



Holy Cross Community News

Term 4
Week 1
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“Learning Together “



THE CREATIVE ARTS 2017

CHRISTMAS expo
Thursday 30th November

Parents are invited to attend an evening of entertainment, presented by all Holy Cross students. Whether through music, dance or drama, grades are responding to the theme of “*The Christmas Story*”.
Details to follow

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Within the seven Sacraments we see different visible signs of God’s love. Within Reconciliation we find God’s uncompromising mercy and compassion, calling us back to Him. In Reconciliation we are challenged to reflect on how we sometimes stray from a life that is giving and loving and how we can, with God’s help, build bridges again with others as well as with God. As much as we seek forgiveness, we also must be people who forgive others and acknowledge that all people at times have moments where they make mistakes.

This weekend enrolments will be taken for this year’s Sacramental Reconciliation Program for children in Year 3 or higher and who have been Baptised. Completed forms must be returned in a sealed envelope at any of the Enrolment Ritual Masses:

Saturday 21st October – 6pm, Sunday 22nd October – 9am, 10.30am and 6pm. Enrolments forms were distributed at the end of last term and are also available on the parish website <http://john23rd.com>.

The Parents’ Information night will be on Wednesday 25th October, 7.30pm at the Church. If you have any questions, please contact Jill on 9852 0583 or at admin@john23rd.org.au.



St John XXIII Parish Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm
Sunday Masses
7.30am, 9.00am, 10.30am &
6.00pm
Morning Masses
Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri and Sat
at 9.00am

Friday Morning Prayer

This week our Year 5 students will be leading us in Friday Morning Prayer.

Parish Mass in the Library

There will be no Parish Mass this week.

October the Month of the Rosary



October is a month particularly devoted to The Rosary. The Rosary is one of the most cherished prayers of Christian faith and has been prayed for hundreds of years. At its heart is a series of meditations on aspects, or mysteries, of the life of Jesus Christ and Mary his mother. The Joyful Mysteries reflect on the early infancy and childhood of Jesus. The Luminous Mysteries (or Mysteries of Light) follow events of Jesus’ Ministry and Teachings. The Sorrowful Mysteries reflect on Jesus’ suffering during the Passion. The Glorious Mysteries celebrate the events surrounding and following Christ’s triumphant Resurrection. October presents itself as an opportunity to focus on Mary in any family prayer. You could share the Hail Mary before meals or even a decade of the Rosary once a week. Taking a little prayer time yourself individually during October could be a wonderful way to embrace the month and seek a little refocusing.

Feast Day of St John 23rd Wednesday 11th October



Who is Pope Saint John 23rd?

The Good Pope

Angelo was one of thirteen children in a poor family from Sotto il Monte (meaning “under the mountain”), a small town in northern Italy. Very good-natured and quite intelligent, Angelo was drawn to the priesthood at an early age.

When he was elected Pope in 1958 at the age of 76, most people felt that he would be an interim Pope, simply filling the position for a few years until his death, not causing many waves in the church.

However, Pope John XXIII shocked the world by calling for an ecumenical council, which was eventually known as the second Vatican Council. It was John’s wish that the church offer a message of hope and direction to the world. He also felt the Catholic Church needed to review itself and be “updated” in areas of liturgy, inter-church activity, the role of the laity, and more.

The council began 11 October 1962, with bishops from throughout the world in attendance. They would convene in Rome for four consecutive years, each fall for several months. It was an incredible undertaking. Sadly, Pope John XXIII only saw the first of the sessions. He died on 3 June 1963.

Pope John XXIII was canonised by Pope Francis on 27 April 2014.

Taken from <http://john23rd.com/our-parish/pope-st-john-xxiii/>

-----DAILY DECALOGUE-----

By Pope John XXIII

Only for today:

- I will seek to live the livelong day positively without wishing to solve the problems of my life all at once.
- I will take the greatest care of my appearance: I will dress modestly; I will not raise my voice; I will be courteous in my behaviour; I will not criticise anyone; I will not claim to improve or to discipline anyone except myself.
- I will be happy in the certainty that I was created to be happy, not only in the other world but also in this one.
- I will adapt to circumstances, without requiring all circumstances to be adapted to my own wishes.
- I will devote 10 minutes of my time to good reading, remembering that just as food is necessary to the life of the body, so good reading is necessary to the life of the soul.
- I will do one good deed and not tell anyone about it.
- I will do at least one thing I do not like doing; and if my feelings are hurt, I will make sure that no one notices.
- I will make a plan for myself; I may not follow it to the letter, but I will make it. And I will be on guard against two evils: hastiness and indecision.
- I will firmly believe, despite appearances, that the good Providence of God cares for me as no one else who exists in this world.



WHAT'S IN THE BOX?

On Monday morning the teachers and students arrived at school, bright and early. We were all looking forward to another day of learning. Some literacy time, some maths and religion. Maybe even a little bit of Science and Technology to end the day. Walking down to our classrooms, however, we heard something we'd never heard before. It sounded like some sort of...no...it couldn't be. We were in Glenwood, not the jungles of South America!

As we walked down the path, the sound became louder - hooting,

grunting - we couldn't deny that something very strange was going on.

We set out to explore the school and found that the situation only became stranger, the further we went. Four big wooden crates - each more mysterious than the last. The only thing they had in common was a big label on the side, asking for the crates to be delivered to Holy Cross Primary School, Glenwood. Who had sent them? Where did they come from? What could possibly be inside? And...what would happen if we opened them?

Sometimes the only way to make sense of something so confusing is to write it down. So that's what we are **inviting you** to do. Please come and join us in the library this **Friday** to share your thoughts and discover for yourself what mysterious things are happening at Holy Cross.

Library Visiting Times:

Friday 13th October - 8:30am to 9:00am

Friday 13th October - 3:00pm to 3:30pm



We can't wait for you to share your writing with us!

Congratulations

Congratulations! We have raised over our target of \$6000 for our Skill-a-thon.
This Friday we will hold our

CRAZY HAT DAY



Wear a silly hat to school, **no** coloured hair.

Please remember to continue to bring in your Skill-a-thon Sponsorship money as our next incentive is a Mufti Day.

Happy Birthday to the following students who celebrated their birthdays recently

Amjad Mousa, Cassidy Bell, Tala Magpantay, Matilda Trofa, Olivia Fedele, Stefan Fernando, Chloe Howley, Jamie Chin, Lily Meredith, Shanaya Lakhani, Cartiah Moffatt, Noah Christou, Noah Reeding, Christopher Morgan, Dion Kitsos, Chloe Wearing, Maleah Peel & Jasmine Ratcliffe

DANCE FEVER

This term all students will participate in the Dance Fever program for dance. This is a part of the children's PDHPE learning.

Children will need to wear their full Sports Uniforms on the following days.

Please find below Sports Days for Term 4:

Kindergarten- Monday and Friday

Year 1 - Monday and Wednesday

Year 2 - Monday and Friday

Year 3 - Monday and Friday

Year 4 - Monday and Thursday

Year 5 - Monday and Wednesday

Year 6 - Monday and Thursday

PARENT TERM 4 OVERVIEW – 2017

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	SUN
1 OCT	9 th Dance Fever commences	10 th	11 th	12 th	13 th Friday Morning Prayer year 5	14 th	15 th
2 OCT	16 th	17 th	18 th Wednesday Morning Mass Kindergarten Year 5 PD Night	19 th	20 th Friday Morning Prayer Year 4 Mufti Day	21 st	22 nd
3 OCT	23 rd Kinder Transition	24 th Kinder Transition	25 th Wednesday Morning Mass Year 1	26 th	27 th Friday Morning Prayer Year 3	28 th	29 th
4 NOV	30 th Kinder Transition	31 st Kinder Transition	1 st Nov Wednesday Morning Mass Year 2	2 nd	3 rd Friday Morning Prayer Year 2	4 th	5 th
5 NOV	6 th Reconciliation	7 th	8 th Wednesday Morning Mass Year 3 Reconciliation	9 th Reconciliation	10 th Friday Morning Prayer Year 1 Reconciliation	11 th	12 th
6 NOV	13 th	14 th	15 th Wednesday Morning Mass Year 6 Reflection Day Year 6	16 th	17 th Friday Morning Prayer Kindy	18 th	19 th
7 NOV	20 th	21 st	22 nd Wednesday Morning Mass Year 3 Kinder 2018 Orientation	23 rd	24 th Friday Morning Prayer Year 6 Advent	25 th	26 th
8 NOV	27 th	28 th	29 th Wednesday Morning Mass Year 5	30 th Christmas Concert	1 st Friday Morning Prayer Year 5 Advent	2 nd	3 rd
9 DEC	4 th	5 th	6 th End of Year School Mass Whole School	7 th Swimming Carnival Trials	8 th Friday Morning Prayer Year 4 Advent	9 th	10 th
10 DEC	11 th Dance Fever K-2 Creative Arts	12 th	13 th NO MORNING MASS Year 6 Graduation Mass @ 7pm	14 th	15 th Friday Morning Prayer iHelp Advent Last day for students	16 th	17 th