

# St Joseph's School Balclutha

## Newsletter

### Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends

*God is Love. All of the commandments given to us by God are intended to help us to truly love our Creator and all of his creation. In this week's Gospel we hear Jesus reminding us just how important love should be in our lives. Express your love for God this week in prayer, praise and thanksgiving. Express your love for your neighbour, near and far, in concert and significant ways.*

### **Important Information for the End of the School year.**

Ms Mc Laughlin has received extended leave from the Board to return to Ireland to attend her sister's wedding at the end of the school year. Her last day for the term will be on 29 November. Mrs Miller will be teaching in Room Awhereo for the time Fiona is away. We hope she and her family have a lovely time in Ireland and we look forward to seeing her at the beginning of 2024.

There will be no Year 8 dinner as the final Mass is our celebration and farewell to all students and the leavers at school. The school will pay for the Year 8 student's Fish and Chips on the last day of school.

### SUNDAY MASS

**October 29**

**Altar Servers**

Wendy Agajona

**Projector**

Hannah Murray



### VALUE AWARDS

**Model an attitude of Gratitude**

**Ethan Olaveja**

**Lucy McBride**

**Kase Twaddle**

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

### Prayer

Loving Father, Let our love be selfless, generous and forgiving. By our living love, may the world know that we are your children.  
Amen.



### Calendar of Events

**Tue 31 October**

BOT meeting 5:30pm

**Wed 1 November**  
**All Saints day**

School Mass 10am

**Thur 2 November**  
**All Souls Day**

Mass in Balclutha at 6:30pm

**Fri 3 November**

Room Pono's Shared Prayer. 2:20pm in the Church

**Our thoughts and prayers are with Virat's family whose maternal grandmother has passed away. May she rest in peace with God in Heaven.**

## Dates to Remember

1 November All Saints Day - Whole school Mass 10am.

2 November All souls Day - Mass in Balclutha at 6:30pm

13 November School closed teacher only day

14 November - 17 November Room Awhero's Camp

29 November School celebration Mass and prize giving at 6pm

30 November Fiona returns to Ireland and Mrs Miller teaching in Room Awhero

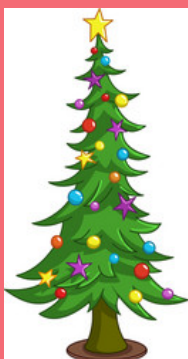
14 December Last day of Term. School finishes at 3pm

31 January School Starts for 2024

### Friends of the School

#### Do you love Christmas?

**If you are interested in organising our school float entry into the Christmas Parade in 2024 please get in touch with Kelly Bensley.**



### Welcome To St Joseph's School

We would like to welcome Esther Chinnu and her family to St Joseph's School. We hope you have a lovely time with us, full of fun and learning.





**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 Awhere.**



