



OLW NEWS 2024

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Dear Parents & Families,

Our Open Evening last Tuesday was exceptionally well attended by prospective families who were very impressed by our facilities, the programs that we have to offer, and by the quality of our School Captains who did an outstanding job leading the tours.

Applications for places in Prep 2025 continue to grow rapidly, so if your child is in 3 or 4-year-old Kinder, please complete and return an Enrolment Form as soon as possible as places are limited!

NAPLAN TESTING PERIOD

NAPLAN Testing commenced last Wednesday and continues over 2 weeks until Monday March 25 for schools who are required to complete the testing online. Students in Years 3 & 5 undertake this assessment and an information sheet was sent home last week to all Year 3 & 5 parents.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

Our Year 6 Faith Leaders and School Captains attended the St Patrick's Day Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral and also attended the Concert in the park last Friday. It was a great opportunity for our school leaders to gather with almost 350 other Catholic schools to celebrate Catholic Education Week.



PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent - Teacher Interviews will be held on **Monday March 25** from 8.45am – 7.00pm. This is a **Closure Day** for the students, but they are required to attend the interview along with their parents. Please see the attached flyer for booking details.

P & F NEWS

Our major activity for this term will be our Easter Raffle for which we are currently seeking donations from families and local businesses.

Please see the attached flyer for details. Raffle tickets have been sent home and additional tickets will be available from the school office if you wish to sell more than the 10 tickets allotted to each family.

ICY POLES

Icy poles are 50c and sold during lunchtime each **TUESDAY** and **THURSDAY** for Term 1. The P & F are still accepting donations of Zooper Doopers from any families who would like to support this activity.

PRINCIPALS CONFERENCE

I will be attending the Victorian Association of Catholic Primary Schools Principals Conference this Tuesday to Friday. Please see Huang, Melanie, Kathryn or Jacinta if you require any help during my absence and they will be able to assist you.

Enjoy the week!

Kevin Burke

PHRASE OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to everyone who found out that 'nose to the grindstone' means 'to work very hard for a long time' or 'someone who is working hard or diligently on something.'

Our phrase for this week is:

'up to my eyeballs'

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

OLW SCHOOL CALENDAR

MARCH

- MON 18 NAPLAN period continues
- TUE 19 Year 1/2 Excursion to Bundoora Park
- MON 25 School Closure Day for Parent Teacher Interviews
NAPLAN Testing Period Concludes
- WED 27 District Athletics at Meadowglen Stadium
- THUR 28 Easter Paraliturg & Raffle Draw – 12.30pm
Term 1 Ends – Dismissal 1.00pm
- FRI 29 Good Friday
- SUN 31 Easter Sunday

APRIL

- MON 15 Term 2 Commences

SCHOOL PHOTOS 2024 - Important Registration Information



School Photographs will be taken at

Our Lady of the Way Primary School

Wednesday 13th March 2024

There is no need to return any forms or payment to school before photo day

Flyers with Unique Image Codes will be issued to all students on or after photo day

When you receive your child's 2024 image code

Follow these 3 simple steps -

1 Go to order.arphotos.com.au and enter your child's 2024 image code



2 Tap on 'Add another child' to enter the image codes of any siblings



3 Fill in your contact details & review before confirming your registration*



*This information will only be used for distribution of personal image codes and ordering details.

That's it!

It's important to register each year to link your child's NEW images to your contact details. When 2024 images are ready to view in our secure webshop you'll be notified by email and SMS

- Create photo packages with any layout & YOUR choice of images + Multiple Image Downloads
- Order on any mobile device • Share the images with family & friends for FREE

**** Please wait to receive notifications that new images are online BEFORE ordering for 2024****



Arthur Reed Photos Pty. Ltd.
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SCHOOL PHOTO INFORMATION

Annual school photos have been taken by Arthur Reed Photos. To view the images of your child and order photos, you will need to first register online.

1. Go to <https://order.arphotos.com.au> and enter the 2024 image code for your child (from their personalized flyer)
2. Tap on 'Add another child' to enter the image codes of any siblings
3. Fill in your email and mobile details and then review all details before confirming your registration
4. When 2024 photos are ready, you will be notified by email and SMS.

Even if you registered last year, it's important that you do it again each year using your child's new image code to link their photos for the current year with your contact details. To ensure you are ordering school photos for the current year, please wait for notifications that 2024 images are online before placing orders.

In the webshop you can view photos and customize your photo package; Choose ANY layout, ANY image and purchase multiple digital image downloads. All photo orders will be sent directly to the address you provide when ordering. REGISTER ONLINE NOW to be notified when 2024 school photos can be viewed and ordered.



Book School Interviews Online

Dear Parents,

Parent/Teacher/Student interviews will be held on **Monday, March 25**, from 8.45am until 7.00pm. **This day will be a Closure Day for students but they are required to attend the interview with their parents.**

Bookings can be made through the School Interviews tab on our school app on the 'Resources' page under 'Links' or go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and enter the School Event code shown below.

BOOKINGS CLOSE Friday March 22

School event code
8mmsm Go

Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au

<http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code>

Enter THIS school event code.
Then follow the 3 simple steps.

1 Enter your details

2 Choose teachers

3 Choose times



When you click **finish**, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately. You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

Parents who do not have access to the internet at home, work or on their phone can visit the school office from Tuesday March 12 onwards, and one of the office staff will assist you with making any bookings. Interviews are strictly 15 minutes and spaces are limited. If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements. The Parent Teacher Interview will also form the Term 1 PSG Meeting for students on PLP's.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking. Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date should contact the school directly on 9460 6684.

Students are required to attend the Interview along with their parents



KINGSBURY THEIRCARE



WEEK 7 - 'WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE'

This week's theme surrounded the World's Greatest Shave event that was held here on Wednesday the 13th! Throughout the week, we discussed and learnt about what Leukemia is and why it is important for charity events to happen, and we had some incredible activities on offer to support the topic. We had orange watercolour painting on offer to represent the Leukemia Foundation, as well as wig designing to match the theme. We also had incredible outdoor activities this week that were recommended by the children themselves, such as Memory Tiggy and Cricket! The event on Wednesday was absolutely amazing! We had a big turnout of children, as well as families and visitors that came to support the incredible cause!

ACTIVITIES

Wig designing this week was a great activity, the children got really creative and thought about cool ways to make a wig design that was suitable for different events, such as going to work, going to a birthday party and even going on holiday! It's always amazing to see how creative the children at Kingsbury can be!

The world's greatest shave event on Wednesday was definitely the highlight of the week, we had a huge amount of delicious food, and we all got a turn in shaving Zachary's head! It was a great experience full of smiles and laughter, and raising money and awareness for a great cause was incredible as well.

Sport activities were put on hold at the beginning of the week due to the extreme heat and UV ratings, but once the weather cooled down, we had a chance to get outside and play Basketball and Cricket, two games that have been super popular at the service!



Heaps of fun!

Delicious food!



Contact us:

email: kingsbury@theircare.com.au

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Fundraiser

EASTER RAFFLE

2024



We are requesting donations of easter eggs; be it large, small, character or “free from” (for allergies), etc.

Raffle tickets to be sold in the coming weeks with the raffle drawn last week of school term.



Do you have school uniform items you no longer need and still in good condition?

Donations Welcome

The P & F Second Hand Uniform Collection and Sale

\$5 Items

\$10 Items

All assorted Polo Tops

Summer Dresses

All assorted Shorts

Jumpers

Pants

Backpacks

CASH ONLY

The Parents and Friends committee will hold a pop up store on the first Monday of each month straight after School Assembly.

*School branded uniform donated will only be accepted if purchased from an official uniform store.

*Donation can be dropped off at the school office.

The Living Word

Fifth Sunday of Lent Year: Alternate Readings, Year A

17 March 2024

First Reading Ez 37:12-14

I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live.

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this – it is the Lord who speaks.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 129. R. v. 7

(R.) With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption

1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, Lord, hear my voice!
O let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleading. (R.)
2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive?
But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you. (R.)
3. My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on his word.
My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak.
(Let the watchman count on daybreak and Israel on the Lord.) (R.)
4. Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity. (R.)

Second Reading Rom 8:8-11

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he will give life to your own mortal bodies.

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

Gospel Acclamation See Jn 11:25. 26

*Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;
whoever believes in me will not die for ever.*

Gospel Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33-45 or longer form Jn 11:1-45

I am the resurrection and the life.

The sisters Martha and Mary sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.'

Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.'

On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said:

'I am the resurrection and the life.

If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.

Do you believe this?'

'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.' Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said:

'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer.

I knew indeed that you always hear me, but I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.'

When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.'

Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

This Gospel tells us that Our Lord was moved with compassion in an almost violent way, raging against the seeming finality of death. The raising of Lazarus was a demonstration of his power to rob death of its supposed supremacy.

But, Our Lord did not set Lazarus completely free! You may think that to be raised from the dead was not a bad start, but Lazarus was still shuffling: bound, constrained, constricted by the past. To those gathered around the tomb Jesus issued the command: 'Set him free, unbind him.' It was the collective effort of others which enabled Lazarus to walk as a liberated son of God.

You may find yourself commanded by the Lord to help unbind a person who has had a deadening experience which has drained them of life. We get the courage to respond because it is the command of the One who definitively conquered death.

We could pause for a moment to resolve to help liberate others already helped by the grace of Him whom we believe to be *the Resurrection and the Life*.

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The Archangel Gabriel, is one of God's special messengers. He appeared to the prophet Daniel and helped him to understand the visions in his dreams, and was sent to tell Zechariah of the birth of his son, John the Baptist. He left Zechariah without the ability to speak for his disbelief of the message. Gabriel is best known as the angel who sent Mary tidings of the future birth of Jesus - the Annunciation of the Lord. His feast was traditionally associated with the Annunciation, but his feast day is now shared with the other archangels, Michael and Raphael, on the 29th of September. He is the patron saint of many communications industries and workers such as post, telephone, radio and television.



Wordsearch

Try to find these words:

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|---------|---------|------|--------|
| Bethany | face | Mary | sister |
| cloth | Lazarus | out | stone |
| cry | Martha | sick | tomb |

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Fill in the missing word on each strip of cloth to find out what the letters in each box spell.

Jesus' good

r__n_ Lazarus was very sick.

Martha and M

__ were sad when their brother died.

"Lazarus will __v_ again", said Jesus.

Jesus went to the opened

__b and prayed.

Lazarus walked out of

__s tomb alive.

Parish of Our Lady of the Way Kingsbury

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Weekend Mass Times:

- 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 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 9:00 am mass
- Our Lady of the Way: Saturday 5:15-5:45pm

Baptisms and Marriages by appointment:

Welcome to you all.

Entrance Antiphon: Cf Psalm 42:1-2

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

Communion Antiphon: John 12: 24

Amen, Amen I say to you: Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains a single grain. But if it dies, it bears much fruit.

Newsletter information for Fifth Sunday of Lent (B) – 16th and 17th of March

Anniversaries

We pray for all anniversaries about this time especially: Remy Scholl, Anthony Roquey Almeida

Blessing of homes during Easter: Anyone wishing to have their houses blessed during the Easter Season please let Fr John know to organize a time.

Holy Week

Sheets available in the foyer for liturgies during Holy Week, beginning Palm Sunday (24/3/2024) to Easter Tuesday (2/4/2024).

Upcoming Dates

Holy Thursday Mass and Adoration - 28th of March

- 5.00pm: Our Lady of the Way Parish
- 6.30pm: Holy Name East Preston

Good Friday Service - 29th of March

- 10.00am: Stations of the Cross at Our Lady of the Way Parish
- 3.00pm: The Lord's Passion at Holy Name East Preston

Volunteers

If you would like to volunteer for Special Minister or Readings during Holy Week, please let a member of PLT or Fr John know.

- **Holy Thursday** - 2 Ministers and 1 reader
- **Stations of the Cross** – 1 reader
- **Easter Vigil** – 3 Ministers and 2 readers

Easter Raffle

The Easter Raffle is back with wonderful baskets of goodies to be won. Winners get to choose their prize. Tickets are \$1 each – now available in the foyer. Raffle will be drawn after Easter Vigil on the Sat 30th of March. Any questions please see Glenda or Angelina.

Visitation and Communion

If you or someone you know wishes to receive Communion at home or a visitation, please let a member of PLT or Fr John know.

Gluten Free Hosts

Gluten free hosts are available. Please let Fr John or one of the Special Ministers know or come up during Communion at the end.

Parish Suggestion Box

Thank you for your on-going suggestions and comments. A white suggestion box is available in the church foyer. If parishioners have any concerns, or suggestions, please write a message, and place it in the box. Next meeting will be on the 21st of March.

Friday Morning Adoration

Please join us every Friday for 'Morning Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament' from 9:15am to 9:45 am before 10am mass.

Project Compassion

Boxes and envelopes are now available in the foyer for those who wish to take one. We thank you for your donations and support.

Collections for the weekend of the 3rd and 10th of March

We thank you for your ongoing contributions and generous support. A big thank you to our 3 fortnightly counters.

1st Collections: \$1457.50

2nd Collections: \$585.00

Eucharistic Ministers: Roster has been updated as of 11th of Feb, now available in foyer.

16th Mar: 6pm – G Tombs & J Vandenberg

17th Mar: 9am – G Dowling & A Crupi

23rd Mar: 6pm – K Zanini & J Conway

24th Mar: 9am – A Crupi & M Leonard

Readers: Reading roster has been updated as of the 28th of Jan, now available in the foyer.

16th Mar: 6pm – Joan Vandenberg

17th Mar: 9am – Angelina Crupi

23rd Mar: 6pm – Louise Barber

24th Mar: 9am – Jason Cassar

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.