

**Dear Parents & Families,** 

Thank you to the families who attended the Working Bee last Friday evening. We had a great group of parents who completed many jobs in order to keep OLW looking great. Some of their work will enable our Garden Club to set up their Shed and be ready for our first crop of planting for the year.

# **CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK**

Monday, March 16, marks the commencement of Catholic Education Week. During this week of celebration there are many events that take place, including a Visual Arts Exhibition. This year OLW has three students' artwork that has been selected to be displayed in the exhibition. Congratulations to Jada Mao, Mikayla Sangalang, and Jessica Miao on their achievement.

#### **ST PATRICK'S DAY MASS**

Our Year 6 students will be attending the St Patrick's Day Mass and Concert to be held at St Patrick's Cathedral and the Treasury Gardens on Tuesday March 17. Our School Captains will join over 300 Catholic Schools taking part in Parade of Banners at the the commencement of the Mass.

#### **OPEN EVENING & ENROLMENTS**

OLW is holding an Open Evening and Guided Tours for prospective and current families on Wednesday, March 18, from 4.00pm - 6.00pm. Our School Captains will be hosting the tours of the school whilst our staff will be available in their learning spaces. Information will be distributed to the local Kinders this week, but please feel free to let other people know about the evening.

We currently have 27 applications, so if your child is in 4-year-old Kinder, please complete and return an Enrolment Form as soon as possible as places are limited!

# **EDUCATION BOARD**

Thank you to Anne Medhurst and Maria Favero who have been nominated to join our Education Board. As we have only two nominations, they are directly elected to the Board. We look forward to their contributions to the development of Our Lady of the Way. Our first meeting is this Wednesday, March 18 at 7.00pm, just after our Open Evening.

# **NEW PARENT HELPER TRAINING**

Thank you to our New Parent Helpers that completed their training today. As part of the Child Safe Standards, all volunteers must also go through a screening process in order to meet the standards under this Ministerial Order. We hope to have to this completed over the next few weeks so that our parents are able begin assisting in the classrooms prior to the end of term.

#### SILVER COIN CHALLENGE

We are into our last week of the Challenge and some of our classes have been doing exceptionally well, so don't forget to keep those coins coming in. All money raised this year will go towards Project Compassion to support those less fortunate.

### LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY

Next Monday is a Public Holiday for Labour Day. Classes will resume on Tuesday March 10. Our Preps also commence full-time next week and are looking forward to participating in our Wednesday specialist program!

Enjoy the week!

Kevin Burke

# WORD OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to everyone who found out that outlandish means looking or sounding bizarre or unfamiliar.'

Our word of the week for this week is:

# COMPASSION

Find out it's meaning and origin and see if you can add this word to your vocabulary over the next week!

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR 2020

The dates for the Sacraments have been set for 2020. They are as follows:

First Eucharist (Year 3) - Commitment Mass Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00am

The Sacrament of First Eucharist Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May at 11:30am

**Confirmation (Year 6)** - Commitment Mass Sunday June 21<sup>st</sup> 10:00am

The Sacrament of Confirmation Thursday July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00pm

**Reconciliation (Year 2)** - Commitment Mass Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 10:00am Sacrament of Reconciliation Tuesday 7th November 7:00pm

# PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION NEWS

# FEBRUARY SILVER COIN CHALLENGE

To start the year off we will be running our Silver Coin Classroom fundraising challenge in the month of February. Bring to school all the 5, 10, 20 and 50 cent pieces you have been saving or collecting.

The class who raises the most money will receive the perpetual trophy and a free hot chip lunch. Who will be the winning classroom this year?

# ICY POLES

Icy poles are sold each Tuesday & Thursday. Icy poles are limited to 2 per person and are 50 cents each

# Opera Evening

2 International Opera Singers will perform in OLW Church next Saturday, March 7, at 7.15pm

Advertising notices are in the Church foyer, School foyer and around the Link St shops. All families are welcome to attend!



# Parish of Our Lady of the Way Kingsbury Presbytery: 13 Green Ave, Kingsbury, 3083



Parish Priest: Fr Terry Bergin Tel: 9462 1221 School Tel: 9460 6684 Email: terrybergin1@bigpond.com 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 Baptisms and Marriages by appointment: Please ring 9462 1221

Entrance Antiphon: When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

*Communion Antiphon:* One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

# **Readers for Sunday Mass**

1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	6pm E Gleeson	8am C Nguyen	10am A Crupi
8 <sup>th</sup> Mar	6pm J Glover	8am Sr Carmel	10am B Hayes

### **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

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1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	6pm L Gangi & Volunteer required	10am D Grant & Volunteer required
8 <sup>th</sup> Mar	6pm M Nolan & Volunteer required	10am H Olpenda & Volunteer required

### **OLW Church Cleaning Roster**

29 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Professional Cleaners
14 <sup>th</sup> Mar	McGoon, T McGree and J O'Mahony

### **OLW Sacristy Linen Laundering Roster**

1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Lan
8 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Heidi Olpenda

26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Church Account	\$
	Presbytery Account	\$

*Movie* – 5<sup>th</sup> March in the church foyer. Ride Like a Girl - \$12.00 per person and lunch is included. Please sign the sheet in the foyer if interested.

Leadership Team: Next Wednesday, 4th March. 7pm in the Presbytery.

*Kilmore Races:* Come and join us for a fun day out at Kilmore races on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March. Bus will be leaving William St at 9.30am. Members \$57.00 non-members \$60.00, lunch included. Please contact Geraldine 9435 4306, Angela 9444 6298 or Kay 0490 141 845 for more information.

*To all parishioners:* We are hoping you will give us your favourite recipes. We are putting together a recipe book for Mother's Day. I challenge the men for their recipes, it may be mums or your wife. Get to it now!

# Ageing and Awakening to God's surprises.

Please take a brochure from the foyer table. Our later years hold amazing possibilities. Do you find yourself thinking about life: eg How am I coping with change: Can I let go? Then come along to OLW to church foyer for 6 sessions: 10.30am, 12.30pm this year beginning April 17<sup>th</sup> May: 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> June: 12<sup>th</sup> and 26th Sr Kerin Caldwell is our inspired leader for these sessions. Her resume is written in the brochure.

*First Friday of Each month* – Pizza night for everyone 7-9 pm – a meet and greet with other parishioners

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A police office came to my house and asked me where I was between 5 & 6. He seemed irritated when I answered: "Kindergarten".

I bought a little bag of air today: the company that made it was kind enough to put some potato chips in it as well!

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