

Issue: 36

Date: Monday November 18 2024

Dear Parents & Families,

Our School Advisory Council Meeting met for the final time for 2024 last Tuesday evening. Over the course of this year, the SAC has been exceptionally supportive of the work of the school in providing valuable insights into how we can continue to challenge ourselves to improve our programs, our teaching and learning structures, as well as assisting us in preparing for our School Review.

I am very grateful for the ongoing support and commitment of the SAC members who are outstanding advocates for the school. At our final meeting, we had the opportunity to welcome and induct our two new members to the SAC – Erin Dalton & Davina Connell, who look forward to sharing their skills and expertise with the group, to further strengthen the work of the SAC in 2025.

SIP & AAP DEVELOPMENT

As our School Review Process is now complete, this Friday our Leadership Team will be working with MACS staff to construct our next Four Year School Improvement Plan and 2025 Annual Action Plan. These plans will guide the school development over the next 4 years as we look to build on our current work and continue to challenge ourselves.

PREP 2025 ORIENTATION

Our Prep Orientation program continues this Thursday from 9.30am – 11.00am.

PREP – 2 SWIMMING

Our Prep – Year 2 Swimming Program continues this Monday and Tuesday. Parents are welcome to attend and watch their child. Under child safety protocols, only parents who hold a current WWCC and are registered with the school can assist in the change rooms if required by staff. The classroom teacher will request your assistance if any help is required.

OLW SPORTS CARNIVAL

Our School Sports Carnival will take place on Friday, November 29, weather permitting. The day will commence at 10.00am and finish approximately at 3.00pm and families are most welcome to join us throughout the day. Track events and relays

will be taking place between 11.30am and 1.00pm. We will be setting up events and equipment from 9.00am – 10.00am, so if any parents are available to assist with setting up the marquees etc. from 9.00am, we would be very grateful for your assistance. Please leave a message at the office or just see Mrs Van Ballegoooy on the oval in the morning.

P & F MEETING

Our next P & F Meeting has been rescheduled to Thursday November 28 at 9.10am. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

Enjoy the week!

Kevin Burke

WORD OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to everyone who found out that **'affirmation'** means *'the action or process of affirming something'* or *'emotional support or encouragement'* and **'anticipate'** means *'to regard as probable; expect or predict'* or *'to act as a forerunner or a precursor'*.

Our word for this week is:

'indefatigable'

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

OLW SCHOOL CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

MON 18	Swimming Years P – 2
TUE 19	Swimming Years P – 2
WED 20	NIDO Kinder Visit
THUR 21	Prep 2025 Orientation Session 9.30am – 11.00am
FRI 22	Interschool Sport
MON 25	Swimming Years P – 2
TUE 26	Swimming Years P – 2
THUR 28	P & F Meeting – 9.10am Year 5/6 Basketball
FRI 29	School Sports Day

[OLW 2024 Calendar](#)

OLW Christmas Carols Night



**Thursday December 5
commencing at 4.30pm**

Our OLW Carols Night is planned for Thursday December 5th. Students can wear any Christmas-themed clothing. Families are welcome to arrive at 4.30pm for a picnic on the school grounds. You may bring your own food, or the P & F will be running a Sausage Sizzle from which you will be able to purchase food. Zooper Doopers will also be on sale if the weather is warm. Alcohol is not permitted.

After the picnic, students will gather with their grades on the side of the large deck outside the classrooms, ready for the Carols can commence at 6:00pm. Please remember to bring a rug or chairs for seating. The night will conclude around 7.00pm.



Parish of Our Lady of the Way Kingsbury

Parish Priest: Fr John O'Connor

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Phone: 0488 020 364

Email: Kingsbury@cam.org.au

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

Our Parish Primary Schools and churches:

- ♦ Our Lady of the Way Kingsbury (Principal- Kevin Burke): 03 9460 6684
- ♦ Holy Name East Preston (Principal –Caroline Galea): 03 9471 0883
- ♦ Holy Name Preston East: 28 Rob St, Reservoir - 03 9471 0832

Baptisms and Marriages by appointment: Please ring 0488 020 364

Date: 16th and 17th of November: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time B

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.

FAITH REFLECTION: PART 9 of 'WHO DO WE THINK WE ARE?'

A People who go to Mass

Many of us will remember that we were taught that we had to go to Mass on Sundays. It was a strict law of the Church and it was considered a sin if we deliberately did not go!

Going to Mass really is central to being a Catholic. It is not really about a law of the Church but about the words of Christ: "Do this in memory of me". That is what we do at Mass.

Going to Mass is also about the fact that we are not just individual believers in the Lord Jesus but we are a People whom he gathers around himself and whom he draws into unity with himself – we saw something of this in last week's contribution to these small articles on the Church as the body of Christ. It is at Mass that we come together to enter into those things which keep joining us to Christ: his word, his Eucharist, his assembled People, those who minister his presence to us. We are all becoming Christians all through our lives, we are in that process of change and development. It will not be complete until we are 'with the Lord'. Our contacts with the Lord develop that process. The crucial thing about being Christian – and I think that this will be shown to be more and more true in our secular times – is being linked to Christ, constantly listening to Christ in our own situation, constantly entering into communion with him. It is not so easy to be a Christian these days. We are often considered as irrelevant or odd or even worse by some of the people around us. It is, therefore, even more important that we come together to be reinforced in our faith and following of Jesus, to know that we are not alone on this journey. The Mass is where we are together and where we can strengthen and encourage each other. This also means that we have to develop our Sunday Eucharist and make them significant and faith-affirming in the lives of God's People. This needs formation for both our priests and our people. This is something which Pope Francis is strongly encouraging in his recent document on Liturgical Formation, called 'Desiderio desideravi'.

By Fr Frank O'Loughlin

♦ PRAYERS FOR THE COMMUNITY

Anniversary: We pray for all anniversaries about this time especially: Remedios Lopez Alvarez, Lesley Panozzo, Rosaria Mascara

♦ CHARITY DRIVE

We are asking for donations towards a 'Lolly and Christmas drive' - All contributions goes towards 'YMCA Wrap Basketball Program' and their Christmas celebrations. More information in the foyer.

• Donations for lolly bags: all sorts: snakes, musk sticks and soft lollies, chocolates in wrappers (kit Kats freddo frogs), Christmas chocolates, and lollies.

• Door price items for bowling nights & dinner dance: Boxes of chocolates, gift vouchers, coffee cards, hampers filled with Christmas items and treats, items for Christmas celebrations.

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.

Mass Times

WEEKEND

Saturday Evening:

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 East Preston

Sunday Afternoon:

4:00pm at Holy Name East Preston (Vietnamese)

WEEKDAY

Our Lady of the Way:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10:00am

Holy Name East Preston:

Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 9:00am

Prayer Groups

Rosary

Before morning Masses:

Our Lady of the Way:

9:20am

Holy Name East Preston:

8:30am

Morning Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Our Lady of the Way:

Friday at 9:15am to 9:45 am before 10am Mass

Confession Times

Holy Name East Preston:

Saturday after 9:00 am mass

Our Lady of the Way:

Saturday 5:15-5:45pm before 6pm Mass

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED	PARISH SUGGESTIONS
Would you like to serve as a Special Minister, a Reader, Alter Server, or be a part of the Welcome Party? Do you have musical talent or would like to be part of cleaning roster? Please let Fr John know.	Do you see a need in the community? Thank you for your on-going suggestions and comments. We value your voice and feedback. If parishioners have any suggestions, please forward to PLT. Next meeting: Wednesday 20 th November

♦ PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Morning Tea - Sunday 24th November

On the 24th of November after 9am Mass, (The feast of Christ the King), there will be a Morning Tea to mark the last Sunday of the liturgical year, as we move towards Advent. Join us for community spirit and hospitality. Please bring a plate share. All are welcome.

Holy Souls Mass Offerings

As part of month of Remembrance, parishioners are welcomed to place names of deceased loved ones in the prayer book. Envelopes for Mass Offerings for all Holy Souls can be collected from the foyer. Please place at the front of church or during mass collection.

Piety Story and Christmas Products

The Piety Store, located in the foyer cabinet near the fridge, has been restocked with many Christmas gifts and items. If parishioners are looking for a particular item to purchase, please let any PLT member know and we will try to procure.

- 2025 Columban Calendars (\$10) and Advents books (\$5) are also available in the foyer.
- Christmas Cards are \$2.50 a pack

Parish Luncheon

The next Parish luncheon will be on the 27th of November, Wednesday at 12.00pm at the Summerhill hotel. This will be the last luncheon of the year. A big thank you to Margaret for her organisation. Sign-up sheets are in the foyer. All are welcome!

♦ LITERATURE CORNER

Australian Catholic Magazine

The Australian Catholic Summer Edition is now available in the foyer. Please take a copy. For more readings, news and weekly Gospel reflections, visit: <https://www.australiancatholics.com.au/acmagazine>

♦ ARCHDIOCESE NEWS

Two New Auxiliary Bishops Appointed for Melbourne

It is with great joy that the Archdiocese shares the news of Pope Francis' appointment of two new Auxiliary Bishops for Melbourne – Reverend Father Thinh Nguyen and Reverend Father Rene Ramirez RCJ. Most Rev Peter A Comensoli, Archbishop of Melbourne said, "I am deeply grateful to the Holy Father for this gift and blessing to our Archdiocese. The Melbourne Archdiocese is the largest in Oceania, and we have waited a long time to have our full complement of Auxiliary Bishops to assist in ministering to God's people. Both Fr Nguyen and Fr Ramirez are men who have a heart for the Gospel and a missionary energy for God's people," said the Archbishop. "They are well-known to the Melbourne Archdiocese, and have already made valuable contributions to the life of the local Church. Fr Nguyen and Fr Ramirez expressed their surprise at the news of their appointment, "I felt overwhelmed at first by the responsibility and the weight of the task ahead however, I am reminded of the scene where Jesus appeared to the frightened disciples in the boat, saying, 'Take heart! It is I! Do not be afraid!' (Matthew 14:27). It is this voice of Jesus that empowered me to say YES to the call. Both Bishops-elect will join Bishop Martin Ashe and Bishop Tony Ireland in bringing together the leadership of the four regions of the Archdiocese. The Episcopal Ordination for the Bishops-elect is to take place in the morning of 1 February 2025 at St Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne. More information will be shared as planning gets further underway.



♦ ROSTER:

Updating 2025 Rosters

A list of names of current Readers, Ministers and Cleaners will be in the foyer. Please indicate if you can continue your service next year. We also welcome new volunteers! If you can help, please place your name on the list. Come, and speak to Fr John or PLT if you have any questions.

Eucharistic Ministers:

16th Nov: 6pm – K Zanini & Special Minister

23rd Nov: 6pm – Glenda Tombs & Joan Vandenberg

17th Nov: 9am – Di Austin & Joan Vandenberg

24th Nov: 9am – Gerard Dowling & Angelina Crupi

Readers:

16th Nov: 6pm – Louise Barber

23rd Nov: 6pm – Jim Conway

17th Nov: 9am – Evelyn Ginger

24th Nov: 9am – Maureen Jones

Cleaning:

24th Nov: Jason C and Joseph S

8th Dec: Cleaners

CHURCH OFFERINGS: WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION?
1st Collection Thanks-giving offering: 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- Presbytery offering 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

The Living Word

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

17 November 2024

First Reading Dn 12:1-3

When that time comes your own people will be spared.

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 15:5. 8-11. R.v.1

**(R.) Keep me safe, O God:
you are my hope.**

1. O Lord, it is you who are my portion
and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall
stand firm. (R.)
2. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is
glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among
the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay. (R.)
3. You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness forever. (R.)

Second Reading Heb 10:11-14, 18

By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of

all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

Gospel Acclamation Lk 21:36

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Be watchful, and pray constantly,
that you may be worthy to stand
before the Son of Man.**

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 13:24-32

He shall gather his elect from the four winds.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'



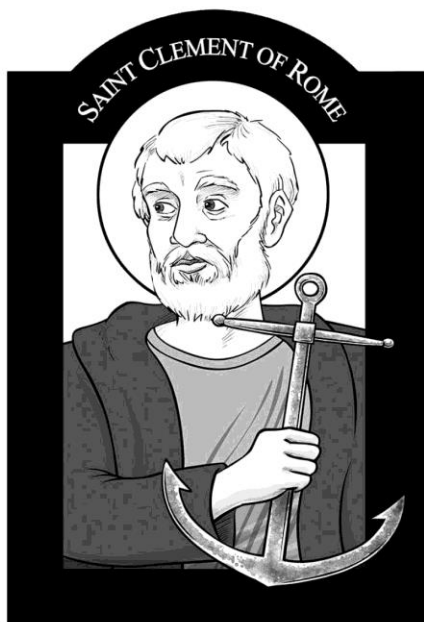
Reflection by Greg Sunter

The whole of chapter 13 in the Gospel of Mark is devoted to a discourse about the future. In the section preceding this week's passage, Jesus has foretold the destruction of the Temple and the fall of Jerusalem. He has also predicted war on a massive scale and the persecution of his followers. Now, in this passage, Jesus predicts the return of the Son of Man and the fulfilment of the kingdom of God.

Why does the gospel include such an extended description of the collapse of the world as it was? Because that's exactly what was going on around the community of this gospel writer! This gospel is understood to have been written somewhere in the period 70-75 CE. In the year 70 CE the city of Jerusalem was besieged by Roman troops who stormed the city and destroyed it. As a sign of complete disdain for the people of Jerusalem and a mark of overwhelming victory, the Romans burnt and completely destroyed the Temple in the heart of Jerusalem. For the entire Jewish community, this was absolute devastation. The destruction of the Temple surely marked the coming of the end times – the day of judgment and completion of this world. The community gathered around this gospel writer were no less affected. On top of this, the Roman Emperors were reaching new heights (or depths) in their persecution of the followers of Jesus.

In the midst of this despair and fear, the followers of Jesus are challenged to remember the teachings of the one they follow. This passage is written for them as an encouragement to not give up in the face of what appears to be overwhelming odds. It is a call to hope. Although we can understand the context in which it was originally written, we are also challenged to apply its message of hope and perseverance to our own lives.

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Pope Clement I was a leading member of the church in Rome towards the end of the 1st century. He was one of the very first bishops of Rome – some lists name him as second in line to St Peter, while others claim he was third or fourth in line. Although little is known about Clement's life, the early Christian writer, Tertullian, wrote that Clement was consecrated by St Peter himself. His letter to the church at Corinth is one of the oldest Christian documents to be written since the New Testament. Tradition suggests that Clement was imprisoned by the Roman Emperor Trajan, during which time he led ministry amongst his fellow prisoners. He was later executed by being tied to an anchor and thrown into the sea.

FIND THE SECRET ANSWER

Help the angel find the hidden answer to this question "Who will know when the time is right for Jesus to return?"

In the puzzle below, cross out any letter that appears four or more times. Then unscramble the remaining letters to complete the verse below.



B	M	G	S	N	D	V	K	P	Y	Z
J	W	Q	I	H	Z	O	S	W	E	V
P	C	T	B	V	Q	G	X	M	P	I
M	Q	S	L	N	K	Y	C	S	U	B
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Q	E	L	P	G	O	Z	U	Q	S	Y
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ONLY _____ KNOWS.

CROSSWORD

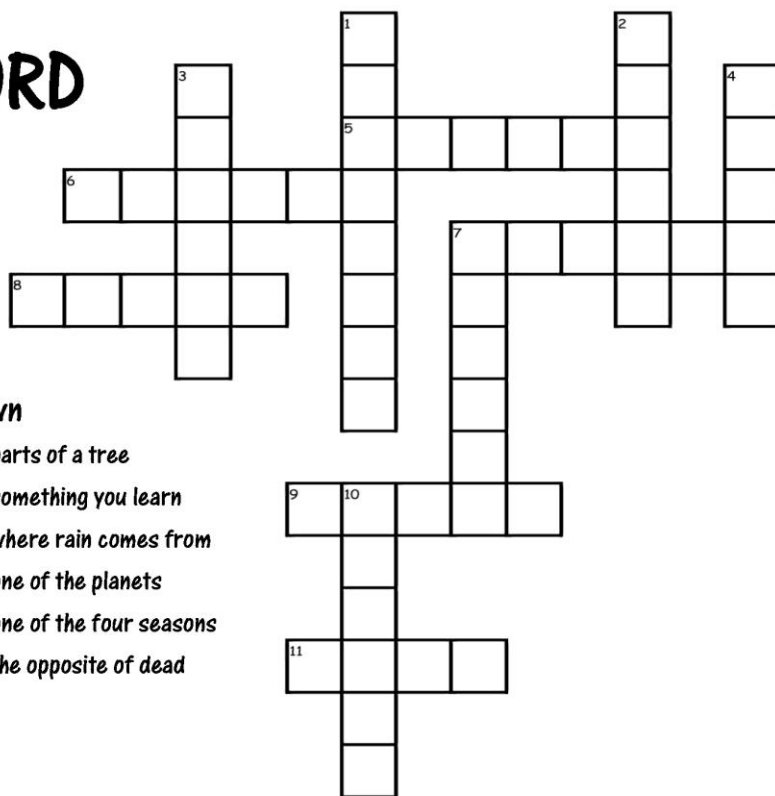


Across

- 5: God's special messengers
- 6: to be selected
- 7: to grow
- 8: things we can speak, read and write down
- 9: _____ alleluia
- 11: "you will know that the _____ has almost come"

Down

- 1: parts of a tree
- 2: something you learn
- 3: where rain comes from
- 4: one of the planets
- 7: one of the four seasons
- 10: the opposite of dead





OUR LADY OF THE WAY KINGSBURY PARISH

Join Us for Morning Tea

As we mark the end of the liturgical
year, come and celebrate
community spirit and hospitality.

All Welcome

24TH NOVEMBER



AFTER 9AM SUNDAY MASS

Morning Tea provided
Bring a plate to share



OUR LADY OF THE WAY KINGSBURY PARISH

LOLLY AND XMAS DRIVE

DONATIONS FOR LOLLY BAGS

- All sorts and Soft lollies: snakes, musk sticks etc.
- Chocolates in wrappers to fill up bags
- Christmas chocolates, and lollies.

DONATIONS FOR PRIZES

- Boxes of chocolates
- Gift vouchers
- Coffee cards
- Hampers with Christmas items and treats
- Christmas items

Donations goes towards
'YMCA Wrap Basketball Program'
Christmas Celebrations:
Dinner Dance & Bowling Night.
Supporting a basketball program
for adults living with disability.

**Thank you for your
generosity and support!**





KINGSBURY THEIRCARE



WEEK 5 - 'MELBOURNE CUP'

This week was amazing! Although the public holiday was a small change to our routine, we had amazing week soaking up the sunshine and warm weather, and had so many activities that surrounding the Melbourne Cup!

We also loved hearing everyone's long weekend/public holiday stories and events, getting to know family traditions, celebrations and just generally building strong relationships with the children is always amazing!

ACTIVITIES

- We began the week with a Pupil Free Day for OLV students, and it just so happened to be Lucas' birthday! As it was super quiet, we decided to get baking and make delicious rainbow cupcakes, they were delicious!
- We had another cooking activity this week for our TC Tucker Initiative, where we made Fruit Tarts! We practiced our measuring, scooping, mixing and of course tasting skills, it was awesome!
- Kinetic sand was a major highlight of the week, this sensory activity is always one that keeps the children occupied for so long! They love being super creative and letting their imaginations run wild, building castles and houses for their toys, creating delicious replicas of foods and even making sculptures of themselves! It was great!

NO HAT NO PLAY

Now that it is Term 4, NO HAT NO PLAY, everyone must be wearing a hat at OSHC. We provide sunscreen for all children, but please ensure a hat is brought along in their bags!



NOTICE

When possible, please ensure you are booking as early as you can!
Booking in advance supports us to staff the program adequately in line with our 1:15 ratio.

Additionally, if your child is away from school or if plans change, a friendly reminder to give us the heads up via a text or call!

FEEDBACK!

We would love to hear what you think of our program!
If you can spare 5 minutes, please fill out this Feedback Form and give us your feedback/suggestions!

<https://forms.gle/tVqQnmnYcDGPbZSQ>
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Contact us:

email: kingsbury@theircare.com.au

phone: 0417333851



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

Donations
Welcome

The P & F Second Hand Uniform Collection and Sale

\$5 Items

Polo Tops
Shorts
Pants

\$10 Items

Summer Dresses
Jumpers
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 uniforms donated will only be accepted if purchased from an official uniform store.

*Donations can be dropped off at the school office.



Red Door Cafe Lunch orders

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

Order Before 11am

Ph: 9078 9725

Toasties \$7

Cheese
Cheese & Ham
Cheese & Tomato
Cheese, Ham & Tomato

Wraps

Chicken schnitzel \$9.90
{Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo}
Ham \$7.90
{Ham, Cheese, Lettuce & Tomato}

Hot Food

5 Nuggets & Chips \$9.50
Pizza {Margarita} \$6.50
Lasagne \$9.90
Penne bolognese \$9.90
1/2 Sausage Roll \$6.00
Whole Sausage Roll \$10.90
Chips \$6.00



Catholic
Ladies' College



Christmas
MARKET
& CAROLS

WEDNESDAY 27 NOVEMBER
5:00 PM- 8:00PM
CATHOLIC LADIES' COLLEGE
19 DIAMOND STREET, ELTHAM

Scan here for more
event details



GOLD COIN DONATION ON ENTRY

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