



OLW NEWS 2023

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Dear Parents,

A friendly reminder that the school officially opens its gates at 8:40am each morning, at which time our staff members are present to supervise the students.

Throughout the past term, we've noticed an increase in the number of students waiting outside the gates before 8:40am without parental supervision. If you happen to arrive before the gates open, kindly stay with your child until 8:40am when our staff will be on duty. For those who need early drop-off options due to work commitments, Before School Care is available.

School hours for student supervision are from 8:40am to 3:45pm daily. We kindly request that you refrain from dropping off your children before 8:40am to wait outside the gates or church unattended. Your cooperation in adhering to these hours ensures the safety of all our students.

This matter was discussed and ratified by the School Advisory Council on Wednesday 15th November meeting.

Thank you for your understanding and commitment to maintaining a secure environment for our children.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE & DONATIONS

A friendly reminder to return all raffle tickets, whether sold or unsold, to the school by Tuesday, December 12th. We kindly ask that you complete the buyer's contact details on the tickets before submitting them to the school office. The drawing for the Christmas raffle is scheduled for the final day of this term, Friday, December 15th. The P & F is still welcoming donations to enhance the raffle prizes. You can drop off your contributions at the school office, and we genuinely appreciate any and all support. The deadline for donations is December 6. Thank you for your cooperation!



SCHOOL CAROLS EVENT

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. Alcohol is not permitted. 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.



CLASS MASSES

This Wednesday from 10 am - 11 am, 3/4HK and 3/4L will be attending Mass led by Father John O'Connor. On Friday, 5/6EJ and 5/6W will attend Mass at 10am – 11am. We extend a warm invitation to parents to join us for these class Masses, where we can come together as a school community.



DAREBIN CREEK INCURSION P-2

Last Friday, the years P- 2 participated in the Water Bugs Incursion where students explored the world of freshwater macroinvertebrates inhabiting Darebin Creek. Equipped with spoons, they captured water bugs from the creek, placing them in trays for closer examination. Using provided charts, students identified the various bugs, and the types and quantities they discovered provided valuable insights into the health of the wetland or creek. This hands-on experience not only engages students in scientific exploration but also fosters an understanding of the ecosystem's well-being.



PHRASE OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to everyone who found out that the phrase of the week, '**elbow grease**', means *hard physical work, especially vigorous polishing or cleaning*.

WORD OF THE WEEK

Our word of the week this week is: '**serene**'. 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 November 20th

3:00pm - School Assembly
Lunchtime Social Club 1:10 – 1:35

Tuesday November 21st

9:30am – 11:00am Prep 2024 Orientation
Session Story & Art time
1:10pm - Zooper Dooper Icy Pole Sales
Lunchtime Chess Club 1:10 – 1:35

Wednesday November 22nd

10:00 – 11:00 Year 3/4 Class Mass
Specialist Classes
Lunchtime Library Club 1:10 – 1:35

Thursday November 23rd

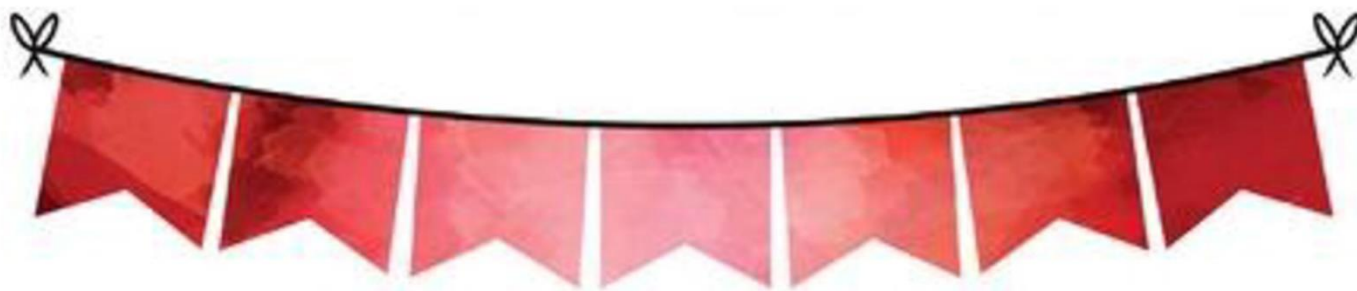
Years 3 – 6 Art Lessons
1:10pm - Zooper Dooper Icy Pole Sales
Lunchtime ART Club 1:10 – 1:35

Friday November 24th

10:00 – 11:00 Year 5/6 Class Mass
Years P - 2 Art Lessons
Lunchtime Gardening Club 1:10 – 1:35

Enjoy your week!

Allison Luff & Huong Lamont



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.*

*MONEY RAISED WILL GO
TOWARDS NEW IPADS*

Questions?

PLEASE CONTACT SALLY

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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 Vigil: 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:

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

Confession Times

- Holy Name: Saturday after 9:00am Mass
- Our Lady of the Way: Saturday 5:15-5:45pm.

Baptisms and Marriages by appointment: Please ring 0488 020 364

Welcome to you all.

Entrance Antiphon Jeremiah 29:11,12,14

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.

You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

Communion Antiphon Psalm 72:28

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

Newsletter Information 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: 18th and 19th 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.

Get in quick

If you would like to continue your current role or are thinking of volunteering for a Eucharistic Minister or Reader role, please add your name and details to the list in the foyer. The list will need to be collected soon in order to write up the new rosters for next year. 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.

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.

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 are 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

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.

Eucharistic Ministers:

18th Nov: 6pm K Zanini & J Conway

19th Nov: 9am Sue & Maria

25th Nov: 6pm J Conway & K Zanini

26th Nov: 9am Nicola & A Mattia

Readers:

18th Nov: 6pm Elizabeth Becker

19th Nov: 9am Margaret Leonard

25th Nov: 6pm Gabriel Becker

26th Nov: 9am Gerard Dowling

Fr 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-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

19 November 2023

First Reading Prv 31:10-13.19-20.30-31

Give her a share in what she has worked for.

A perfect wife – who can find her?
She is far beyond the price of pearls.
Her husband's heart has confidence in her,
from her he will derive no little profit.
Advantage and not hurt she brings him
all the days of her life.
She is always busy with wool and with flax,
she does her work with eager hands.
She sets her hands to the distaff,
her fingers grasp the spindle.
She holds out her hand to the poor,
she opens her arms to the needy.
Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty;
the woman who is wise is the one to praise.
Give her a share in what her hands have
worked for,
and let her works tell her praises at the city
gates.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 127:1-5. R. v.1

(R.) Happy are those who fear the Lord.

- O blessed are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. **(R.)**
- Your wife like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table. **(R.)**
- Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
in a happy Jerusalem
all the days of your life. **(R.)**

Second Reading 1 Thes 5:1-6

The day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night.

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it. But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 15:4. 5

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Live in me and let me live in you,
says the Lord;
my branches bear much fruit.
Alleluia!**

Gospel Mt 25:14-30

Because you have been faithful over a few things, enter into the joy of the Lord.

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."

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Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

God's plan for human happiness is mostly frustrated by a good person burying his or her personality traits, what one might call one's talents, which is really to bury oneself and to become invisible.

In the old language of my schoolboy catechism, we should be concerned not just with sins of commission, but with sins of omission – failure of courage, failure to take risks, failure to put everything on the line with the personality and the moment in time given to you and to me.

As Shakespeare says in Julius Caesar:

'There is a tide in the affairs of men

which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune;

omitted, all the voyage of their life is bound in stillness and in miseries.'

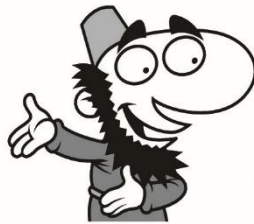
The Divine Tide is flowing through human history. We should trust ourselves to that tide which can carry us to the shores of Heaven. Failure to take risks leads to Hellish stillness and miseries.

We could pause for a moment to pray that we might use our talents so as to hear: 'Well done, good and faithful servant ... come and join in your Master's happiness.'

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St Cecilia was a Roman martyr from the 3rd century, but little is known other than legend. A popular story from the 5th century describes Cecilia as a young Christian patrician who married a pagan named Valerian. Both he and his brother were baptised, but soon after were arrested and martyred. Cecilia buried them, and was then herself arrested. When she refused to make a sacrifice to the Roman Gods, she was sentenced to death. Later, her house was dedicated as a church by Pope Urban. She became a popular patron of musicians due to a story from her wedding; as the music played, Cecilia sang in her heart to the Lord, "May my heart remain unsullied, so that I be not confounded."



COMPLETE THE TEXT MAZE

"Come and share in my happiness!"

START

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FINISH

Wordsearch

Try to find these words:



away
charge
faithful
five
happiness
little
money
more
servant
share
thousand
three

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