



Dear Parents,

Last Wednesday, we had the pleasure of witnessing the Fitness-a-thon performance, and it was nothing short of awe-inspiring. Our students showcased an incredible array of talents, and we couldn't be prouder. We extend our warmest congratulations to all the participants of the Fitness-a-thon for their exceptional performances. Your extraordinary skills left an indelible mark on all of us.

We want to express our heartfelt gratitude to Mrs. Van Ballegooy for her unwavering dedication and tireless efforts in organising, rehearsing, and delivering this remarkable performance alongside our students. Her commitment and hard work were truly evident and greatly appreciated.



Thank you to the dedicated staff, students, parents, and friends who came together to support our students during this event. Congratulations to the best-dressed participants: Angelique, Ivy M, Hudson, Zara, Remy, Rafael, and Mrs. Pulic. We thank the parents for the effort you put into dressing your children for the occasion.

Additionally, one outstanding student from each class was awarded a medal in recognition of their exceptional enthusiasm, effort, and exceptionally positive attitude. Congratulations to the following students: Harry L (Prep), Sabrina (1/2M), James (1/2S), Oceana (3/4HK), Natalie (3/4L), Aila (5EJ), Mia S (5W), Sadie (Yr 6), Marley (Yr 6).

We're continuing to gather sponsorship forms and funds this week, so please send them to the office. The announcement of the winners and the total fundraising amount will be made on Wednesday November 1. Attached are some photos for you to enjoy, and if you missed the performance or would like to view it again, you can access the video via the following link: <https://youtu.be/cH6LjP7oVxs>

INTERSCHOOL SPORTS TERM 4

This Friday marks the final day of the Interschool sports event, and OLW is scheduled to participate. Parents are encouraged to join and observe the activities, which will take place from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm. Prior to entering the school grounds, please ensure you sign in at the front office. The cricket matches will be held at Donath Reserve.



PREP EXCURSION TO MYUNA FARM

As part of this term's Inquiry unit, "Paddock to Plate" students will be attending a whole day excursion to the Myuna Farm in Doveton on Friday 3rd November, 2023.

Myuna Farm is a fun learning environment where students will participate in a range of hands-on activities. The Preps will participate in the "Living Things on the Farm" program. The children will experience real farm life and learn where their food comes from. They will be shown a goat milking demonstration, discover animal life cycles with a farming focus, feed the ducks and other animals, pat and cuddle animals such as guinea pigs, rabbits and lambs, and go on a small train ride through the wetlands.

Children are required to be in school sports uniform and bring their play lunch, lunch and drink bottle in a small backpack or similar bag that is clearly labelled with their name and grade. No glass bottles or soft drink cans are permitted.

Children will not be permitted to purchase any food or drinks at the facility or make souvenir purchases.

Buses will depart school at 8:55am for Myuna Farm and return to school by 3.30pm for final dismissal. Children will be supervised by OLW staff.

It promises to be an incredibly thrilling day for our Preps, and we eagerly look forward to hearing all about their experiences!

ROAD SAFETY

To ensure the safety of our children and community, please adhere to road rules and speed limits. It is our collective responsibility to maintain a safe environment within our school, so exercise caution when approaching school crossings and navigating school parking areas. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

As Remembrance Day draws near, we are participating in the fundraiser. You can find poppies, pens, and wristbands available for purchase at the front office. Your generous donation to the ANZAC Appeal plays a vital role in providing assistance to veterans and their families during their times of need. Your contribution contributes to the RSL's ongoing efforts to provide transformative support to our veterans. Our SRC will run our Remembrance Day Service at 11:00am on Monday 13th November.



LAST DAY OF TERM 4

The last Day for students at OLW is Friday 15th December at 3:30pm. Attached is a letter explaining the early finish for students.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

Our Year 6 Graduation celebration will be on Wednesday 13th December at 7pm in the Church where we will celebrate Mass. Our awards and presentation of our Graduates will take place after mass in the school hall. More information will be given closer to the date.

Enjoy your week!

Allison Luff & Huong Lamont

WORD OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to everyone who found out that the phrase of the week, **'colossal'**, means extremely large or great.

PHRASE OF THE WEEK

Our word of the week this week is: **'straight from the horse's mouth'**. Find out its meaning and see if you can add this phrase to your vocabulary over the next week.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Monday October 30th
3:00pm – Assembly

Tuesday October 31st
9:30am – 11:00am – 2024 Prep Orientation in the classroom
1:10pm - Zooper Dooper Icy Pole Sales
3:30pm – After School Sports - Soccer

Wednesday November 1st
Specialist Classes

Thursday November 2nd
1:10pm - Zooper Dooper Icy Pole Sales
2:45pm – P&F Meeting

Friday November 3rd
9:30am -2:30pm - 5/6 Interschool Sports
PREP excursion to Myuna Farm
1:10pm – Art Club/Library
1:30 – Garden Club



Our Lady of the Way Primary School

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Friday 27 October, 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

A new enterprise agreement covering teachers across most of the Catholic schools in Victoria, including ours, has been approved and is in effect.

The new agreement delivers several positive changes for both our dedicated staff and the overall functioning of our school, including improved pay and employment conditions. One key aspect of this agreement is the inclusion of new time-in-lieu provisions, which will enable our teachers and support staff to accumulate additional time off when they are required to work more than their regular 38 hours per week which might include overnight camps and supervision at evening and weekend activities.

This change is a recognition of the considerable extra work our teachers are asked to do and will enhance their work-life balance and well-being.

However, implementing these changes will mean that students will finish up a couple of days earlier than usual, on Friday 15 December at 3:30pm. This will limit any disruption to students throughout the year and enable our staff to avail themselves of their earned time off during the holiday season, rejuvenating themselves for the upcoming year.

I am letting you know now as I wanted to give you ample time of the new finishing up date to accommodate any changes to your schedules or arrangements at what is a busy time of the year.

We sincerely appreciate your understanding and support in this matter. By prioritising the well-being and work-life balance of our dedicated staff, we are fostering an environment that promotes excellence in teaching and learning.

If you have any questions or concerns about the new enterprise agreement or the revised finishing up date, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Thank you for your continued partnership as we strive to provide an outstanding education for our students.

Allison Luff
Acting Principal



















Year 7 and 8 Village

**BOOK
A TOUR**



Enrol Today

YEAR 7 2025 & 2026

VERY LIMITED PLACES FOR 2024



**SANTA MARIA
COLLEGE**

A CATHOLIC SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Phone: 9488 1600

Email: registrar@santamaria.vic.edu.au



Catholic
Ladies' College



Christmas
**MARKET
& CAROLS**

WEDNESDAY 29 NOVEMBER

5:00 PM- 8:00PM

CATHOLIC LADIES' COLLEGE
19 DIAMOND STREET, ELTHAM

**LIVE MUSIC
FOOD STALLS
CHRISTMAS MARKET
FUN ACTIVITIES
VISIT FROM SANTA**

GOLD COIN DONATION ON ENTRY

As this is held on school grounds, this is a pet free event.

Parish of Our Lady of the Way Kingsbury

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Ph: 0488 020 364

School Tel: 9460 6684

Email: Kingsbury@cam.org.au

Parish Website: <http://www.olwkingsbury.org.au/>

New Weekend Mass Time for both OLW and Holy Name

Mass times will be as per roster, on the door and in the bulletin.

- Saturday Night: 6:00pm at Our Lady of the Way
- Sunday Morning: 9:00am at Our Lady of the Way
- Sunday Morning: 10:30am at Holy Name
- Sunday Afternoon: 4:00pm at Holy Name (Vietnamese)

Weekday Mass Times

The following 3 weeks, mass times are as follows:

- Our Lady of the Way: Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10:00am
- Holy Name: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 9:00am

Baptisms and Marriages by appointment: Please ring 0488 020 364

Welcome to you all.

Entrance Antiphon Cf Psalm 104:3-4

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.

Communion Antiphon Cf Psalm 19:6

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

Newsletter Information 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time: 28th and 29th of October

Parish Suggestion Box

Thank you for your suggestions and comments.

A white suggestion box has been placed in the church foyer. If parishioners have any concerns or questions, please write a message, and place it in the box or reach out to a member of the Parish Leadership Team (PLT).

Church Volunteers

Thank you to our parishioners who continue to volunteer and support the parish: Readers, Ministers, Collectors and Counters, setting up and cleaning after mass, organising social events and morning teas, church, and garden maintenance to name a few. Thank you for stepping in and supporting the community of Our Lady of the Way.

If you are interested in reading, becoming a Eucharist Minister, or wanting to help out in any way, please speak to Fr John or a member of the PLT.

Anniversary Notices

If you would like an anniversary notice added to the weekly bulletin, please forward details to Fr John or Carol by the Wednesday of the week or see at 9am mass. This will be said during the mass. Email:

cnquyen@penola.vic.edu.au

Christmas Raffle Donations

Donations of new items to add to our Christmas Raffle would be appreciated. A box marked "Raffle" will be in the church foyer next week. Any queries please see Glenda Tombs. Many thanks.

Seniors Get Fit Classes

Commencing on Saturday the 4th of November at 10:00am in the OLW Hall and followed by morning tea. Please come and join us. There are currently 10 parishioners who have expressed interest, and we

would love more to come! Gold coin donation only. Sign up forms in the foyer or please see Glenda or Angelina for more information.

Collections for the weekend of 15th and 22nd of October (fortnightly)

We thank you for your ongoing contributions and generous support.

1st Collection: \$1227.50

2nd Collection: \$648.50

A big thank you to our three fortnightly counters.

Save the date!

Night of the Witnesses 22 November 2023, 7pm at St Patrick's Cathedral.

Aid to the Church in Need invites you to an evening of prayer, testimony, song, adoration, and reflection to honour the witness of twelve recent Christian martyrs and to stand in solidarity with Christians all over the world who are suffering persecution for their faith in Jesus Christ. Archbishop Peter Comensoli will preside and His Beatitude, Patriarch Joseph Absi of the Melkite Greek Catholic Church will be one of the international guest speakers who will share personal testimony of persecution for the faith.

We hope you will join us. For more information please visit: www.aidtochurch.org/notw

Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal

An estimated 1 million people have been displaced in Gaza with immediate food, shelter, health, and psychosocial needs.

'This is a period of incredible turmoil and sadness. The escalation of violence has only exacerbated needs for the people in Gaza and West Bank, who already live in dire conditions. We are working with our partners on the ground to provide comprehensive and critical support to over 17,000 families affected by this devastating conflict.' *Sally Thomas, Humanitarian Lead, Caritas Australia*

With your support, we will be able to help our partners on the ground to assist people displaced and affected by the current conflict.

Please donate to Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal. You can donate online www.caritas.org.au/gaza or phone 1800 024 413

Eucharistic Ministers:

28th Oct: 6pm K Zanini/ J Conway

29th Oct: 9am C Olpenda/ Martina Dowling

4th Nov: 6pm J Vandenberg & J Conway

5th Nov: 9am Gerard Dowling & Diane

Readers:

28th Oct: 6pm Jim Conway

29th Oct: 9am Maureen Brown

4th Nov: 6pm Bill Tombs

5th Nov: 9am Evelyn Ginger

Father John.

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

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

29 October 2023

First Reading Ex 22:20-26

If you are harsh with the widow or the orphan, my anger will rage against you.

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this, "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

"If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him.

"If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 17:2-4. 47. 51. R. v.2

(R.) I love you, Lord, my strength.

1. I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my
stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes. (R.)
2. Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Thes 1:5-10

You turned away from idols to serve God and await his Son.

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and

Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

**All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we
will come to them.**

Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 22:34-40

You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: you must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Did you notice that Our Lord does not command us to love 'God'? No, we are to love 'the Lord your God', the One who rescued the Jewish people from slavery. The resurrection of Jesus Christ reveals the Lord God as the liberator from the apparent final dominance of death. Loving such a liberator is the natural response. So, 'Love the Lord your God'.

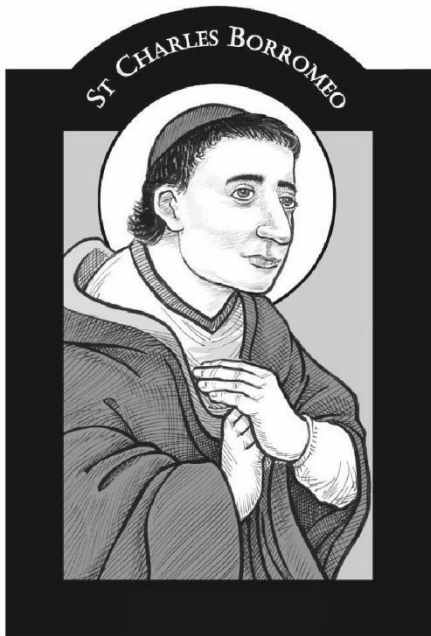
Then Our Lord does not command us to love our neighbour! Rather, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' But who is 'yourself'? In the wonderful story-telling of Genesis, we are told that Adam, an earthen statue, had Divine Breath breathed into the nostrils, creating him as a human being. We earthlings are conceived with the Divine Breath at the core of our being.

The challenge for you and for me is to see 'yourself' in that way, and thereafter every human being whose lives we can affect: the neighbour. And in today's global world, the neighbour can be a person in a society geographically or culturally distant.

We could pause for a moment to see the true dimensions of God, self and the other, to more easily fulfil the dual command.

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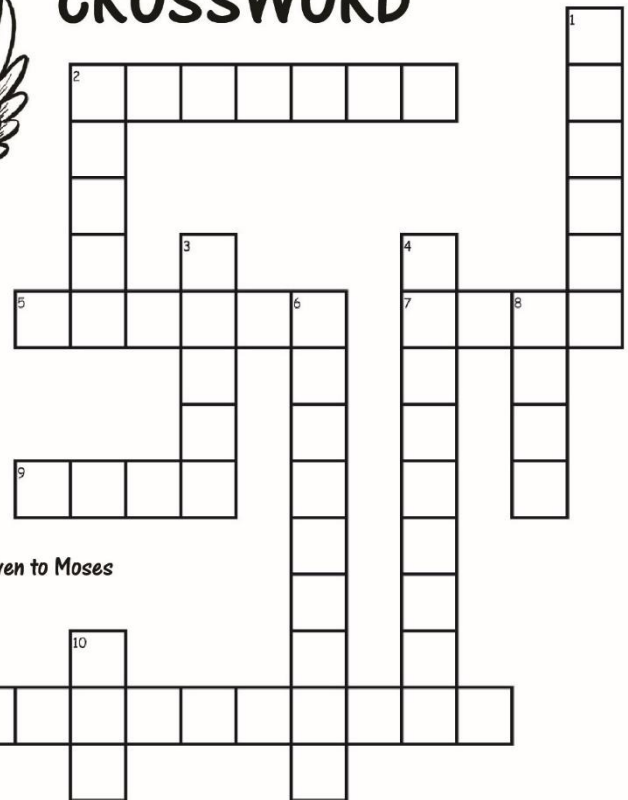
St Charles Borromeo was born of a wealthy Italian family and was the nephew of Pope Pius IV. At the age of twenty two, he was summoned to Rome and made cardinal and administrator of the Papal states and the archdiocese of Milan. Despite his personal wealth, St Charles lived a simple, ascetic life and was a strong supporter of church reform. In 1564 he was ordained a priest and consecrated as bishop. He founded seminaries and instituted the teaching of doctrine to children in Sunday schools. Never one to ask of another something he was not prepared to do himself, St Charles worked tirelessly to help those in need.



CROSSWORD

Across

- 2: unwise
5: Jesus said, "Love _____ as much as you love yourself"
7: more than all others
9: an examination
11: God's laws that were given to Moses



Down

- 1: someone who knows a lot about a specific subject
2: the opposite of last
3: the organ that pumps blood through the body
4: significant
6: the S _____ were foolish
8: Jesus said, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, _____, and mind"
10: a rule that must be obeyed

Fill in the missing words to complete the story.

love
second
God
answered
yourself
teacher
heart
first
test
commandment

An expert in the Jewish law tried to _____ Jesus. He asked, "_____, what is the most important _____?"



Jesus _____: "Love the Lord your _____ with all your _____, soul and mind." This is the _____ and most important commandment. The _____ is like it: "_____ your neighbor as much as you love _____".

