

# St. Mary's School, Altona

## Newsletter 2019

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Dear Parents

It's only 5 weeks to our ANNUAL ARTS SPECTACULAR on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December. The children have all been working hard towards their class performance for the concert "THE STAR SPECTACULAR" which commences at 6.00 pm. This year we will be reporting on the latest news of the events happening in Bethlehem where a special star has appeared in the night sky.

I would like to congratulate, Bella M 5/6T, Ava D 5/6H, Rachel C 5/6 C and Eliza P 5/6T who successfully auditioned with a large number of other students and won the roles of the reporters for the concert.

If you are unable to attend the evening could you please email your child's teacher ASAP as final preparations are being made for each class performance.

Following the concert you will be able to view all of the outstanding art work produced by your children displayed throughout the TRI Centre, both upstairs and downstairs.

**THE EXCITEMENT IS BEGINNING!**

The Parents & Friends have generously agreed to again organise a BBQ and drinks.

Please look out for requests for assistance as the more involved the lesser the workload. More details will follow in the coming weeks.

### SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY:

A reminder that Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November is a SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY. There is NO SCHOOL for the children.

**MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY - Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November.**

### SCHOOL SPORTS DAY:

Our School Sports are to be held on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November** at the Altona Little Athletics Track in Sugar Gum Drive. The children will leave school at approximately 9.00 am. to walk to the track. If you are able to walk with your child's class please contact your child's teacher.

Events will begin at approximately 9.20 am. with a welcome and will continue throughout the day, concluding with the chant / song competition and the presentation of the school sports shield to the winning house.

The children will walk back to school at approximately 2.30 pm.

For more specific details please check your CareMonkey notice.

### SCHOOL DISCO

Our School Disco is coming up on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November.

**Tickets can be purchased for \$6 via this [link](#).** Junior Disco: 5.30pm - 6.45pm Senior Disco: 7pm - 9pm  
Glow wear can be purchased on the night and there will be some **fabulous prizes to win** – e.g Clip & Climb vouchers and Wincity Vouchers. Song requests can be made at the office.

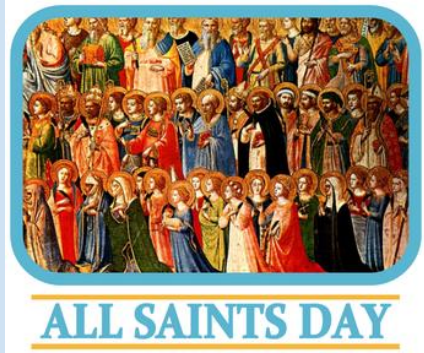
**I Hope You All Enjoy The Long Weekend. School resumes Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November.**

David Kelly  
Principal

## EDUCATION IN FAITH

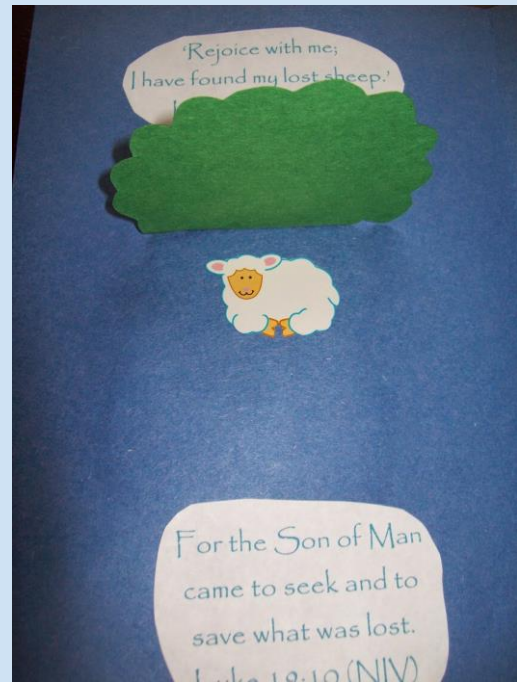
### Prayer for All Saint's Day

God of all  
that is  
good,  
We ask the  
help of  
those men  
and  
women



who have struggled and stood  
firm, Who loved one another.  
Who worked for justice and peace,  
Who healed the sick and fed the  
hungry and who followed your  
Word.  
Make us and all those we love  
worthy to be called your saints.  
We ask this through your loving  
Son, Jesus Christ.  
Amen

### This weekend's Gospel



#### **Luke 19: 1-10**

*The Son of Man came to seek and to find that which was lost.*

### Special Dates

**2 Nov** Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

**3-9 Nov** National Vocation Awareness Week

**4 Nov** Memorial of St Charles Borromeo

**5 Nov** Melbourne Cup Day

**9 Nov** Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

**11 Nov** Remembrance Day

**11 Nov** Memorial of St Martin of Tours

**12 Nov** Memorial of St Josaphat

**Mon 25th Nov** Prayer Assembly (5/6C for Advent Wk 1)

**Fri 22 Nov** 3/4 Level Mass

**Fri 29 Nov** 1/2D & 1/2T Mass

### Weekly Class Masses

We look forward to Friday the 22nd of November when all of the Year 3/4 classes will lead the celebration of the Mass at 9:15 am.



We then look forward to Monday the 25th of November when 5/6C will lead the prayer assembly in commemoration of the First Sunday of Advent at 2:20 pm.

Following this, on Friday the 29th of November 1/2T and 1/2D will lead the celebration of the Mass at 9:15 am.

We welcome you warmly to these events and would love to see you there.



*"Have good courage for God is so very good to us all." (1870)*

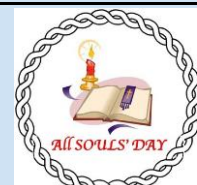
### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

\* All members of our community who are sick or in need of our prayerful support.



### **November 2 is the Commemoration of All Souls.**

On this day, we pray that all those who have died — our loved ones, and also those people around the world who we will never meet — through the mercy of God, will rest in peace. ... And pray for their joyful reunion with you, their loving creator. Amen





### **Walkathon Money Reminder:**

Walkathon sponsorship money needs to be returned to school no later than **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November** via the classrooms. There will be a Special Assembly on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 2.30 pm when the prizes will be drawn.



Congratulations to Zara, Summer and Chloe, our October Aussie of the Month students. Go to our school website (NEWS: Aussie of the Month) or check on FB to see their smiling faces and to read about why they are so wonderful.

### **TUCKSHOP HELPERS – Week Beginning 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2019**

Friday: **Paula Luppino**  
 Manager: Amy Xu Tel: 9315 0799



### **EMMANUEL COLLEGE NEWS:**

Best wishes to our Year 9s as they embark on their Outdoor Education and Life to the Full Camps this week, to our Year 12s as they commence their final exams and to our Year 11s and 10s as they approach their final week of revision for their upcoming exams.



### ***PRINCIPALS AWARDS WEEK BEGINNING 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2019***

PREP D	Lani G for her great attempts at long vowel sounds in her writing Ryder G for his great efforts in his Reading group
PREP L	Roman M for working hard to include more detail in his writing Sienna B for being a good listener during discussions
YEAR 1/2D	Louis N for writing an excellent and descriptive haiku poem Ethan L for your ongoing and outstanding commitment to your learning
YEAR 1/2G	Isabella S for settling in well at St Mary's Silas H for sharing his knowledge and ideas during class discussions
YEAR 1/2S	Anya A for showing confidence and having a go at all tasks Denise T for being such a great classroom helper
YEAR 1/2T	Ezekiel C for his super-duper effort with his Rhyming writing Tina N for her attention to detail when practising her handwriting
YEAR 3/4HT	Nathan T for his enthusiastic story writing Xavier H for his improved effort during maths
YEAR 3/4K	Elisha S for putting in a great effort during all learning tasks Jackson B for his focused effort during maths
YEAR 3/4M	Zali H for her quiet dedication and mature approach to her learning Thomas H for his great efforts with Writers' Notebook
YEAR 5/6C	Lila B for her excellent attitude and attention to detail applied to all tasks Thomas P for his responsible attitude to all his learning, especially in Maths
YEAR 5/6H	Ava D for her independent approach to learning and excellent attitude Mai N for her dedication to learning and her friendly manner in the classroom
YEAR 5/6T	Gabriel A for pushing herself to try new experiences Noah L for always using his manners and speaking respectfully to teachers and staff





## What's on in November, 2019

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### 7th November

#### Let's Be Crafty

10 am till Midday

A mixture of teaching new skills and BYO craft

Donations welcome

### 9th November

#### Earth Rituals—Carmel Cramer rsj and Margie Abbott, rsm

1 pm to 3 pm

Earth rituals and prayers help us to celebrate the interconnectedness of all that is. A ritual is created out of participants' reflections, ideas, thoughts, actions and poetry.

BYO lunch to share.

Donations welcome

### 14th November

#### Mary of Magdela - Therese Quinn rsj.

7.30 to 8.30 pm

(Year C—Year of Luke) Lectio Divina prayer, praying the scriptures contemplatively as living word for us all today will be held on Thursdays from 7.30—8.30 p.m..

Cost **Free**

All Welcome.

Artist: Rien Poortvliet

### 20th November

#### Ecology—Focused Shift in Consciousness.—Carmel Cramer, rsj.

7.30 to 8.30 pm

What do we mean by the New Cosmology?

We invite your participation in conversation, discovery and awakening as we look at the new world view of our times using up to date YouTube clips, readings and other stimulus material.

Cost **Free**



**What is God Asking of Us in Australia at this time. What Moves Us?**

**A local response by local artists**

20th November.

**Art exhibition - Wednesday 20th November**

**Thursday 21st November**

21st November

**Local artists will speak of their art pieces at 1.30 pm to 3 pm and 7.30 pm to 9 pm.**

1.30 p.m and

Repeated at

7.30 p.m

RSVP 2 days prior to any session would be appreciated