

# District of the Pacific Update



## New Zealand News

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> of  
December 2021



### The true meaning of family spirit

I write this newsletter reflection as my time at Sacred Heart sadly draws to a close, having made the difficult decision to return to the UK to be with family. Although I may be leaving Sacred Heart, I have repeatedly been told that family must come first, and I will always be 'part of the Sacred Heart family'.

So what have I learnt from my time here? The family spirit at this school is not just a value or a pillar, it is a living and breathing way of life. When newcomers arrive, they are embraced with open arms, just as Jesus did with people from all corners of society. When staff and students are in times of need, the whole community wraps their arms around them. And when their time here comes to an end, they know it is never really goodbye. Home is where the heart is, and there's a lot of heart here at Sacred Heart. St Marcellin Champagnat, your paramount concern was for those in need. You wanted to be the real presence of Jesus for all who were struggling and in difficulty, especially the young who found themselves at the edge of society. Help me too, to be present to those facing challenges and who find themselves lost in the turmoil of daily life.

May I always have the courage and resolve to support those less fortunate than me. May I follow your example today and all days of my life. We ask this through Christ and Mary our Good Mother and Saint Marcellin Champagnat, pray for us.



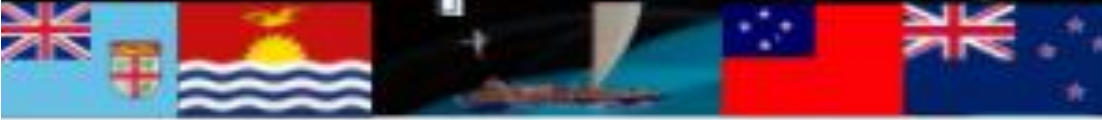
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## Samoa News



### Marist Brothers Primary School Mulivai

Our Marist Brothers' Primary School came 2nd place out of the 9 best schools in the Island that were selected for this competition. Some schools are invited to participate in our Climate Change Movement this coming Saturday 4th of December. Students will be going to pick up rubbish in some areas in Apia including planting trees: these schools are: Apia Primary, Peace Chapel, Robert Louis Stevenson, St. Mary's School, Ah Mu, Pesega Primary School, St. Peter Chanel, Vaiala Beach School, Marist Brothers' Primary School.

1<sup>st</sup> place - Vaiala Beach School

2<sup>nd</sup> place - Marist Brothers' Primary School

3<sup>rd</sup> place - Ah Mu.



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## St. Joseph's College *Prizegiving*

When: *27th November 2021*  
Where: *St. Joseph's College Alifua*  
Time: *8:30am*  
Venue: *Centennial Hall Alifua*



*Hope to see you all there.*



Newly Ordained Deacons Kevin Sailele and Eteuati Milo. Together with sister Madonna Fido! They were both ordained in Victoria Australia and are both former students of St Joseph's College.



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