Dear Parents & Families,

Sixteen students from our Parish attended a Confirmation Commitment Mass yesterday as part of their preparation for the Sacrament. At the Mass they received a copy of The Apostle’s Creed, which is the Church’s statement of beliefs, and they also received a copy of an Aboriginal Creed, which links our country’s Aboriginal history and spirituality to our beliefs. The students will continue to prepare over the next month and will receive the Sacrament on Sunday August 31.

Our Active After School Sports Program commences this week, with Soccer each Tuesday afternoon and Basketball each Thursday afternoon. A letter confirming your child’s place in the program has been sent home with each student.

This Thursday we celebrate 100 Days of Prep. As part of the celebration the students will be attending Mass, completing lots of activities relating to 100, and the whole school will be joining in the Hot Lunch Day. It will be an exciting day in our Junior School.

Keon Park District Sports Association Round Robin Tournaments for Basketball will be held this Friday August 1 for Year 3/4, and Friday August 8 for Year 5/6. The teams have been selected after tryouts during Phys Ed and lunchtime sessions. Our next tryouts will be for Indoor Soccer, with the Year 3/4 Tournament to be held on August 22 and the Year 5/6 Tournament to be held on August 29.

A Year 5/6 Camp Information Night will be held next Wednesday August 6 at 7.00pm. A note about the night will be going home with the students today.

Music Lessons have commenced smoothly with over fifty students taking part in the program. It has been a great response from families and we look forward hearing the students play.

Kevin Burke

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Thank you to the Year 6 Confirmation Candidates and their parents who attended the Commitment Mass for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Please keep our Year 6 students in your prayers as they continue to prepare for this very special sacrament, which will take place on Sunday 31st August at 11:30am.

PREP / ONE MASS

To celebrate the Prep’s 100th Day at school, the Prep and Year 1 students will attend Mass this Thursday, July 31st at 10:00am. All parents are warmly invited to attend Mass with the children and to celebrate this special time with them.

LIBRARY NEWS

During Library class last week, the Year 5/6 students were invited to choose their favourite quote about Grandmothers and then write a short portrait of their own Grandmother. Well done, Chloe and Albert for their special thoughts.

Grandmothers are voices of the past and role models of the present!

My Grandmother is a kind, caring and loving person. I feel safe in my grandmother’s home because it is a big, welcoming and comfortable home. Our whole family has grown up in her home and many memories have been made there. My grandmother does things like line dancing and exercises, which makes her a very social person (sometimes I think she is more social than me!!)

Facts about my Grandmother

- She wears casual clothes like tops, long pants, scarves and denim coats.
- Every time I visit my grandmother she kisses me on the cheeks.
- All of my grandmother’s friends adore me, so does she!

By Chloe WC
My Grandmother always says that I should eat up and she does all these things to keep me healthy and well. Sometimes, she just wants me not to get ill by offering me lots of bitter medicine that I don’t really like or need. It’s hard to say no because for fear you might hurt her feelings. That is why I depend on my mum to say no!

When I was really young I was bitten by the family dog and it started to bleed. My grandmother exaggerated that I would need fifty stitches when actually all I need was a band aid!

Facts about my Grandmother
- She is caring and special, but she has a funny way of healing.
  By Albert D

ST VINNIES WINTER BLANKET APPEAL
Blankets are one of the most wanted items during the cold winter months. In Victoria, St Vinnies distributes thousands of blankets each year.

This year, the SRC has agreed to take part in this charity. We are encouraging all families to donate a blanket or two in good condition so that we can help someone who is less fortunate than us stay warm this winter.

Please send the blanket to the school office by Tuesday July 29.

P&F NEWS
OLW PARENTS & FRIENDS
CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2014

THURS 31 JULY	Hot Dog Day
FRI 4 SEPTEMBER	Father’s Day Stall
SUN 12 OCTOBER	Shopping Tour
FRI 24 OCTOBER	Walk-a-Thon

OLW 2014 SCHOOL CALENDAR
JULY
WED 30	NED PERFORMANCE
INCURSION FOR PREP- YR 6
THUR 31	PREP & YR 1 CLASSROOM
MASS AT 10.00. ALL WELCOME
100 DAYS OF PREP
HOT LUNCH DAY

AUGUST
FRI 1	YEAR 3/4 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
WED 6	YEAR 5/6 CAMP
INFORMATION NIGHT
FRI 8	YEAR 5/6 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
FRI 15	FEAST OF THE
ASSUMPTION
FRI 22	YEAR 3/4 INDOOR SOCCER TOURNAMENT
SUN 24	RECONCILIATION
COMMITMENT MASS
FRI 29	YEAR 5/6 INDOOR SOCCER TOURNAMENT

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES (AASC)
- RE: SOCCER:
  Soccer will begin on Tuesday, July 29th and will run for 7 weeks every Tuesday and ending on 9th September.

  RE: BASKETBALL:
  Basketball will begin on Thursday, July 31st and will run for 7 weeks, every Thursday and ending on September 11th.

CONFIRMATION MASS
The Sacrament of Confirmation for Year 6 students will be celebrated on Sunday August 31 at 11.30am.

55 EMAILS STILL REQUIRED
I have a list of 55 families that have not supplied me with their emails. Can the family fee payer please send the email to the office in writing or email me on annaj@olwkingsbury.catholic.edu.au with details by Friday 8th August.

If you do not have an email please also contact the office to inform me. After this date I will contact families who are still on the list that I have had no correspondence. Thank you

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Tuesday, 29 July 2014
7:30pm to 9:00pm
Rivergum Theatre
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Reserve your seat by Friday, 25 July 2014
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Loyola College Men’s Night

Theme: Relearning life’s lessons on our journey
Guest speaker: Rev Fr Terry Kean - Parish Priest
St. Francis Xavier Parish, Montmorency

When: Tuesday 9th September 2014
Time: 6:30pm starts with simple dinner
- 9:00pm end

Venue: Loyola College
Function Room & Iggy’s Restaurant
325 Grimshaw St. Watsonia Vic

***Free entry***

Contact: Sr. Nelia, SJBP
Email: llanton@loyola.vic.edu.au
Or ring: 94330265 or 94679263 or 0422672368

Pilgrim & bag pack

At times in our lives we tend to live very much in the day to day controlled by our normal routines. We can miss the ‘magic’. Sometimes a new experience can refresh our view and lead us to a more profound appreciation of what is really important in lives and what brings us real joy.

Fr. Terry Kean, who has walked the “Camino” is our guest speaker and will share his remarkable experience, personal insights and discovery of life’s joy in the goodness of ordinary and welcoming people, new friendship, beauty, silence, mountains and plains, rain, sun, heartbreaking climbs, fatigue, injury, awe-inspiring joy, birth, death….

& be uplifted for this amazing lessons in life’s journey. Please feel free to invite your friends.
Entrance Antiphon: God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

Communion Antiphon: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

Readers for Sunday Mass

- 27th July: 6pm J Wild, 8am M Nolan, 10am E McGoon
- 3rd August: 6pm E Almeida, 8am K McGrath, 10am B Hayes

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- 27th July: 6pm E Gleeson, 10am N Buchan
- 3rd August: 6pm M Martin, 10am M Nolan

OLW Church Cleaning Roster

OLW Sacristy Linen Laundering Roster

- 27th July: Kath Zanini
- 3rd August: Joy Conway

Latrobe Hospital Roster

- 27th July: Cath Mortell
- 3rd August: Norma Buchan

- Church Account: $938.20
- Presbytery Account: $602.30

- Eucharistic and readers list: is now available foyer in the church. Please collect yours.

PARISH NOTICES

- **St Patrick’s Cathedral**: will be holding an annual anniversary mass for the gift of marriage, on 27th July at 11am. To register call family office 93875579.

- **The Catholic Homes**: The Catholic Homes are building units on the spare land, so anybody wishing to contact them the details are: Mr Crawford 8862 9000. He will explain the in’s and out’s. Fr Terry is away until the end of June, so if you wish to find out things please contact Mr Crawford.

- **Kairos**: Don’t forget to get a copy of the Kairos when it arrives at the church. The Kairos is on sale in this parish. $2.00 a copy (great reading). So buy one when you can, as it keeps you up to date with what is happening in the area.

- **All Masses**: this weekend mass will offered to the OLW Parishioners at all masses.

**Quote from Pope Francis:**

The Joy of the Gospel, page 17.”The Church which goes forth is a community of missionary disciples who take the first step, who are involved and supportive, who bear fruit and rejoice. An evangelizing community knows that the Lord has taken the initiative, he has loved us first (cf.1 jn 4:19) and therefore we can move forward, bodily take the initiative and go out to others, seek those who have fallen away, stand at the crossroads and welcome the outcast. Such a community has an endless desire to show mercy the fruit of its own experience of the power of the father’s infinite mercy. Let us try a little harder to take the first step and to become involved.

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