



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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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 2 ISSUE 2 Friday 5th May, 2023

It has been a cold and wet week, it's great to see all students in their full Winter uniform. Summer hats are no longer required until Term 4.

On Friday 12th May we will be celebrating Mother's Day with a morning tea, this will be held in the hall at 8:15am. Thank you to everyone who has RSVP, we look forward to seeing you on the day. We will also be holding a Mother's Day Stall on this day, the students will have an opportunity to buy something.

Dear God,

We thank you for giving us your peace.

Help us to spread peace at home and at school  
by loving and caring for one another.

Help us to spread peace by listening to one  
another, even when we don't agree.

Let us pray every day for peace for our  
families, our friends, ourselves and our world.



Amen

# Dates for your Calendar

Term 1, 2023

Thursday 11th May	<b>School Closure</b> Parent Teacher Interviews - Information below
Friday 12th May	<b>Mother's Day - Morning Tea 8:15am to 8:45am</b> Expression of interest date has now closed. Need to inform the office if you would like to attend (for catering purposes) thank-you.
Friday 12th May	<b>Mother's Day Stall</b>
Wednesday 31st May	<b>School Advisory Council Meeting. 7pm</b>
<b>Early Advice - Sacraments 2023</b>	
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

## [Parent Teacher Interview](#)

Thursday 11th May is a student free day, Parent teacher interviews will be scheduled throughout the day. Please make sure you book a time with your child's teacher. Details on how to book is below.

## [Illegal Parking](#)

It has been reported that some cars are waiting at the back gate prior to 8:30am and blocking the footpath for people to cross. Please be mindful of where you are parking and do so legally and safely.

Parents are asked to observe safe and legal parking at morning dropoff and after school pick up times. Safe and responsible road behaviour is **EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY**.

## [Mass Times for Term 2](#)

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 2. All families are welcome to attend.

<b>Thursday 18th May</b>	Held by Grade 4K & 4S
<b>Thursday 25th May</b>	Held by Grade 1C
<b>Thursday 8th June</b>	Held by Grade 5C
<b>Thursday 22nd June</b>	Held Grade 3L

## From Parents and Friends Committee

**The Parents and Friends Committee** is made up of parents who come together once per term to coordinate and arrange events and special food days for the students and families at Cana. They have arranged McDonalds lunches , Pizza lunches , Footy finals sausage sizzle/or hot dogs , Discos , Easter Raffles, Chocolates fundraising boxes, Mothers /Fathers gatherings , Mothers / Fathers Day gift stalls, helped host Trivia nights with teachers of Cana, and many other school based events.

**ALL money raised** is donated to the school and directly benefits our students. Some items that have been funded in the past by the money raised are .. Interactive TV.s Sports equipment, STEM equipment and digital devices, padding for metal posts around the school.

I would like to express my appreciation to the parents on the committee who generously donate their time.

If you would like to be involved in any way please email Donna ( see above ) or even if you can join in one of the events , you will be welcomed by all.



***Please support their efforts.***

Dear Cana Families,

**We are reaching out for your support!**

As an active fundraising committee, we are asking if anyone has a business who can donate a voucher, products or non-perishable gifts, as we are hosting upcoming fundraising events that will require prizes.

If you think you could donate, feel free to email Donna Spiteri - [donna.fenech@live.com](mailto:donna.fenech@live.com).

Remember it is for a great cause - Our Children.



## 2024 Enrolments

We are close to finalising our enrolments for 2024. If you have a child due to start Prep next year please fill in an enrolment form, this can be found on the Cana website.





## Book School Interviews Online

Dear Parents

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on:

### Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May

You can now book at times that suit **YOUR FAMILY BEST**.

Go to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) and follow these simple instructions.

**BOOKINGS OPEN TUESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> of May at 4.30pm**

**BOOKINGS CLOSE TUESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> of May at 3pm**

You will have the option when making your booking to select whether you would like to meet your child's classroom teacher via: phone call, in person or Google Meets.

**PLEASE NOTE: IF SELECTING THE GOOGLE MEETS OPTION. THE LINK FOR YOUR GOOGLE MEET CAN BE FOUND ON YOUR BOOKING EMAIL, THAT YOU WILL RECEIVE AFTER MAKING YOUR BOOKING. WHEN ENTERING THE GOOGLE MEET, YOU WILL NEED TO WAIT FOR THE TEACHER TO GRANT YOU ACCESS, THIS MAY TAKE A FEW MINUTES AS THE TEACHER MAY BE ON A GOOGLE MEET WITH THE PREVIOUS BOOKING.**

School event code

qz2b8

Go

Go to

[www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au)

Enter THIS school event code.

Then follow the 3 simple steps.



When you click **finish**, your chat timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately.

You can return to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

**BOOKINGS OPEN TUESDAY MAY 2<sup>ND</sup>  
SO THAT ALL FAMILIES MAY BOOK AT THE SAME TIME**

For parents that don't have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend's house or on their phones parents may send a note to school with the approximate times they require, or phone the school on 8390 9200. **Interviews are strictly 15 minutes** and spaces are limited. If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

Parents can change their chat bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) website, and using the event code. Parents wishing to change their chat times after the closing date, should contact the school directly on: 8390 9200



# RECYCLE, EARN & PLAY



## Our school\* is taking part in the Wonder Recycling Rewards campaign this term.



Help us collect bread bags so we can earn points to redeem on new RHSports equipment.

It's simple! All you need to do is keep your empty bread bags and send them to school\* with your kids! We will then place them in Wonder's pink collection box and post them off to be recycled. The more we collect the more points our school\* earns!

**Collections close 7th July.**

### **Tip for collecting:**

Use one empty bread bag to collect a bunch of other bags.

### **Did you know?**

Last year, schools collected over **10 tonnes of soft plastic**, that's the weight of an elephant!

## LET'S GET COLLECTING!

\* Includes early learning centres and pre-schools.



Tag [@wonder.australia](#) [#wonderrecyclingrewards](#) to share all your recycling champion stories!



**Interschool Sports player of the week**

**Season 1, Round 7**

# **Anthony Farrugia**

**For displaying exceptional goalkeeping skills and being a great team player.**



## **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

2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022

Dear Parents & Guardians

The Cana Catholic Primary School Fee and Levies for the 2023 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	\$1,500.00	\$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
<b><u>Levies per Student</u></b>				
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
<b><u>TOTAL 2023 School Fees</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,795.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$3,740.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$4,685.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$5,630.00</u></b>

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**

Due Date: 6th April 2023

Due Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023

Due Date: 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023

#### **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 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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## NOTICE OF 2023 SCHOOL FEES

### 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.

Students per Family	Annual Fee/Levies	Early Full Payment Discount Criteria		Payments by Instalments by Term Due Dates		
		Early Payment Discount *	Payment required by 6/04/2023 *	25% paid by End Term 1 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	75% paid by End Term 2 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2023	Balance Due by 15 <sup>th</sup> 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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### **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**

## 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.

## Message from Fr. Maurie

Greetings to everyone as routines and shapes come back into our lives as Schools and Colleges enter their second term for the year.

The School year affects so much in our lives, doesn't it – traffic, shopping, the role of grandparents, a more relaxed attitude for many of us not directly connected with Schools: I hope you've had some more-than-usual relaxing and enjoyable time over the past fortnight!

We continue in Easter Season, of course – last Sunday's Gospel Reading gave us that great story of 'the road to Emmaus' – with so many layers of meanings in it, culminating in the recognition of the Risen Christ in the Meal of Eucharist, and those two disciples then getting up from Table and going on the mission of spreading the Good News. For an unusual and thought-provoking telling of the story, take a look at

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/pl40vglxh2ldtqd/Our%20Risen%20Saviour%20%28Road%20to%20Emmaus%29.mp4?dl=0>

This leads readily on to this coming Sunday's being called 'vocations Sunday'. Each of us has the vocation to be like those Emmaus disciples and spread the Good News. That is the basic vocation that every one of us has been given in our Baptism, and renewed as we celebrate Eucharist. The particular shape our own life takes doesn't take away the essential nature of that. In preparation for this weekend, Pope Francis reflects on that:

"God's call includes a 'sending.' There is no vocation without mission. There is no happiness and full self-realisation unless we offer others the new life that we have found.

The 60th World Day of Prayer for Vocations will take place on April 30, the Fourth Sunday of Easter, also known as Good Shepherd Sunday.

"This day," Pope Francis said, "is a precious opportunity for recalling with wonder that the Lord's call is grace, complete gift, and at the same time a commitment to bring the Gospel to others."

In his message, he emphasised that the Church's vocations – lay, priesthood, religious, or consecrated life – work together in a harmonious symphony. The vocations are "joined together in 'going forth' to radiate throughout the world the new life of the kingdom of God".

Pope Francis said sometimes the Holy Spirit acts in a completely unexpected way. God's call to a specific vocation is often revealed in a more gradual way.

Love is also a very important part of vocation, the Pope said: "God calls us in love and we, in gratitude, respond to him in love."

Although 'vocation' is for us all, this weekend also calls us to consider that as Church we need more Priests! We don't have enough Priests for the ways we have become used to their presence and service over the years. An example of that came from Brisbane this week:

The Capuchin Friars will withdraw from two inner-city Brisbane parishes in January next year. (Source: *The Catholic Leader*.)

Fr Gerard O'Dempsey OFM Cap, Australian provincial leader of the Friars, said it was his "sad duty" to announce the decision that would affect the parishes of St Mary's, South Brisbane and Dutton Park-West End. We are faced with an ever-aging group of active friars and very few new vocations entering the order."

Brisbane Archbishop Mark Coleridge said the withdrawal announcement came as no surprise - the Capuchins are also withdrawing from Newton parish in Adelaide. Like so many dioceses and religious communities in this country, their numbers are not what they were and they have had to withdraw from some of their missions, he said, thanking the Capuchins for their service.

Archbishop Coleridge said the Capuchin's withdrawal meant the archdiocese would need to "think outside the square in order to imagine new kinds of presence and new forms of mission" for inner-city Brisbane.

Pope Francis has commented on this some time ago: (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 107):

*Many places are experiencing a dearth of vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. This is often due to a lack of contagious apostolic fervour in communities which results in a cooling of enthusiasm and attractiveness. Wherever there is life, fervour and a desire to bring Christ to others, genuine vocations will arise. Even in parishes where priests are not particularly committed or joyful, the fraternal life and fervour of the community can awaken in the young a desire to consecrate themselves completely to God and to the preaching of the Gospel. This is particularly true if such a living community prays insistently for vocations and courageously proposes to its young people the path of special consecration. On the other hand, despite the scarcity of vocations, today we are increasingly aware of the need for a better process of selecting candidates to the priesthood. Seminaries cannot accept candidates on the basis of any motivation whatsoever, especially if those motivations have to do with affective insecurity or the pursuit of power, human glory or economic well-being.*

One way our responding to our common vocation is our participation in the various forms of Ministry in our Parish. The re-organising of our groups and the follow-up to ensure all are in compliance with the increasing requirements of the Archdiocese is nearly complete. One further stage is now expected by the Archdiocese. For this, our Safeguarding Committee has arranged a session **Wednesday 24th May @ 7pm**, with tea and coffee from 6:30pm. It is important you make yourself available for this event. The Archdiocese directs all Ministers to participate in this training each 3 years for any role undertaken in the Parish. You must bring your Working With Children Check (WWCC) to obtain a certificate. The event is at CRC St. Albans Hall in Winifred Street. A friendly reminder to all volunteers to ensure you have applied and provided your Working With Children Check to the Parish Office. If you have any problem with online application, call the Parish Office 9366 2146. Once again we appreciate the lengths Ministers go to be a part of the Parish Ministries.

An 'outside-the-box' form of vocation and Ministry is in the attachment with this email: a current way of the Sisters of St Joseph continuing to reach out to and offer care to those who are struggling to make ends meet in the manner of Mary MacKillop.

And this week's Parish newsheet is attached with this email, too.

This weekly Letter is taking a break for a couple of weeks. You can continue to read the weekly newsheet on the Parish's website: [pol.org.au/stalbanssydenham/home.aspx](http://pol.org.au/stalbanssydenham/home.aspx).

Blessings and good wishes  
Maurie Cooney  
(Parish Priest)



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



**Fourth Sunday of Easter - Year A - 30th April 2023**

**Parish Details:**

**Address:** 4 Winifred Street, St Albans 3021  
**Phone:** 9366 2146

**Finance:** Lorraine Stafford: [StAlbans.Finance@cam.org.au](mailto:StAlbans.Finance@cam.org.au)

**Parish Office:** Lauren Maslaris: [StAlbans@cam.org.au](mailto: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

**Website:** <http://pol.org.au/stalbanssydenham/Home.aspx>

**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](mailto: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: [Acts 2:14. 36-41](#) Second Reading: [1 Pt 2:20-25](#) Gospel: [Jn 10:1-10](#)

**Next Week:** First Reading: [Acts 6:1-7](#) Second Reading: [1 Pt 2:4-9](#) Gospel: [Jn 14:1-12](#)

**REFLECTION**

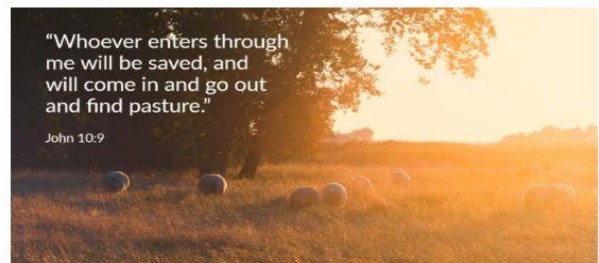
**Called to service**

All of us are called to 'carry forward the work of Christ under the lead of the befriending Spirit'. This is the basic 'vocation' that every one of us is called to in our Baptism. Whatever shapes our different lives take, that is always the basic vocation. We are all parts of the 'people of God', all parts of 'the Body of Christ'. Each of us has something of the Spirit, none of us has it all as we carry out that mission to 'carry forward the work of Christ'. Each year on this Sunday the gospel Readings give us images of Jesus as 'Good Shepherd', 'the Gate to the sheepfold', leading and enlivening the 'flock of God's people'. With these images this is annually called 'Vocations Sunday' with attention to the 'ordained Priesthood' in our Church. The Parish Priest's role is to celebrate the Sacraments, to preach the Word, to build up the community, to administer the goods of the Parish. It is a good opportunity to recall with thanksgiving those Priests who have been life givers to us and to our Parish communities! Central to that is our gathering for the Eucharist and the other Sacraments: *we need Priests!!*

*Lord Jesus Christ, Good Shepherd,  
protect, we pray, the flock of God's people,  
comfort it and revive its spirit,  
lead it to fresh pastures and restful waters.  
Call from our midst new pastors,  
bold in spirit,  
generous in heart,  
and clear in vision.  
Bless them with the gifts to become  
forthright messengers of hope,  
strong community leaders,  
and wise spiritual guides for your people.  
Show them the gifts you have given them,  
inspire them with the needs of the Church,  
and make them brave enough to offer  
their service for leadership in the Church.  
We trust that you will always give life to your Church –  
keep us open for the movement of Your Spirit!  
AMEN.*

*"Whoever enters through  
me will be saved, and  
will come in and go out  
and find pasture."*

John 10:9



## WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

**RECENT DEATHS:** Frances Attard, Fr. Bob Maguire

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

Antonia Demecoli, Emmanuel & Frank Grech, Joelle Meyepa, Tessie Farrugia, George Muscat, Emmanuel & Adrianna Caruana, Louis & Nancy Muscat, John & Carmen Camilleri, Frank & Josephine Caruana, Carey Dobbson, Michael & Jane Saliba, Mary Barbuto, Emmanuella & John Spiteri, Robert Pereira, Albin Pereira, Sophia Soares, Oswald Soares, Carmenu Falzon, Charlie Camilleri, Leli Bugeja, Wenzu, Francisca & Anthony Caruana, Cecil, Phoebe & Cyres Excompare, Maria & Anthony Mercieca, Peter Muscat, Fr. Joshua, Adina Aquilina, Mile Tadic, Tadic Femilu, Ivan Cavka, Valentine Sciciula, Vincent Bonello, Anastasia Gomes, Angela Xuereb, Pero Kilsanin, Joe Xuereb, Michael & Josephine Piacentini, Aaron D'Souza, Paul Aquilina.

## OUR PASTORAL, SOCIAL & SCHOOL EVENTS

### IT'S TIME TO RETURN YOUR PROJECT COMPASSION BOX

Caritas Australia says its *annual Lenten fundraiser Project Compassion* has been a success this year thanks to the dedication and support of more than 1700 schools and 1200 parishes across the country.

"It has been inspiring to see our supporters pull out all the stops this year. We've seen everything from classic fundraisers like Caritas K's to dance battles between teachers to raise funds. The energy and passion to raise funds for Caritas Australia has been incredible this year," said Kirsty Robertson, Caritas Australia's CEO.

"I want to thank everybody who has been a part of this year's Project Compassion – whether you've put spare change in a donation box at church, or you've set up a fundraiser at your Parish or School, you have done your part to make the world a better place. Your kindness and generosity will help us to reach some of the most marginalised and vulnerable communities to face the challenges of poverty."

"It is the passion and spirit of our supporters across Australia whose generosity of heart enables us to have our hands and feet in vulnerable communities across the world," Ms Robertson said.

"When I was at school, I remember that when I put my money in a Project Comparison box, I was doing this because I thought Caritas Australia could change the world. Now I know this to be true. I am so proud to watch the next generation helping us to build a better tomorrow."

If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week or visit [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) and donate online [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion), or by calling 1800 024 413.



*Catholic Regional  
College Sydneyham*

### 2023 FAMILY TOURS WITH THE PRINCIPAL

*A tour of the College will provide a view of the  
incredible facilities we have on offer for  
every student every pathway.*

**Register for a tour:**

[crccs.vic.edu.au](http://crccs.vic.edu.au)

Join Our Community  
Book A tour

[https://crccs.vic.edu.au/  
join-our-community/book-a-tour/](https://crccs.vic.edu.au/join-our-community/book-a-tour/)

**Tuesday 9 May and Wednesday 14 June  
10:30am**

*Every Student  
Every Pathway*



### Ministry Members Sacred Heart/ Emmaus Parish

To finalise your Ministry Training, the Safe Guarding Committee have arranged a session Wednesday 24th May @ 7pm, with tea and coffee from 6:30pm. It is important you make yourself available for this event. The Archdiocese directs all Ministers to conduct this training 3 yearly for any role undertaken in the Parish. You must bring your Working With Children Check (WWCC) to obtain a certificate. The event is at CRC St. Albans Hall in Winifred Street.

A friendly reminder to all volunteers to ensure you have applied and provided your check to the office. If you have any problem with online application call the Parish office 9366 2146.

Once again we appreciate the lengths Ministers go to be a part of the Parish Ministries.

### Parish Mass Count

The Parish Mass Count will commence next weekend and go over four weekends being 6 - 7 May, 13-14 May, 20- 21 May and 27-28 May. The Archdiocese takes a count of the number of people at Mass in all parishes. Thank you to those who are looking after that for us this year.



### Come and Support the Fair Committee

Taylors Lakes Bunnings  
Saturday May 6th 9.00am - 4.00pm



### St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

We are all in his hands. Mary MacKillop. 13th. Sept 1870.

## Interest-free loans program to aid families fighting cost-of-living pressures 26 April 2023



The Sisters of Saint Joseph's interest-free loan program aims to help ease cost-of-living pressures for Australians.

The program allows low-income earners and people receiving Centrelink payments to receive interest-free loans to assist with household financial pressures.

The loans will be available to purchase whitegoods, pay for car registration and repairs, medical expenses, courses and essential household items.

Called the No Interest Loan Scheme (NILS) and administered by Good Shepherd Microfinance, the initiative works on a not-for-profit circular community credit system, where all repayments are used to fund the needs of the next recipient.

While a smaller version of the scheme has been available in rural and regional areas, the program has now been expanded into metropolitan Sydney due to the dire needs of city families facing cost of living pressures.

Eligible applicants can borrow up to \$2000 with a repayment period of up to 18 months, giving them access to essential items so they do not have to live in poverty.

Australian Catholic Bishops Conference spokesperson for families, Sydney Auxiliary Bishop Richard Umbers, said the quiet work of the Sisters of Saint Joseph, through their charitable arm, Mary MacKillop Today, is an exemplar of Christian charity we should all aspire to. "Many Australians are in economic peril, which places an incredible burden on the family unit. I am so proud that our religious orders are there to help those families in need," Bishop Umbers said.

Mary MacKillop Today Financial Inclusion Team Leader Anita Van Dartel said while the program has been assisting people in rural and remote communities for more than 20 years, current economic conditions require it to expand to all areas within Australia. "The fact we're now having to extend our No Interest Loan Scheme to the cities shows just how hard life is getting for Australian families."

# 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](http://www.crcnk.com.au)



## 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](mailto:enrol@crcnk.vic.edu.au)  
Phone: 9361 5904

2023 *The Year of Resilience*

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





# 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

## 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