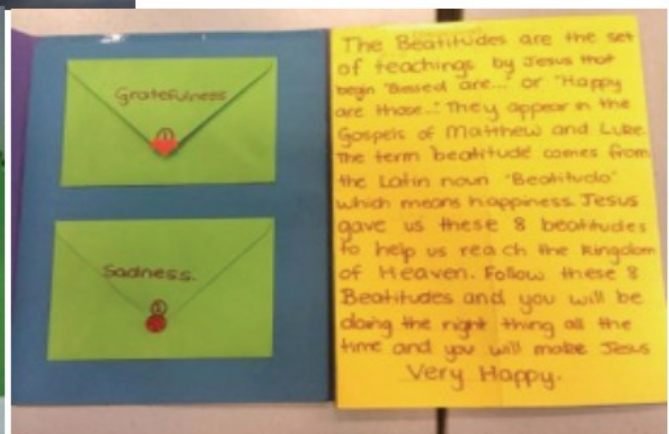
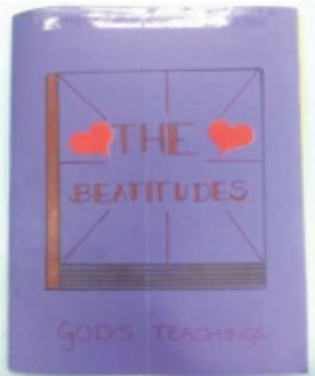


JESUS LIVE IN OUR HEARTS

The Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12)

The Stage 3 students explored the Sermon on the Mount where Jesus delivered the Beatitudes to his disciples. They created Lap Books to explain their understanding of Beatitudes and the implications that they have for us today.

The Beatitudes are blessings that help us to become more connected to God. They guide us in our daily lives as they reflect the qualities of being a good person and a good Catholic. Below are images of the lap books that we made about the Beatitudes. The word 'beatitudo' means happiness in Latin.



Honour Awards

Congratulations to the children who received an Honour Award for displaying the value of commitment.

Kindergarten: Isabelle Liew

Year 1: Monique Bejjani and Elias Daher

Year 2: Yasmin Sampaio

Year 3: Jacob Lemi

Year 4: Simona Somerville

Year 5: Awantikesh Singh

Year 6: Samantha Cannistra

These awards will be given out on Monday, as the swimming program has disrupted some of our routine.

This week the children will reflect on the value of fairness.

Children arriving late to school

It is important that children arrive to school before the bell each morning. On occasions that children are late, parents are to walk the children to the office to sign them in. The parents will fill in a late note and the child will receive a late pass that is given to the class teacher. This late pass alerts the teacher that the child has signed in correctly at the office and that they have been marked as present on the student attendance data base.

This procedure is in place for the safety of the children and also to comply with legal requirements regarding student attendance. I thank the parents who are vigilant with this process. It is expected that all parents follow this process.

Spellathon

Spellathon cards were sent home this week. This is our major fundraising initiative for the year. The monies raised will go toward continuing to purchase ipads for the children to use as part of their learning. The spellathon is on the 6th of November and children have until then to gather their sponsorship. Enjoy learning your spelling list.

A Date for your diary-

Christmas Carols Night



We will experience the joys of the Christmas season as we gather in song on Wednesday the 3rd of December. Details of the night will be released in coming weeks.

Canteen Roster

Week 3

Monday	20th October	-
Tuesday	21st October	Volunteers needed
Wednesday	22nd October	Layla Frim Katrina Cooper
Thursday	23rd October	Shobha Jambagi
Friday	24th October	Volunteers needed



P & F Meeting

Our last P&F meeting for the year will be held on Tuesday the 4th of November at 7pm in the Stage 3 learning space. If you have items you wish to have discussed at this meeting please contact Mr Sampaio or contact the school office. Only items on the agenda on the night will be discussed. I look forward to seeing many parents on the night.

Leaving Sacred Heart?

If you intend to leave Sacred Heart at the end of the year, we ask you to inform the school in writing as soon as possible. Please include in your letter, the school you have enrolled your child in. This is only for children leaving from K-5. For your information, parents are required to give the school at least a term's notice in agreement with the policy signed when the child was initially enrolled.

We thank parents for your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

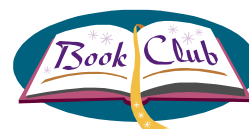
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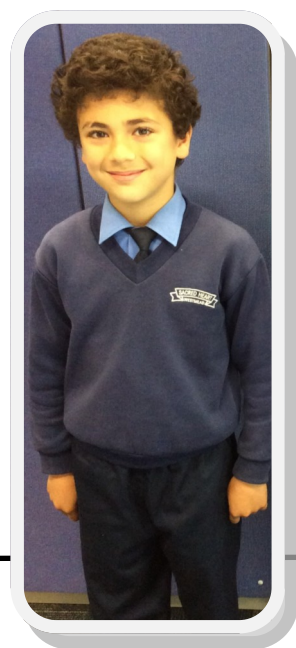
As an institution built of gospel values, the school is here to assist all families with many different issues. If you are experiencing difficulty with your school fees, please contact the office and speak with either Mrs Ward, our Senior Finance Officer or myself. All matters relating to school fees are very private and are handled with respect and compassion.

Book Club

Book Club order forms have been sent out. The orders must be in to the office by Monday 20th October.

NO orders will be taken after that day.





CONGRATULATIONS GEORGE BASSIL

We would like to congratulate George Bassil in Year 4 for representing Sacred Heart at the State Athletics Championships. This event was held at Sydney Olympic Park Athletics Centre on Wednesday the 15th of October. As always he competed with determination and pride and George placed 8th out of 40 competitors.

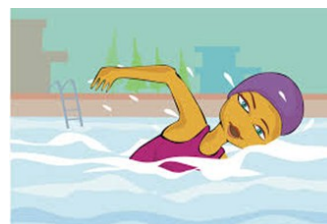
Congratulations George on your fantastic effort and for reaching your

Personal Best Distance in Discus

Swimming Program

The School Swimming Program is nearing its end but the students have had a very enjoyable and educational experience. The program has run without any problems thanks to the class teachers and students here at Sacred Heart. A big thanks to the parents and families for the extra preparation, washing and drying this program brings.

The School Swimming and Water Safety Program is a, learn to swim program that develops



Catherine McAuley Westmead

School Open Morning

9.15 – 11am

Wednesday 5th November 2014

Enrolments for Year 7 2016

Catherine McAuley is now accepting enrolments for Year 7 2016.

Each year the demand for places at Catherine McAuley exceeds what is available. Join us on our upcoming school tour and avoid the crowds in Term 1 next year.

Our Open Morning is a great opportunity to tour around our school grounds, view our fantastic facilities and meet our students and teachers. You will have the opportunity to go into classrooms and see them in action. Both children and adults are most welcome.

Please contact School Reception on 9849 9100 if you would like to attend. Our school tours will leave at 9.15am and car parking will be available in the visitor's car parking area via Gate 3 from 9am onwards. Ask for details when making your booking.

Catholic Education Office

Bishops Office

Social Justice Gathering

Explore and unpack the Australian Catholic Bishops' Social Justice Statement of 2014-2015, 'A Crown for Australia: Striving for the best in our sporting nation'. This year the focus is sport and justice. Pope Francis explains, "When an athlete, even as a 'pro', cultivates this 'amateur' dimension, he is contributing to the good of society, he is building up the common good through the values of generosity, camaraderie, and beauty." Find out how you can share the message of justice through sport in your communities, parishes and organisations. With the Justice & Peace Office, Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney.

Date: Sunday 25 October from 10.30am to 3.30pm.

Venue: St Patrick's Church, 5 Drynan St, Summer Hill.

Exhibition & Sale of Indigenous Art

Everyone is welcome to this exhibition in St Patricks Cathedral Hall and sale of works by some of Australia's prominent Indigenous artists. The Hon Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Resources and Energy, will open the exhibition with a cocktail reception on Friday 24 October. The artist-in-residence during the exhibition will be Barbara Weir from the Utopia Community in the Central Desert, NT. All artworks will be for sale with proceeds to benefit the St Patrick's Cathedral Project and Ars Musica.

Opening hours: Friday 24 Oct, 7.30pm-9.30pm; Saturday 25 Oct, 10am-4pm; Sunday 26 Oct, 10am-4pm.

Venue: St Patrick's Cathedral Hall, 1 Marist Place, Parramatta.

The Jeweller's Shop play by Karol Wojtyla (St John Paul II)

The Diocese of Parramatta's Family & Life Office in partnership with Artes Christi is sponsoring a performance of The Jeweller's Shop: A meditation on the Sacrament of Matrimony Passing on Occasion into a Drama by St John Paul II.

Date: Sunday 26 October at 3pm, Riverside Theatre, Parramatta.

Tickets: \$30 adults, \$25 concession and \$20 for groups of 8+. For more information on how to book contact Ben Smith tel (02) 8838 3440, bsmith@parra.catholic.org.au.

Life_Faith Initiative: Your Faith, Your Life

Spirituality Together: The Institute for Mission offers all, from young adults upwards, a series of enjoyable nights connecting God, our spirituality and our lives in the world. Bring a friend and accompany each other on your faith journey.

Dates: From 7.30pm-9.30pm on 27 October, 24 November 2014 and 9 February 2015.

Venue: Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Shrine, 8 Greyfriar Place, Kellyville.

RSVP: three days prior to the day tel (02) 9831 4911, connect@ifm.org.au www.facebook.com/ifmconnect

Couples invited to take part in Stronger Relationships Trial

The Australian Government has introduced the Stronger Relationships Trial to strengthen couple relationships. Couples are able to register if they are Australian citizens, over 18 years of age and in a committed relationship. The Stronger Relationship Trial provides couples with a \$200 subsidy to attend couple counselling, couple education such as pre-marriage courses or marriage enrichment seminars, or parenting courses. The subsidised counselling or education courses are available through approved organisations such as CatholicCare Parramatta.

Details: For more information contact CatholicCare Parramatta tel (02) 9933 0222 or visit www.ccss.org.au

50 Years of Dialogue – Interchurch Relations since Vatican II

To celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Decree on Ecumenism at Vatican II, Prof Catherine Clifford will deliver a lecture on the concept of Receptive Ecumenism: What can we as Christians learn from each other?

Prof Clifford is Professor of Systematic and Historical Theology, Saint Paul University, Ottawa, and is visiting Australia at the invitation of the Theological Reflection Commission of the NSW Ecumenical Council. She holds a PhD from St Michael's College, Toronto, and a Licentiate in Theology (STL) from the University of Fribourg Switzerland. Prof Clifford's teaching and research interests lie in the areas of ecclesiology, ecumenism, and this history of the Second Vatican Council.

Date: Monday 27 October, starts 10.30am.

Venue: The Broken Bay Institute, 423 Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills (entry via City View Rd).

Catholic Super Free Retirement Seminar in Parramatta

Have you started thinking about retirement? Everyone is welcome to attend this free seminar in Parramatta hosted by Catholic Super. It's a time most of us look forward to, particularly if we have the financial security to make the most of it. Financial security gives us the opportunity to enjoy our longer lives with friends and family and pursue our interests free from money worries.

Topics covered:

- Retirement goals and budget
- How much retirement income do I need?
- How do I increase my retirement savings?
- Transition to retirement strategy

Date: Wednesday 29 October, starts 5.30pm.

Venue: Parramatta RSL, cnr Macquarie & O'Connell Sts, Parramatta.

Information: http://www.csf.com.au/seminars#Retirement_Seminars

Should Christianity still have a voice in the public square?

Presented by John Cleary, host of Sunday Nights on ABC Local Radio 702. John is a member of the ABC's specialist Religion & Ethics Unit and is often heard as a commentator on religious issues for ABC Radio and TV. Don't miss this special presentation – all welcome.

Date: Saturday 1 November, from 10.30am-noon.

RSVP: Thursday 30 October tel (02) 9847 0448, (02) 4332 9825, registrations@dbb.org.au

Venue: Caroline Chisholm Building 2, 423 Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills (entry from City View Road).

Upcoming Lecture Series: 'Who Do You Say I Am? Discipleship in Mark's Gospel'

Mark's Gospel is the shortest of the four gospels we have, and yet through a reflection on its 16 chapters, readers are challenged to answer the question that Jesus asks of His disciples, "Who do you say I am?"

Fr Wim Hoekstra, Dean of the Blue Mountains Deanery and Parish Priest of St Finbar's Parish, Glenbrook, will offer a three-part lecture series at two different sites.

Dates: The lectures will take place on Tuesdays 4, 11 and 18 November in the morning from 10.30am-12.30pm at St Finbar's Parish (46 Levy Street, Glenbrook) and in the evening from 7.30pm-9.30pm at St Thomas Aquinas Parish (168 Hawkesbury Road, Springwood).

RSVP 31 October: tel (02) 4739 8928, secretary@stfinbars.org.au

Information: This lecture series is an initiative of our Diocesan Pastoral Plan, Faith in Our Future, which aims to offer faith formation, resources and social support services closer to our people. For more information, see www.faithinourfuture.org.au

Marriage and Pre-Marriage Education Survey

Couples who are engaged or who have married in the past 12 months are invited to participate in a Marriage and Pre-Marriage Education Survey being conducted by Catholic Care and Relationships Australia through the Australian Catholic University (ACU). The research project investigates the attitudes, beliefs, values and understandings of couples entering into marriage, about marriage itself and pre-marriage education. Your answers will help provide a rich insight into the attitudes, values, beliefs and understandings of couples entering into marriage.

Participate: You can participate in the online survey via the link on CatholicCare Parramatta's website: www.ccss.org.au or on ACU's website: https://acu.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_esPaDb8EDLPn4jP&Q_JFE=0

Closing date: Friday 31 October.

Further details: Jennifer Perrott TB0107149@myacu.edu.au

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

A Marriage Enrichment experience for married couples. During the weekend, couples have a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh their relationship. Invest in your most precious asset ... your marriage!

Dates: Friday 7 November to Sunday 9 November 2014.

Venue: Mount Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville.

Inquiries & bookings: Ardell & Bill Sharpe tel (02) 4283 3435 or wsharpe@bigpond.net.au www.wwme.org.au

Find us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/WWMEasternUnit

St Philomena Association Holy Mass

St John Vianney was very devoted to St Philomena. Pope Gregory XVI called her "the great wonder worker".

Date: Saturday 8 November 2014. Mass at noon with Confession from 11.30am.

Venue: St John Vianney's Church, 17 Cameron St, Doonside. A short walk north from Doonside station, the one past Blacktown. Please bring a snack to share.

RSVP: Elizabeth tel or text 0423 15 44 63, epeoples9@gmail.com

Use of Electronic Visual Displays in the Liturgy

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission has developed a policy for the use of electronic projection in the liturgy. The Office for Worship is holding a workshop on the policy and how parishes might best use such technology to support their liturgical celebrations. This workshop is the same as last month's Visual Displays Workshop and is for those who have not had the opportunity to attend previously.

Date: Thursday 13 November from 7pm-9pm.

Venue: Institute for Mission, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown.

RSVP: Adelle tel (02) 9831 4911, ofw@ifm.org.au

St Patrick's Cathedral 'A Spring Affair' Fundraising Dinner

Tickets include pre-dinner drinks & canapés, 2-course dinner with wine & soft drinks, entertainment. Dress code – cocktail.

Date: Friday 14 November, 6.30pm for 7pm.

Venue: St Patrick's Cathedral Hall & Cloister, 1 Marist Place, Parramatta.

Tickets: \$65PP (seniors' discount \$60PP). Tickets available after Mass at the Cathedral. For credit card purchases contact the Cathedral Office tel (02) 8839 8400.

Christian Meditation Day

This Christian Meditation Introduction & Renewal Day at St Benedict's Monastery includes presentations, Introduction to Christian Meditation, two periods of meditation, Eucharistic Celebration and information exchange. BYO picnic lunch. Tea & coffee provided. Books & CDs for sale. All welcome.

Date: Sunday 16 November, arrive 10am for 10.30am, concludes about 3pm.

Venue: Monastery is at 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia, tel (02) 9653 1159. Self-catering accommodation may be available in the monastery guest house. Contact Br Terry 0438 282 318.

Inquiries: Ann Bergman (02) 9498 2625, anniebergman@hotmail.com

Australian Catholic Historical Society Colloquium

This month's topic is Making Hymns with James McAuley: liturgical change in Australian Catholic life. Speaker: Richard Connolly, composer and former head, ABC Radio Drama and Features. Admission free, no membership required.

Date: Sunday 16 November, starts 2.30pm.

Venue: Crypt Hall of St Patrick's at Church Hill, Grosvenor St, The Rocks.

Inquiries: Dr John Carmody, President ACHS, (02) 9417 2082, john.carmody@sydney.edu.au

Holy Hour for Vocations on 20 November

Everyone is welcome to join the Holy Hour for Vocations on the 3rd Thursday of each month for an hour of adoration, prayer, music and quiet time. To find out more about priesthood in the Catholic Diocese of Parramatta contact Fr Warren Edwards – Vocations Director: tel 0409 172 700, vocations@parra.catholic.org.au

Date: Thursday 20 November, from 7pm-8pm.

Venue: Blessed Sacrament Chapel, St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Marist Plc, Parramatta.

Faith at the Fiddler

A forum for young people aged 18-35 to come together to discuss issues of faith and spirituality in the warm and friendly atmosphere of Sydney's most famous pub. This month's speaker is Sherry Weddell. Topic: 'Forming Intentional Disciples – The Path to Knowing and following Jesus'. An initiative of the Diocese of Parramatta and Catholic Education Parramatta.

Date: Thursday 20 November, from 5pm-7pm.

Venue: The Mean Fiddler, cnr Commercial & Windsor Rds, Rouse Hill.

Details: Steven Buhagiar – Catholic Education, Parramatta, sbuhagiar@parra.catholic.edu.au

Rachel's Vineyard Healing Retreat

Recollection and Prayer Day

Nurses, doctors, allied health workers, carers and all who have a loving heart for the sick are invited to a Recollection and Prayer Day. The aim of the day is for those in the caring professions to have a time of prayer and recollection and be renewed in their professional calling. It is hoped that by coming together with others your first love of your profession will be rekindled and the fire reignited.

Keynote address by Fr Marcelo (Bong) Pamintuan MI, Camillian Priest and Chaplain to The Children's Hospital Westmead. The day will include discussion, prayer times, quiet time, group sharing and a closing liturgy. Reconciliation will also be available.

Venue: Sacred Heart Parish, 14 Ralph Street, Westmead.

Date: Saturday 22 November 2014 from 10am-3pm. There is a 9am Parish Mass preceding the prayer day.

Suggested donation \$10: BYO lunch, morning tea (tea & coffee provided).

Inquiries: Michelle tel (02) 4734 3150 (BH) or michelled95@hotmail.com

Vocation Discernment Weekend on 22-23 November

All young men who feel God might be calling them to the priesthood are invited to the Catholic Diocese of Parramatta's Vocation Discernment Weekend. To find out more about priesthood in the Catholic Diocese of Parramatta contact Fr Warren Edwards – Vocations Director tel 0409 172 700 or email: vocations@parra.catholic.org.au

Faith in Our Future: A Day of Growth and Friendship

In keeping with the Diocesan Pastoral Plan, Faith in Our Future, Life Ascending Australia has chosen 'Fulfilment of Faith in our later years' as the subject for a reflection day. The day is aimed mainly at the over 50s however everyone is welcome. There will be two theme-based sessions, Mass, plus a presentation on the Church in Samoa, including a Samoan choir.

Date: Tuesday 25 November, commences 9.30am, concludes 2.30pm.

Venue: Winbourne, 1315 Mulgoa Rd, Mulgoa.

Cost: Suggested donation of \$15 to defray costs, includes morning tea, BYO lunch, tea & coffee.

Details: Margaret Smith tel (02) 4753 1031, cliffmargaretsmith@hotmail.com

An invitation from the Good Sams

Is there something More to life? The Sisters of the Good Samaritan – the Good Sams – extend an invitation to young women to join them for a weekend of prayer, reflection and conversation. Experience the Good Sam story and explore the More to life for you. Does God make a difference? YES for Good Samaritan Sisters.

Dates: Friday 28 November 6pm to Sunday 30 November 5pm.

Venue: Mount St Benedict Centre, Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills.

Further information: www.goodsams.org.au

Festive Lunch at Gabby's at Berry

Travel with the Social Group from Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish at Greystanes to the small historic township of Berry on the picturesque South Coast. Gabby's, with its sweeping timber staircase and spectacular leadlight windows is the venue for our three-course festive feast. Entertainment included.

Date: Tuesday 2 December. Bus departs 8.45am at 20 Virgil St and 8.50am at the bus stop opposite OLQP Church, 198 Old Prospect Rd, Greystanes.

Cost: \$65 including coach, morning tea & lunch.

Book now, places filling fast: Payment in full required at time of booking with Marie (02) 9896 7046, 0414 782 358 or Frances (02) 9636 5548, 0421 027 119.