Dear Parents & Families,

Thank you to all the ‘mums’ who attended our Mother’s Day Breakfast last Friday. We had over 80% of our mums attending, which was a fabulous achievement. I would also like to thank the staff for their assistance in the planning and setting up of the event, in particular Kerry Jenkins, Michelle Ray and Kathy Pullen who did a wonderful job with the organisation and the catering.

FIRST EUCHARIST

Our students who are celebrating their First Eucharist later this month attended Parent – Child Night last Wednesday evening as part of their preparation for the Sacrament. There was plenty of great discussion between the children and their parents, and we look forward to the celebration of the Sacrament on Sunday May 22.

PREP 2017

If your child is in 4 year old Kinder and you wish them to commence school next year, please make sure that you get your application in as places are limited.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN Testing commences this Tuesday May 10 and continues until Thursday May 12. Only students in Years 3 & 5 undertake this assessment.

BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE

At this stage we have 10 volunteers for the Bunnings Sausage Sizzle at Thomastown this Sunday, May 15. We would greatly appreciate any other parents who can assist for just one shift of two hours. A return form is included in this week’s newsletter if you are able to assist. A volunteer roster will be distributed to families this Thursday.

SCHOOL BEANIE FOR WINTER UNIFORM

We now have a navy blue OLW winter beanie with the school logo available. You can purchase them from Buxwear or from the school office. The cost of the beanie is just $10.00.

EDUCATION BOARD MEETING

Our next meeting is this Wednesday, May 11 at 7.00pm. Minutes and agenda have been distributed to members.

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Please see our Student Representative Council’s flyer in this week’s newsletter for our activities on Friday May 20. All students who walk or ride part or all of the way will receive a free healthy breakfast on arrival!

WINTER SPORT

Our senior students have a bye this Friday, but will have a training session during the afternoon.

Kevin Burke

OLW SCHOOL CALENDAR

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Thanks to everyone who supported the Mother’s Day Breakfast, the Stall and the Raffle. A profit of just over $1,000 was made on the Stall and Raffle.
CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Our Lady of the Way has been given the opportunity to run the Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings Thomastown on Sunday, May 15, 2016 from 8.00am – 4.00pm. This is a simple and easy way to raise money for our school.

We are calling for volunteers to help on the day to cook & serve sausages. We would greatly appreciate your help and commitment for 2 hours. If we have a large number of volunteers then the shifts may be reduced to 1 hour.

Please indicate your preferred time that you would be available to help and return the form to the office by Tuesday May 10. You can also respond through our school app. Thanks for your support.

OLW P & F Committee

BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE RETURN FORM

Name ____________________________
Contact Number ____________________

I/we can assist: (Please tick)
☐ 8 am – 10 am  ☐ 10 am –12noon  ☐ 12 noon –2pm  ☐ 2 pm – 4 pm
National Walk Safely to School Day
Friday 20 May, 2016

Our SRC (Student Representative Council) would like as many families as possible to join our school in participating in this year’s Walk Safely to School Day.

We would like to see as many families as possible ride or walk to school or perhaps drive part way and then walk if you live too far from school.

The SRC would like to remind all mums or dads to use the school crossings to cross the roads safely and to be a good role model of safe pedestrian behaviour to the children.

Members of the SRC have arranged a $100 donation from the local Woolworths Store at Polaris towards the purchase of the healthy breakfast, and we would also like to thank our Parents and Friends Committee who have provided additional money to purchase the items and are arranging the breakfast for the students.

We are hoping that we may have the opportunity to launch the Active Paths Program which we have been working on with Kingsbury Primary to make our community a safer place to walk and ride. Stay tuned!

We are all looking forward to Walk Safely to School Day on Friday May 20th, 2016.

The OLW Student Representative Council.
Parish of Our Lady of the Way Kingsbury
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Parish Priest: Fr Terry Bergin           Tel: 9462 1221     School Tel: 9460 6684
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Parish Website: OLW Kingsbury

Mass Timetable
Saturday – Vigil Mass: 6.00PM
Sunday: 8.00AM and 10.00AM
Weekdays: 10.00AM
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday from 5.15 to 5.45PM
Rosary Monday to Saturday: 9.30AM
Divine Mercy Chaplet: After Mass Daily
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday from 9.00 to 9.30AM

Entrance Antiphon: You kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; praise the Lord, who ascends above the highest heavens; his majesty and might are in the skies, alleluia.

Communion Antiphon: Christ, offering a single sacrifice for sins, is seated for ever at God’s right hand, alleluia

Readers for Sunday Mass
8th May  6pm E Almeida   8am P Hearity  10am J Hubber
15th May 6pm K D’Souza  8am N Brown  10am N Buchan

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
8th May  6pm M Martin  10am B Hayes
15th May 6pm L Gangi  10am M Nolan

OLW Church Cleaning Roster
12th May  J O’Mahony, Freddie & Laura, Christina Sant, Judy
21st May  Professional Cleaners

OLW Sacristy Linen Laundering Roster
8th May   Elspeth Garbellotto
15th May  Lan

04th May  Church Account      $1133.20
          Presbytery Account  $628.20

St. Peregrine, patron saint of cancer sufferers: On Sunday 8th May a mass and blessing in honour of St. Peregrine’s Feast Day will be celebrated at St. Brigid’s Church, corner of Nicholson St and Alexander Pde, North Fitzroy at 2.30pm. All welcome.

Project Compassion: Grateful thanks to all those who contributed to the Project Compassion special collection. We raised an amazing amount of $1767.90. Well done!

Parish luncheon: Next parish luncheon is May 25th at Summerhill Hotel. All welcome. Please place name on list, located in the foyer.
**Discovering the Sacred Space Within:** A weekend for women. Friday May 13th 8am to Sunday May 15th 3pm. Pallotti College, Millgrove. Cost $180.00, facilitator Lorraine McCarthy. Enquiries lorraine613@bigpond.com or Ph: 0402 217 123.

**Vatican City 3rd May 2016:** Lead guitarist “The Edge” from Irish rock band U2 played in ‘the most beautiful parish hall – the Sistine chapel. The performance (first ever) was given by Pope Francis for 200 doctors and researchers who are looking into adult stem cell to cure difficult and rare diseases. “The Edge” thanked Pope Francis for allowing him to play there. “Being Irish, you learn very early that if you wish to come back, you thank the parish priest. The singer dedicated his performance and song “Walk On” to Pope Francis. The cellular horizons conference was hosted at the Vatican by the U.S. based Stem for life foundation.

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**40TH ANNIVERSARY OF FATHER TERRY’S ORDINATION.**

Hi parishioners! As Fr Terry’s 40th anniversary draws closer, I would like to ask for some help in preparing a morning tea for Fr Terry, scheduled for after mass on Sunday 29th May. We need six men to help setup some tables and we would ask that everyone bring along a yummy and interesting plate. There will be a list for people to sign on.

Thanks so much, Dorothy.

**Deanery Dinner:** There is a free dinner put on by the Deanery at 7.pm on Wed June 8th at Eltham Catholic Church Hall. The speaker will be Sr Mary O’Shannassy, the Director of Catholic Prison Ministry. Please see Fr Terry if you would like to be included on our parish table.

**Happy Mother’s Day:** May all mothers have a wonderful day.

**Reflection:** God could not be everywhere, so He invented Mothers.

**Special collection:** there will be a special collection for the Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal on 15th May. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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