NEWSLETTER

From the Principal’s Desk:

Sad News
The St Mary’s Parish Community were all very sad to hear of the death of Frank Lawless (Maureen McDonald’s father). We extend our sympathy to Maureen and her family.

School and Parish Links: Sunday Masses
Yesterday we celebrated the first Sunday Parish Mass for children within the school. The aim is to create opportunities for St Mary’s School students and their families to participate further in the life of the Parish. Thank you to the Year Prep -2 teachers, children and parents who participated in the 5:30pm Mass. The remaining Masses for the end of the year will be Sunday 27th October at 5:30pm which the Year 3s and 4s will be sponsoring and the Christmas Eve Mass at 7:30pm which the Year 5s and 6s will be sponsoring.

Footy Day
Today we celebrated Footy Day. The children were excited to meet our two guests, Gary Ablett Jnr and Leila Gurrawiwi. Thank you to Liam Pickering who organised Gary’s visit to the school and Gael Wilson from Port Phillip Citizens for Reconciliation, who organised Leila’s visit and to Ben Fahey and Chris Todd who organised the smooth operation of the day. The children certainly had an enjoyable day.

Art Auction
Last Friday 13th September we held an Art Auction at the Grosvenor Hotel. Thank you to Therese John who created the idea and the teachers who worked very hard with the children in creating the masterpieces. Thank you also to the Louise Dewar and her helpers for organising the function at the Grosvenor Hotel. The generosity of a lot of parents on the night was amazing. The money raised for the Art pieces will go into each class for the benefit of the children.
Casual Dress Day
This Friday 20\textsuperscript{th} September will be a Casual Dress Day. The cost for wearing casual dress will be a gold coin donation. All proceeds will go to the Year 6 Graduation.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on Students with Disability
St Mary's has been selected to participate in the 2013 Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on Students with Disability (Data Collection). This National Data Collection is taking place in schools across Australia and will provide information about the number of students with disability in schools, where they are located and the adjustments they receive. The information provided by this new data collection will enable all Australian governments to better target support and resources. This will assist students with disability in government and non-government schools across Australia to complete school and go on to further education or find employment. Inclusion in the Data Collection is voluntary. If you wish your child to be excluded from this you can choose to opt-out of the data collection by informing us in writing. For further information about the data collection, please contact me or visit the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development website http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/health/Pages/datacollection.aspx

I wish you an enjoyable and relaxing holiday.
Gerard Lewis - Principal

PUPIL FREE DAY
MONDAY 4\textsuperscript{TH} NOVEMBER
No school for students

PARENT SCHOOL SURVEYS
Thank you to the parents who completed and returned their School Surveys.

SCHOOL FEES
A reminder that all school fees must be finalised as soon as possible. If you have any concerns please don’t hesitate to contact Erica in the office.

SUMMER UNIFORM
Summer Uniform is to be worn in Term 4. As we are a Sunsmart School – HATS are compulsory next Term. Only the school hat is to be worn. The Hat can be purchased at Primary School Wear in Cheltenham or online.

LOST PROPERTY
Please go through the basket to see if any of your child’s missing items of clothing are there.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS
Forms can be collected at the office foyer.

END OF TERM 3
The children finish at 1.00pm this Friday for the Term 3 break and return on Monday, 7\textsuperscript{th} October, aftercare is available until 6:00pm on Friday.

RE NEWS – PRAYER AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
We will be gathering on the last day of school to celebrate another wonderful Term at St Mary’s. Please come along to 9.15am Parish Mass on Friday 20\textsuperscript{th} September. It would be lovely to see you all there.

If any parent is a florist and would be able to donate a small flower arrangement for the Parish Feast day, could they please come and speak to me.

Claire O'Dowd - Religious Education Leader

LIBRARY NEWS
Library Helpers
Thanks to our book coverers who keep coming and taking books to cover. You are a wonderful support to the school. More helpers wanted. If you have time at 9am or 3pm to come into the library I would love to see you. Lots of work to be done!

Premier's Reading Challenge
I am completing all reading lists this week. All children who have not finished the challenge will be deleted as all results need to be in by September the 6th.

Anna Borella (Librarian)
STUDENT WELLBEING

Seasons Program
The first group of children involved in The Seasons Program will begin in week one of Term Four. There will be three groups and they will be led by three companions Ms Paula Incretolli (Junior group), Therese John (Middle group) and Simon Raines (Senior group). The program will operate for ten sessions. This program works with children who are coping with Grief and Loss.

ART Auction
Thank you to everyone who came on Friday Night to The Grosvenor Hotel. It was a fun night. I’m sure the new owners of the art pieces made their children very happy. We raised over $6200.

Games/Lego
Many children are asking to play quiet games during recess/lunch. If you have any games that you no longer want, please send them along to school. They can be left at the office. Therese John – Student Wellbeing Leader

St Mary’s Cake Stall - Hosted by Year 2

When: Thursday 19th September 2013
Time: 3.00pm – 3.45pm
Where: In front of the new building (or if it’s raining in the parent’s room)

There will be lots of yummy goodies on offer so please come along and support our fundraiser.

ITALIAN DAY

Wednesday 23rd October

St Mary’s Community will celebrate the Italian language and culture through a variety of exciting activities.

The children are invited to create a costume with an Italian theme. They can dress as a gondoliere, sports player, Roman soldier, Swiss guard, gelato, pizza, Carnevale character, Baci chocolate, Formula One racing car driver, musician, monument, scientist, artist, Marco Polo, Pinocchio, Michelangelo, etc.

Awards will be given for the children’s creativity and initiative.

To begin the day, there will be some performances by specific year levels in the Berchmans Centre from 9.10 until 9.45am. Parents are invited to attend. Later, the children will watch and interact with the performance by the very talented and professional theatre group “Spectacular Spettacolo.” They will also engage in making a model of an Italian icon, play a game of Tombola and Scale e Serpenti, and partake in a game of soccer.

As a special treat, they will have the opportunity to savour a gelato, one of the fine delicacies of Italian cuisine. A note with more details and the order form will be sent home early Term 4.

Thank you for your support.
We look forward to a great day!

Signora Vozzo
Extend OSHC at St Mary’s - Primary School

Our Fortnightly recap
Over the past two weeks the children have been busy with all the usual activities, most popular being skipping games, netball, soccer, tiggy, building with blocks and stones, playing shops and polling booths(!!), card games, painting, dancing and simply chilling out after a busy school day. We have also been making a Welcome to St. Mary’s poster for Gilbert the Gecko, who will be visiting us next Tuesday afternoon. As the weather improves most of our time has been outside. Please remember to wear a hat to ASC in Term 4. Several children have also been doing their homework and making their Art Auction posters at After School Care. We wish you well in the auction next Friday.
Regards - Debbie, Janelle, Caitlyn & Bec.

Reminder Of The Booking & Cancellation Procedure
Bookings & Cancellations for the same day must be phoned directly to Head Office. Please contact us directly on 1300 366 437. All other bookings and cancellations can be made online at extend.com.au

Kids Club Competition
The winners have been announced! Thank you for all the amazing entries we received for our annual Kids Club Competition! The votes have been tallied and the winners have been announced. Please visit the Kids Club competition page on our website to see who won. Congratulations to the two winners and we hope you enjoy your prizes!

Early Release Session: 20 September
Please note After School Care WILL be available on the last day of term, Friday 20 September from 1.30pm. Book now for this Early Release session by contacting our office on 1300 366 437. This will be charged as a separate session to the regular After School Care session, so parents have the option to book their child(ren) in for the Early Release session ONLY, or both the Early Release session and regular After School Care session. If you would like to know what your out of pocket expense will be please contact our office.

ONLINE BOOKINGS: extend.com.au
CALL OUR OFFICE: 1300 366 437

PARENT SEMINAR

The Secrets of Happy, Creative, Confident and Competent Kids
On Monday 14th October we will be hosting the Catholic Education Office Melbourne (CEOM) Parent Seminar Series titled 'The Secrets of Happy, Creative, Confident and Competent Kids'. The presenter is Andrew Fuller a very engaging speaker, who has enormous expertise in this area. This evening is open to parents of both primary and secondary children.

Andrew will be talking about:
The genius in children often becomes hidden by a fear of making mistakes, anxieties, perfectionism or low motivation. Many bright children under perform and do poorly at school. Others do well at school but may not live up to expectations once they leave. Topics to support children to be confident will include:
- Building concentration and memory power
- Creative problem solving and ingenuity
- Planning and anticipation skills
- Sequencing and listening skills
- Increasing motivation and pleasure in learning
- Building self-esteem and dealing with set backs
- Developing a mindset for success

The cost of the evening will be $10. If you are wishing to attend the evening please complete the registration slip below and return to school office by Thursday 19th September.

(Return by Thursday 19th September, 2013)

PARENT SEMINAR
The Secrets of Happy, Creative, Confident and Competent Kids
Monday 14th October 2013 – Presenter Andrew Fuller

Student Name: ___________________________________________ Year Level:__________
Number of Attending:___________ ($10 per person) Total Encl:_____________
Parent/Guardian Attending:______________________________________________
Toorak Prahran Cricket Club

This email is issued by the Toorak Prahran Cricket Club Community Sports Program and provides an update on the following events within our Prahran community sports program:

A. Toorak Prahran Cricket Club sport camps – September school holidays – AFL, T20 Blast cricket and soccer 23 to 26 September
Looking for an activity for your children in the school holidays, click on the following link to find out about our AFL, T20 blast cricket and soccer camps:

B. Toorak Prahran Cricket Club – registrations are now open for 2013/14 season – teams are settled in September so please register now
To register a player (regardless whether you have previously played with TPCC before) to participate for the 2013/14 season, please register on the following link:

Our club provides cricket programs children 4 to 17 as well as for registrations for seniors: Initiatives this season include all girls’ cricket competition and T20 blast for children 8 to 11 years.
Hey 2c you’re so fine
you’re so fine
you blow my mind
hey 2c

TEAM 1B
KICKING GOALS

FAST AND FURIOUS IF
WILL TAKE OUT THE
REST

PREF & ARE HERE TO PLAY
LET'S ALL SHOUT HOORAY!

With golden boots
and golden hair
will kick the ball up in the air

Year 6 came just
to beat the Faha
BUT
We must remember
the true
message of
Footy Day!
We will not tolerate Racism in
ANY WAY.

 prep kids with coach, principal, and teacher.
St Mary’s Primary School
Print order form
From Art Auction Night

PREP K - Colourful Zebra
PREP G - Abstract Windows
GRADE 1B - Circles and Squares
GRADE 1 F - Rainbow Creation
GRADE 2C - Head Silhouettes
GRADE 2O - God’s Heart

Available as a framed 6*8 print or unframed 8*12 print (A4 size). Cost is $15 each or 2 for $25 (or $12.50 thereafter). Delivery will be first week in term 4. Please include cash or cheque payable to St Mary’s Primary school. Thanks to Angela Kontos for her time and skill as our photographer.

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ART AUCTION PRINT ORDER FORM
(Please detach and return this order slip to school by Thursday 19 September, 2013)

Parent’s Name: ___________________________ Contact No: ___________________________

Art work required __________________ No. of framed _________ No. of unframed _________

Child’s Name: ___________________________ Year Level: _________ Money enclosed $ ______
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Times of Services:
Sunday – Mass 9.00am, 10.30am, 5.30pm
Weekdays – Mass or Morning Prayer - 9.15am
Saturday – Mass or Morning Prayer - 8.30am
Reconciliation: Saturday - following Prayer or Mass
Adoration of the Lord – Sacred Heart Chapel every Wednesday from 9.45am

DIARY
September 15 2013
Cuppa following 9.00am Sunday Mass in Pottery Room. All welcome.
Second Tuesday of the Month Community Lounge 7.30 – 9.00pm St Vincent De Paul
Pastoral Worker- Bernadette Milne – Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Bernadette co-ordinates
Communion Services for Central Park, Villa O’Neill & Bupa Nursing Homes.

Feastdays: Mon. 16 Sts Cornelius & Cyprian
Fri. 20 Ss Andrew/Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong
Ha-sang & Companions
Sat. 21 St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist
Readings:
Next Sunday 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Amos 8:4-7; Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 16:1-13

Hymns

Entrance 453
Gloria St Francis
Gospel Acclam. 141
Presentation of the Gifts 470
Euchar. Acclam. When we Eat...
Communion 213
Recessional 437

This week we will be using the Gather Australia Hymn Books. Please take a copy of The Bell & a Hymnal. Kindly return hymnals at Mass end.

Thanksgiving Rec’d Sep 8 $1082 Thank You
We pray for Anthony Flynn who died recently and Giovanni Cilia, Russell Rawlings and Esme Melville whose anniversaries we recall.

St Vincent de Paul Society
Thanks to those (St Mary’s Primary School and CBC St Kilda) and all who helped with our great celebration last Sunday.

Campion 99 Studley Park Rd Kew
Sun. 22 Sept.- Silent Retreat or Fri. 27 – Sun. 29th Sept...- Retreat/discernment in Ignatian
Spirituality 9854 8110 to book.

Facing the Truth Francis Sullivan
[socialmedia@chcouncil.org.au@createandsend4.com] Truth
Justice and Healing Council - on issues papers/submissions to the Royal Commission.
Facing the Truth website. www.cam.org.au has link or www.facingthetruth.org.au

Please see Notice Boards and take Flier if registration required many other coming events. Leaflets Life Marriage and Family Offices / The Blessing of the Animals 6th October 2pm St James the Great 435 Inkerman St East St Kilda.

Rosters
15 September

Readers
9.00am
Kevin Heman
10.30am
Fried Purcell
5.30pm
Fatima D’Cruz

Volunteer
Volunteer
Volunteer

Ministers assisting with Communion
9.00am
Annette O’Connor
10.30am
Priyanka/Tilak Del
5.30pm
David McNally

Suzanne O’Hara
Les Manno
Steven Benton

Welcome Ministry
9.00am
Laurie McGraith
10.30am
Volunteer
5.30pm
Volunteer

Kath Cassar
Bernadette R
Anthony Thumirger

ANNUAL APPEAL CatholicCare All Masses today See Envelopes
- It takes a village to raise a child – Strengthening local families and communities. "We work on behalf of the Catholic Church in Melbourne and Geelong to build on the vision of 'life to the full'"

*** Volunteers for December Australian Catholic Youth Festival Apply by 16 Sept Please - See Board


Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust emailing: patron2@clodo.com.au for Form Grant 31 October.

Catechesis on the YOUCAT by Bishop Elliott Thurs. 26 Sept. 7.30pm Cardinal Knox Centre
2014 PALMS placements Preparation runs from Sept.27th – 029518 9551 sarah@palms.org.au

Newman College Advent Festival 2013
E: reception@newman.unimelb.edu.au
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

**First Reading**  
Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14
The Lord spoke to Moses, ‘Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and offered it sacrifice. “Here is your God, Israel,” they have cried “who brought you up from the land of Egypt!” I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation.’

But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. ‘Lord,’ he said, ‘why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this promise: I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever.’ So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

...the word of the Lord.

**Respònсорial Psalrn**  
Ps 50:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19

R. I will rise and go to my father.

1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.  
In your compassion blot out my offence.  
O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin.

2. A pure heart create for me, O God,  
put a steadfast spirit within me.  
Do not cast me away from your presence,  
nor deprive me of your holy spirit.

3. O Lord, open my lips  
and my mouth shall declare your praise.  
My sacrifice is a contrite spirit;  
a humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn.

**Second Reading**  
1Timothy 1:12-17
I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, and who judged me faithful enough to call me into his service even though I used to be a blasphemer and did all I could to injure and discredit the faith. Mercy, however, was shown me, because until I became a believer I have been acting in ignorance; and the grace of our Lord filled me with faith and with the love that is in Christ Jesus. Here is a saying that you can rely on and nobody should doubt: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I myself am the greatest of them; and if mercy has been shown to me, it is because Jesus Christ meant to make me the greatest evidence of his inexhaustible patience for all the other people who would later have to trust in him to come to eternal life. To the eternal King, the undying, invisible and only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

...the word of the Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation**  
2 Cor 5:19
Alleluia, alleluia!  
God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;  
And the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel**  
Luke 15:1-10
The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. ‘This man’ they said ‘welcomes sinners and eats with them.’ So he spoke this parable to them: ‘What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends, and neighbours? “Rejoice with me,” he would say “I have found my sheep that was lost.” In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance.

‘Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? “Rejoice with me,” she would say “I have found the drachma I lost.” In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.

...the Gospel of the Lord.