own game understanding when playing. Some players go on to do further training but this is not compulsory 😊

One Day Course – Sunday 25 March from 9am - 4pm, or;

Night Course – Wednesdays, 2 to 16 May from 6.30pm - 8.30pm.

The cost is \$20.00, but Pompallier Sports Department will subsidise this, so you only need pay \$10.00 per person (which includes a rule book).

See Mrs Yorke if you are interested in doing this.

There is also a One Night Basic Netball Rules/Q & A Session – a short evening class to go over the basics; contact, obstruction etc. To be held on Monday 7 May from 6.30pm - 8.30pm, gold coin entry.

This would be valuable to parents helping with Netball.

### POMPALLIER NETBALL “PLAYER” REGISTRATIONS

These are to be completed online through [www.sporty.co.nz/Pompalliercatholic](http://www.sporty.co.nz/Pompalliercatholic).

Players must add in their details and Team Managers will help explain the process and ensure **they are completed by the due date of this Friday 23 March.**

Thank you for your help getting this done on time this season 😊

### YEAR 7 & 8 FOOTBALL - COACHING INTEREST

There does not appear to be sufficient interest to send a team to AIMS Games this year, however we still will be holding trials for our upcoming winter sports exchanges.

We need a parent/adult or senior student to help make this happen 😊

Please contact the Sport Co-ordinator if you are able to give some time to Coach the players and attend the exchange games: Friday 22 June (Week 8 Term 2) and Friday 27 July (Week 1 Term 3).

### HOCKEY NORTHLAND NOTICE

**2018 U15 Competition Online Registration.** The 2018 online registrations for the U15 competition can be found at the following link:

<https://membership.sportstg.com/regofrm.cgi?formID=77293>

Please follow the instructions as you go through the registration process. If at the end there is an “Internal Server Error” please contact Lloyd Gurr on email at: [Lloyd@northlandhockey.org.nz](mailto:Lloyd@northlandhockey.org.nz)

Northland Hockey would like **all** U15 players to register online, even if they are intending to play for their school team in Collegiate. There is a question in the registration form which asks which competition they will play in, Collegiate or U15 competition.

The reason we are asking all U15 players to register online at this link is because we want to know which competition all the U15 players are playing their hockey in 2018. This will aid in our ability to communicate more efficiently to this age group's parents.

We are also looking at how we can keep these players in hockey in the long term.

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## O'NEILL SURF ACADEMY - HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

The O'Neill Surf Academy are running their popular holiday surf programme over the next holidays on Tutukaka Coast, and at Taupo Bay.

This is free for 11-17yr olds. Fun, Active & Healthy.

Monday-Friday Week One 16-20 April, Week Two 23-27 April.

Suitable for beginner and intermediate surfers – developing surf skills and water confidence in a fun and safe environment plus fun beach games.

Limited spaces.

Please email to book: [surf@oneillsurfacademy.co.nz](mailto:surf@oneillsurfacademy.co.nz)  
[www.oneillsurfacademy.co.nz](http://www.oneillsurfacademy.co.nz).



### WHY PLAY FUTSAL?

- Caters to boys and girls of all abilities
  - No cancellations due to weather!
- Dramatically increases skill, agility, speed, quick decision making & confidence
  - It's fun - Kids love it!

### WHO IS IT FOR?

Anyone aged 8 - 15 years old

### WHEN & WHERE?

Term time 2017

Choose one or more of the following:

**TUESDAY: WHANGAREI BOYS HIGH SCHOOL**  
4:00 - 5:30 (8 - 10 YEARS OLDS)  
5:45 - 7:15 (11 - 15 YEAR OLDS)

**FRIDAY: WHANGAREI BOYS HIGH SCHOOL**  
4:00 - 5:30 (8 - 10 YEARS OLDS)  
5:45 - 7:15 (11 - 15 YEAR OLDS)

### CONTACT:

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## HEALTH CORNER

- \* Do you want your immune system to be fit for fighting? Did you know sugar switches it off for 2 hours?
- \* Often we are encouraged to give up something for Lent, but we need to replace our sacrifice with something else. Why not switch criticism and encouragement?
- \* There are so many things to do. It's so easy to lose focus. Have you ever tried choosing a word you frequently use, or a food you frequently eat, to remind you to say a quick prayer for someone in need?
- \* Is there someone you haven't connected with for ages? Would they love to join you for coffee or even just chat on the phone?

Easter is coming! What a wonderful time to remember the most precious gift of all. Have a blessed Easter!

Yours in Health

**Johanna Luiten-Parker**  
**TIC HEALTH**



# Story Book Easter Sunday



10am to 3pm, 1st April 2018  
**KIWI NORTH**



**Costume Parade 12.30**  
Village Green.  
Prizes generously supplied by Scholastic.  
Caro's Crazy Critters  
Mobile Animal Farm  
Pony rides - Face painting  
Train & Tractor rides  
Wirilza Merry-Go-Round  
Food and Coffee.  
Cold drinks and Icecreams at the Kiwi House



**Clifford will be there!**  
**Find me and claim an Easter Egg!**



Just one each please.



**Explore the Museum and Kiwi House**  
*Included in entry.*  
See how Flash the tuatara, Jockalene and Ben the kiwi are all growing!  
*Can you find all 9 of the gecko?*

**LATEST EXHIBITION**  
"Letters from Little America - Northland Explorers in Antarctica"  
In the Mim Ringer Gallery  
Do a Quiz in the Museum



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