

# St Joseph's School Balclutha

## Newsletter

### Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends

*God invites everyone to belong to his Kingdom; some choose to ignore this invitation and others are happy to accept the opportunity to share in everlasting joy and happiness. In this week's Gospel we hear Jesus telling a parable about the Kingdom of Heaven, in which he compares God to a King who invited many guests to share his son's wedding feast. Listeners to this story have a choice. We can be like those invited who don't bother to go, or we can go along and join in. Which choice do you see yourself making.*

**Welcome back to Term 4. I trust everyone had a restful break and spent some time with family. Term 4 is a busy term so remember children to have lots of sleep to be ready for the following day. We will have a detailed calendar of events in the next newsletter with end of year dates and the beginning of 2024 date.**

**God Bless - Annette**

#### SUNDAY MASS

**October 15**

**Altar Servers**

Emily Budge

**Projector**

Logan Murray



#### VALUE AWARDS

**Listen To God's Call**

Alice Irwin

Braxton Rodwell

Emily Budge

#### Prayer

Loving Father, Hear the prayers of your children. Help us to follow you faithfully and choose your way of love, so that we may belong to you.  
Amen



#### Calendar of Events

**Friday 20 October**  
**Shared Prayer**  
Room Awhero

**Monday 23 October**  
Labour Day school  
closed

**Monday 13 November**  
Teacher only day.  
School closed

**Our thoughts and prayers are with the Breen/Budge family at this very sad time. Trish's dad passed away this morning. Please keep Trish, Andrew, Emily and Elliot in your prayers. May the love of those around you help you through the days ahead.**

**Learning Together For Life**  
**Ako Tahi Mo Te Oranga Tonutanga**

**We would like to welcome Catalina Bawi to School. We hope she has an enjoyable time with us! Catalina's big sister Julianna is in Room Awhero.**



**We would like to welcome Ethan Olaveja and his family to St Joseph's School.**

**We hope he has an enjoyable time with us!**



### **Shared Prayer for Term 4**

Shared Prayer is celebrated in the Church on Fridays at 2: 20pm. Here are the dates for Term 4. Please come along and celebrate with us.

**Room Awhero 20 October**  
**Room Pono 3 November**  
**Room Aroha 1 December**



### **Important Information**

**As Shirley is finished at lunchtime and all teachers are teaching, there is no one in the office to take phone calls after 1:30. If you need to leave a message please phone Mrs O'Mahony on 027 4182548.**

**Children need to wear correct uniform to school. Shoes must be black with no logos or designs on them and sandals must be black or dark brown. Children are not allowed to wear nail varnish to school.**

**All children must wear a school hat at lunchtime and at playtime. Thank you.**





