



# OLW NEWS 2023

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Dear Parents,

Last week we received our schools NAPLAN results for 2023. Our results have been consistently improving since 2021! Our Year 5 students 2023 are our highest achieving students in our school's history. This is a remarkable accomplishment and reflects the dedication and hard work of both students and teachers.



When you receive your child's NAPLAN result you will notice a new grading system of Exceeding, Strong, Developing and Needs Attention. This new grading system replaces the bands from previous years.

NAPLAN results can be an important measure of a school's academic performance, but it's also essential to recognise that they are just one snapshot of students' abilities on a particular day. It's important to note that OLW will continue to use these results as a benchmark to drive continuous improvement.



Continuing to exceed expectations in NAPLAN results indicates that the school's strategies, curriculum, and teaching methods are effectively supporting student learning and growth. As an educator or a member of the school community, it's essential to celebrate these successes and continue refining educational approaches to ensure the continued progress of students.

Remember, while NAPLAN results are valuable, they are not the sole indicator of a school's overall performance. Other factors, such as student well-being, engagement, and a well-rounded education, should also be considered to create a comprehensive picture of the school's success. We will keep up the excellent work and focus on providing a nurturing and supportive learning environment for the students' holistic development.



## EXTERNAL PROVIDERS OF SERVICES

At Our Lady of the Way, we are dedicated to ensuring that all of our students are learning and reaching academic standards. We have always been open to allow external NDIS service providers into our school to work with our students.

It is important to note that in the guidelines for external providers to work in our school, that the parent of the student requiring the service such as speech pathology, psychology or occupational therapy is to make contact with me first. Can parents please contact me through the office to discuss the possibility of an external service to work on the premises of OLW with your child at school.

The external providers will not be able to work with the student in the classroom, we will provide a room for the provider and student to work in during school hours. There is paperwork and Working With Children Checks before anyone can work on our school premises.

## A NOTE FROM THE OFFICE

Please remember to use the Audiri app to notify the office of late arrivals and absences. If a student is not at school and there is no reason for the absence, Kathryn or Jacinta in the office will call to ensure that there is a reason for the absence.

## BASKETBALL

Our Year 3/4's played in The Reservoir Cup last Friday. There were some hard fought games and the grit and determination of our students was outstanding. The 3/4 girls won all games during the tournament and won the Reservoir Cup.



Our 3/4 boys lost only one game and they came Runner's up. What an amazing result for our school. Thank you to all the parents that came along for support. Thank you to Mrs Mithen and Mrs Van Ballegooy for coaching and training our teams. Again it was lovely to hear that our OLW students played with great sportsmanship.



Our Year 5/6 Indoor Basketball Tournament is on Friday July 28. The competition is held at Darebin Community Sports Stadium. The address is: 857 Plenty Road, Reservoir 3073. Good luck to our senior students on Friday.

### SOCCER

Our Year 5/6 Interschool Sports Soccer team coached by Erin Mithen and Claudia Sanchez competed in the Division Soccer Play Offs on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July at Darebin International Sports Stadium. They came 3<sup>rd</sup> and tried their hardest. Well done Soccer Stars.



### ART AWARD

Congratulations to Jada Mao who entered her artwork into an International Children Art Competition and came second. What a wonderful achievement Jada. Please see the artwork that Jada entered. It is amazing, so talented!



### PHRASE OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to everyone who found out that the word '**spitting image**' means a perfect resemblance.

### WORD OF THE WEEK

Our word of the week this week is: '**accomplishment**'. Find out its meaning and see if you can add this word to your vocabulary over the next week.

### WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

**Monday July 24**

**3:00pm - Assembly**

**Tuesday July 25**

**10:00 am – 5/6EJ & 5/6W attending Parish Mass**

**Wednesday July 26**

**Specialist classes**

**Thursday July 27**

**5/6 Drug Education Incursion**

**Friday July 28**

**Year 5/6 Indoor Basketball Tournament  
100 Days of Prep Celebration**

*Enjoy your week!  
Allison Luff*



# OUR LADY OF THE WAY HOLY NAME

## WEEKDAY MASSES

From Sunday  
5 -6 August 2023

- Wednesday - 10:00 am at OLW
- Friday - 10:00 am at OLW

Tuesday and Thursday:  
Communion Services at OLW

- Tuesday - 9:00 am at Holy Name
- Thursday - 9:00 am at Holy Name
- Saturday - 9:00 am at Holy Name

All Welcome !!!



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- Sunday Morning - 9:00 am at OLW
- Sunday Morning - 10:30 am  
at Holy Name
- Sunday Afternoon- 4:00 pm  
at Holy Name (Vietnamese)

All Welcome !!!





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# Parish of Our Lady of the Way Kingsbury

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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** Psalm 53:6,8

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** Psalm 110:4-5

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

## **Newsletter Information 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **New WEEKEND MASS TIME for both OLW and Holy Name**

Both communities of OLW and Holy Name have supported the new weekend Mass Time. This change will be effected from Saturday/Sunday 5 – 6 August 2023.

Saturday Night, 6 pm at Our Lady of the Way

Sunday Morning, 9 am at Our Lady of the Way

Sunday Morning, 10:30 am at Holy Name

Sunday Afternoon, 4:00 pm at Holy Name (Vietnamese).

Thank you so much for your understanding and cooperation.

**Weekday Mass Times are still to be confirmed.**

### **Ageing and Awakening: God's Surprising Gift.**

We were very fortunate to have Sr Kerin leading us with Scripture and explaining to us about the journey of our later life. Some people would like to keep this group going so as to be able to support each another with a cup of tea and discussion. Please join us if you are free on Friday 21 July 2023 after 10 am Mass. Please put your names down on the list in the foyer.

### **Christmas in July**

Please join us for 'Christmas in July' on Sunday 30 July after 10:00 am Mass. We are looking forward to welcoming you and anyone new. Booking forms are available now in the foyer: \$35 per adult; \$17.50 under 12 years old and free for under 4.

Online booking and questions – please contact Glenda: 0407 446 545



## Collecting Money for Christmas in July

For those have put their names down for Christmas in July Lunch, Angelina and Glenda will be around at Masses for collecting money.

If you are not seeing Angelina and Glenda, please put the money in the envelope with your name and phone number and give it to Fr Trac.

## New Parish Priest Appointed

Fr John O'Connor has been appointed as the Parish Priest of Our Lady of The Way, Kingsbury and Holy Name, East Preston from 6 September 2023. We thank Fr O'Connor for accepting this appointment and looking forward to welcoming him. Currently, Fr. O'Connor is the parish priest of Yarraville and Kingsville. Meanwhile, Fr Terry Bergin will come and assist us from 18 July 2023 to 5 September 2023.

## The Value of Money (Inspiring Short Story about Self-Worth)

At the beginning of a new school year, a class teacher stands up in front of her students holding a \$100 bill.

She tells them, "Put your hands up if you want this money".

Every hand in the room goes up, to which the teacher says, "I am going to give this money to someone here, but first, let me do this..."

She takes the bill and crumples it up in her hands, before asking, "Who still wants it?"

The hands stay up.

The teacher then drops the bill on the floor, stomps and grinds it into the ground, and picks it back up. "How about now?" she asks again. The hands stay up.

"Class, I hope you see the lesson here. It didn't matter what I did to this money, you still wanted it because its value stayed the same. Even with its creases and dirtiness, it's still worth \$100."

She continues, "It's the same with us. There will be similar times in your life when you're dropped, bruised, and muddled. Yet no matter what happens, you never lose your value."

*Moral of the story:*

Life's hardships are inevitable, and we'll all be put through the ringer at some point, often through no fault of our own.

Don't let these challenges alter your feelings of self-worth. You'll always be enough; you have something unique and special to give and offer the world.

## Eucharistic Ministers:

22 <sup>nd</sup> Jul: 6pm J Vandenberg/K Zanini	23 <sup>rd</sup> Jul: 8am Gerard Dowling	10am: M Leonard/Ashlie
29 <sup>th</sup> Jul: 6pm J Conway/ J Vandenberg	30 <sup>th</sup> Jul: 8am Martina Dowling	10am: K Reyes/ C Olpenda

## Readers:

22 <sup>nd</sup> Jul: 6pm Bill Tombs	23 <sup>rd</sup> Jul: 8am Martina Dowling	10am: Maureen Jones
29 <sup>th</sup> Jul: 6pm Robyn Nguyen	30 <sup>th</sup> Jul: 8am Jason Cassar	10am: Pia

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## 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

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

23 July 2023

## First Reading Wis 12:13.16-19

*In the place of sin, you give repentance.*

There is no god, other than you, who cares for everything,  
to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly.  
Your justice has its source in strength,  
your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all.  
You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned  
and you expose the insolence of those who know it,  
but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement,  
you govern us with great lenience,  
for you have only to will, and your power is there.  
By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people  
how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men,  
and you have given your sons the good hope that after sin you will grant repentance.

## Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 85:5-6. 9-10. 15-16. R. v.5**

**(R.) Lord, you are good and forgiving.**

1. O Lord, you are good and forgiving,  
full of love to all who call.  
Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer  
and attend to the sound of my voice. (R.)
2. All the nations shall come to adore you  
and glorify your name, O Lord:  
for you are great and do marvellous deeds,  
you who alone are God. (R.)
3. But you, God of mercy and compassion,  
slow to anger, O Lord,  
abounding in love and truth,  
turn and take pity on me. (R.)

## Second Reading Rom 8:26-27

*The Spirit himself pleads for us in a way that could never be put into words.*

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

## Gospel Acclamation See Mt 11:25

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;**

**you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.**

**Alleluia!**

## Gospel Mt 13:24-43

**(or shorter form Mt 13:24-30)**

*Let them grow together until the harvest.*

Jesus put a parable before the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn."' "

He put another parable before them, 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and shelter in its branches.'

He told them another parable, 'The kingdom of heaven is like the yeast a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour till it was leavened all through.'

In all this Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables; indeed, he would never speak to them except in parables. This was to fulfill the prophecy:

I will speak to you in parables  
and expound things hidden since the  
foundation of the world.

Then, leaving the crowds, he went to the house; and his disciples came to him and said, 'Explain the parable about the darnel in the field to us.' He said in reply, 'The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world; the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one; the enemy who sowed them, the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; the reapers are the angels. Well then, just as the darnel is gathered up and burnt in the fire, so it will be at the end of time. The Son of Man will send his angels and they will gather out of his kingdom all things that provoke offences and all who do evil, and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. Then the virtuous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Listen, anyone who has ears!'



## Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

One loves someone so much – a child, a parent, a spouse or partner – yet when one tries to pray for that person the words seem only a pale shadow of the intensity of feeling and total love one feels. Stop! Simply put the person or situation before God and say nothing. The Holy Spirit will express our heartfelt prayer for us.

One's heart is breaking with grief for someone close who is very ill or dying. Or one feels a terrible anxiety or anguish. Words don't come easily even though one wants to pray. Stop! Put the person or situation before God and say nothing. The Holy Spirit will express our heartfelt prayer for us.

Perhaps accentuated by the constant messaging of social media, when trying to pray we can get anxious when there is a lull in the noise and no words come.

We could pause for a moment to relax and to allow the Spirit to express our plea in a way which could never be put into words.

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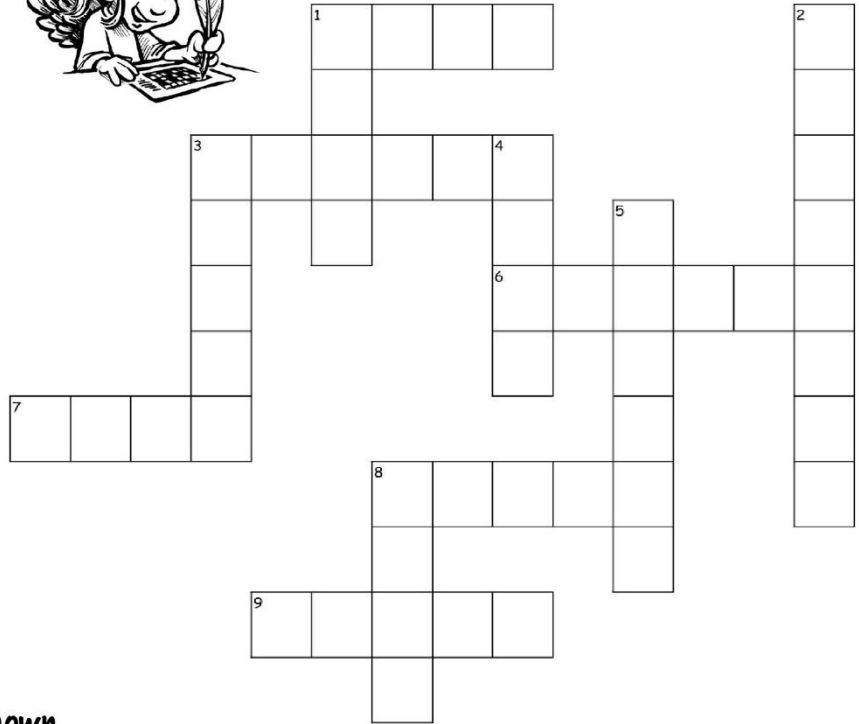




**S**t James was the son of Zebedee and the brother of John the apostle. He was a fisherman from Galilee who became known as James "the Greater" to distinguish him from the other apostle James "the Less", son of Alphaeus. Jesus called James and John the "sons of thunder", most likely in reference to their quick-temper. Along with Peter, James and John were among Jesus' closest friends and they were chosen to be witnesses to the Transfiguration and his agony in the garden. After Christ's death, James became the first apostle to be martyred when he was put to the sword by King Herod Agrippa I.



# Crossword



## Down

- 1: a farmer stores wheat in one of these
- 2: the weed seeds were scattered while everyone was doing this
- 3: Jesus told the parable about the farmer's enemy who scattered weed seeds in the -----
- 4: what we call fruit when it is ready to eat
- 5: these grow from seeds
- 8: a type of plant that grows wildly and chokes other plants

## Across

- 1: what you do to wood to make a fire
- 3: someone who has a farm
- 6: the farmer did not want the servants to ----- the weeds. (two words)
- 7: kind, nice
- 8: the good seeds grew into this type of plant
- 9: someone who is not your friend



Help the farmer scatter the seed and find the path to the wheat. Keep a look out for weeds!

