

Celebrating 60 Years of St Thomas of Canterbury College Anniversary Weekend Friday 6th – Sun 8th August 2021

2021 is a very special year for St Thomas of Canterbury of College – we are celebrating our 60th Anniversary on the weekend of Friday 6th, Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th August 2021. We have a great line up of events scheduled – some are more suitable for our old boys and some are for our entire past and present community.

If you're an Old Boy, we have been spreading the word of the weekend events via our Legacy database and the STC Legacy Network Facebook page

https://www.facebook.com/groups/stcoldboys.

If you're not on the database, please contact Lynley for details on how to join (lgibson@stc.school.nz).

There is detailed information for the 60th Celebration Weekend on the STC website click here

Events more suitable for Old Boys are as follows:

The weekend kicks off on Friday 6th August at 11am with a Mihi Whakatau for all old boys, Assembly in the Hall and then afternoon nibbles and drinks (please note this will be a cash bar) with your fellow old boys and our staff.

The STC First XV are playing St Bede's to contest the McKendry Cup (at SBC). We want as many Saints supporters there as possible – dig out any old school uniform you have and join the entire STC community on the sidelines.

The big event for the weekend will be the Saturday night Celebration Dinner. This will start at 6.30pm and the focus will be on gathering, catching up and celebrating the STC brotherhood.

The cost for all events on Friday and Saturday will be \$60. We have limited capacity in the Hall so please secure your tickets as soon as you can (even after reading this!). We know this Celebration will sell out, so get in quick!

There are three ways to purchase a ticket:

- 1) Online via the STC Website
 - a. Simply click this link click here and complete the process online
- 2) Online via Internet Banking
 - a. Please contact Lynley Gibson (<u>lgibson@stc.school.nz</u>) and let her know you
 have purchased tickets via internet banking she will in touch with you to
 confirm a few details
 - b. Please use this bank account 03 0830 0014233 000 and use your name as the reference
- 3) Direct from the STC Office
 - a. Feel free to pop into the St Thomas school office during school hours and purchase your tickets

Events for our past and present STC community:

Fri 6th August – Tausala/Fiafia, STC Hall, 6pm – 730pm

There will be a Tausala/Fiafia event on Friday night hosted by the STC Pasifika Parent Community. All past and present members of the STC community are invited to attend - this will be a wonderful way to experience the talent of our STC students and the hospitality of the Pasifika parent community. This is a free event but guests are invited to bring cash for the Tausala and a donation for the meal. As we are encouraging families to attend, this will be an alcohol-free event. The Tausala will start at 6pm in the STC Hall.

The capacity of the hall is limited to 500 people so please let us know via this link <u>click here</u> if you are going to come along and how many people you will be bringing. We warmly encourage you to attend and look forward to celebrating St Thomas's with you.

Saturday 7th August – STC v SBC First XV, St Bede's College, 2.45pm Kick Off

Saturday is going to be a big day - the First XV is contesting the McKendry Cup against our old foes, St Bede's College. It would be amazing to pack out the Bede's sidelines in a "blaze of blue"! We would love to see our entire school community turn up.

Sunday 8th August – Mass for the Sacraments of Initiation, Our Lady of Victories, 5pm

St Thomas of Canterbury College, in collaboration with Christchurch West Parish, are celebrating our Mass for the Sacraments of Initiation at Our Lady of Victories. We have 32 students getting baptised, making their 1st Holy Communions and Confirmations. Mass will start at 5pm and we invite you and your family to attend and celebrate this milestone with the boys and their families.

If you have any questions, please contact Lynley Gibson (lgibson@stc.school.nz).