

## MISSION HEART and SOUL

To live as part of a Catholic community and respond to our call to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

*"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself." Luke 10:27*

## EDUCATION HEAD and VOICE

Become confident, connected, actively involved lifelong learners and followers of Christ who are learning through the direction set by the NZ Catholic and NZ Curriculums.

*"For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth comes knowledge and understanding." Proverbs 2:6-7*

## SERVICE HANDS and FEET

To live out the Gospel values and make a difference in the world, guided by the Holy Spirit and Catholic social teachings.

*"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." Col. 3:15-17*

# SCHOOL IS CLOSED AS OF TODAY 23RD MARCH 2020

Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern has ordered all New Zealanders to self isolate to protect against the Covid19 virus. This means that St Columba's Catholic School will be closed from tomorrow, except to the children of essential workers such as doctors, nurses, ambulance drivers and police. St Columba's Catholic school will close entirely from 2.45pm Wednesday.

We take direction from our Prime Minister at this time and will follow the guidelines set by the government as to when schools will reopen.

Teachers are working from home, setting work for students in both Google Classroom and Seesaw. Please ensure that you have these apps loaded onto your devices at home.

We will communicate with parents via these apps and also by email. Please maintain contact with both your childrens' teacher if you require support with home learning.

We pray that we see you all back at school very soon and in good health.

God Bless and Keep You All

Karyn Rastrick (Board Chair), Gareth Duncan (Principal) and all of our staff.