

OLW NEWS 2023

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Dear Parents,

Remembrance Day was on Saturday, 11th November. It is a time when we pause to honour and remember the sacrifices made by the men and women who served in the armed forces during times of conflict and war. It is a day to reflect on the profound impact of these sacrifices on our world and to express our gratitude for their dedication and bravery. Today at 10:50 am, the school will gather in front of the flagpoles for a 1 minute of silence to remember and pay tribute to those who have given their lives in service to their country. This moment of reflection is an opportunity for us to connect with the past, to acknowledge the significance of Remembrance Day, and to renew our commitment to ensuring a peaceful future.



They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them.

We will remember them Lest we forget

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

Our last SAC meeting for 2023 is scheduled for Wednesday, November 15th. We would like to express our gratitude to all the members who actively contributed throughout this year. Please keep an eye out for the agenda, which will be sent out earlier this week. Thank you for your dedication and involvement.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE & DONATIONS

Raffle tickets were distributed last Friday, and they are just \$1 per ticket or \$20 for a whole booklet. We kindly request that you fill in the buyer's contact details on the tickets before



returning them to the school office. The Christmas raffle drawing will take place on the last day of this term, Friday 15th December. Additional raffle books are available from the school office. All tickets, sold or unsold must be returned by Tuesday 12th December. We invite all families to participate and make this event even more exciting by contributing to our raffle prizes. You can contribute by donating items or gifts that would make fantastic raffle prizes. These donations can be dropped off at the school office, and we appreciate any and all contributions. Donations close December 6th.

SCHOOL CAROLS EVENT - SAVE THE DATE!

Our school's Carols event is scheduled for Monday, December 4th. Families are welcome to arrive at 5:00 PM for a picnic on the school grounds with their children. Please bring your own picnic items. Students can wear Christmas-themed clothing. After the picnic, students will



gather in the school hall with their grades, and parents can watch their performances. The Carols will begin at 6:00pm. We look forward to a pleasant evening of holiday tunes and togetherness.



BABY NEWS

We are delighted to extend our warmest congratulations to Hannah and Julian on the joyous arrival of their baby boy, James, born on November 9th. As we



celebrate this special moment, we wish Hannah, Julian, and their little bundle of joy all the happiness and love in the world. Wishing the proud parents and baby James all the best as they embark on this beautiful journey together!



Enjoy your week! Allison Luff & Huong Lamont

P&F SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SHOP

The P & F second-hand uniform shop operates on the second Monday of each month. Our upcoming sale is scheduled for today, Monday November 13th,



immediately following the assembly. We kindly request uniform donations, and if you have any to spare, please feel free to drop them off at the school office. Your support is greatly appreciated and we thank you for your contributions.

WORD OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to everyone who found out that the word of the week,
'luminous', means giving off light; bright or shining.

PHRASE OF THE WEEK

Our phrase of the week this week is: 'elbow grease'. 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 November 13^h

10:50am - Remembrance Day SRC Ceremony 3:00pm - School Assembly Lunchtime Social Club 1:10 – 1:35

Tuesday November 14th

9:30am – 11:00am – 2024 Prep Orientation – Storytime/P.E. session 1:10pm - Zooper Dooper Icy Pole Sales Lunchtime Chess Club 1:10 – 1:35

Wednesday November 15th

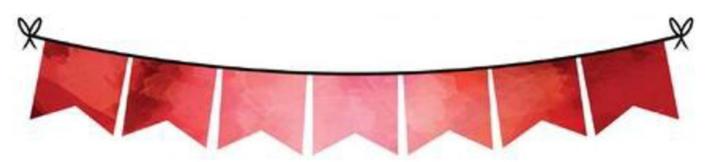
Specialist Classes Lunchtime Library Club 1:10 – 1:35 5:30pm - SAC Meeting

Thursday November 16th

Years 3 – 6 Art Lessons
1:10pm - Zooper Dooper Icy Pole Sales
Lunchtime ART Club 1:10 – 1:35
2:45pm – P&F Meeting

Friday November 17th

Years P - 2 Art Lessons Lunchtime Gardening Club 1:10 – 1:35 P-2 Darebin Creek Incursion



PLEASE SUPPORT OUR LADY OF THE WAY'S 2023



RAFFLE DONATION DRIVE

ITEMS WILL BE
COLLECTED UNTIL
6th DECEMBER

Ideas of Donations:

Kids toys Stationary Lego Candles Jewellery Books Video gaming Beauty products

Gift cards / vouchers for:

Hair Beauty Café
Restaurant Retail Movies
Entertainment/Experiences Gaming

DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF MONDAY-FRIDAY AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE DURING SCHOOL TERM.

DONATED GOODS WILL MAKE UP THE PRIZES FOR THE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS RAFFLE.

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Questions?

PLEASE CONTACT SALLY ON 0488552301



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New Weekend Mass Time for both OLW and Holy Name

Both communities of OLW and Holy Name have supported the new weekend Mass Times. This change will be effected from *Saturday/Sunday 5th -6th August 2023*. 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 mass times are as follows:

- \cdot 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 87:3

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

Communion Antiphon Cf Psalm 22:1-2

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

Newsletter Information 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: 11^{th and} 12th November

Parish Luncheon

Please join us at our next and final Parish luncheon of the year on Wednesday the 29th of November at 12 noon, at the Summerhill hotel. A sign-up sheet is available in the foyer.

November - Remembrance Month

In this month of remembrance, parishioners are invited to offer their intentions and prayers for their deceased loved ones. Please write names on the envelopes provided and place them at the front of the church. If you would like a name added to the Anniversary Book, please write name/s on clipboard in foyer or pass to Fr John.

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. If you are interested in wanting to help out in any way, please speak to Fr John.

If you are thinking of being a Eucharistic Minister or Reader, or would like to continue your current role, please write your name and details on the list in the foyer. The list will be collected in the next few weeks so that the new rosters can be organized. Thank you.

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. Many thanks.

Seniors Get Fit Classes

Please come and join us for Seniors fitness class in the OLW Hall, followed by morning tea. We would love more to come! For this month only Parishioners can attend for free. Sign up forms in the foyer or please see Glenda or Angelina for more information. Next session will be 18th of November at 10am.

Parish Celebration Morning Tea and Welcome

Everyone is welcome this week end the 12th of November after Sunday 9am Mass. Please join us for Morning Tea and Hospitality, to formally welcome Fr John and celebrate the community of Our Lady of the Way Kingsbury. It will be a wonderful opportunity for conversation, food and to celebrate community gathering and spirit.

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 queries or questions, please write a message, and place it in the box.

Anniversary Notices

If you would like an anniversary notice added to the weekly bulletin, please forward details to Fr John. This will be said during the mass.

Collections for the weekend of 1st and 8th of October (fortnightly)

We thank you for your ongoing contributions and generous support.

1st Collection: \$2170.50 2nd Collection: \$954.00

A big thank you to our three fortnightly counters.

Vinnies - New Members Required

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of Kingsbury or Vinnies as we are now known is one of 245 conferences in Victoria. We deliver food vouchers and Vinnies shop vouchers to people seeking help in Bundoora and Kingsbury. We also assist with the payment of utility bills.

It is very rewarding work as the people we assist are very appreciative of the help we give them. We are always looking for new members and if anyone is interested there is a number of pamphlets at the door of the church which can be taken and read

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

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:

11th Nov: 6pm G Tombs & K Zanini 12th Nov: 9am Sharon & A Crupi 18th Nov: 6pm K Zanini & J Conway 19th Nov: 9am Sue & Maria

Readers:

11th Nov: 6pm Jenny Glover 12th Nov: 9am Carolyn Nguyen 18th Nov: 6pm Elizabeth Becker 19th Nov: 9am Margaret Leonard

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

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

12 November 2023

First Reading Wis 6:12-16

Wisdom is found by those who look for it.

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them.

Watch for her early and you will have no trouble;

you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown;

be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you.

She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her

and graciously shows herself to them as they go,

in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 62:2-8. R. v.2

(R.) My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

- O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting.
 My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. (R.)
- So I gaze on you in the sanctuary. to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. (R.)
- So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. (R.)
- On my bed I remember you.
 On you I muse through the night for you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Thes 4:13-18

Those who died as Christians, God will bring to life with Jesus.

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching,

that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 24:42. 44

Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful and ready:
you know not when the Son of Man
is coming.
Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 25:1-13

Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five of them were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone of to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said, "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

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Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

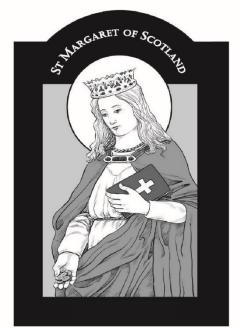
Israel was often portrayed as a bride in Jewish scriptures. So, the question was: 'When would the Bridegroom – the Anointed One of God, the Christ – appear?' Jesus' warning is to the attendants of the bride: 'Be alert, be vigilant, be prepared.' Some (the five foolish attendants) did miss the moment: the earthly ministry of Jesus of Nazareth.

But his warning is also for the Catholic Church which is the new Bride of Christ. We are the attendants to the Bride and the imperative applies to us also: Be alert, be vigilant. Be prepared for the eruption, the intervention of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Bridegroom, into our history, into our moment of time.

For example, is Christ coming to meet us in the modern movements which demand to hold authority accountable, or which press for just recognition of women? We can foolishly remain in the dark or we can wisely try to throw light on these questions. Only then we will be able to discern whether indeed it is the Lord who is approaching.

We could pause to pray that we be ready when the Bridegroom responds to the ancient prayer: 'Come, Lord Jesus!'

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t Margaret of Scotland was in fact thought to be born in Hungary and was brought to England as a young girl in 1057. She fled to Scotland after the Norman conquest of England and in 1070 married King Malcolm III. Margaret was a deeply religious woman and as queen she was able to bring about necessary reforms to the Scotlish church and in doing so, brought it into line with the Western church. She also used her influence to help ordinary people by establishing schools, hospitals and orphanages.

Across

- 4: there wasn't e____h oil for all of the lamps
- 6: this many girls went to meet the groom
- 7: a bride's husband-to-be
- 9: the liquid that was needed for the lamps
- 10: you do this when you get tired
- 11: to purchase

- 1: when people get married they have one of these
- 2: these were closed when the foolish girls returned
- 3: the time when the sky is dark
- 5: the ten girls used these to see in the dark
- 8: prepared

Down

9: to enter a room first you must do this to the door

What words would you use to describe the wise girls and the foolish girls?

The wise girls	The foolish girls
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