



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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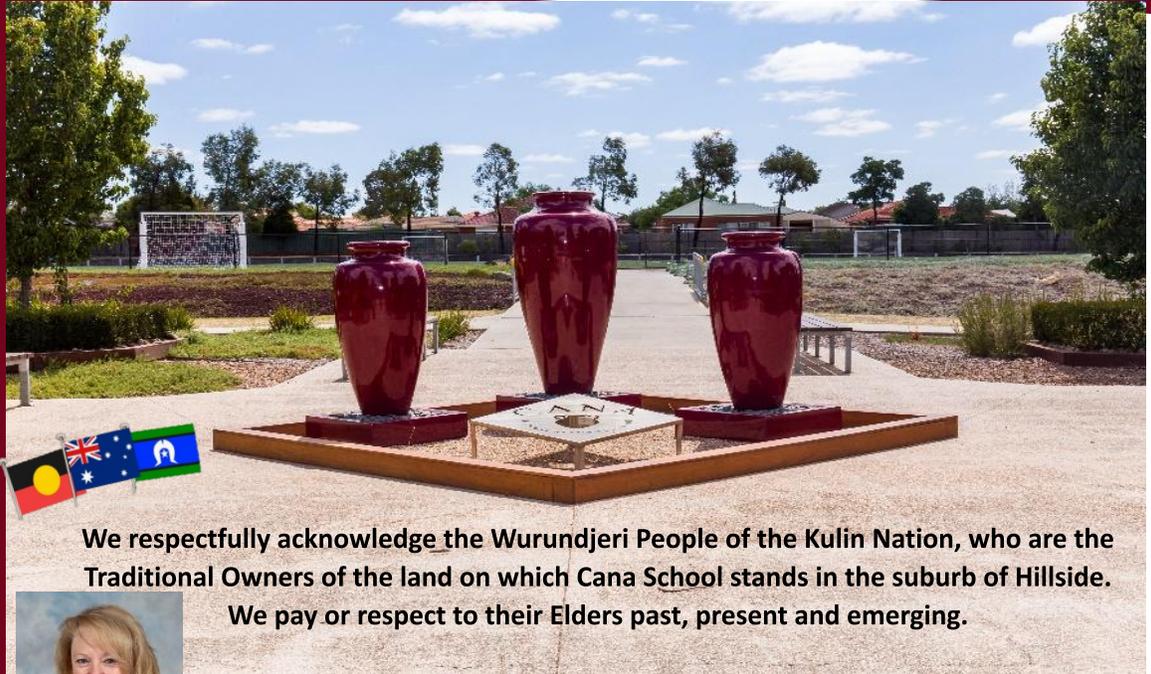
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We respectfully acknowledge the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin Nation, who are the Traditional Owners of the land on which Cana School stands in the suburb of Hillside. We pay or respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.



TERM 4 ISSUE 8 Friday 25th November, 2022

We have an interesting and fun filled next few weeks before the end of the year. Please keep an eye on the calendar below and the flyers that have been sent home and are also attached to this newsletter.

Next week we have the Cana Family Picnic on Wednesday 30th November, family members are welcome to join us on this day. On Friday 2nd December, we have our Cana Sports Carnival, Parents / Guardians can join the children on this day during the first session from 9:15am to 10:30am. These will be a fun filled days for everyone to enjoy.

This week we light the first candle for Advent. This candle symbolizes Hope as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

First Week of Advent - Hope

Our prayers this week will focus on restoring Hope in our world. There are many who are feeling hopeless. Let us keep them in our prayers.

During this week of advent, pray for the hope of Christ to fill our hearts.



Dates for your Calendar

Term 4

Friday 25 th November	Soundgarage Concert at 6pm- Details below
Wednesday 30 th November	Cana Family Picnic 1:00pm - 1:50pm - Weather permitted - Details Below
Friday 2 nd December	Sports Carnival - Details below Family members welcome from 9:15am to 10:30am
Wednesday 7 th December	Cana Mini Fair - Fun Day
Thursday 8 th December	School Production Evening - Details below
Monday 12 th December	Grade 6 Graduation – 6pm at Emmaus Church
Tuesday 13 th December	Orientation for Prep to Grade 6
Friday 16 th December	Last day of Term 4 – Prep to Grade 5 finish at 3:15 Grade 6 finish at 2pm

Term 1, 2023

Wednesday 1st February	Term 1 Begins for Grade 1 to Grade 6 students
Thursday 2nd February	First Day of school for Preps

Mass at Cana

Dear Families,

This term we excitingly welcome more Masses at Cana! For safety and space reasons, we have split the school into 3 groups. These groups are titled Group A, Group B and Group C. The two tables below are for your reference to see which group your child/ren are in and when they will be in the hall for the Mass and/or leading the Mass.

Families of students who are in the hall on the designated week or a leading the Mass, are invited to attend Mass. This information is in the grey shaded area.

Group A	PC, 1C, 1W, 3C, 4M, 6K
Group B	PR, 1A, 2J, 3S, 4S, 5S
Group C	PB, 1T, 2T, 4G, 5K, 6G

We look forward to praying with you as a school community.

Week, date and time	Date	Time	Group in hall	Class/Group Leading Mass
9	Thursday 1st December	2pm	Group A	Prep C
10	Thursday 8 th of December	2pm	Group B Virtual Whole School	Prep R
11	Thursday 15 th of December	2pm	Group C Virtual Whole School	Mary Mackillop Group

SOUNDGARAGE CONCERT!
Cana Catholic P.S



FRIDAY 25th NOVEMBER
6pm – ALL Soundgarage students!

- Students should arrive 15 minutes prior to performance time.
- The concert will be held in the School Hall, located next to the reception building.
- Students can come dressed in rock star clothing or anything comfortable!
- All students will have a rehearsal on the day of the concert.

Enquiries: Maddie 0401 844 522 maddie@soundgarage.com.au

7 QUICK TIPS TO STAY SAFE ONLINE

According to recent studies, there are currently over 23 million Internet users in Australia alone, an increase of 3.4% from the previous year. In Australia, the internet penetration rate is 91%, and we spend about 6 hours online on average each day (2 of which are spent on social media). I probably double that average daily usage, don't know about you. It's a fact that we are moving more and more into the cloud and online, shopping, streaming, communicating, paying bills, working, and more all take place online. With all this in mind, how can we prevent and protect ourselves from becoming victims of online crime? It is unfortunate that most corporate data breaches are caused by human error (at about 82%).

Our personal and professional lives alike require greater vigilance, and we should understand that managing security risks begins with us.

Listed below are 7 Quick Tips to get started.



1. Security Software

There's no getting around that our lives are impacted digitally in one way or another and we should protect them by ensuring all our devices are protected. We suggest using a trusted reputable vendor to install it, even on your mobile device.



2. Automatic Updates

A quick and easy way to increase safety is to ensure your computer and devices have the latest security and bug fixes. Set updates to run automatically where possible to avoid further vulnerability for hackers to hijack your device and accounts.



3. Use Unique Passwords

One of the most common mistakes is to use the same password across various accounts - I know it's a much easier thing to remember but remember if your credentials are breached once, hackers will commonly try to use these details on several accounts.



4. Careful what you Click!

The most common cyber-attacks that occur are due to phishing scams. Remain sceptical of unsolicited messages and don't click or open any attachments in them. Verify the sender of the content, even if it may look legitimate.



5. Multi-factor Authentication

More and more services now allow multi-authentication, adding another layer of security doesn't hurt and if by chance someone does get past the first step you will become instantly aware and act accordingly.



6. Don't Overshare

Be careful of what you share online as certain personal information such as your date of birth, mother's maiden name, address etc could only aid in having your identity stolen and used.



7. Stay Alert

Free Wi-Fi is great but always remain vigilant and don't access any sensitive information or even leave your devices unattended in public as this makes the job of cybercriminals easier to exploit users. Don't be complacent in thinking your local major chain store should be safe, that can breed a false sense of security. Keep safe online.

All are Welcome
Mum, Dad, Children, Grandparents,
Aunties, Uncles

Wednesday
30th November
1pm – 1:50pm

Cana Family Picnic

We will be having a Cana Family Picnic on the oval.

Date: Wednesday 30th November

The children will join us from 1:00 pm to 1:50pm.

Weather Permitting.

**BYO:- Food, Drinks,
Picnic Blanket ...**



CANA SPORTS CARNIVAL 2022

Dear Parents and Students,

Cana Catholic Primary School is having their annual Sports Carnival Day. Parents are more than welcome to come and support their children for the **morning block from 9.15-10.30**. It should be a fantastic day for everyone involved.

Where: Cana Catholic Primary School grounds

Date: Friday 2nd December

Time: 9.15am – 3pm

Dress code: Students are to wear their summer sports uniform and something to represent their house colour. This may be in the form of coloured ribbons, t-shirt, headbands or wrist bands. Hats must be worn and sunscreen is encouraged.

Timetable for the day:

Morning Block:

Running Events

- 9.15am-10.30am

Sprint events **Prep- Grade Six year levels**. Whole school will gather at the oval to participate, watch and cheer students from level to level. Ribbons handed out to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place runners in each race and house points earned. With a staff race to conclude.

Recess: 10.30am-11am- Inside Play

Middle Block:

Rotational Sport Activities

- 11.15am-1.30pm

Each grade to participate in various sport rotational activities earning house points along the way.

Lunch: 1.30pm (eating time) 1.40pm-2.10pm play time (outside)

Afternoon Block:

2.10pm-2.40pm

Pack up and Zooper Dooper treat for students.

2.45pm-3pm

Assembly in the hall. Team points announced and winning house colour presented with a plaque that will have their house colour engraved on it.



Thank you for your cooperation and looking forward to a great day,
Mr Cassar
Physical Education Coordinator



CANA SCHOOL PRODUCTION

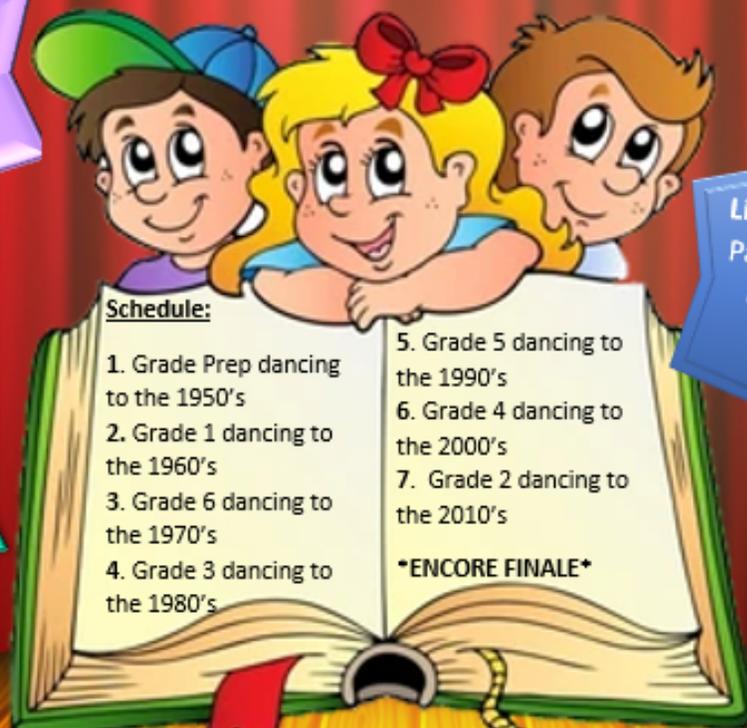
Dancing Through The Decades Thursday 8th December

Doors open 6:30pm, show starting at 7:00pm - 9:00pm

**Location: Catholic Regional College North Keilor.
1C Santa Monica Dr, Keilor Lodge**

Limited Parking
on site. Ample
parking on
surrounding
streets.

Please – No
Food or Drink
in Hall.



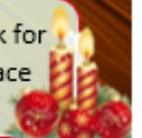
Schedule:

1. Grade Prep dancing to the 1950's
2. Grade 1 dancing to the 1960's
3. Grade 6 dancing to the 1970's
4. Grade 3 dancing to the 1980's
5. Grade 5 dancing to the 1990's
6. Grade 4 dancing to the 2000's
7. Grade 2 dancing to the 2010's

ENCORE FINALE

Limited Seats Available -
Parents / Guardians and
household members
only.

It's Cana's tradition, at this time of year our families support those in need within our Parish. We ask for cash donations (Notes) which Father Maurie will manage as part of his pastoral ministry. Please place your donations in an envelope and hand it at entry on the night.





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FUNDING SECURED

FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN VICTORIA

Dear parents and carers,

Catholic schools across Victoria have secured a major funding boost ahead of the Victorian State Election on 26 November 2022.

As you are aware, over the past few months the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria (CECV) has been advocating to the major Victorian political parties for a \$150-200 million per annum commitment towards significant capital infrastructure for our schools, amongst a range of other important initiatives.

Both the Labor Government and the Liberal Nationals Opposition have made commitments to supporting Catholic schools and students in recognition of the value and important role we play in the education system.

The Labor Government have committed \$717 million for non-government schools and kindergartens if re-elected. This includes \$450 million towards school capital



Minister for Education, the Hon Natalie Hutchins MP, visits staff and students at Cana Catholic Primary School, Hillside.

infrastructure that will see an initial five new Catholic schools built in growing suburbs across Melbourne's north and west and expanded capacity at 13 others. Labor have committed to 70% of this funding for Catholic schools.

For our youngest students, Labor have committed \$250 million in dedicated funding to build and upgrade kindergartens at Catholic schools. This will mean children who begin their school life at a Catholic kindergarten can seamlessly transition to a Catholic primary school, making life easier for many of our families. The Liberal Nationals Opposition has committed to funding upgrades at existing kindergartens.

A further \$17 million will see the expansion of the Smile Squad Dental Program to low-fee Catholic schools. This is a free dental check-up for all students, which we know will lead to better dental outcomes for our students and help alleviate cost of living pressures on Catholic families.

The Victorian Liberal-National Coalition has also committed \$700 million in recent weeks towards capital infrastructure for non-government schools if elected, which will enable new schools to be built in growing suburbs and the upgrade of many of our existing and ageing buildings.

Both commitments are above what each party committed in the 2018 State Election, which is a testament to the strength and quality of what we offer in our schools and their contribution to the community. This is very positive for all Catholic students and their families, and an important acknowledgement of all your advocacy to date.

As a result, we encourage you to write to the Premier Daniel Andrews and Opposition Leader Matthew Guy to express our collective thanks for their support.

We look forward to unpacking the details of these commitments in the coming weeks and what they look like for the growing number of students in Catholic education, who all deserve to learn in facilities that are modern, fit for purpose and in line with community expectations.

Thank you for promoting our priorities to your family and friends and for your continued support.

Jim Miles
Executive Director



Shadow Minister for Education the Hon David Hodgett MP announces a \$3 million commitment to capital upgrades at St Peter Julia Eymard primary school, Mooroolbark, with Parish Priest Fr Joseph Lu Xin and principal Greg Thomas.

Nothing from the Greens

The Directors of Catholic Education have written to the Victorian Greens Party Leader asking for their commitment and support of our plan to address growing student demand, but at the time of publication had not received an acknowledgement, or a direct response.

The Greens describe themselves as "a true friend of education" yet have made no commitments to Catholic students or their families.

Other independent candidates

So far, independent candidates have chosen to focus on their own individual and local campaigns, having made no commitments towards Catholic education more broadly across Victoria. Commentators are yet to agree on what impact they will have on this State Election, but when funding is already secured from both major parties, why take the chance on an unknown.



Opposition Leader and local Member for Bulleen, Matthew Guy, visits St Gregory the Great Primary School, Doncaster, to announce the Liberal Nationals school capital funding commitment with CECV Executive Director, Jim Miles and school principal, Michelle Verna.



Premier Daniel Andrews, Member for Sunbury Josh Bull and CECV Executive Director Jim Miles, visiting Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School, Sunbury to announce a significant package of support for Catholic schools and kindergartens.

To learn more about CECV's election priorities, please visit cecv.catholic.edu.au/funding

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Ice Creams

Will be on sale every Friday in Term 1 and 4

Varieties will vary from time to time



Paddle Pop Icy Twist

\$1.50

Chocolate and Vanilla Frozen Yoghurt



Chocolate and Vanilla 120ml- Milk (Water +Milk solids), Fresh Probiotics Yoghurt (25%), (Skim Milk Solids, Water, Cultures), Sugar, Dietary Fibre (Inulin), Pure Cocoa (4%) Vanilla (natural flavour), Maltodextrin, Xylitol, Vegetable Gums (Guar, Soy, Xanthan), Natural Flavours, Cultures (L. Acidophilus, Bifidobacteria & L. Casei).

\$1.50

Strawberry and Vanilla Frozen Yoghurt



Strawberry and Vanilla 120ml- Milk (Water +Milk solids), Fresh Probiotics Yoghurt (25%), (Skim Milk Solids, Water, Cultures), Sugar, Dietary Fibre (Inulin), Strawberries (4%) Vanilla (natural flavour), Pectin, Maltodextrin, Xylitol, Vegetable Gums (Guar, Soy, Xanthan), Citric Acid, Natural Flavours, Red Beet (Colour), Cultures (L. Acidophilus, Bifidobacteria & L. Casei).

\$1.50



Chocolate Paddle Pop

\$2.00



Rainbow Paddle Pop

\$2.00



Paddle Pop Cylone

\$2.50



Calippo- Lemon, Pineapple and Raspberry

\$2.50

Please note strictly 1 ice cream per child only, available in Term 1 and 4.

We are kindly asking for students to bring coins only for payment as large change will not be given.

Message From Fr. Maurie

Advent greetings, everyone!

If you said 'Happy New Year' to someone this weekend, you may get a puzzled look back. However, as I was saying in last week's letter, the previous Church Year finished last week, and a new year for the Church opens this weekend with the Season of Advent.

The two obvious symbols of Advent are the colour purple and the wreath. We use purple on three occasions during the year – in Lent, in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and now in Advent. What they have in common is that they are waiting for, hoping in, anticipating some part of the mystery of God-among-us. Some suggest that we would be better to use three different shades: purple as the common thread, three different shades of purple to indicate different aspects. That's quite a challenge to carry off! Some interesting reading in an attachment with this email.

The times for Advent Prayer & Reconciliation and for our Christmas Masses are included at the end of this email, and also as an attachment. The Season wants us to pay some attention to 'the reason for the season': God's continuing great love for us, centred on the coming of Jesus, and shaping us until the whole experience of life is completed and fulfilled ... "may Your Kingdom come; may Your will be done!"

This year it is the longest possible Advent because of Christmas Day being on Sunday: we get a full four weeks of the Season - plenty of time to reflect and pray 'in an Advent way'!

This week's 'Advent clip' from Joan Chittister's Ancient Practices:

Advent is about learning to wait. It is about not having to know exactly what is coming tomorrow, only that whatever it is, it is of the essence of sanctification for us. Every piece of it, some hard, some uplifting, is a sign of the work of God alive in us. We are becoming as we go. We learn in Advent to stay in the present, knowing that only the present well lived can possibly lead us to the fullness of life. (60)

Each week I will include a paragraph from these 'Advent clips'.

The new round of Thanksgiving contributions commenced last weekend. Our Finance Committee meets this coming week to analyse the results. I shall include some comments in next week's letter. Again, thank you for participating in that review and renewal!

The fourth element in our 're-gathering and moving forward' – along with meetings of Ministry Groups, Parish census, Thanksgiving renewal – is our planning to establish a Parish Advisory Group. We opened up this project at the end of 2019, intending to develop it during 2020. We were then stopped from gathering regularly by the COVID regulations.

We did manage to establish our Parish Finance Committee at that time. Now we will move into the Advisory Group project.

The first step will be to gather names of Parishioners who want to 'express interest' in this. Given that we're now four weeks from Christmas, we can't do more than that at this stage. A Parish Advisory Group is based on the fact that 'no one of us has all the Wisdom, each of us has some of the Wisdom; no one of us has all the Spirit, each of us has some of the Spirit'. When we find ways of gathering more of the Wisdom, more of the Spirit then we will more surely be ready to develop as the community of the People of God in our Parish. Pope Francis calls this 'acting in a synodal way', and urges that all levels of our Church should be working in this way – listening to one another, discerning together, planning together, and putting that into action.

I'm thinking that we will gather early in 2023 and begin by reflecting on, reviewing, evaluating 'Parish Life'; and then discern the directions we should be developing in for the reality of these times.

One of the attachments with this email is a brief statement of what we will be heading into: it uses the term 'Parish Pastoral Council' for such a group.

If you want to 'express interest' in being part of the process of this group, do so in a response to this email or by contacting the Parish Office.

Take it easy if you can as things get busier with end-of-year and pre-Christmas events! Prayers and blessings for those Advent virtues of hope, joy, peace!

Maurie Cooney
(Parish Priest)



**Sacred Heart / Emmaus Parish
St Albans/Sydenham Western Plains Deanery
Parish Priest: Fr. Maurie Cooney**



First Sunday of Advent Year A - 27th November 2022

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Parish Office: Lauren Maslaris: StAlbans@cam.org.au
Office Hours:
Monday – Wednesday: 9:30am—4:00pm
Thursday & Friday: 9:30am—2:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sacred Heart English Saturday 10.30am
Maltese every 4th Saturday 4.00pm

Baptism: Eight weeks notice is required

Marriage: Six months noticed required

Sacred Heart Mass Times:

Weekdays

Tuesday - Friday 7.30am
Saturday 9.00am

Weekend

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 7:30am, 10:30am
Polish 9.00am
Slovene 2nd Sunday of month at 5:00pm

Emmaus Mass Times:

Saturday 6:30pm
Sunday 9:00am

If you would like to receive the weekly 'Parish Update' emailed to you, please send your email address to the Parish: stalbens@cam.org.au

SAFEGUARDING POLICY

Sacred Heart/Emmaus Parish is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. The Parish takes a zero-tolerance approach to child abuse and upholds that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult. To report issues and concerns, contact: stalbens.csc@cam.org.au or 0413 841 936

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Sacred Heart-Emmaus Parish acknowledges the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation, the traditional owners of the land where we gather. We pay our respect to their elders past, present and emerging.

READINGS

This week: First Reading: Is 2:1-5	Second Reading: Rom 13:11-14	Gospel: Mt 24:37-44
Next week: First Reading: Is 11:1-10	Second Reading: Rom 15:4-9	Gospel: Mt 3:1-12

REFLECTION

WAITING

Those Advent Calendars were always difficult and awkward when I was a kid: you had to wait until the next day until you were allowed to open the next 'door' on the calendar – no cheating!

In the Church's season of Advent, 'waiting' is the operative word. Older people know that the most important things can't be hurried – growing a baby or a garden, writing a song, nurturing a friendship, developing trust, starting a grassroots movement, building a healthy marriage.

In Advent, Christians wait with expectation for the commemoration of the birth of the One they believe was somehow God in utterly human form. But this is not all we wait for.

In Advent, part of the deal is waiting for what has historically been known as 'the second coming of Christ'. What that means is something we call 'the fulfilment of the Kingdom or the Reign of God'. This is a time when we believe that God will bring all things to some sort of culmination – that injustice will be righted, that "God will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more".

Just believing in this is no substitute for acting to bring about justice and mercy in the world, drawing on the infinite resources of the God of love. Christians are called to pray and to work for the end of warfare and violence and pollution; all the time knowing we may never fully achieve this – and longing for a time when the big love that is God will bring us all home.

In Advent we prepare to celebrate God's becoming human. And we wait and pray for the time when all will be set right and that in the meantime, we come to know the presence of Christ in our lives now.
[Claire Boyd-McCrae]

For an online Advent Calendar, try www.smmp.com/Advent/Advent.htm

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

RECENT DEATHS: Joe Grech, Vivienne Grech, Mary Minogue, John Brendan Greaney

ANNIVERSARIES:

Angela Xuereb, Leli, Carmelo, Mary, Joseph & Grace Pulis, Tony & Jane Dalli, Richard Xerri, Cecilia & Frank Cordina. Joseph Maria Orsini, Trevor Rogers, Peter & Rosy Rodrigues, Edwin & Joseph Baracho, Michael & Mary Baracho, Dominic & Connie Baracho, Michael & Nascimento Monterio, Flory Monteiro, Joaquin Menezes, Lumena Monteiro, Angela & Darius Gonsalves, Olinda Paschal, Veronica Vegas, Hilary Goveas John Bosco Periera, Peter & Clara Parnis, Annie & Aloysius Perera, Charlie Camilleri, Leli Bugeja, Carmen Farrugia, Ninu & Gorgia Zammit, Tony Spiteri, Eusebio & Josephine Darmanin, Saviour & Nazerena Anasastio, John Carmelo, Maria Coler, Fr. Joshua Peter Muscat, Maria & Sam Amora, Paul Maria D'Rozario, Benjamin Anastasia Gomes, Paul Aquilina, Joseph Anthony Pereira, Aaron D'Souza, Kathleen D'Silua, Tony & Stella Zamith, Doris Asha, Joe Grech, Mark Farrugia, Michael & Josephine Piacentini Pero Kilsanin

OUR PASTORAL, SOCIAL & SCHOOL EVENTS



A NOTE OF THANKS

The new round of Thanksgiving contributions commenced on the 20th of November. During this week our administration people have been sorting out a few 'wrinkles' that showed up when the mail was received, and have been liaising with the banks to log in the Debit Card/Credit card contributions. Again, the Parish thanks all for your participation in this review and renewal.



FLOOD APPEAL – SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St Vincent de Paul's Flood Appeal for those who have been effected by these devastating floods particularly in the north of the State.

Contributions can be made by:

1. Calling 13 18 12
2. Visit: <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/vinnies-vic-flood-appeal-2022>
3. Making a monetary donation through any Vinnies Shops at point of purchase; or
4. Via your local IGA where the purchase of a token supports the recovery of Victorians devastated by these recent floods.

Your generosity, as always, is very much appreciated.



ADVENT PRAYER AND RECONCILIATION

EMMAUS: Wednesday 14th December at 7.30pm

SACRED HEART: Thursday 15th December at 7.30pm



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

SACRED HEART:

Christmas Eve: 5.00pm
7.00pm
12am midnight (11.30pm Christmas carols)
Christmas Day: 7.30am
9.00am (*Polish*)
10.30am

EMMAUS:

Christmas Eve: 6.00pm
8.00pm
10.00pm
Christmas Day: 9.00am



St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

"Who am I to stand in God's way." Mary MacKillop 2nd. June. 1867.

2.2 WHAT IS A PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL?

For the formation of Parish Pastoral Council members, Appendices 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 contain material which may help to develop this definition.

A Parish Pastoral Council is a team comprising a number of parishioners and parish leaders with their Parish Priest.

The Council's role is to offer considered advice and assistance to their Parish Priest on ways to foster pastoral action - action which is centred on and inspired by Jesus Christ; action which proclaims the gospel in terms that are relevant for members of the community; action which builds the parish community as a communion for mission.

The Council carries out this role by:

- adopting a listening and receptive attitude towards the community,
- having the whole parish community in view - its past, present and future,
- exploring the needs, hopes and gifts of the community,
- praying and reflecting on these needs, hopes and gifts so as to discern the distinct areas of mission for the community and the gifts of its members,
- proposing, in dialogue with the whole community, a pastoral plan with practical steps and priorities to match members' gifts with these areas of mission.

In doing this, a Parish Pastoral Council is accepting a particular part in the leadership of the parish.

CHRISTMAS MASSES AT SACRED HEART AND EMMAUS

2022

Christmas Eve (Saturday 24th December 2022)

5pm Sacred Heart

6pm Emmaus

7pm Sacred Heart

8pm Emmaus

10pm Emmaus

12(midnight) Sacred Heart (with 11.30 carol singing)

Christmas Day (Sunday 25th December 2022)

7.30am Sacred Heart

9am Sacred Heart (Polish)

9am Emmaus

10.30am Sacred Heart

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The liturgical colour for Advent, as for Lent, is purple. However, the mood generated by the readings and texts for Advent is one of devout and joyful expectation – not penance. Hence a move away from the heavy purple of Lent to lighter violet shades for Advent is liturgically appropriate. It is also culturally appropriate. Our predominant colour during this time of year is blue – the blue of summer skies and sparkling water. As well there is the jacaranda and agapanthus.

A most effective way of decorating the worship space for Advent is to hang drapes in various shades of blue and mauve, perhaps with a different panel of colour added each week. Such “progressive” symbols which visually represent the build up to Christmas work well in Advent. The lighting of Advent candles also uses this principle.

The Advent wreath is of ancient origin and relates to celebrations of the winter solstice when European days are shortest and gloomiest. Because people longed for the return of the sun’s light and life, they suspended wagon wheels, decorated with greenery and candles, in their celebration halls. There they waited for their sun gods to return.

Around 200 years ago, the Advent wreath became customary in German homes and public buildings. It made its way into the Church and has become a popular symbol of the passing of time during Advent.

The circle of the wreath, without and beginning or an end, symbolises God’s unending love for us and reminds us of eternity. The evergreen leaves represented growth and hopes of eternal life. The symbol of evergreens is rather lost in our part of the world, so Australian gum leaves, nuts and flowers are sometimes substituted.

The four candles mark the four weeks before Christmas, with one more candle lit each Sunday during Advent. Traditionally three candles are purple with the candle for the third, or “Gaudete”, Sunday being rose. Now that Advent no longer has a penitential focus, it is not necessary to set one Sunday apart from the rest for a bit of “light relief”. All Sundays are days of festivity in any case!

Sometimes a “Christmas candle” is placed in the centre of the wreath on Christmas Eve. This candle should be lit throughout the Christmas season. Its visual link with the Paschal candle helps connect the celebration of Christ’s birth with its fulfilment in the Easter mystery.

Because evergreen branches and burning candles lose much of their significance in the middle of a hot, lush Australian summer, some parishes replace the Advent wreath with other symbols which retain a sense of anticipation but which relate better to the local setting.

A Southern Cross banner, for example, combines the symbol of light with a uniquely southern hemisphere symbol. One star of the constellation can be added each week with the small fifth star added on Christmas Eve.

The visual environment of our churches during Advent serves to remind us that we are people who “wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.”



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NOTICE OF 2022 SCHOOL FEES

5th November 2021

Dear Parents & Guardians

The Cana Catholic Primary School Fee and Levies for the 2022 School Year will be as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>1 Child Family</u>	<u>2 Child Family</u>	<u>3 Child Family</u>	<u>4 Child Family</u>
Family Fee	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00
Grounds Maintenance Levy	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Levies per Student				
Educational/Curriculum Levy	\$380.00	\$760.00	\$1,140.00	\$1,520.00
Excursion Levy	\$125.00	\$250.00	\$375.00	\$500.00
Technology Levy	\$330.00	\$660.00	\$990.00	\$1,320.00
TOTAL 2022 School Fees	\$2,385.00	\$3,220.00	\$4,055.00	\$4,890.00

In 2022, the School Fee *per Family* will be \$1,550.00 **plus** Levies *per Student* of \$835.00

Levies per Student:

- Education/Curriculum Levy of \$380.00
- Excursion Levy of \$125.00
- Technology Levy of \$330.00

New Levies

- Yr 5 & 6 students only Sport Levy of \$50.00
- Yr 3, 4 & 6 students only Sacramental Levy of \$15.00

Please Note: Grade 6 Students Only - Camp costs will be invoiced during Term 1, 2022

EARLY PAYMENT DISCOUNT – for School Fees paid in full before 8th April 2022 (End of Term 1, 2022)

\$50 Early Payment Discount is available to families who choose to pay their school fee account in full **before the end of Term 1.**

If paying 2022 school fees in full by the end of Term 1, please reduce your payment by \$50

ie: pay \$2,400.00 instead of \$2,450.00 to allow for the \$50 rebate to be applied to your 2022 school fee account.

Alternatively, Families paying by regular payment instalments throughout the year must comply with the following payment due dates:

PAYMENT DUE DATES

Due Date: 8th April 2022

Due Date: 24th June 2022

Due Date: 16th September 2022

AMOUNT REQUIRED TO BE PAID

25% of annual Fee & Levies paid by end of Term 1

75% of annual Fee & Levies paid by end of Term 2

Balance paid in full no later than end Term 3 2022

Families can choose to pay school fees by regular instalments either Weekly, Fortnightly, or Monthly

School Fees must be paid in full no later than end of Term 3, 2022

If required, School Fee Payment Plans need to be arranged with the School Bursar at the commencement of Term 1, 2022.

An appointment is required to arrange a Payment Plan Meeting. Please telephone the School Office on 8390 9200 if you require a Payment Plan appointment.

Mrs Carmen Blatti
Principal

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Parents/Families,

Our school community shares the same vision at Cana. We all want what is best for all children, spiritually, academically, socially and emotionally. Please become familiar with the 'Parent Code of Conduct' below. Let us remember that we work in partnership for the good of all our children.

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Rationale

This Cana Catholic Primary School Parent Code of Conduct outlines the way in which our community requires all parents/carers and family members to conduct themselves when visiting our school, and communicating with students, staff and other parents in our school.

The Cana Catholic PS Parent Code of Conduct applies to all adults including parents, guardians, carers, step-parents, grandparents, extended family while involved in activities or communication related to Cana Catholic Primary School.

The School Policy & Advisory Guide, '**Visitors in Schools**' requires all visitors to the school during school hours to sign a visitors' register located at the school office, so that their presence in the school is recorded for Child Safety reasons and in the event of an emergency. (excluding Mass and Interschool Sports)

When at school and within the proximity of the school

Parents/Carers will:

- use courteous and acceptable language when communicating with their own children, other students, staff and other parents/carers and members of the school community. There will be zero tolerance to any verbal or physical violence towards others.
- value our diverse community and respect the rights and practices of individuals and their families.
- respect points of view that are different from their own.
- firstly, speak directly to the teacher with any concerns regarding incidents in the school. The teacher will then refer the parent to appropriate staff if necessary.
- be mindful of the teacher's time, when wanting to communicate with them. Make a time to meet that does not disrupt the class unless there is a genuine emergency.
- listen respectfully, in the same manner required of students and staff when attending school assembly or informal/formal meetings.
- provide appropriate parental supervision before the bell in the morning and in the afternoon (3.15pm onwards Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 3.00pm on Tuesdays).
- remove their child from a situation that involves any form of violence and seek support from staff members.
- model positive behaviours in front of all students at all times, whether on school grounds or within the proximity of the school.
- comply with the school onsite parking expectations, with road safety rules and parking signs when dropping off or picking up their children to and from school.
- comply with the Cana Catholic PS Attendance Policy (refer to Cana's website).
- ensure that your child complies with the Cana's School Uniform Policy (refer to Cana website).
- respect all Cana's policies and procedures (refer to Cana's website).
- Respect the privacy of teachers.

Unacceptable Behaviour

Parents/Carers will not:

- discipline a child who is not theirs or speak to a child who is not theirs about that child's behaviour. This is the role of teaching staff. Being approached by an adult they do not know, can be distressing for children. Common sense would prevail if safety was an issue.
- use offensive language towards their own children, students, staff and other parents/carers and members of the school community when on school grounds or within the proximity of the school.
- interrupt or distract a teacher while classroom instruction or learning activities are underway.
- engage with staff, students or parents/carers in an aggressive manner regarding issues of a personal or school nature.
- engage in inappropriate physical contact with students, staff or other parents/carers.
- discriminate between or disrespect any member of our school community.
- disrupt the good order of the school by any means including: in person, via persons representing them or social media.
- Engage a teacher about school matters outside the school environment.

When making a complaint

Parents have the right to raise issues and concerns related to the education/welfare of their child or other school matters.

There are a number of ways you can raise any concerns you have about your child. You can:

- write a note or email your child's teacher outlining your concerns
- make an appointment to speak on the phone or in person with the class teacher or Wellbeing Coordinator; ensuring that you inform the school about the issue you wish to discuss
- consider speaking with the school's student wellbeing Coordinator/Leader if you feel that is appropriate
- arrange any meeting times or phone calls through the school office (this is more convenient for both you and your child's teacher and does not interrupt teachers during the time they need to be with their students)

Remember that the class teacher together with others who may be involved, should be given a reasonable amount of time to take the steps required to resolve or address your concerns.

Consequences of a Breach of Cana's Parent Code of Conduct

Any parent, member of school staff or student may notify the Principal of a possible breach of the Cana Parent Code of Conduct. The Principal will investigate the complaint and if satisfied that a breach has occurred will:

- A meeting may be terminated at any time if there is a breach of conduct
- provide a first and final warning that a breach of the Cana Code of Conduct has occurred and that a further breach will not be tolerated ¹¹_{SEP}
- issue a trespass warning to the parent if the behaviour was one of an aggressive manner. If the behaviour continues, may accelerate to a trespass notice prohibiting the parent from coming on school grounds for a designated period of time, determined by the Principal or their representative in line with DET guidelines

Regular review

This document will be reviewed every year in consultations with parent representatives, and following significant incidents if they occur. We will ensure that families have the opportunity to contribute. Where possible we do our best to work with local Aboriginal communities, culturally and/or linguistically diverse communities and people with a disability.

Camps Sports and Excursion Fund Applications

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) provides financial support to eligible families so students can attend school camps, outdoor education and sporting programs, as well as incursions and excursions. If you have not applied for CSEF and hold a currently valid Healthcare Card, or if you have an existing card and a new child is joining Cana, please let the office know.

MASS TIMES:

Sacred Heart

Tuesday—Friday 7.30am
Saturday 9.00am, 5.00pm
Sunday 7.30am, 10.30am
Sunday Polish 9.00am
Slovene 2nd Sunday of month at 5.00pm

Emmaus Church

Saturday 6.30pm
Sunday 9.00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sacred Heart English Saturday
10.30am
Maltese every 4th Saturday 4.00pm

Cana is committed to the Safety and Wellbeing of our students

School Hours

Music starts at 8:42am

Monday 8:45am – 3:15pm
Tuesday 8:45am – 3:15pm
Wednesday 8:45am – 3:15pm
Thursday 8:45am – 3:15pm
Friday 8:45am – 3:15pm

Recess 10.45am – 11.15am

Lunch 1.00pm – 1.50pm

Mass Times

Saturday

Sacred Heart 5:00pm
Emmaus 6:30pm

Sunday

Sacred Heart
8:00am,
10:15am,
11:30am

Emmaus
9:00am

Parish Office / Presbytery

Secretary Margaret

T: 9366 2146

F: 9366 9876

NO Second Hand Uniform

Sales

Due to the need for social distancing and other COVID safety measures, we cannot currently offer second-hand uniforms. We will advise when this returns and in the meantime recommend contacting your PSW outlet for uniform enquiries.



School Website

To watch videos from the website, the password you will need is:

PASSWORD:

CanaVids



Mobile Phone App

We advise all families to download this App as this is our form of communication.



OshClub is our Before & After School Care Program. Children need to be registered before they attend.

We advise all families to register their child/ren (registration is free).

OSH Program Numbers:

Mobile: 0478 022 320

Head Office: 1300 395 735

Cana Bank Account

For EFT payments, please ensure you reference your SURNAME and your

6 – digit family ID

BSB: 083 347

Account: 563 101 059