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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 our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.

TERM 1 ISSUE 8 Friday 24th March, 2023

We've had a very busy and exciting week. I've started meeting all our potential families for Prep 2024 enrolment. If you have a child due to start next year can you please make sure you email the enrolment form to the office.

This week we celebrated Harmony Week, the children participated in a range of activities with their classroom groups.

Lenten Prayer

Merciful God, Free your Church from the sins of this world and protect us from evil we prefer to ignore. We need your guidance, Lord for we cannot do this alone. Only with your help can we be saved. Thank you for your desire to save us and love us.



	Dates for your Calendar	
	Term 1, 2023	
Week of 27th of March	All Grades During the week of March 27th Hot Food will be available	
Wednesday 29th March	Parish Prayers / Reconciliation at Emmaus Church	
Thursday 30th March	Parish Prayers / Reconciliation at Sacred Heart Church	
Tuesday 4th April	Easter Raffle Drawn at 2:45pm	
Thursday 6th April - Last Day of Term 1	School Closure Parent Teacher Interviews NORMAL SCHOOL DAY	
Easter Celebrations	Thursday 6th April - Holy Thursday Friday 7th April - Good Friday Sunday 9th April - Easter Sunday Term 2, 2023	
Monday 24th April	School Closure	
	School preparing for whole school review/First Aid training	
Tuesday 25th April	School Closure - ANZAC Day	
Wednesday 26th April	Students Return - Term 2	
Wednesday 26th April	Grade 6 Confirmation - Parent Engagement - 5pm or 6:30pm Information already provided to families	
Thursday 11th May	School Closure Parent Teacher Interviews	
Early Advice - Sacraments 2023		
Sunday 21st May	Grade 6 Confirmation, Emmaus Church 1:30pm and 3:30pm	
Saturday 19th August	Grade 4, First Communion, Emmaus Church 11:30am and 1:30pm	
Wednesday 11th October	Grade 3 Reconciliation, Emmaus Church 5pm and 6:30pm	

Gathering for Lenten Prayer

As a Cana School Community we are offering parents / guardians the opportunity to gather together as a faith community for 15 mins to share in a Lenten Prayer in preparation of our Lord this coming Easter. This prayer session will be held on Fridays in our hall from **8:45am - 8:55 am** on the following days: Friday 31st March Wednesday 5th April

These sessions will be led by Carmen Blatti and Lina Vermeulen.

Enrolment - Reminder

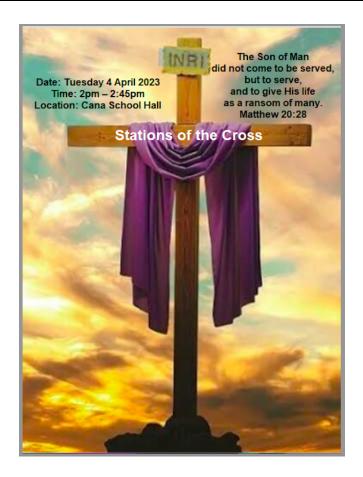
The Enrolment form is now available via the Cana Website for 2024. If you have a child starting prep next year, you can now enrol them by filling out the enrolment form. All forms need to be submitted by **Tuesday 28th March at 3pm**

Mass at Cana

Mass at Cana is celebrated in year levels and occasionally on Holy Days of Obligation we will have whole school masses as we come together as a community to celebrate the Eucharist.

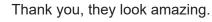
Below are the masses for Term 1. Hopefully you can join us.

Thursday 30th March 2pm	2J are preparing mass all grade Prep, one and two parents are invited to attend the liturgy and celebrate the eucharist together.
Tuesday 4th April 2pm	Holy Week paraliturgy. <u>All families are invited</u> to attend and be prayerful in this important week as we act out the Stations of the Cross.



Garden's at Cana Primary School

A BIG THANK YOU to our family members who helped with the garden beds next to the Grade 5 & 6 areas. Zoltan Szasz, Salvatore Wikie, Jason Ryan and Edwin Hayden.







Open Classrooms

This week families from Prep and Grade 6 have had the opportunity to come into their child's classroom to view the wonderful work they have been completing in Term 1. This is a great way for our school, in partnership with your family, to work together on your child's learning journey.

Can you please R.S.V.P your child' teacher if you would like to attend.

Grade 5 - Monday 27th March, 9:00 - 9:30 Grade 4 - Tuesday 28th March, 2:30 - 3:00 Grade 3 - Wednesday 29th March, 2:30 - 3:00 Grade 1 - Monday 3rd April, 2:30 - 3:00 Grade 2 - Wednesday 5th April, 2:30 - 3:00

Orlando Console from 4S

We are so proud of Orlando Console from our 4S class, for his huge achievement in publishing his first book "**The Blobby Kingdom**". Orlando will be donating two signed copies to the school library for the students to enjoy. We would like to wish Orlando all the very best.





School Crossing and Drop off Areas

Families please be mindful when dropping off your child/ren. Please ensure they are dropped off in the allocated areas. It has been brought to our attention that children have been dropped off blocking the school crossing. Our crossing supervisor plays a very important role in keeping our children safe, we need to ensure they are respected and carry out their duties in a safe manner.

National Ride2School Day

On Friday 24th March, Cana partook in National Ride2school day. Students and their families were encouraged to join 350,000 students from around the nation and walk, ride, skate or scoot to school rather than drive. The initiative is to help save the environment and also help contribute to the students having a healthy and active lifestyle. Throughout the week students learnt about bike education through their Physical Education lessons, in particular the ABC's bike check. A- Making sure there is enough air in the tyres. B- Check brakes are functioning. C- Check chain is nice and tight. S- Ensure seat is at their hip height.

There was a fantastic response by our students with 135 students riding, skating or scooting to school. Each student received a certificate. We hope to see more students riding, skating, scooting or walking to school each day.



Interschool Sports player of the week

Season 1, Round 3

<u>Ayden Pelzmann</u>

For showing outstanding skill, leadership and sportsmanship in captaining <u>the footy team. Well Done!</u>



Parents/Families,

Parents we all need to be in partnership and to always be respectful of each other during all interactions - face to face or on social media. We are role models for our children and need to be reflective of our communications and actions.

If there are any concerns please see your child's classroom teacher as the first point of contact.



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Cana Catholic Primary School has a commitment to the care, safety and wellbeing of children.

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, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday).
- 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 and to use the SkoolBag App. (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 the 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 with 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
- 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 MACS and 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.



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NOTICE OF 2023 SCHOOL FEES

2nd December 2022

Dear Parents & Guardians

The Cana Catholic Primary School Fee and Levies for the 2023 School Year will be as follows:

Description	1 Child Family	2 Child Family	3 Child Family	4 Child Family
Family Fee	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Grounds Maintenance Levy	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Building Levy	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
Levies per Student				
Educational/Curriculum Levy	\$420.00	\$840.00	\$1,260.00	\$1,680.00
Excursion Levy	\$125.00	\$250.00	\$375.00	\$500.00
Technology Levy	\$400.00	\$800.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,600.00
TOTAL 2023 School Fees	\$2,795.00	\$3,740.00	\$4,685.00	\$5,630.00

In 2023, the School Fee per Family will be \$1,850.00 plus Levies per Student of \$945.00

Levies per Student:	Education/Curriculum Levy of \$420.00
	Excursion Levy of \$125.00
	Technology Levy of \$400.00
(Yr 5 & 6 students only)	Sport Levy of \$100.00
(Yr 3, 4 & 6 students only)	Sacramental Levy of \$20.00
Please Note: Grade 6 Students Only	- Camp costs will be invoiced during Term 1, 2023

New Levy School Building Levy \$150.00 per family

EARLY PAYMENT DISCOUNT - for School Fees paid in full before 8th April 2023 (End of Term 1, 2023)

\$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 2023 school fees in full by the end of Term 1, please reduce your full account payment by \$50

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

PAYMENT DUE DATES	AMOUNT REQUIRED TO BE PAID
Due Date: 6th April 2023	25% of annual Fee & Levies paid by end of Term 1
Due Date: 23rdh June 2023	75% of annual Fee & Levies paid by end of Term 2
Due Date: 15th September 2023	Balance paid in full no later than end Term 3 2023

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, 2023

If required, School Fee Payment Plans need to be arranged with the School Bursar at the commencement of Term 1, 2023.

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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Payment Requirement Schedule

To ensure that you maintain your payment schedule, please refer to the table below as a guide, to assist with identifying the required level of payment required for your family structure.

		Early Full Payment Discount Criteria		Payments by Instalments by Term Due Dates		
<u>Students</u> per Family	Annual Fee/Levies	Early Payment Discount *	Payment required by 6/04/2023 *	25% paid by End Term 1 6 th April 2023	75% paid by End Term 2 23 rd June 2023	Balance Due by 15 th September 2023
1 child family	\$2,795.00	-\$50.00	\$2,745.00	\$698.75	\$2,096.25	\$698.75
2 child family	\$3,740.00	-\$50.00	\$3,690.00	\$935.00	\$2,805.00	\$935.00
3 child family	\$4,685.00	-\$50.00	\$4,635.00	\$1,171.25	\$3,513.75	\$1,171.25
4 child family	\$5,630.00	-\$50.00	\$5,580.00	\$1,407.50	\$4,222.50	\$1,407.50

If paying by instalments, please consider the level of payment required by each due date. If a Payment Plan is required, please contact the Cana Catholic Primary School Front Office to arrange for a private meeting with our School Bursar to discuss Payment Plan Options. Payment Plans provide maximum benefit when arranged early during Term 1.

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<u>Cana Bank Account</u>

For EFT payments, please ensure you reference your <u>SURNAME</u> and your <u>6 – digit family ID</u>

BSB: 083 347

Account: 563 101 059

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.

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. <i>50</i>
Calippo- Lemon, Pineapple and Raspberry	\$2 <i>.50</i>

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.



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Message from Fr. Maurie

Hello everyone!

We come into the Fifth – and final - week of Lent this weekend! Yes, the following Sunday will be Palm Sunday, and then the great liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter. Already!!

That makes this a good week for reviewing how our Lent renewal has gone. That's the goal of the Season, isn't it: to recognize that we are people of faith, but not completely yet. We know Jesus Christ, but not altogether yet. We live in the way of the gospels, but not perfectly yet. We are part of the People of God, part of the Body of Christ, but not wholly yet.

The Season of Lent has wanted to focus us on the incompleteness of our lives of faith, and the action of Christ to complete and fulfil us in the life of God. The Season's invitation has been to continue to grow in faith, in knowledge of the Lord, and in action for the sake of the gospel of Christ through the way we shape our lives – shown in our actions and our attitudes.

We can achieve all this, because the grace of Christ renews us – and we will be celebrating that at Easter!

The schedule of times for all our Holy Week-Easter gatherings is included in the Parish Newssheet that is attached with this email, on the doors of our churches, and on the billboards at the churches that will be erected early next week.

If you have cuttings and branches that we can use in our churches on Palm Sunday, bring them to the garage at Sacred Heart church next Friday 31st March between 9 and 10am, and they will be prepared for the weekend's Masses.

To 'round out' Lent, we have two LENT PRAYER AND RECONCILIATION SERVICES this week:

Emmaus: Wednesday 29th March at 7.30pm

Sacred Heart: Thursday 30th March at 7.30pm with the opportunity for the one-on-one form of the Sacrament of Penance.

Maltese confessions with Fr. Edwin Agius will be at Sacred Heart Church Saturday 1st April from 11am – 12pm. Our regular Sacrament of Penance continues in Sacred Heart church on Saturday mornings at 10.30am.

As I mentioned last week, some of our young Parishioners will have the Sacrament of Confirmation conferred on them at Sacred Heart this weekend by our Western Region Bishop, Martin Ashe. The Bishop visited these young people during the week. A feature of this group of young Parishioners is that 40% of them have already been Confirmed. That happened at the same time as they were Baptised when they were babies. That's the way it is done in Iraq, and in many parts of the universal Church. They will come forward to the Bishop on Sunday for a blessing to recall the Sacrament they shared in when they were so young. Let's hold them all in our prayer this weekend.

Archbishop Comensosli called the Priests of the Archdiocese together for a 'Clergy Workshops' on Thursday. He named that his priorities for 2023 are to have the Archdiocese and its Parishes 'take a more missionary approach'', plan for a 'formation institute' that will assist in preparation for Sacraments and in leadership development, develop ways for the Archdiocese to be more 'synodal' (where all parts of the Church listen to one another).

There were also presentations about developing new approaches to presenting 'the call to Priesthood', about developing approaches to Ministry to youth and young adults, and about Priests/Parish communities/Schools/Colleges working closely together as colleagues.

While we were in that workshop day, there was a lot of talk about 'listening' in Canberra it seems as further information was given about "the Voice to Parliament". Attached with this email is a reflection by Fr Frank Brennan, Jesuit Priest, on this matter. It is important for us to become informed about it before we are called to vote on it later this year.

This Sunday's Gospel Reading is the story of Jesus bring Lazarus back to life. I wonder what Lazarus thought about that? I wonder how his life was changed, how he lived until he died (again)? The Resurrection of Jesus in which we will share is different from this coming-*back*-to life: sharing in the Resurrection takes us forward into the new experience of life that is the fulfilment that lies ahead. In the meanwhile, consider how you are living now is the call of Lent!

Blessings and greetings to all as we head into this final week of the Season!

Maurie Cooney (Parish Priest)



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



Fifth Sunday of Lent - Year A - 25th - 26th March 2023

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Finance: Lorraine Stafford: <u>StAlbans.Finance@cam.org.au</u> Parish Office: Lauren Maslaris: <u>StAlbans@cam.org.au</u> 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 7.3 Saturday 9.0

Weekend Saturday Sunday 9.00am 5:00pm 7:20pm

7.30am

7:30am, 10:30am Polish 9.00am

Slovene 2nd Sunday of month at 5:00pm

Emmaus Mass Times: Saturday 6:30pm Sunday 9:00am

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: stalbans.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: Ez 37:12-14 Next Week: First reading: Is 50:4-7 Second Reading: Rom 8:8-11 Second Reading: Phil 2:6-11 Gospel: Jn 11:1-45 Gospel: Mt 26:14 – 27:66

REFLECTION

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LENT is the Season during which we have looked forward to the joy of Easter, the triumph of Christ our Lord over death and over sin; and to our being renewed in His life that we have been drawn into in our Baptism. That is our great joy – that is the foundation of all our hope.

There is another looking forward, which is part of Christian living and one to which we turn our attention also at Easter, the looking forward to heaven, to the time when we shall be totally, wholly with God.

Think of the stories we've had during Lent!! Jesus' time in the wilderness, the confusion of Peter, James, and John on that mountain top; the broken heart of the woman at the well; the blindness of the crowd around the man who came to see clearly – and now the death of Lazarus in this week's gospel. It seems that Jesus does not back away from the difficult cases! He can even, then, participate in our lives no matter what we think of ourselves or what we've discovered during Lent about ourselves. He will renew us again and again as we continue our preparation for Easter!

Remember, too, that Lent pushes us out of the church door and into the world we are part of.

With LENT coming towards its close, we have two **Services of Reconciliation** in our Parish this week: that formal opportunity to name our need for the forgiveness and grace of God, to hear that gift proclaimed for us, and to plan our 'new way'. Each Service will be followed by the opportunity for the First Rite of the Sacrament of Reconciliation – at Emmaus Sydenham at 7.30pm this Wednesday 29th March; and at Sacred Heart St Albans at 7.30pm on this Thursday 30th of march [The Sacrament of Reconciliation continues to be offered on each Saturday at 10.30am at Sacred Heart church.]

LENT PRAYER AND RECONCILIATION SERVICES— <u>This week</u>:

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WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

<u>RECENT DEATHS</u>: Miryana Trajkovski, Michael Mares, Moira Farrugia, Andrew Fraser, Fr Sam Dimattina, Lancy Correya, Fr Bernard Cleary, Charlie Tabone

ANNIVERSARIES: Lewis, Paul & Joe Psaila, Sam & Luke Cassar, Margaret Borg, Tissie Farrugia, Frank Lucchini, Joseph Cefai, Mary-Jane Cefai, Anthony, Kathrine & Vicky Zammit, Stella Borg, Joseph Grech, Angela Xuereb, Michael & Josephine Piacentini, Pero Kilsanin, Aaron D'Souza, Buttigieg Family, Ciantar & Brincat Family, Fr Joshua, Peter, Charlie, Joe & Mario Muscat, Eric, Charity & Gregory Salisbury, Justina Eje, Lureta, Gorg, & Freddie Camilleri, Carmenu Falzon, Charlie Camilleri, Leli Bugeja, Paul Aquilina, Maria Mai Trinh, Godwin Arandez, Peter Ho, Emmanuel & Frank Grech, Michael & Josephine Piacentini, Pero Kilsanin, Angela Xuereb,

OUR PASTORAL, SOCIAL & SCHOOL EVENTS

PREPARATION FOR PALM SUNDAY:

Please bring palm and olive branches to the garage at Sacred Heart on this Friday morning, 31st March between 9 and 10am – they will be prepared for Palm Sunday's Masses.





Risen Lord Community Prayer Group Lenten/Easter program

Our Prayer Group for many years have conducted Stations of the Cross during lent on Fridays from 7:15pm till 7:55pm prior to our prayer meeting. *(Except for Friday 3rd of March)* Our parishioners of Sacred Heart/ Emmaus are most welcome to participate in the stations of cross. God Bless! Rukmal Mendis



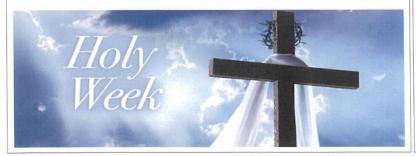
During the Season of Lent we are urged to prepare for renewal in our faith at Easter [see reflection on the front page]. To assist with this, Lent calls us to particular focus on key elements in our living our faith: prayer, self-denial in order to consider others more, and deliberate actions of charity and support. **PROJECT COMPASSION** material is available in the foyers today – boxes, envelopes, leaflets, providing an opportunity for reaching out to others during this Season.

HOLY WEEK EASTER - MINISTRY

This weekend at Mass there will be sign up sheets to put your name down to participate in Mass during Holy Week.

As well as Readers and Communion Ministers, there will be roles for palm carriers, oil presenters, foot washers, cross carriers, water carriers and more!!! Sign on now!!

You can also call or email the Presbytery office to register 03 9366 2146 or <u>stalbans@cam.org.au</u>



PALM SUNDAY (1st-2nd April) Usual weekend Mass times. Procession of Palms commences at the front of the churches

> HOLY THURSDAY (6th April) EMMAUS: 7pm SACRED HEART: 7pm

GOOD FRIDAY (7th April) STATIONS OF THE CROSS 11am on 'the oval' at SACRED HEART

SERVICE OF THE LORD'S PASSION EMMAUS: 3pm SACRED HEART: 3pm

HOLY SATURDAY (8th April) BLESSING OF FOOD - SACRED HEART: 10am

> EASTER VIGIL (8th April) EMMAUS: 7pm SACRED HEART: 7pm

EASTER SUNDAY (9th April) EMMAUS: 9am SACRED HEART: 7.30am, 9am (Polish) 10.30am

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Cheer up then and take comfort in the thought that nothing happens but by the Will or permission of God. Mary MacKillop. 29th. Oct. 1895

Fr Frank Brennan SJ: voting on the Voice

By <u>Fr Frank Brennan</u> March 17, 2023

What are Catholics to think about the proposed referendum on the Voice to Parliament? During the first year of his pontificate, Pope Francis in his Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium* said:

"An authentic faith – which is never comfortable or completely personal – always involves a deep desire to change the world, to transmit values, to leave this earth somehow better than we found it.

"We love this magnificent planet on which God has put us, and we love the human family which dwells here, with all its tragedies and struggles, its hopes and aspirations, its strengths and weaknesses. The earth is our common home and all of us are brothers and sisters."

Pope Francis then quoted with approval his predecessor Pope Benedict XVI, who wrote in his encyclical *Deus Caritas Est* that "the just ordering of society and of the state is a central responsibility of politics," and that the Church "cannot and must not remain on the sidelines in the fight for justice."

Pope Francis added this observation: "All Christians, their pastors included, are called to show concern for the building of a better world. This is essential, for the Church's social thought is primarily positive: it offers proposals, it works for change and in this sense it constantly points to the hope born of the loving heart of Jesus Christ."

Our recent Australian Plenary Council endorsed the *Uluru Statement from the Heart* and encouraged "engagement with processes for implementing the statement, including local, regional, and national truth-telling efforts."

I suggest ten steps for Catholics inspired by our Catholic social teaching when approaching the forthcoming referendum. I couch these suggestions in terms appropriate for those of us who are not Indigenous.

We are all invited into constructive dialogue. We must strive to listen to community leaders who know what is good for their communities just as those of us who are not Indigenous know what is good for ourselves and our loved ones.

1. Be attentive to the voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Stop telling them what is good for them. Start listening to them. Accept that they know what is good for them, just as we know what is good for us and our loved ones.

Don't expect all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to agree about legal, political and constitutional questions. It's called living in a democracy.

3. Form respectful relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and engage in respectful conversations with those who are your friends.

Catholic Regional College NORTH KEILOR

COLLEGE TOURS

Bring your child to a College Tour and:

- Meet the College Principal
- Visit classes in action
- Chat to the Transition Team
- Engage with Student Ambassadors
- Share Morning Tea

Term 1 2023 Tour Dates

- Friday 17 February
- Wednesday 22 February
- Friday 3 March
- Wednesday 8 March
- Friday 31 March

Tours commence at 9.15am sharp and run for approximately 75 minutes.

Online bookings essential, to reserve your place: Visit our website: www.crcnk.com.au



2023 The Year of Kesilience

All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle' (Attributed to St Francis of Assisi)

YEAR 7 2025 KEY DATES

Thursday 16 March 2023 Enrolment Information Evening

> Friday 18 August 2023 Applications close

Friday 20 October 2023 Offers sent to families

Friday 10 November 2023 Final date for acceptance

For more information contact: Josie Zanic, Enrolment Registrar Email: enrol@crcnk.vic.edu.au Phone: 9361 5904

Cana is committed to the Safety and Wellbeing of our students

<u>School Hours</u>

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 1	0.45am – 11.15am
Lunch 1	.00pm – 1.50pm

<u>Mass Times</u>

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

<u>Sales</u>

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

enquiries.



School Website

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

PASSWORD:



Mobile Phone App

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





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

OSH Program Numbers: Mobile: 0478 022 320 Head Office: 1300 395 735

<u>Cana Bank Account</u>

For EFT payments, please ensure you reference your <u>SURNAME</u> and your

<u>6 – digit family ID</u>

BSB: 083 347 Account: 563 101 059