



# OLW NEWS 2017

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Dear Parents & Families,

Thank you to all our parents and students who attended our Confirmation Sacramental Night last Tuesday evening. It was lovely to see the interaction between the students and their parents and sharing this special time together. Thank you to Mrs Laycock and Mr Mizzi for organising the night. The Commitment Mass for the Sacrament is Sunday Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> @ 10.00am.

### DANCE PROGRAM

Our Dance Program commenced last Tuesday and will continue each Tuesday throughout the term. Both Simon Woods and James Mifsud will be our instructors. We are hoping to hold an open session later in the term where parents can come along and watch their children during the session. Stay tuned!

### 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. 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.

### SPORTING SCHOOLS PROGRAM

Our Sporting Schools Program commences tomorrow after school and runs each Tuesday afternoon until September 12. The sport this term is Aussie T-Ball and sessions conclude at 4.45pm.

### P & F MEETING

Our next P & F Meeting is this 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 this Wednesday August 2 at 7.00pm. Minutes and agenda were distributed to members last week.

### 100 DAYS OF PREP

Our Prep will be celebrating 100 Days of Prep this 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 this Friday August 4 for Year 3/4, and next Friday August 11 for Year 5/6. Team selection has taken place and permission forms have been sent home with the students. Parents are most welcome to attend on the day at Reservoir District Secondary College to support the teams.

### 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.

Best of luck to our Year 3/4 basketballers this Friday!

*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.

Catherine Laycock  
(Religious Education Leader)

## OLW TERM 3 2017 SCHOOL CALENDAR

### AUGUST

TUE 1	P & F MEETING
WED 2	ED BOARD MEETING
FRI 4	100 DAYS OF PREP YEAR 3/4 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
WED 9	WELLBEING CLUSTER
THUR 10	TREE PLANTING DAY
FRI 11	YEAR 5/6 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
TUE 15	FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION MASS @ 10.00AM
WED 16	YEAR 6 SECONDARY LINK PROGRAM @ LOYOLA
FRI 18	PRINCIPALS MEETING
SUN 20	CONFIRMATION COMMITMENT MASS @ 10.00AM
MON 21	BOOK WEEK
WED 23	AUTHOR VISIT
THUR 24	DEPUTY PRINCIPALS MEETING
FRI 25	YEAR 3/4 INDOOR SOCCER TOURNAMENT
WED 30	YEAR 6 SECONDARY LINK PROGRAM @ LOYOLA
THUR 31	REL NETWORK FATHER'S DAY STALL

### SEPTEMBER

FRI 1	YEAR 5/6 INDOOR SOCCER TOURNAMENT
WED 6	ED BOARD MEETING
FRI 8	WORKING BEE
FRI 15	SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION @ 7.00PM
MON 18	CLOSURE DAY – PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS
THUR 21	WELLBEING CLUSTER
FRI 22	WEAR YOUR FOOTY 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

### ***GROUNDS TO CELEBRATE – Volunteers needed for Tree Planting Day!***

As part of their Inquiry Unit titled 'Growth, Adaptation and Change' and in conjunction with Planet Ark Day, the senior students are going enhance our school by planting trees around the school grounds. We are seeking volunteers to assist with a tree planting day to be held at school on August 10.



You needn't be a planting or gardening professional only willing to help out. All help will be greatly appreciated – from preparing holes before August 10 to helping with the planting on the day.

If you can assist please let the school know and you will be contacted by Tony Mizzi.

# ST DAMIAN'S

## *Ladies Market Night*

Friday 11th August 2017

7pm - 9pm

Parish/School Hall—5 Settlement Rd Bundoora



Come and enjoy a night of fun, shopping, friendship and a chance to win great prizes in our raffle while supporting our school.

### Entry \$7 per person

Includes a glass of champagne/juice  
and a dip into our Chocolate Fountain!

Great Stalls including: hot food—dumplings and skewers, cakes, sweets, chocolates, ladies clothing, arts and crafts, homewares, ladies accessories, & much more.....

*Champagne supplied by Lou Benincasa  
Fundraising with Wine*



# 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  
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:** 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**

30 <sup>th</sup> Jul	6pm E Gleeson	8am C Nguyen	10am I Lowe
6 <sup>th</sup> Aug	6pm M Smyth	8am P Hearity	10am B Hayes

## **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

30 <sup>th</sup> Jul	6pm M Martin	10am N Buchan
6 <sup>th</sup> Aug	6pm L Gangi	10am N George Swamy

## **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

<b>26<sup>th</sup> Jul</b>	Church Account	\$993.00
	Presbytery Account	\$638.50

**29<sup>th</sup> Jul 6pm Mass:** Today we remember Joseph Nghia and Minh Nguyen

**30<sup>th</sup> Jul 10am Mass:** Today we remember Kevin Richards.

**For sale:** A low mileage Magna sedan, suitable for a university student, is available for sale. The price is very, very low. The car is in very good condition. Please ring Tony Nguyen for further details on 0423 694 938.

**Seeking work/volunteering position:** Recent master graduate electronic engineering student from La Trobe Uni is looking for a volunteering job related with engineering or teaching in school. Please see Fr Terry for contact details.

*Treasure in clay jars:*

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

*...continued.*

Why does the church stand in need of continual reform? Because, while holy because of its union with Christ, our Lord, it is made up of human beings who are prone to weakness and failure as much as to heroism and the wonderful love and generosity shown not only in our canonized saints but in countless millions of the faithful who 'just get on with it', largely unrecognized and unknown.

St Paul has a fine description of what the Church has to offer in his Second Letter to the Corinthians:

2 Cor 4:7...we hold a **treasure**, but in **clay jars**, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us.

What was the 'treasure' to which Paul was referring? The treasure was the good news of God's love proclaimed in the gospel that he and his fellow apostles were charged to preach to the world. It was a precious treasure but one that was being carried in the fragile, so easily breakable, vessels of their own humanity.

In similar vein, Pope John Paul II once said that the Church's greatest treasure was its knowledge of Jesus Christ. This was the one thing that it and it alone had to preserve and give to the world. So the Church down the ages has always carried this treasure but done so in human vessels that, as we are so painfully aware, can easily shatter and break.

But, for all its current ills, we should remember that the Church does still possess this treasure. And no other institution apart from the Church can present it to the world - for light in the darkness, for comfort and consolation in the face of suffering and death, for hope where there is despair.

What will give the Church the credibility to do so will not be an attempt to preserve that image of unspoilt holiness that, as I said before, has been shattered beyond repair. What will continue to give the Church credibility is its quietly going along the way of service, not merely to its own members but to a wider society, at which it has been and continues to be so effective and good.

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