



OLW NEWS 2022

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Dear Parents & Families,

Our Year 5/6 students had a fabulous time on camp last week. We were blessed with great weather and some amazing and fun activities that ensured everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves, staff included! A link to the video of the camp was posted out last week on SkoolBag for families.

THE STORY OF THE FIRST CHRISTMAS & CAROLS EVENING

Thank you to everyone who attended our Story of the First Christmas and Carols last Thursday evening. It was great to have the opportunity to gather with families and share in the evening as we prepare for the celebration of Christmas. Special thanks to Mrs Myers and the staff for preparing the students for the night, and well done to our Cast and Choir.

P & F CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

The P & F Mega Christmas Raffle is almost complete. Raffle tickets are \$1.00 each or \$20 for the book of tickets which went home with each child last week. All 25 prizes are currently on display in the school office and the draw takes place on the last day of school, Friday December 16. Additional raffle books are available from the school office. All tickets, sold or unsold must be returned by tomorrow.



OLW SPORTS CARNIVAL

Our School Sports Carnival will take place this Wednesday, December 14, weather permitting. The day will commence at 10.00am and finish approximately at 3.00pm and families are most welcome to join us throughout the day. Track events and relays will be taking place between 11.30am and 1.00pm. We will be setting up events and equipment from 9.00am – 10.00am, so if any parents are available to assist with setting up the marquees etc. from 9.00am, we would be very grateful for your assistance. Please just

see Mrs Van Ballegoooy or myself on the oval in the morning.

2nd HAND UNIFORM SALE

Our P & F will be holding a 2nd Hand Uniform Sale on the afternoon of Wednesday December 14 from 2.00pm. We have received a number of donations to add to our current collection and are happy to continue receiving donations throughout the remainder of this year and into next year. Our P & F are planning to run a 2nd Hand Uniform Shop in 2023.

2023 FAMILY & LEVY FEES

The School Fee for 2023 will be \$1800 per family and the levy will be \$400 per child. (\$50.00 will be refunded if families attend one working bee during the year). The annual rise in fees is kept to a minimum and in line with, or just below CPI, to ensure that OLW remains accessible for all families.

Please remember that if you ever have any concerns over the payment of school fees, you should contact the office so that we can assist you with managing your situation.

Student Book Orders will be managed by the school again this year. Families will not be required to order any classroom books or equipment for 2023. All books and requirements for your child will be billed to your 2023 school fee account.

However, there will be some optional items that you will be able to provide or purchase such as pencils/ textas etc. This will enable families to carry over some items from this year rather than purchase more of the same things. A list of goods required to be brought from home will be sent home once class arrangements have been finalised in December.

END OF YEAR REPORTS

End of Year Reports will be sent home tomorrow. For families who have commenced holidays early, a copy of your child's report will be posted out on Friday December 16 with your child's 2023 class placement letter.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION MASS & SUPPER

Our Year 6 students will be celebrating their Graduation on Wednesday evening commencing with a Graduation Mass at 7.00pm followed by Presentations and Supper. It will be great to have the opportunity to gather and celebrate their achievements. We thank our graduating class of 2022 for being great role models for the younger students and for the leadership they have displayed across all of 2022.

YEAR 5/6 EXCURSION TO FUNFIELDS

Our Year 5/6 students have their end of year excursion to Funfields in Whittlesea this Thursday, December 15. It is an outstanding venue and will provide for an action packed day! The permission form is now live through Operoo.

END OF YEAR MASS

Our End of Year Mass will be held on Friday December 16 at 10.00am. We will be joining the Parish 10.00am Mass for this celebration. Everyone is most welcome to join us.

END OF YEAR DISMISSAL

The 2022 school year closes on Friday December 16 at 2.30pm. Our farewell and guard of honour for our Year 6 students will commence around 2.00pm.

2023 CLASSES

Year 1 – Year 6 students will spend a session with their 2023 class on Friday December 16. On this day the students will spend about an hour working with their new cohort and will also bring home booking information for the Beginning of Year Testing. Classes for the 2023 school year will

commence for all students on Wednesday February 1 as Monday January 30 and Tuesday January 31 will be Testing Days for students in Years 1 – 6.

JUDY'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Judy, our Crossing Lady, would like to wish all families a very Merry Christmas and congratulate our Year 6 students on their graduation.

THANK YOU!

I would especially like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff for their continued hard work and dedication in 2022. It has been another exciting year with many outstanding achievements across all areas of the curriculum. The staff of OLW have been a great support to me, to each other, and to the students and the wider community, and will deservedly enjoy a well-earned break.

On behalf of the Parish and the School Staff of OLW, I would like to wish all families a safe, happy and holy Christmas, and we look forward to seeing you in the new year.

Merry Christmas!

Kevin Burke

PHRASE OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to everyone who found out that 'lit up like a Christmas tree' means '*very brightly lit.*'

Our final phrase for the year is:

'all your Christmases have come at once'

Find out its meaning and see if you can add this phrase to your vocabulary over the next week.



**Our Lady of the Way
presents it's**

Christmas Raffle Fundraiser

Cost: \$1.00 per ticket

Please return by Tuesday 13th
December

Raffle drawn Friday 16th
December

**Over
\$5,000
in prizes!**

**Please remember
to include your
name and phone
number on the
tickets!**

Prizes include ...

Nintendo Switch Lite, Coles Myer gift cards, Latrobe school holiday program vouchers, Restaurant vouchers, Entertainment vouchers, Goodyear Tyres voucher, Basic car service, Homewares, Lego sets, Stationary, Boardgames, Toys and so much more!



Thank You to the following businesses who have generously donated to our Christmas Raffle

**Tonda Italian restaurant
Vorea Polaris restaurant
Cheecake Shop Kingsbury
Ralph D'Silva Motor Group
Goodyear Tyres Kingsbury**



Bundoora Park Golf

Reservoir RSL

Kingsbury Golf

La Trobe Sports

HBM Hair Kingsbury

We Meet Again Butcher Polaris

Flowers on Plenty Florist

Colour Hair Kingsbury

Red Door Cafe

**Family donations of Coles Myer gift cards,
cinema vouchers, gifts & more!**



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Mass Timetable

Saturday – Vigil Mass:	6.00PM
Sunday:	8.00AM and 10.00AM
Weekdays: Tuesday - Friday	10.00AM
Rosary: Tuesday - Friday	9.30AM
Sacrament of Reconciliation:	Saturday from 5.15 to 5.45PM
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:	Friday from 9.15 to 9.45AM

Baptisms and Marriages by appointment: Please ring 0488 020 364

Welcome to you all.

Entrance Antiphon: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.

Communion Antiphon: Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

Third Sunday of Advent – 10 and 11 December 2022

Understanding Our Faith - Advent.

During Advent, Old Testament readings are very prominent and important. This is so because the New Testament sees the Old Testament as leading up to the coming of Jesus.

In the Old Testament, there is a constant tension towards the future. This begins right back at the beginning with the call of Abraham. Abraham is called to leave his father's house and move of into a future which is promised to him but whose form is far from clear. He is told that he will gain a land that God would show him. So, he has to rely on the God who calls him into the future, into a future for whose attainment he had to trust in God.

All through the Exodus out of Egypt the people were called into a land flowing with milk and honey, but it is in the future, and they have to set off on a journey to reach it – a journey not without its challenges.

The prophets similarly – and especially Isaiah of whom we hear so much during Advent – are so often pointing to the future which is to come. We can see this in the first readings of all the Sundays of Advent. There is a constant call into a future and a tension to it. They can never be simply immersed in the present; they are called to be tensed towards a time to come.

The time to come arrives with the coming of Jesus. In Mark's gospel, before the ministry of Jesus begins, we are told "The time has come and the kingdom of heaven had drawn near." (Mk.1.15). And the Baptist is the one who comes before Jesus and points to him. Yet in this week's gospel, we see the Baptist disillusioned with Jesus and asking him if he is really the one who is to come or should they look for someone else (Matt. 11.2-4).

Why? Jesus was different to what most people expected! To recognize him, there had to be a change of mind, a different way of seeing things which we find outlined for us in the gospels.

Fr. Frank O'Loughlin

St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal: the society is seeking our support in providing Christmas gifts for families or children around the area - some ideas include:

- Wrapped presents for children under 12 years old.
- Credit gift cards for young adults. All gifts can be placed around the Christmas tree.
- Groceries for families. All groceries can be placed on the table in the foyer.

First Holy Communion: please pray for Chloe and Stephanie Jacklin who are receiving the Eucharist for the first time this weekend at 6:00 pm Mass on Saturday. May they experience God's love and mercy through this Sacrament.

Parish Outreach Mission – Philippines: Helen and Dorothy would like to express their appreciations to each one of us again. Six boxes left Kingsbury in November, now another six boxes are on their way next week.

Weekly Collection: Two weekends of 26 - 27 November and 03-04 December. First Collection: \$1590 and Second Collection: \$1175. Thank you so much for your support.

Christmas Masses:

Christmas Eve - 24 Dec 2022:

5:30 pm: Christmas Carols

6:00 pm: Family Mass

8:30 pm: Christmas Eve Mass

Christmas Day - 25 Dec 2022:

8:00 am: Mass

10:00am Mass

Eucharistic Ministers:

10th Dec: 6pm Jenny Glover

11th Dec: 8am Gerard Dowling

10am Sue

17th Dec: 6pm Kath Zanini

18th Dec: 8am Martina Dowling

10am Maria

Readers:

10th Dec: 6pm Bill Tombs

11th Dec: 8am Carolyn Nguyen

10am Maureen Jones

17th Dec: 6pm Robyn Nguyen

18th Dec: 8am Gerard Dowling

10am Pia

Fr. Trac

Priest in Charge

Online Donation

1st Collection: is for the support of our parish, its welfare and maintenance. *(Taken up after the homily).*

Name: Kingsbury Parish Church

BSB: 083 347 A/C: 68643 0901

2nd Collection: is for the support of our Parish Priest, the Archbishop, the sick and retired priests and priests in less fortunate areas of the Archdiocese of Melbourne. *(Taken up after the prayers of the faithful).*

Name: Our Lady of the Way Parish Presbytery

BSB: 083 347 A/C: 66765 5224

We appreciate your generous support to the parish and priest of Our Lady of the Way.

At Our Lady of the Way, Kingsbury Parish we hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parish.

The Living Word

Third Sunday of Advent, Year A

11 December 2022

First Reading Is 35:1-6, 10

God himself will come and save us.

Let the wilderness and the dry-lands exult,
let the wasteland rejoice and bloom,
let it bring forth flowers like the jonquil,
let it rejoice and sing for joy.
The glory of Lebanon is bestowed on it,
the splendour of Carmel and Sharon;
they shall see the glory of the Lord,
the splendour of our God.
Strengthen all weary hands,
steady all trembling knees
and say to all faint hearts,
'Courage! Do not be afraid.
'Look, your God is coming,
vengeance is coming,
the retribution of God;
he is coming to save you.'
Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
the ears of the deaf unsealed,
then the lame shall leap like a deer
and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy,
for those the Lord has ransomed shall return.
They will come to Zion shouting for joy,
everlasting joy on their faces;
joy and gladness will go with them
and sorrow and lament be ended.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 145:6-10. R. see Is 35:4

(R.) Lord, come and save us.
or

(R.) Alleluia!

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. (R.)
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down,
the Lord, who protects the stranger
and upholds the widow and orphan. (R.)
3. It is the Lord who loves the just
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age. (R.)

Second Reading Jas 5:7-10

You also must be patient; do not lose heart, the Lord's coming will be soon.

Be patient, brothers, until the Lord's coming. Think of a farmer: how patiently he waits for the precious fruit of the ground until it has had the autumn rains and the

spring rains! You too have to be patient; do not lose heart, because the Lord's coming will be soon. Do not make complaints against one another, brothers, so as not to be brought to judgement yourselves; the Judge is already to be seen waiting at the gates. For your example, brothers, in submitting with patience, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation Is 61:1 (Lk 4:18)

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;

he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 11:2-11

Are you the one who is to come, or must we wait for someone else?

John in his prison had heard what Christ was doing and he sent his disciples to ask him, 'Are you the one who is to come, or have we got to wait for someone else?' Jesus answered, 'Go back and tell John what you hear and see; the blind see again, and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised to life and the Good News is proclaimed to the poor; and happy is the man who does not lose faith in me.'

As the messengers were leaving, Jesus began to talk to the people about John: 'What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed swaying in the breeze? No? Then what did you go out to see? A man wearing fine clothes? Oh no, those who wear fine clothes are to be found in palaces. Then what did you go out for? To see a prophet? Yes, I tell you, and much more than a prophet: he is the one of whom scripture says: Look, I am going to send my messenger before you; he will prepare your way before you. I tell you solemnly, of all the children born of women, a greater than John the Baptist has never been seen; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he is.'



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

John was languishing in prison, held captive by the local agent of the Roman Empire. Perhaps he was looking for evidence that Jesus was the One who would throw off Roman despotism. In answer to his questing, Jesus replied that John should rather look at what was happening on the ground in His healing ministry and orientation to the poor. *Those* are the signs that the reign of God has begun.

I admire John the Baptist because he was prepared to seek and accept the answer to the question which was crucial to him, even though the answer might upset his preconceptions. He was a true seeker after Truth.

All our activities as a parish in building community, forming faith, serving the poor, participating in the liturgy, should be undertaken so that a seeker after Truth might see and hear the evidence of the presence and mission of the risen Lord Jesus Christ amongst us.

We could pause for a moment to simply pray in the spirit of Advent: 'Come, Lord Jesus' to satisfy the restlessness of the questing heart.

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St Peter Canisius was born in Holland in 1521. He studied canon law at Louvain, but later came to the conclusion that a legal career and marriage, as arranged by his father, were not to his liking. He joined the Jesuits and spent his time in prayer, study, teaching and care of the sick. St Peter was a prominent preacher and he attended the Council of Trent, then later taught at the first Jesuit school at Messina. He was later called to Rome to work with St Ignatius; the founder of the Jesuit order. After posts as rector and vice-chancellor of the University of Ingolstadt, he was sent to Vienna, which was in need of reform. In 1555, his famous Catechism was published and eventually translated into 15 languages during his lifetime. Considered one of the most influential theologians and writers of his time, St Peter Canisius was declared a Doctor of the Church in 1925.



Wordsearch

Try to find these words:

followers John least palace
good kingdom leprosy poor
greater lame messenger reject

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Advent Wreath

Each Sunday during the season of Advent, we light a candle on the Advent Wreath.

The candle which is lit on the third Sunday of Advent is pink. All the other candles are purple. Colour in the Advent Wreath.



LUNCH ITEM ONE

SALADS

- Greek Style Salad with Feta and Olives (V, GF)
- Pic(k)nic Box – Vegetarian (V, GF)
- Pic(k)nic Box with Ham (GF)
- Mexican Inspired Salad (V, GF)
- Tuna Mix with Brown Rice & Quinoa Cakes (V, GF)

SUSHI

- Teriyaki Chicken Hand Rolls (2)
- Cooked Tuna Hand Rolls (2)
- Avocado Hand Rolls (2)
- Cucumber Hand Rolls (2)
- Vegetarian Hand Rolls (2)

BAKERY

- Cheese and Bacon Roll
- Cheese and Vegemite Scroll (w/m)
- SCROLL with Ham & Cheese
- Semi Dried Tomato and Olive ROLL
- Topped with Only Cheese Roll

BAKED FRESH PIZZAS

(Thin & Crisp, Served at room temp)

- Margherita Pizza
- Ham and Pineapple Pizza
- Fresh Tomato, with Italian Herbs Pizza
- Spinach and Feta Pizza

SANDWICHES, ROLLS & WRAPS

- Turkey, Cranberry, Lettuce and Cheese Sandwich
- Gluten Free Ham & Cheese Sandwich (GF)
- Simple Salad Roll (V)
- Cucumber & Ham Sandwich (GF)
- Vegemite Sandwich (2)
- Mild Salami and Salad Roll
- Plain Cheese Sandwich (2)
- Roast Beef, Fruit Chutney, Cheese and Lettuce Roll
- Cheese and Salad Roll
- Wholegrain Cheese and Tomato Sandwich
- WRAP (GF, DF) Ham and Salad
- Wholegrain Ham and Cheese Sandwich
- Chicken and Salad Roll
- Garden Salad Wrap (GF,DF,V)

LUNCH ITEM TWO/THREE

FRESH FRUIT & VEG

- Fresh Fruit Combo
- Freshly chopped Strawberries & Grapes
- Lightly Steamed Corn wheels & Broccoli pieces
- Celery & Carrot Sticks with Sultanas
- Chopped Carrot, Cucumber, Red & Yellow Capsicum
- Apple pieces with Lemon Juice, Cinnamon & Brown Sugar
- Chia Bowl with Banana, Coconut & Strawberries
- Sugar Snap Peas, Beans & Cherry Tomatoes
- Cantaloupe & Honeydew pieces
- Edamame (Lightly Salted)
- Cherry Tomatoes with Tasty Cheese & Rice Crackers
- Freshly chopped Orange Segments
- Whole Fruit – Banana OR Mandarin

YOGHURT

- Strawberry Chobani Yoghurt
- Blueberry Chobani Yoghurt
- Passionfruit Chobani Yoghurt
- Plain Chobani Yoghurt

BAKED GOODS

- Choc Chip Cookie
- Cornflake Cookie
- Finger Bun with Sprinkles
- Hedgehog Slice
- Choc Cup Cake (GF,DF)
- Blueberry Muffin

DIPS & CRACKERS

- Tzatziki Dip with Rice Crackers
- Avocado Dip with Rice Crackers
- Spring Onion Dip with Rice Crackers

POPCORN/SNACKS

- Dried Fruit Medley with a Yoghurt Frog
- Popcorn - Lightly Salted
- Popcorn - Slightly Sweet, Lightly Salted
- Lightly salted Fav'va Beans
- Chickpeas with Lime & Black Pepper
- Balsamic & Sea Salt Fav'va Beans

DRINKS

- Apple Juice / Orange Juice
- Full Cream Milk
- Nippy's Chocolate Milk
- So Good Soy Milk
- Strawberry Milk – Lactose Free

Healthy, Interesting & Affordable Lunches Delivered to School!

More information about Our Offering including
Pricing, Ingredients and Portion Size is available on the Our Menu Page at

www.classroomcuisine.com.au

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We started this week off well, getting right into a giant marble run activity on Monday morning! Aahana, Daniel and Isabella showed great problem solving and teamwork skills in connecting the pipes together and creating a stable, slanted base for them to rest on. They even thought to make a "catcher" for the bottom to prevent the marble from rolling too far away! If you're looking for a fun summer project, you could do this at home too; our pipes were made by cutting pool noodles lengthways down the middle, and we use masking tape and other bits and pieces from around the room to connect everything together.

Information is now available and bookings are open for our Summer Holiday Program! Before finishing up for the year, we'll have our annual OSHC Christmas Party Day on Wednesday the 21st of December (Vacation Care fees apply). After a break for Christmas, we'll reopen on Monday the 9th of January for three fun-filled weeks of excursions, incursions and themed days at school. We are super excited to be heading out to HOYTS, Watermarc, Keon Park Bowling, and even the new Timezone! At school we'll be visited by the Aussie Farm Animals and magician Tim Credible, who will perform an "IncrediBUBBLE" show! Please refer to the attached poster for a full run down of the program.

If you're keen for your child to attend, but have not completed an OSHC enrolment form, please get in touch as soon as possible. We'd love to see you there!

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BREAKFAST	TOAST AND CEREAL	CROISSANTS	TOAST AND CEREAL	SAVOURY BREAKY JAFFLES	TOAST AND CEREAL
AFTERNOON TEA	CHICKEN & VEGIE STIR FRY	PASTA BOLOGNESE	SPRING ROLLS IN LETTUCE WRAPS	SCONES	SAUSAGE ROLLS
ACTIVITY OPTION 1	COOKING: RED VELVET CRINKLE COOKIES	CRAFT: SALT DOUGH CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS	COOKING: NOODLE FRITTERS	HAMA BEAD CRAFT	CRAFT: CARD MAKING
ACTIVITY OPTION 2	HOCKEY	T-BALL	MINUTE TO WIN IT	WASPITAL TIGGY	KITE FLYING
FREE PLAY IDEAS	PLAY UNO FLIP OR BOWLING, DOMINO CHAIN CHALLENGE, COPY YOUR FAVOURITE OSHC RECIPE, WRITE A QUIZ FOR A FRIEND				