



St. Finbar's Primary School

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NEWSLETTER No 21

Thursday 23rd July 2015

Dear Parents,

My first official function as Principal of St. Finbar's School has been to attend the Year 6 Confirmation Mass last night. It was a beautiful ceremony and the children were a credit to their families and to the school. Special thanks to Fr. Malcolm for his support of the sacramental program and to Mrs. Margy D'Rozario, Mr. Wayne Daniell and Mr. Steele Anderson for their meticulous preparation of the students. Special thanks also to Mrs. June Kellar and Mrs. Judy Gregg our Religious Education Leaders for their behind the scenes work in preparing for this important Sacrament of Initiation.



Every year Catholic schools participate in survey data collection – Insight SRC. The surveys target the three key stakeholder groups in the school - parents, students and staff. The data collected is confidential and when analysed properly, provides valuable insights and future directions for us as a school community. All school staff will participate in the survey and most of the Year 5 & 6 students. Families will be selected at random to participate in the survey; if you are selected I would greatly appreciate your participation in this important procedure. The closing date for all surveys will be on Friday 7th of August.

On Friday 24th July at 9am, there is a special school Mass for Fr. Malcolm to celebrate his Golden Jubilee. Fifty years is an incredible milestone and I would like to congratulate him. I would like to invite the whole school community to attend this celebration. There will also be a special presentation after Mass on the school playground from the children to Fr. Malcolm. There is also a Parish Celebration on Sunday 26th of July at 11am Mass followed by a lunch gathering.

The school concert rehearsals are progressing well this week. Please refer to more concert information later in this newsletter. Congratulations to our mixed netball team who competed in the Bayside District competition on Tuesday. They competed well in all three of their games winning one match and narrowly missing out in their other two games. Thanks to Mrs. Tania Thompson for coordinating this event and Mr. Steele Anderson for coaching.

Some important dates coming up in the next few weeks are the Parents and Friends Association meeting on the 4th August and the School Board meeting on 11th August. Please note also that Friday 7th August is a school closure day. On this day the staff will be focusing on Literacy writing workshops, Religious Education planning and Google+ technology activities.

God Bless,

Pat Berlinger
Principal

TERM 3 UPCOMING EVENTS:

JULY	
Fri 24	Father Malcolm Jubilee Celebration Foundation 100 days celebration
Sun 26	Fr Malcolm Jubilee Mass 11am
Wed 29	Year 2 Prayer Night 6.30pm
Thur 30	Parish Pastoral Meeting 7.40pm
Fri 31	Yr 5/6 HoopTime (relevant students)
AUGUST	
Sun 2	Year 2 Class Family Mass 5pm
Tue 4	P&F Meeting 7.30pm
Thur 6	Yr 3/ 4 HoopTime (relevant students)
Fri 7	Staff In-service day – SCHOOL CLOSED
Tue 11	Board Meeting 7.30pm
Thur 13	Jason Perry – Yr 4, 5 & 6 (TBC)
Fri 14	District Athletics – Year 3-6
Sat 15	Feast of the Assumption P&F Social Event
Thur 20	Brighton Cluster Student Day
Mon 24	Book Week – “Light up our World”
Wed 26	Foundation Prayer Night 6.30pm
Thur 27	Parish Pastoral Meeting 7.40pm
Sun 30	Foundation Class Family Mass 5pm
Mon 31	Book Week Incursion (whole school)
SEPTEMBER	
Wed 2	School Concert – Moorabbin Town Hall Matinee 2pm & Evening 7.30pm
Fri 4	Father's Day breakfast, Stall and Open Morning
Sun 6	Father's Day
Fri 18	End of Term Mass 9am Students dismissed at 3.30pm
Fri 25	St Finbar's Feast Day

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS:

Term Three Accounts are due and payable by Friday 7th August 2015

If you are experiencing financial difficulties at any time, please make an appointment with Mr. Pat Berlinger as soon as possible. Thank you.

PAYMENT DUE

COMING HOME TODAY:

Every child, Foundation Mum Night Out
Every child, Foundation Friendship List (updated)
Eldest child, all years Trivia Night invitation

EMAIL ATTACHMENT/ LINK:

Community Advertisements No 5

STAR OF THE WEEK

FA ~ Jacob P, FK ~ Zara A
Year 1H ~ Alexia F, Year 1J ~ Alexia F
Year 2D ~ Isabelle F, Year 2G ~ Carla G
Year 3Mc ~ Maddie V, Year 3M ~ Michael N
Year 4H ~ Lauren O, Year 4M ~ Brooklyn M
Year 5/6A ~ Isabella F, Year 5/6D ~ Elise N
Year 5/6W ~ Sally B

SRC ~ Semester Two

**Badges will be presented on Monday 27th July.
All parents warmly welcomed.**

FA ~ Elijah H, FK ~ Jaysha T
Year 1H ~ Marcus C, Year 1J ~ Sienna M
Year 2D ~ Patrick S, Year 2G ~ Thomas C
Year 3Mc ~ LilySophia D, Year 3M ~ Jemma B
Year 4H ~ Ben B, Year 4M ~ Dominic S
Year 5/6A ~ Mark F and, Tara C
Year 5/6D ~ Sophia D and Elise N
Year 5/6W ~ Emma H and Jackson J

TERM 3 UPCOMING ASSEMBLIES:

Monday 27th July ~ Drama Time Presentation
Monday 3rd August ~ Year 4H
Monday 10th August ~ Special Presentation
Monday 17th August ~ Year 2G
Monday 24th August ~ SKIPZ Presentation
**Monday 31st August ~ NO ASSEMBLY
(Due to concert week)**
Monday 7th September ~ Year 1J
Monday 14th September ~ Year 4M

All parents are warmly welcomed to attend our weekly assemblies.

**Assembly every Monday at 2:40pm.
Please arrive on time to avoid disappointment.**

LATE TO SCHOOL ALERT:

Term Three has begun with many students arriving late every day. At times there are genuine reasons why we may end up running late for school, however, everyone has a responsibility to ensure that all efforts are made to arrive before the bell each morning.

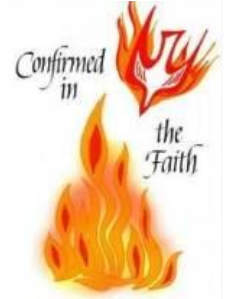
When children arrive on time, they have time to catch up with friends for a few minutes before school, time to greet teachers and parents and line up with their class ready to begin the day.

Many organisational instructions are given in those first few minutes and meditation ensures every child has the opportunity to begin the day feeling relaxed, calm and switched onto learning.

Parents please support your child in arriving on time each day. Thank you for your support!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS ~ June Kellar

Last night our Year 6's received the Sacrament of Confirmation. They participated with great reverence and it was easy to 'feel the Spirit' within the church. Congratulations and well done Year 6's! A huge THANK YOU to all involved in the preparation and organisation of the night – especially Mrs. D'Rozario, Mr. Anderson and Mr. Daniell. Thank you also to Mrs. Judy Gregg, Yvette, Mr. Berlingeri, Mrs. Tammesild, Sr Judith and all staff who attended on the night.



Our gospel this weekend comes from John and is the beginning of a series of five gospels teaching us about Jesus as the 'Bread of Life'. John uses the miracle of the 'feeding of the five thousand' to teach many things The power of the 'Eucharistic meal' - when Jesus took the loaves and gave thanks, before passing it to the people. The 'miracle' of getting people from different backgrounds to sit together, breaking through from selfishness and isolation to a spirit of sharing and community. The collection of the 'scraps' so that nothing is wasted...

"The feeding of the multitude is a profoundly political statement. Quite simply, there is sufficient food in our world to ensure that no one should ever be hungry. Sadly, the distribution of that food is such that there are some in our world whose bellies are expanding from an excess of food while others' are distended from the lack of it.

We can easily feed the entire world. It is the responsibility of those of us in the developed world with more than we need to bring about a more equitable distribution with those who don't even have enough to live."
Greg Sunter



Perhaps we can take the time this week to try and meet the needs of others ... especially 'feeding the vulnerable' through our actions....

Everyone is welcome to attend the special mass TOMORROW morning, where we will honour and celebrate the 50th Jubilee of Father Malcolm as a priest.

Dates to remember ...

Fr Malcolm Jubilee Mass – **Friday 24 July @ 9.05am**
Year 2 Prayer Night - **Wednesday 29 July @ 6.30pm**
Year 2 Class Mass – **Sunday 2 August @ 5pm**



THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS:

We ask for St Finbar's community to pray for Nathan, Selena, Elise, Sasha M – 2D and Hugo Harvey born 14th July 2015.

Hugo is currently in the Royal Children's hospital recovering from heart surgery yesterday.

We pray for you all.

CONDOLENCES:

Our thoughts and prayers are offered to Agostino, Elisa, Elana, Tara (former students) and Jessica F – 2D on the recent death of Elisa's father, 'Antonio Tartaro'.

May he rest in Peace.





St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

Thank You!



Thank You! To the students, staff and parents of St Finbar's School - and all parishioners - for your wonderful support of our Winter Appeal! Our pantry shelves are overflowing!



REBUILD LIVES

Vinnies Winter Appeal

St Finbar's Presents
What's The Buzz?
2 September 2015

***School Concerts are all about community building, resilience, risk taking and learning new skills.
They give students the chance to shine and have lots of fun along the way.***

In only six weeks the students will hit the big stage at Moorabbin Town Hall for our bi annual school concert. The students are very excited about having the opportunity to demonstrate their talents in the areas of song, dance and drama and are spending many hours practicing and learning new skills.

We are very privileged to have so many talented people on staff and among our parent community who are generously working with the students to ensure that each child has the opportunity to shine.

Tickets will go on sale on 3rd August and can be purchased through the ticketing office at Moorabbin Town Hall. There will be a link to guide you through the booking process in next week's newsletter. We will run two performances on Wednesday 2nd September on what is always an action packed day.

The day will run as follows:

8.30-8.45	Children are dropped off at Town Hall
9am	Rehearsals
12pm	Performance 1
1.30pm	Students are collected from the Town Hall and taken home for dinner and a rest.
6.30pm	Students arrive at Kingston Town Hall dressed ready for their 7pm performance
7pm	Performance 2

On concert day all students will need to be dropped off at the Moorabbin Town Hall by 8.45am dressed ready for a full dress rehearsal. Carpooling is highly advised. Parents are asked to do a drive through style of drop off at the Town Hall on the morning of the concert where teachers will greet students and escort them into the Hall. There is a slip road off Nepean Highway in front of the Town Hall which is ideal for quick drop offs.

The morning will be spent running through each class through their act on the big stage and making adjustments to sound and lighting.

Please start planning now how you will manage drop offs and pickups on the day of the concert.

A letter will go home next week with costume details. If you have any spare time that you are happy to offer for costume organisation please let me know. More news next week!

Wonder of Living Family Enrichment Program ~ Year 5/6 families

All sessions will be held at St Mary's Catholic Primary School in the School Hall, 59 Holyrood Street, Hampton. These sessions have been set up on Trybooking and there is a cost of \$ 10.00 for each session. Please click on either link below to access the booking page

<http://www.trybooking.com/IJOV> or <http://www.trybooking.com/147077>

Both links can be used to link to the event page.

SESSIONS TWO AND THREE ARE FOR PARENT AND CHILD: The purpose of the Parent/Child Sessions is to encourage good communication amongst families about these important topics.

Session Two: The first **Parent/Child** session will be on **July 28th from 7 - 8:15pm** with the topic being 'Development and birth of baby'.

Session Three: The second **Parent/Child** session will be on **August 11th from 7 - 8:15pm** with the topic being 'Puberty information plus how a baby begins'.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN 2015

This year we will again be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get some new Student Wellbeing resources for our school – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths. From **Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September**, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.



CURRICULUM NEWS

SPORT NEWS ~ Mrs. Tania Thompson – Sports Coordinator



IMPRESSIVE EFFORTS @ Winter Play Offs - Yr 6 Mixed Netball Team @ Division level

Congratulations to the nine Year 6 students that participated at Division level in the Winter Play Offs for netball on Tuesday. Coach Anderson and his team travelled to Oakleigh Rec Centre to partake in the next level of competition; Division level. Three rounds were played over the day. Round 1 we scored a great win by 3 goals to St. Joseph's Black Rock, Round 2 saw a narrow loss to St Andrew's Clayton South and in Round 3, a final 'oh-so-close' 1 goal loss to Gardenvale P.S.; who ended up the overall Mixed Division winners on the day. A special mention to the standout players on the day; Alyssa B. (5/6A) & Oli D. (5/6D) who played a sterling game each round. Many thanks also goes to Coach Steele Anderson for his committed & enthusiastic efforts on the day; along with the many parents that came along to help support the team - THANK YOU!

Team members were: Sophia S (5/6D), Alyssa B (5/6A), Marie L (5/6D), Grace P (5/6A), Ruby B (5/6D), Olivia G (5/6W), Mia B (5/6A), Oli D (5/6D) & Jackson J (5/6W).



Yr. 3-6 DISTRICT ATHLETICS: FRIDAY 14TH AUGUST

**OUR ST. FINBAR'S TEAM IS ALMOST SORTED.
THE FINAL TEAM WILL BE ANNOUNCED NEXT WEEK.
Venue: Lakeside Stadium, Albert Park**



Pre-Training (pre & post school & on our In-service Day) will be offered to any keen District Team members. Parents will be responsible for getting their child to and from the venue & to supervise throughout the sessions.



Venue: Sandringham Athletics Club, Glamis Ave, Highett (venue of our House Athletics carnival). Complete & final details will be given out soon. Please pencil these possible TRAINING DATES into your diaries:

Tues 28/7

7.30-8.30am: Sprints & Jumps.

Fri 7/8

9-10am: Sprints & Jumps, 10-11am: Relays, 11-12pm: Throws,

1-2pm: Hurdles

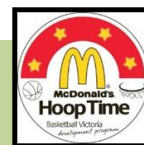
Tues 11/8:

4-5pm: final session.



HOOPTIME UPDATE:

Yr 5/6 relevant students: Date: Fri 31/7 @ MSAC.
Yr 3/4 relevant students: Date: Thurs 6/8 @ MSAC.



Hoop Time Care Monkey forms are to be emailed out by Friday afternoon. Please look out for it in your Inbox. Students that have made teams will participate in training sessions at lunchtime and during class sport. All further details are accessible on the Care Monkey email and a complete Hoop Time rules sheet is to be handed out a week prior to the day.

PARENT HELPERS REQUIRED!

To allow this day to go ahead, we require the support from our wonderful parents to help with managing some teams and to score.

Please email Tania ASAP (tthompson@sfbrightoneast.catholic.edu.au) if you are able to help for the whole day (9.30-2.30) or an AM or PM timeframe. Without Parent Helpers this day cannot go ahead.

CONGRATULATIONS:

On the weekend Tyson P - FA danced at his very first Ballroom dancing competition. The Tots to Teens Grand Prix was held at Kingston Town Hall, is a competition held just for young up and coming children aged from 5 years old to 20 years of age. There were over 200 entries on the day.

Tyson placed first in the Cha Cha and the Evening three step as well as picking up a 3rd place with his partner. Tyson also danced up to the next age group and made each final placing 5th. Well done Tyson.



ICT NEWS ~ Miss Michelle Hill

Our Term 3 Class newsletters are now live on the blogs. Click on the relevant link below (and enter the password when requested).

Foundation: www.stfinbarsfoundation.edublogs.org
Year one: www.funinyearone.edublogs.org
Year 2: www.stfinbarsyear2.edublogs.org
Year 3: www.year3mandms.edublogs.org
Year 4: www.stfinbarsyear4.edublogs.org
Years 5&6: www.stfinbarsyear56.edublogs.org

It is great to see so many students and parents writing comments on the various posts. Please keep the comments coming!!



Feel free to have a look at other year level's blogs as well to see what is going on in other year levels of the school. The password is the same for all blogs. Email me at mhill@sfbrightoneast.catholic.edu.au if you have any difficulties accessing the blog and I can give you a few tips to help.

LIBRARY NEWS ~ Mrs Liz Drinan

LIBRARY HELP REQUIRED!

We have a number of new kits for Literacy that contain lots of bit and pieces! If anyone is available on Wednesday 29th August (9am-11am or before pick up in the afternoon) we would appreciate your assistance with covering and the setting up of these kits. Because of all the bits they are unsuitable to be taken home and covered. (We still have plenty of other new books for take home covering, just pop in and ask or email: ldrinan@sfbrightoneast.catholic.edu.au

HELP WANTED

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE NEWS

Bookings/Cancellations/Adjustments

Please call **9592 0994** directly. (The mobile is not to be used as the service is trying to "funnel" all adjustments to the daily attendance through to the OSHC phone)



Programming- Responsiveness

Children develop social and emotional skills through their relationships with their parents and caregivers. Children who experience warm, responsive and trusting relationships are better able to manage their feelings and cope with the ups and downs of life. (Kids Matter; Growing together in relationships).

Warm, responsive and trusting relationships are built from many positive interactions over time. These occur when the caregiver is 'in tune' with the child's signals and needs, and responds in a warm and positive way: for example, *The Guide to the National Quality Standard* (page 119) reminds us that supportive relationships with educators and staff members allow children to:

- develop confidence in their ability to express themselves
- work through differences
- learn new things and take calculated risks.

Educators can build nurturing relationships that support children to feel valued as competent and capable individuals by:

- actively engaging in their learning
- sharing decision-making with them
- using their everyday interactions during play, routines and ongoing projects to stimulate their thinking and to enrich their learning
- providing opportunities for children to express their thoughts and feelings
- supporting children as they begin to empathise with others, to appreciate their connectedness and interdependence as learners and to value collaboration and teamwork.

Being 'in tune' means that caregivers are able to understand the meaning behind a child's behaviour. Over time the child can trust that their needs will be heard and met by their responsive caregiver. However, it is not always possible to be 'in tune' with children one hundred per cent of the time, especially when faced with competing demands in the environment. What matters is that as caregivers we are warm and responsive in interactions with children and are able to help children manage their feelings by being calm and in control all of the time.

Our responsive staff:



On the flip side, responsiveness is also expected from children. Staff call this being **mutually supportive and developing reciprocal relationships with children**. During the term staff will intentionally **Model** (teaching by showing) **Shape** (teaching by approximations) **Instruct** (teaching by telling) and **Teach step-by-step**, children about being responsive; that is how quickly and well they should react to something; Through watching and listening to us, they learn what to do and how to do it especially when receiving instructions. Educators will provide consistent opportunities for children to develop responsive communication skills, interpersonal skills, confidence and a positive sense of self in an environment that respects diversity, is safe and supportive and where children have a strong sense of belonging.

School Closure Day Friday 7/8/2015

We are now taking bookings for the upcoming school closure day Friday 7/8/2015. The planned experiences are yet to be confirmed however the day will be full of child driven interests and entertainment along with a chance to play all day with friends. Activities whilst planned are flexible with consideration for active and passive time and seasonal changes. We aim to provide opportunities for children to relax as well as continue their learning journey through varied and interesting interactions with each other and community partners. We open from 8-6 with BYO lunch and snacks. Cost: \$38 per day with CCB and 50% rebate applicable to the families who register with the Department of Human Services. Call 13 61 50. **For bookings please call 9592 0994. Hope to see you there.**

PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS:

2015 Open Days – Term 2

Tuesday 28th July, 11th & 25th August and 8th September ~ 9am – 9.30am

Reminder – order forms are available from the office or they can be downloaded via the school website. Orders can be left at the office and will be filled and returned to your eldest child's classroom.



HEALTHY HUT TUCK SHOP:

DON'T FORGET TO USE THE BRAND NEW MENU WHEN ORDERING LUNCHES.

The Healthy Hut is open every:

MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY

To assist in the running of the tuck shop please provide correct money in lunch orders.

Any change over \$1 is to be collected by students at the tuck shop.

Menu Link:

<http://www.sfbrightoneast.catholic.edu.au/uploads/ckpg/files/newsletter/Newsletter%202015/HealthyHutMenu2015.pdf>

ST FINBAR'S TRIVIA NIGHT ~ SATURDAY 15th AUGUST

The St Finbar's Trivia night (Saturday 15th August 2015) is fast approaching, less than **3 weeks away!** Get those cogs turning and your dancing shoes on! This will be a special night, bringing St Finbar's parents together to share in many laughs, all with the aim to raise important funds for additional interactive white boards to be used in the classrooms.

The **Trivia Night invitation** is coming home tonight.

Please remember to send in your hamper donations to your child's classroom by Monday 10th August.

Classroom Hampers link:

<http://www.sfbrightoneast.catholic.edu.au/uploads/ckpg/files/newsletter/Newsletter%202015/Classroom%20Hampers%202015.pdf>

Donations of products and services will be used on the night as follows:

- Given away as major and minor prizes
- Made up into hampers
- Up for auction and sale to the lucky winning bidders

All donors and sponsors will be listed in our event program and will receive additional exposure via our community advertisements in our newsletter. We are also offering sponsorship packages, which we will be happy to discuss with any interested parties.

If you or someone you know is able to make a donation for our Trivia night, please contact Andrea Healey andrea.healey@outlook.com Thank you – Trivia night Committee

PARISH NEWS

25-26 July	Altar Servers/Helpers	Readers
6pm		J McInerney
Counters	T Conheady, M Galvin & T Kelly	
9.00am		I Jones & L O'Reilly
11am	Lily, Eden, Georgia & Dominique	M Howse
5pm		Volunteer needed

Congratulations Father Malcolm 50 Years Service as a Priest

1965 – 2015

Our prayers are with you and the Ordination Class of 1965 as we
celebrate your wonderful contribution to the Priesthood.

You are a gift to us from God.

Would you like be involved in a fun, hands on event?

A joint initiative of the Brighton churches, 'Bethlehem in Brighton', will be held on Saturday 5th December this year from 10am -1pm. Conveners for the following areas are required for this event:

- Drama – someone to organise a team of budding thespians, with a talent for telling the story of the Birth of Jesus.
- People to fill the various acting roles (no experience necessary)
- Advertising & Publicity – for those with ideas about promoting the event.
- Prayer Tree – to assist children to write their personal prayer on a star and place on the prayer tree.
- Music – live music brings people together.
- Assistant Secretary: This position is to assist the Secretary with taking minutes at Committee Meetings (4 meetings per year), assist with correspondence and other small tasks as required.

The next Committee meeting for this event will be held at St Andrews on Tuesday 7th July at 10am. We would love to have all churches in the Brighton area represented at this meeting. We would love some members of St Finbar's Parish to be involved in this event. If you would like to know more please contact Helen Rogers on 0437 856 436 or Wendy Adams 0412 251 088 or wendy.adams1@optusnet.com.au

COMMUNITY NEWS



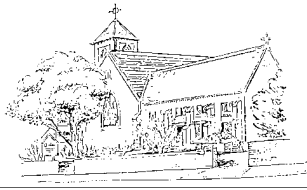
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TERM 3 COLLEGE TOURS
Friday 31st July, 21st & 28th Aug, 4th & 11th Sept
9.00am - 10.30am. Bookings essential.
Call 9575 8100 to book a tour.

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St Finbar's Catholic Parish

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1300 305 330
Mr Pat Berlingeri
9592 4479

Mass Times

Saturday 6pm Vigil
Sunday 9am & 11am
Weekdays Mon at 8.15am, Tues to Sat at 9.05am
Reconciliation After 9.05am Mass on Saturday
Baptisms Most Sundays following 11am Mass
Contact the Parish Office

Parish Roster 4-5 July 14 th Sun Ord Year B	6.00pm	9.00am	11.00am	5.00pm
Lectors	Julie McInerney	Ian Jones / Lorraine O'Reilly	Margaret Howse / Fr Malcolm's Jubilee Mass	Volunteers needed
Special Ministers	Joy Conheady	Sherrill Hansen / John Mason	Jenny Reiche / Gavan O'Donnell	VOLUNTEERS
Altar Servers			Eden	
Children's Liturgy				
Data Projector	Tony Conheady	Dials	choir	Volunteer
Counters	T Conheady, M Galvin & T Kelly			
Readings	<i>First Reading: Jeremiah 31: 31-34</i> <i>Psalm: Ps 50: 3-4, 12-15 "Create a clean heart in me, O God"</i> <i>Second Reading: Hebrews 5: 7-9</i> <i>Gospel: John: 12: 20-33</i>			

26 July 2015

Gratitude for the Priesthood

This week's Jubilee highlights God's gift to us of the Priesthood. In the time of Moses and Aaron -the Old Testament – the Priesthood began as God's intermediary in worship. This was advanced with the Levites organising Priestly worship, and then surpassed with Christ the Eternal High Priest, who was the sacrifice and the victim, and through the resurrection enabled us to have the opportunity of eternal life. Jesus began his ministry with the calling of his disciples, who were chosen to be the New Priesthood, who would Baptise, Confirm, Anoint, Forgive and above all, preside at the new Last Supper - the Eucharist. This enables us, living two thousand years after Christ, to be Baptised, Confirmed..... and be fed at the Eucharist. This weekend we thank God for this extraordinary gift of Holy Orders that continues on the ministry of Christ, and pray for all those called to serve in this special ministry, that they do so less unworthily. *Fr Malcolm Crawford*

Father Malcolm Crawford

Today we celebrate together Father Malcolm's 50 years of priestly service.

Father Malcolm, by way of the Holy Spirit, is God's gift to us!
God blessed you with reverence and wisdom, not for you, but always for others.
In your journey from ordination until now, we give thanks for your commitment to Christ and to the many parishes and people you have served.

You are indeed Christ's messenger and he delights in you.

For those here today and those not with us, bless you Father Malcolm on this joyful occasion of your Golden Jubilee.

Recent Deaths: John Cameron, Kevin Tyrell, Geoff Field and Gerald Andree

Anniversaries about this time: William Gleeson, Ben Haig, Manny Guinto, Lily O'Hara, Isabelle Hanna and Amin Sadek.

Please pray for the sick: Brinal D'Silva, Liam Evans, Josie Spinella, Mary Barberi, Kath Dyer, Denise Fitzsimmons, Louise Davis, Kathleen Chiosso, Judy Burke, Cody Fisher, Joan D'Cruz, Kerrin White, Sheridan Veith, Adrienne O'Meara, Jim Russell, Elizabeth Breen, Michael Moroney, Delores Grant, Lisa Tonna, Maurie Beaumont, Geraldine Farrell, Kathleen O'Brien, Tracey Harris, Michaela Burge, Tegan Whittle, Carmel Currie, Paul McManus, Wendy Glennister, Sandra Charles, Fr Paudie Moloughney, Jane Boyd, Patricia Cawte, Angela Portelli, Barry Watson, Annalisa Ziino, Joy Richter, Ian Williams, Margot Rawson, Olive Mabag, John Watts, Odessa Prosser, Craig Tonini, Logan Tonini, Jill McKern, Jennifer Spencer, Anthony Mason, Nick Byrne, Tony Venier and Chris Hayes.

Some of their names will be read out each week in the Prayers of the Faithful.

Parish News

Thank you to all our Parish Catechists and their coordinator who prepared the young people for the Sacrament of Confirmation and let us continue to pray for the newly Confirmed.

Reunion Mass The students of Year 6 in 2014 and their families are invited to attend a reunion Mass at 5pm on Sunday 16th August 2015 (postponed from 19 July), followed by Pizza in the Marian Room. Please RSVP to the parish office by Thursday 13 July for catering purposes.

Tuesday 28th July at 11.45am We will have an additional Mass, concelebrated by the 1965 Ordination Class.

Zimbabwe Raffle We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for the support we received from the East Brighton Parish community with our raffle. Below are the winners. 1st Prize - MacBook laptop - Ticket 527 - S. James - Caulfield; 2nd Prize - iPad Air - Ticket 1789 - Tania Vandergert - St Peter's East Bentleigh; 3rd Prize - iPad Mini - Ticket 796 - Zam Zam Nakande - Melbourne; 4th Prize - Apple TV - Ticket 1942 - Chitambo - South Morang; 5th Prize - Apple TV - Ticket 1712 - Ace Albalade - Creswick; We managed to raise \$1,212 from your parish community and overall we raised just over \$7,500 from the raffle ticket sales, we praise the Lord.

Entrance Antiphon

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

Communion Antiphon

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

Parish Calendar:

26 July: 11am Jubilee Mass for Fr Malcolm and Parish Luncheon
13 August: 7.30pm Information Night for Fr Malcolm's tour to Greece and Turkey in March 2016)
16 August: 5pm Reunion Mass for "Year 6 Class of 2014" (postponed from 19 July)

Recycle your old spectacles to help others see.

Kiwanis have placed a box in our foyer to collect USED SPECTACLES. Your pre-loved glasses will be delivered to an aid agency where they will be sorted, graded, packaged and sent to developing countries. Eye care professionals will then distribute them to children and adults with visual impairment. Children and adult glasses, in good condition, of all shapes and sizes are needed.

BRIGHTON THEATRE COMPANY Charity THEATER NIGHT in aid of Violence Free Families, a Rotary Club of Brighton's initiative, involving the Rotary Clubs of Brighton, Brighton North, and Brighton Beach, supported by The Kiwanis Club of Brighton. Play: a drama titled TIME STANDS STILL. Date: Wednesday 19th August 2015 evening. Venue: The Bayside Arts & Cultural Centre (at Old Brighton Town Hall) Cnr. Carpenter & Wilson Streets, Brighton. Cost: \$30 per ticket, which includes Sherries on arrival at 7.30pm, Interval Refreshments, and Supper: Nibbles and Wine after the Show. Curtain Up: 8pm sharp. Contacts for tickets: Beni on 9596 4815 from Kiwanis Brighton Club, or Brighton Rotarian Roger Fairlam at: fairrog@hotmail.com. PLEASE BOOK AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

SOLO CATHOLICS WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Solo Catholics is a social group which has been going for 45 years and welcomes anyone interested who is in the age range of 45 to 70.

Join us for dinners or outings and get to know other Solo Catholics in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

Contact: Barbara on 5995 8410

MARY MACKILLOP CENTRE OPEN DAY

Saturday 8 August, 10am-4pm. Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre, 362 Albert Street, East Melbourne. Join the Sisters of St Joseph as we celebrate the 125th anniversary of our Victorian foundation. Afternoon tea will be served in the delightful surrounds of the Heritage Centre between 1pm and 3pm on Saturday 8 August, the feast day of Saint Mary MacKillop. Our OPEN DAY commences at 10am and concludes at 4pm. Pray in the Chapel, take a tour of the Museum, visit the gift shop, and enjoy afternoon tea. All welcome.



Parish Contacts

Please feel free to contact any of these people if you would like to become more involved in Parish Life.

Rosters for Lectors, Collectors and Special Ministers at Mass

Paul Dungan 9592 2463

Counting Roster

New Volunteers please call Tony Grant 9596 4577

Children's Liturgy

Parish Office 9593 2122

Altar Serving

Parish Office 9593 2122

Church Flowers and Linen

Rita Maguire 9592 4159

Church Decoration

Jim Sinclair 9598 9541

Senior's Group Sue Sharpy 9592 7229

and Joan Hamilton 9592 2498

Music Joy Conheady 9596 2643

Lent/Advent Prayer Groups

Parish Office 9593 2122

Sacramental Enquiries

(Reconciliation, Eucharist, Confirmation)
Parish Office 9593 2122

Chair of Parish Pastoral Group

Tony Grant 9596 4577

St Vincent de Paul

Members/Volunteers: Philip McInerney: 0423 109 506
Assistance Hotline: 1300 305 330
(Mon to Fri 10am - 3pm)

Tennis Club

www.stfinbarstennisclubbrightoneast.com

Netball Club

www.stfinbarsnetballclub.com.au

Next Parish Pastoral Group meeting:
30 July 2015

Children's Liturgy dates for Term 3:
Postponed until Term 4.