



### St. Joseph's School is a child safe school

### **Newsletter No 33**

### Thursday 21st October 2021

Our Prayer for week 3 Term 4

This coming Sunday is Mission Sunday. It is a special Sunday where we remember the people in the world who are less fortunate than us and especially the dedicated people who work with them to help improve their lives.

# **MISSION PRAYER**

Lord, our God, help us to walk with you on the pathway to the beatitudes and to live out your mission in today's world.

Bind us to all men and women of our time, so that together we may bring the Good News to the ends of the earth.

Open our hearts and our Christian communities
To the needy, the afflicted, the oppressed.
May we radiate the Living Christ and transform
our lives in the hope of the Resurrection.

This prayer we make to you who is the living God, now and forever.

AMEN

St Joseph's School is a Catholic Community in the Josephite tradition where we learn and grow in the Spirit together.



St Joseph's School acknowledges the Taungurng people, the traditional custodians of the land on which our school is situated. We commit ourselves to actively work alongside Aboriginal people for reconciliation and justice

### I am at my best when I am being Friendly, Respectful and a Positive Learner

### Welcome to the end of Week 3, Term 4

Welcome back to school today for all our students today. It was great to have them all back on site. They have settled in well today.

### **Confirmation**

At present, we have one student preparing for their confirmation. Oliver Young is half way through his preparation. He will make his Confirmation on Sunday 7th of November at the 9am Mass in St Malachy's Church. Please keep Oliver in your prayers.

### First Holy Communion Preparation.

Next Tuesday the 26th of October, we invite the parents of any students who wish to make their first Holy Communion to a Parent faith and preparation evening to join with Liz at 6pm for this time. The small groups will begin the following week with the celebration of their First Communion on Sunday the 5th of December at the 9am Mass in St Malachy's Church.

### St Joseph's Athletics Carnival

We will see what we can do when all the students are back on site and if we can have parent's onsite. We are going to attempt to have our Athletics on Thursday the 28th of October. This will depend on what our next schools operation guide indicates. This should be out by the end of this week, early next week.

### Welcome back to Liz Tang

It was great to have Liz back this week. At this stage, she is managing the workload. I hope that Chris Hooper will be back in November.

### Wood Raffle

We were going to draw our second Wood raffle at assembly last Monday. We are still waiting on a couple of tickets to come in. We will now draw it next Monday.

If you have tickets at home, please send them in. Good luck!!



### **Enrolments**

We are taking enrolments now for 2022. If you have a child who is eligible, or you know of anyone who has a child ready for school, please encourage them to contact the school to have a conversation with me or one of the teachers.

### **Try School/Transition**

We will commence our Try School/Transition program when the restrictions are eased.

### St Joseph's Centenary Celebrations

Next year in March, it will be 100 years since the Sisters of St Joseph started teaching here on this site. I am asking for expressions of interest to form a committee to organise the celebrations for this special event. Please contact the school on 03 57942 608 if you are interested in being on the steering committee.

### We are praying for:

- For Chris Hooper who currently on leave and is recovering
- Fr Tony and our Parish community, especially those who are unwell or receiving treatment.
- State and Commonwealth Leaders who are guiding us through the pandemic.

### **Pupil Free Days this Year**

November 1st Report Writing Day November 22nd (Planning Day)



## St. Joseph's Calendar

### October

21<sup>st</sup> All students back on site. 28<sup>th</sup> St Joseph's Athletics(Proposed)

### November

1<sup>st</sup> Pupil Free Day.

2<sup>nd</sup> Public Holiday (Melbourne Cup)

3<sup>rd</sup> Spirit day. (For Confirmation Students)

4<sup>th</sup> Science show- Chemistry Capers.(Moved

to December the 9th)

8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Swimming

11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day

# Attendance Matters

What are reasonable excuses for being absent?

- illness or accident
- Attending or observing religious event
  - Bereavement

### **December**

2<sup>nd</sup> Fun Fields Day

7<sup>th</sup> Statewide Orientation

8th End of Year Graduation Mass (to be confirmed)

9<sup>th</sup> Chemical Capers Science day.

15<sup>th</sup> End of Year celebration (to be confirmed)

16<sup>th</sup> Last day for Students

17<sup>th</sup> Last day for Staff.

17<sup>th</sup> Last day ever for Mr Jones!!!

### **PHOTOSforNewsletter**

Send them to

smckinnon@sjnagambie.catholic.edu.au

**All Student Absence** 

Please TXT to 0417 489 577

# You don't need to see the whole staircase, just take the first step. Martin Luther King Jr

### HALLOWEEN NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM - OCTOBER 31st

Push through the shrubbery to a haunted house. Be prepared to be scared! Watch out for ghosts and witches, skeletons in britches, spiders and skulls and a spooky cemetery!!

Can you get to the Trick or Treat without a squeal or two?

Don't miss this great family night — or your kids will never

One-way trail to ensure no crowding.
Covered shoes strongly recommended.
Arrive anywhere between 7pm and 8.45pm.
Sunset is at 8pm. Site closes at 9pm.

\$10 a family, which can include grandparents – if they are game! Dress ups encouraged for children. Pay at the Museum gate, 344 High St.

All helpers have Working With Children checks. No adult admitted without children. We have a QR code to use. We all know COVID rules by now.

We do not have EFTPOS.

Nagambie Historical Society Inc.: nagambiehistorical@outlook.com



Student of the Week - T4, W3

Date: Monday, the 18th of October

F/1

Presented To:

### Millee

For -Working really hard with her letter sounds, and having a great attitude at school, well done Millee! Keep it up.



2/3/4

Presented To:
Tatum
For the great
effort, he has
been putting
into his
handwriting.
Well done!



### 5/6

Presented To:

### **Brock**

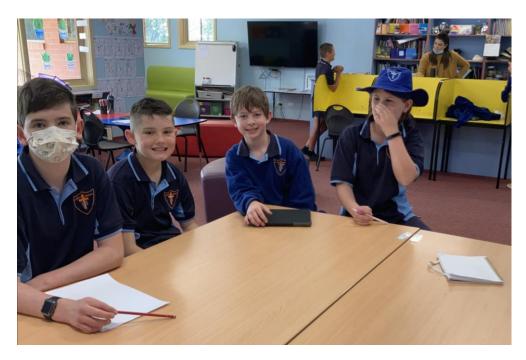
For having a positive and mature attitude. Keep up the amazing work Brock!



### **Principal's Award**

Presented To: Oliver, James, Alya and Eoin.

For Great engagement in online learning.



### Catholic Identity Report – by Liz Tang, REL.

### During the month of October, we focus on the Holy Rosary. The Holy Rosary

The Rosary is a prayer to remind us that Jesus loved us so much that he died on the cross for us.

The rosary tells the story of Jesus' life in four parts:

The Joyful Mysteries

The Sorrowful Mysteries

The Luminous Mysteries

The Glorious Mysteries

### The Joyful Mysteries:

- 1. The Annunciation
- 2. The Visitation
- 3. The Nativity
- 4. The Presentation
- 5. Finding in the Temple

### The Luminous Mysteries:

- 1. The Baptism of the Lord
- 2. The Wedding of Cana
- 3. The Proclamation of the Kingdom
- 4. The Transfiguration
- 5. The Institution of the Eucharist

### The Sorrowful Mysteries:

- 1. Agony in the Garden
- 2. Scourging at the Pillar
- 3. Crowning with Thorns
- 4. Carrying the Cross
- 5. The Crucifixion

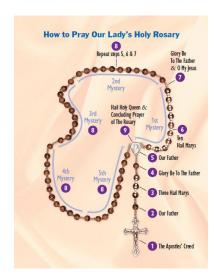
### The Glorious Mysteries:

- 1. The Resurrection
- 2. The Ascension
- 3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit
- 4. The Assumption
- 5. The Coronation of B.V.M.

Catholics have been given a very special gift in the rosary. Each time we pray the rosary we should focus on Jesus' life as well as a special person or intention that we want to pray for.

Praying the rosary has been a tradition in the Church for a long time.

**Sacraments:** On Tuesday, we will have our parent information meeting for the children preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. I look forward to seeing you there. We will celebrate this Sacrament, on Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> December at the 9:00 am parish Mass. Please keep Ayla, Emerson, Flynn, James, Brock, Ned, Thomas, Brodie & Oliver in your prayers as they begin their preparation. Please also keep Oliver in your prayers as he prepares for the Sacrament of Confirmation that will be celebrated on Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> November at the 9:00 a.m. parish Mass. He has already begun his preparation.



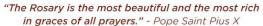




Our Catholic Identity focus for the coming week is: to focus again on the Holy Rosary.

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The rosary is a prayer to remind us that Jesus loved us so much that he died on the cross for us.







### Classroom News - Term 4, Week 3

### **Return to School**

It was great to have our 5/6 students back at school again today. They will be back again next Thursday and Friday before starting back at school full time the following week.

We have also welcomed Mrs Tang back to school this week, we are very happy to have her back with us.

### **Athletics**

Our athletics will hopefully take place next Thursday. At this stage we will not be able to have parents on site to assist so we will adjust our plan for the day.

### **School Dojo**

At the end of last term all families will have received an email inviting them to join our School Dojo, we will be using this program to communicate information and share photos of student work as well sending reminders about upcoming events.

### **Health Reminder**

It is important that we all continue to monitor our own and the health of our children, during this time. If you or your child develops any symptoms such as a fever, cough, sore throat or shortness of breath or a runny nose, please follow the advice below.

Stay at home and do not attend school.

Seek medical advice

If you or your child has a health condition or complex health needs, please discuss with your medical specialist.

Information about coronavirus (COVID19) is available in the DHHS website.

Our school is continuing to promote and implement on a daily basis both Covid-safe behaviours and practices across our school community.

Have a great week everyone!

Liz, Megan, Maddy, Gen, Sam D, Sam G, Chris & Tim.

# CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS Pragmatics and Social skills

Focus: Working effectively in a team

Teamwork is a necessary skill that provides children with the opportunity to form



relationships, develop empathy and problem solve with others. Try the following problem -solving activities

with your child/children making sure that everyone has equal amounts of speaking and listening. You could use a talking stick/object to ensure nobody takes over the conversation. The **no put-downs** rule needs to be at all times ie: positive comments only.

- Jigsaw puzzles or any board game where families can work together to reach a final goal
- Developing a plan of action for
- table setting
- weekend trips
- o party's/social gatherings
- responsibilities around the house e.g. keeping room tidy
- o solving problems e.g. school lunches, tv programs, time on the computer

Don't forget to celebrate together when you reach your goals!



# **Bulletin**

24th October 2021 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time / B I want to see.

PARISH PRIEST: FR TONY HILL
Presbytery: 91 Binney St, Euroa
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Office Hours Tuesday 12:00pm - 4:30pm
Thursday 9:00am - 4:30pm
Parish Email: euroa@cdos.org.au
St Joseph's School Nagambie Principal:
Mr Leo Jones 03 5794 2608
St John's School Euroa Principal:
Mrs Libby Hamilton 03 5795 2937

We pray for: all who have died recently, for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Hazel Simmons, and for those who have died alone, unloved, or forgotten. May they rest in peace.

We pray for: Celia Clifford, Pat Dodd, Dan Kennedy, Frank Boyer, Lorraine Davidson-Saxon, Dina Van Dyk, Benjamin Playford, Ollie Bodiam, Ciara Ryan, Sian Pasqual, Helen Perry, Patrick Cahill, Alice Cahill, Ted Palling, Max Perry, Sr Frances Kennedy, and for all those in our community and beyond who are ill.

Please contact Fr Tony or your parish contact if you would like a name added to the prayer list.

### ST JOHN'S EUROA - VIGIL MASS ROSTER

23/10
WELCOMER: Michael T
READER: Dan M
COMMENTATOR: Anne W
EUCHARISTIC MINISTER:
Joy V
SACRISTAN: Therese H

30/10
WELCOMER: Jack W
READER: Lynette C
COMMENTATOR: Cathy B
EUCHARISTIC MINISTER:
Carmel S
SACRISTAN: Judy S

### ST MALACHY'S ROSTER

24/10 ~ WENDY
ALTAR SETTER: Marianna
WELCOME: Moz
READER: Sue T
SPECIAL MINISTER: Julie
CLEANING: Sue T & Jenny

31/10 ~ MASS 6:00PM
WELCOME: Carol
READER: Marg StL
SPECIAL MINISTER: Deane
CLEANING: Julie & Moz

for the Catholic parishes of

St John the Evangelist Euroa, Violet Town, Longwood St Malachy's Nagambie, Avenel

### IN OUR CHURCHES

EUROA ST JOHN'S Fridays 12:30 Mass Saturdays 6:00pm Vigil Mass

In order to book your place at Mass please text Fr Tony on 0439 033 029 or email him direct on ajdh1@bigpond.com.

Fr Tony will reply to each message but the cutoff will be 3:00pm Saturday.

NAGAMBIE ST MALACHY'S
Sunday 24th 9:00am W&C
Monday 10:30am Rosary
Wednesday 12:00pm Rosary
Wednesday 27th 12:30pm Mass
Sunday 31st 6:00pm Mass

AVENEL ST MARY'S

Sunday 10:30am Rosary Sunday 24th 11:00am W&C Sunday 31st 11:00am W&C

<u>LONGWOOD</u> ST PATRICK'S Sunday 24th 9:00am Mass Sunday 31st W&C

VIOLET TOWN ST ATTRACTA'S
Sunday 24th 11:00am Mass
Sunday 31st 10:00am Mass followed by
the traditional "Fifth Sunday of the month"
Ecumenical Service

For Baptisms and Weddings in our parishes please contact Fr Tony or the Euroa Parish Office: 03 5795 3048 or 0439 033 029

### CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER ~ KEEP COVID SAFE

### Remember:

- fitted face mask
- hand sanitiser
- QR code or written details
- social distancing
- no contact for sign of peace
- communion received in the hands

Once Victoria reaches 80% double dose vaccination (indicative date 5th November), restrictions will ease significantly for fully vaccinated congregations. We urge you to comlete your vaccination as soon as possible.

St John's and St Malachy's are safe parishes where children and vulnerable adults are respected and protected from harm.

### FROM FR TONY

One of the literary giants of my childhood years was Enid Blyton, and it's strange that as one grows older many of the things we learnt in childhood come back to us. In one of Noddy's poems there is the line, "How nice it is to go away and have a lovely holiday, and yet, although it's fun to roam, it's even better coming home."

I don't tend to take holidays so much as breaks now and then. As kids we rarely went away from the farm for much more than ten days, and I more or less don't know what to do on a holiday. On the rare occasions I've gone for a month or more I get a great feeling of home-sickness. I regard this Parish as home and I'm the sort of person who builds an environment around himself and is happy to stay in it.

However, going away can sometimes make us see things from a different perspective and when I get to where I might go I realise the need for rest and that different point of view.



In the Gospel story today about Bartimaeus, there is something a bit like a throwaway line at the end. Jesus gives Bartimaeus his sight back, and tells him to go. But St Mark doesn't tell us that Bartimaeus went; rather that he followed Jesus along the road. St Mark is being subtle and the subtlety could be lost in a quick read of the passage. There is the recognition of the presence of Jesus followed by a call for help and then a request. Jesus does as he is asked, and, in gratitude Bartimaeus becomes a disciple.

The same dynamic happens in our own lives. We can be troubled with different forms of blindness and we call on the Lord for help - he answers and our prayer is answered. Our response makes us want to follow him more closely as we see things better. For me, I need to go away occasionally to see how much I belong here, and coming back I want to do better in my service of the Lord.

Perhaps our prayer this week might be the words of Bartimaeus - "Let me see again."

NAGAMBIE / AVENEL PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 27th October at 5:00pm at St Malachy's. If you have something that needs to be discussed please email Fr Tony.

### SANDPIPER

The latest edition of the Sandpiper is available by subscribing online at:

sandhurst.catholic.org.au

### MISSION SUNDAY TODAY



A donation of \$100 will be made from each of our parishes. If you would like to supplement this donation then please add your personal donation to the bowl at the back of the church.

### ST MALACHY'S SACRAMENTS

Oliver Young is preparing for Confirmation. Please pray for him and for his family as they prepare for his special day on Sunday 7th November.

Please also pray for the children who prepared for Reconciliation last year and who will shortly be involved in a Spirit Day prior to their first Reconciliation on Wednesday 3rd November.

### **FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:**

Monday 28th: Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles



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