

# OLW NEWS 2017

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#### **Dear Parents & Families,**

On Friday each family would have received a box of chocolates, which is this term's P & F Fundraiser. The chocolates selected by the P & F sell for just \$1.00 each, meaning that it is easier for families to sell them to family, friends, sporting groups, etc. You have also been provided with an envelope with your child's name attached for the return of money. We ask that all money be returned in this envelope so that it can be marked off against your family name. If you are unable to sell all of your chocolates then please return them and your money envelope ASAP so that we can redistribute them to other families.

#### **DANCE PROGRAM**

Our Dance Program will commence tomorrow and will run each Tuesday throughout the term. Dancefever Multisport are running the program for us this year and at this stage, Simon Woods will be our instructor.

#### **CONFIRMATION PARENT-CHILD NIGHT**

There is a Confirmation Parent – Child Night this Tuesday evening at 7.00pm for the parents and candidates who will be celebrating the Sacrament on Friday September 15. Please make sure that you have this date in your diary.

#### **SPORTING SCHOOLS PROGRAM**

Our Sporting Schools Program commences next Tuesday, August 1, after school and runs each Tuesday afternoon until September 12. Our sport this term is Aussie T-Ball.

#### P & F MEETING

Our next P & F Meeting is Tuesday August 1 at 5.00pm. Meetings are held in the school staffroom and everyone is most welcome to attend.

#### **EDUCATION BOARD MEETING**

Our next Education Board Meeting is Wednesday August 2 at 7.00pm. Minutes and agenda will be distributed to members this week.

#### **100 DAYS OF PREP**

Our Prep will be celebrating 100 Days of Prep on Friday August 4 with many activities throughout the day related to the number 100. It will be a very exciting day in our Junior School!

#### **DISTRICT BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS**

The Keon Park District Sports Association Round Robin Tournaments for Basketball will be held on Friday August 4 for Year 3/4, and Friday August 11 for Year 5/6. Team selection will take place this week during Phys Ed sessions and also during lunchtime.

#### **WINTER BLANKET APPEAL**

Thank you to everyone who has donated blankets to our Winter Appeal. We will continue to gratefully accept any other donations over the coming few weeks.

Enjoy the week!

Kevin Burke

# IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

All Year 6 students who have been Baptised in the Catholic faith are invited to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday September 15 at 7:00pm. Bishop Terry Curtin will be the celebrant at this Sacrament.

A Commitment Mass for this Sacrament will take place on Sunday August 20 at the 10:00am Parish Mass in the Church. It is an expectation that all Confirmation candidates attend this Mass.

A Parent/Child Reflection Evening for Confirmation will take place on Tuesday July 25 at 7:00pm in the Senior Learning Space. It is essential that the Confirmation candidates and at least one parent attends this meeting.

Catherine Laycock (Religious Education Leader)

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### OLW TERM 3 2017 SCHOOL CALENDAR

3CHOOL CALENDAR		
TUE 25	JULY CONFIRMATION PARENT – CHILD NIGHT @ 7.00PM	
AUGUST		
TUE 1	P & F MEETING	
WED 2	<b>ED BOARD MEETING</b>	
FRI 4	100 DAYS OF PREP	
	YEAR 3/4 BASKETBALL	
	TOURNAMENT	
WED 9	WELLBEING CLUSTER	
FRI 11	YEAR 5/6 BASKETBALL	
	TOURNAMENT	
<b>TUE 15</b>	FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION	
	– MASS @ 10.00AM	
FRI 18	PRINCIPALS MEETING	
SUN 20	CONFIRMATION	
	COMMITMENT MASS @	
	10.00AM	
	BOOK WEEK	
	AUTHOR VISIT	
THUR 24	DEPUTY PRINCIPALS	
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FRI 25	YEAR 3/4 INDOOR SOCCER	
	TOURNAMENT	

THUR 31	REL NETWORK FATHER'S DAY STALL
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	<u>SEPTEMBER</u>
FRI 1	YEAR 5/6 INDOOR SOCCER
	TOURNAMENT
WED 6	<b>ED BOARD MEETING</b>
FRI 8	WORKING BEE
FRI 15	SACRAMENT OF
	<b>CONFIRMATION @ 7.00PM</b>
MON 18	CLOSURE DAY – PARENT /
	TEACHER INTERVIEWS
THUR 21	WELLBEING CLUSTER
FRI 22	<b>WEAR YOUR FOOTY</b>
	COLOURS DAY

**LAST DAY OF TERM** 

DISMISSAL - 1.00PM

#### **WINTER BLANKET APPEAL**

Blankets are one of the most wanted items during the cold winter months. In Victoria, St Vincent de Paul distributes thousands of blankets each year.

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



Our SRC have been out canvassing the local shop owners for support by allowing us to advertise flyers on their shop windows. We are very grateful for their support!

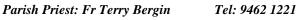
Students or families are able to leave all clean blankets at the collection area in the school office. The SRC will organise their distribution to the needy.

Many thanks for your support, OLW SRC



## Parish of Our Lady of the Way Kingsbury

Presbytery: 13 Green Ave, Kingsbury, 3083



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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

School Tel: 9460 6684

Rosary Monday to Saturday: 9.30AM

Divine Mercy Chaplet After Mass Daily

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday from 9.00 to 9.30AM

Baptisms and Marriages by appointment: Please ring 9462 1221

*Entrance Antiphon:* See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

*Communion Antiphon:* The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

Readers for Sunday Mass

23<sup>rd</sup> Jul 6pm M Nolan 8am K McGrath 10am J Aroquianadin

30<sup>th</sup> Jul 6pm E Gleeson 8am C Nguyen 10am I Lowe

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

16<sup>th</sup> Jul 6pm M Nolan 10am D Grant 30<sup>th</sup> Jul 6pm M Martin 10am N Buchan

**OLW Church Cleaning Roster** 

29<sup>th</sup> Jul Professional Cleaners

12<sup>th</sup> Aug Thien Lan Nguyen and E Nguyen and Charles

OLW Sacristy Linen Laundering Roster

30<sup>th</sup> Jul Judy McColl 6<sup>th</sup> Aug Joan Fothergill

19th Jul Church Account \$1199.00

Presbytery Account \$617.00

22<sup>nd</sup> Jul 6pm Mass: Today we remember Emily and Fredrick Brown and deceased family members.

23<sup>rd</sup> Jul 10am Mass: Today we remember Mary Addicoat on her anniversary.

**Parish lunch:** Don't forget our parish lunch on the 26<sup>th</sup> July. 12pm at Coopers, Bundoora. **Little Sisters of the Poor** from St Georges Rd Northcote, will be at OLW this weekend asking for our support. They will be speaking at 6pm and 10am Masses.

#### Treasure in clay jars:

#### By Brendan Byrne, SJ, St James the Apostle Hoppers Crossing North 2/7/17

You can be very sure that every priest preparing his sermon in Melbourne this weekend has asked himself whether he should say something about the decision to charge Cardinal Pell, a decision that has dominated the media in recent days and caused such shock and dismay to so many member of the Church.

On the one hand, people may feel that there's enough of it in the media and they'd just like to come to church and hear some word of encouragement from the Scriptures. On the other hand, one feels a certain obligation to address the feelings that so many members of parish communities must be experiencing at this time. And, of course, the paramount concern must always be to acknowledge and respect the feelings of any who have been victims of sexual abuse. So I shall say something – though without making any comment on the legal process currently under way or expressing any views on its likely outcome. I know Cardinal Pell. He asked me to give a retreat to his priest and expressed confidence in me as a Scripture Scholar. There are matters on which we would disagree but there are also areas of his contribution to the church that I admire. I find this whole development deeply disturbing but further than that I do not want to go.

It is, however, a time of public humiliation for the Catholic Church community – a humiliation that has been building up ever since the scandals about child abuse by clergy and other church officials became public over twenty years ago. The image of a heroic Catholic church that sailed unwavering and unsoiled through the centuries, outlasting all that persecution and hostile forces could throw at it, has largely been shattered. The pride in the Church that was drummed into us older members of the faithful in our early years has in many respects given way to shame – and there are doubtless many who have left off practicing the faith as a result. In past time the Church cultivated that high image of itself because it believed that that was the best way to preserve its credibility, the credibility that it saw as necessary to carry out the primary task which had been given to it by its Lord: to preach the Gospel. But an unfortunate by-product of that image of itself as a sinless institution was the tendency to keep scandals, especially in the sexual area, closely under wraps, and to defend and uphold the reputation of the Church and its clergy at all costs. Hence offending clergy were moved from place to place rather than being dealt with as justice and the safety of children required- with the devastating results of which we are now so acutely aware.

If that image of the church has been shattered – painful as it has been for all who love the church to accept – that is no bad thing. It is actually a process that began fifty years ago at the Second Vatican Council when the Catholic Church accepted, as Protestants had been saying since the Reformation, that the church always stands in need of reform.

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