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St. Joseph's School is a child safe school


Newsletter No 36

Thursday 11th November 2021

Remembrance Day 2021



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 6, Term 4

Transition Program

It was great to have our transition students here at school today and on Tuesday. They participated in lots of activities with their buddies. This will continue for the rest of the term up until Orientation day on December the 7th.

Confirmation celebration

Last Sunday we celebrated the confirmation of Oliver Young. It was a lovely ceremony, led by Fr Tony. A big thankyou to Liz Tang, Sally Fyfield and Terri Bolton for preparing Oliver for the day and the preparation of the ceremony.

First Holy Communion Preparation

The small groups for Holy Communion preparation are up to their third preparation meeting next week. The celebration of their First Communion on Sunday the 5th of December at the 9am Mass in St Malachy's Church. Please keep Ayla Thompson, Ruby Gribbin, Emerson O'Brien, Flynn O'Brien, James McKeown, Brock Wilkshire, Ned Butler, Thomas Byers, Brodie Miller and Oliver Young in your prayers.

Remembrance Day

Tomorrow is Remembrance Day, It is when we remember the people who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the service of our country. The year's 2/3/4/5 and 6 students attended the service in the main street of Nagambie beginning at 10.30 am. Eion and Jordan will laid a wreath and Alya Thompson read a piece she researched about her grandfather and great uncle.



Laptops for sale

We have 29 (9 of which may not be ready until early next year. laptops for sale at the end of this year. If you wish to purchase one you need to give your name to Janelle and pay the full amount to have the laptop secured for you. The details are as follows:

MacBook Air

Price: \$850

Model: MacBook Air 13" 2017 ('older style' with USB-A ports and non-Retina screen)

- 128GB storage

- 1.8 GHz Dual-Core Intel Core i5

- 8 GB 1600 MHz DDR3

Age: Purchased in Feb 2020 - less than 2 years old.

Warranty: AppleCare+ until Feb 2023 (standard warranty plus accidental damage coverage)



Athletics Sports.

We had a very successful afternoon last Thursday. The students participated very well, with lots of cheering and encouragement and great efforts. It was a very close result with only 25 points separating the three teams. Well done to Red for winning this year's event.

Thank you to the parents who were able to help or come along and watch and to the staff for running the events.

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.

St Vincent DePaul Christmas goods and fundraiser

We are participating in our annual St Vincent De Paul Christmas hamper and funds raiser. In each class will have a box that we ask our families to donate some non-perishable food items. These are collected and given to the society to distribute to those in need. We will also have some activities to raise money so we are able to give them some money as well.

Some ideas are a packet of pasta, pasta sauce, rice, long-life milk, fruit mince pies, can of tuna, a can of vegetables, two minute noodles to name a few.



Crossing and pickup

Please remember if you park on the other side of the side road at the front of the school to have your child use the crossing to cross the road. We had a near miss last year and don't want another one.

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. There has been a committee formed and they are in the process of organising.

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 22nd (Planning Day)

PHOTOS for

Newsletter

Send them to

smckinnon@sjnagambie.catholic.edu.au

All Student Absence

Please TXT to 0417 489 577

St. Joseph's Calendar

November

11th Remembrance Day
12th Opening of Nagambie Active Park
15th to 19th Swimming
24th Advisory Council

December

2nd Fun Fields Day
5th First Holy Communion
7th Statewide Orientation
8th End of Year Graduation Mass
9th Chemical Capers Science day.
15th End of Year celebration
16th Last day for Students
17th Last day for Staff
17th Last day ever for Mr Jones!!!

January 2022

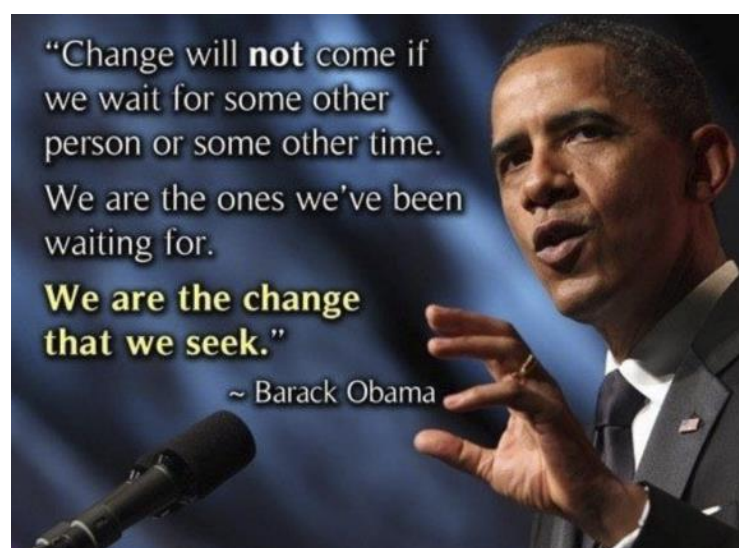
28th Teachers and staff back
31st Students back

| EVERY MINUTE COUNTS ... | | | |
|----------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Lost minutes mean lost learning! | | | |
| When your child misses just ... | that equals... | which is... | and therefore, from Prep to Year 12, that is ... |
| 10 minutes a day | 50 minutes of learning time each week | Nearly 1½ weeks per year | Nearly ½ year of school |
| 20 minutes a day | 1 hour and 40 minutes of learning each week | Nearly 2½ weeks per year | Nearly a year of school |
| 1/2 an hour a day | ½ a day of learning each week | 4 weeks a year | Nearly 1½ years of learning of learning |
| 1 hour a day | 1 whole day of learning each week | 8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year | Over 2½ years of learning |

Your child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day...

School starts at 9.00 AM
DON'T BE LATE!

Good time keeping means making sure that your child is at school and ready to learn BEFORE the school bell rings!



. The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is now. -Chinese Proverb

Student of the Week - T4, W6
Date: Monday, the 8th of November



F/1

Presented To: **Sebastian**

For the encouragement and support that he gives to his classmates and for always giving 100% to his own work. Well done!

2/3/4

Presented To: **Liam**

For the fantastic effort he has been putting into his writing. Well done!

Presented To: **Brad**

For the fantastic effort he puts into his reading and writing. Well done!

5/6

Presented To: **Liam**

For his amazing attitude to athletics.

Presented To: **Walter**

For his fantastic leader reader work. Well done.



2020 People's Choice Award Finalist: Jasmine Tutt
Yr 8, Catholic College Wodonga, 'Succulent'

Official Opening and Awards Presentation

Friday 12 November 2021 | 6pm-8pm

Bookings: www.trybooking.com/BUBUB or scan QR code

Livestream: <https://links.powerav.com.au/r/j>

Open Wed-Sat 10am-4pm | 12-28 November 2021

Sacred Heart Cathedral Bendigo

Online from Monday 15 November 2021

www.ceosand.catholic.edu.au

Vote for People's Choice Awards

until Sunday 28 November 2021

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Catholic Identity Report – by Liz Tang, REL.

Remembrance Day



Today, Thursday, the 11th November, we celebrated Remembrance Day.

On the eleventh hour of the eleventh day in the eleventh month of the year 1918, an armistice was signed, ending the "war to end all wars," after more than four years of continuous warfare. November 11 was set aside as Remembrance (Armistice) Day to remember the sacrifices that men and women made during the war in order to ensure a lasting peace.



In 1997, Governor-General Sir William Deane issued a proclamation formally declaring the 11th November to be Remembrance Day, urging all Australians to observe one minute's silence at 11 am on the 11th November each year to remember those who died or suffered for Australia's cause in all wars and armed conflicts.

Why is the Red Poppy the symbol of Remembrance Day?

Worn on Remembrance Day (11 November) each year, the red poppies were among the first to flower in the devastated battlefields of northern France and Belgium in the First World War. In soldiers' folklore, the vivid red of the poppy came from the blood of their comrades soaking the ground.



Sacraments:

On Sunday, we celebrated Confirmation and congratulate Oliver on the way he and his family prepared for this Mass and for the reverent way that he celebrated his Confirmation.

We have several children currently preparing for their First Holy Communion. We will celebrate this Sacrament, on Sunday the 5th December at the 9:00 am parish Mass. Please keep Ayla, Ruby, Emerson, Flynn, James, Brock, Ned, Thomas, Brodie & Oliver in your prayers as they continue their preparation.

Our Catholic Identity focus for the coming week is: to focus on Remembrance Day and why we need to celebrate this day



OLIVER celebrating CONFIRMATION.



Classroom News - Term 4, Week 6

Athletics

Well done to everyone on his or her fantastic participation in our athletics last week.

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.

Swimming Program

Our swimming program is coming up in the next week, if you have not returned your permission form, please do so ASAP. The students will need to have their bathers, a towel, a bag for wet clothing and thongs or sandals to wear to and from the pool. The F/1/2/3/4 students will leave school at around 12 and have lunch when they return to school. The 5/6 students will have lunch before they leave school at around 1:00pm.

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

4. Pragmatics and Social skills

Focus: Developing resilience;

Many children have difficulty adapting to changes or difficult situations that arise throughout life. For example; Starting a new school, making new friends, completing homework on time etc. Providing children with the tools to succeed during these situations will not only build resilience but may prevent those awful melt-downs.

- Providing **Visual schedules and timetables** for your child will let them know ahead of time what's happening and what is expected of them. They relieve the child's anxiety as surprises or changes can be timetabled in.

The following link outlines the benefits of visual schedules and provides excellent examples.

[https://ahrc.eq.edu.au/services/fba-tool/help/visual-schedule\)](https://ahrc.eq.edu.au/services/fba-tool/help/visual-schedule)

- **Social stories** also helps the child to go through the steps involved in order to complete a task successfully. Go to this link for good examples of social stories and how to use them to guide your child's behaviour and/or social skills.

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/teachers/learningneeds/Pages/supportmaterials.aspx#link35>

[nk35](#)

Books that focus on resilience in children



Bulletin

14th November 2021

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

MY WORDS WILL NOT PASS AWAY.

for the Catholic parishes of
St John the Evangelist
Euroa, Violet Town, Longwood
St Malachy's
Nagambie, Avenel

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03 5795 3048 or 0439 033 029

Parish Email: euroa@cdos.org.au

Secretary: Karen Malloch

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Thursday and Friday 9:00am - 4:30pm

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St Joseph's School Nagambie Principal:

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St John's School Euroa Principal:

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We pray for all who have died recently, especially Joseph Hickey, Kierce O'Loughlin and Geoffrey Kinnealy, for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Dave Walker, John Joseph Tehan and John Howard Tehan. We pray also for those who have died alone, unloved, or forgotten. May they rest in peace.

We pray for: Brian Tehan, Celia Clifford, 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

13/11

WELCOMER: Judy S

READER: Dan M

COMMENTATOR: Roma O'C

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:

Michael T

SACRISTAN: Carmel S

20/11

WELCOMER: Marina VM

READER: Lynette C

COMMENTATOR: Therese H

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:

Margaret B

SACRISTAN: Therese H

FEAST DAY THIS WEEK:

Wednesday 17th: St Elizabeth of Hungary

2021 Schedule of Services

EUROA ST JOHN'S

Fridays 12:30pm Mass

Saturdays 6:00pm Vigil Mass

NAGAMBIE ST MALACHY'S

Mondays 10:30am Rosary

Wednesdays 12 noon Rosary

Wednesdays 12:30 Mass

1st and 3rd Sundays 9:00am Mass

2nd, 4th, and 5th Sundays 9:00am Word and Communion

AVENEL ST MARY'S

Every Sunday 10:30am Rosary

1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00am Mass

2nd and 4th and 5th Sundays 11:00am Word and Communion

LONGWOOD ST PATRICK'S

1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays 9:00am Word and Communion

2nd and 4th Sundays 9:00am Mass

VIOLET TOWN ST ATTRACTA'S

1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00am Word and Communion

2nd and 4th Sundays 11:00 Mass

5th Sundays 10:00am Mass

BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS: Please contact Fr Tony

PLEASE REMEMBER: WE ARE REQUIRED TO SHOW PROOF OF VACCINATION AND TO CONTINUE TO WEAR FACE MASKS INSIDE.

NUMBERS IN OUR CHURCHES: We are still limited to 1 person per 4m² in our churches. That means 62 people in Euroa and 77 in Nagambie, however, if one un-vaccinated person attends, the number drops immediately to a limit of 30 people. This is why we all need to be double vaccinated and be ready to show our Government vaccination certificate.

ST MALACHY'S ROSTER

14/11 W&C

LEADER: Carol

WELCOME: Carol, Moz

READER: Wendy K

SPECIAL MINISTER: Marianna

CLEANING: Deane & Marianna

21/11 Mass

ALTAR SETTER: Marianna

WELCOME: Moz, Loretta

READER: Carol

SPECIAL MINISTER: Terry

CLEANING: Sue & Jenny

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

Children going to the toilet from the churches must be accompanied by an adult family member.

Contacts - Euroa: Mary Murphy 0457 847 056; Nagambie: Sally Fyfield 0408 141 969; Avenel: Grace Kenworthy 0405 125 963

FROM FR TONY

When I have to face criticism or confrontation, and it comes to me as it does to all of us, I tend to think the worst and therefore I fear what is to come. Experience has shown me however, that what comes is usually never as bad as I had expected. Then the sleepless nights and the worry seem to have been a waste of time. But, like so many of us, I hate confrontation. I'm not good at thinking on my feet when I'm being told off, and I generally fall apart in the face of conflict. I envy those people who seem to be able to take it on the chin and answer back. I'm one of the ones who think later, "I could have said this," or "I should have said that." I'm fairly sure that most of us are like this.

There was a great mystic in the middle ages named Julian of Norwich, who spent her life in prayer. In her writings, Julian came up with a saying which went simply, "all things will be well; all things will be very well indeed."

When it comes to considering the end times, I think that we're all a bit fearful of them in a similar kind of way. Today's Gospel points us towards a future time. The words in St. Mark's Gospel are situated just before the beginning of his account of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. They recall for us Jesus' teaching about two significant events. The first of these is that the Temple in Jerusalem will be destroyed. This was a catastrophic prediction for the Jewish people. The Temple was so central to the faith of the people of Israel that for it to be ruined was spiritually equivalent to the end of the world. Jesus' words did in fact come true. In AD 70, about thirty seven years after the resurrection, the Romans entered Jerusalem and razed the Temple to the ground. The destruction of the Temple came to be interpreted as a sign that one day all things as we know them will come to an end.

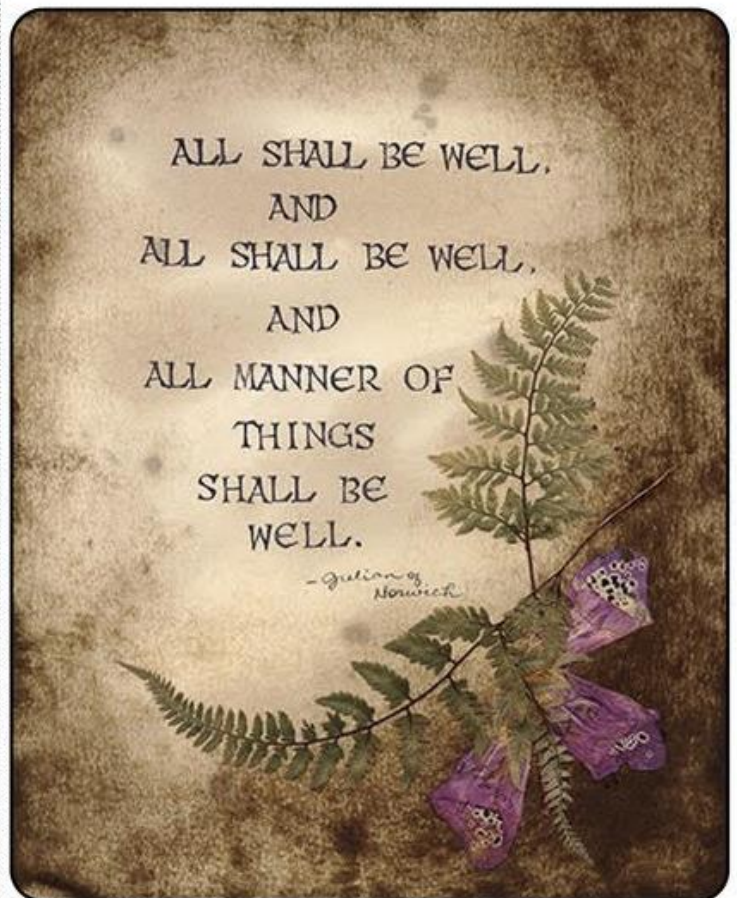
The second area that Jesus speaks about is the forthcoming persecution of those who are faithful to him. Very vividly he describes the hardship that will come to the Church, even resulting in loss of life. Jesus warns that Christians will face discrimination and injustice on account of his name. Again, the truth of this prophecy was soon realised. Since the first centuries of its history, the Church has been persecuted and, in some countries, this continues today. The assurance of Jesus is that in all of this

it is perseverance; it is endurance in faith that will help us attain life in its fullness.

This lesson of endurance in the face of destruction and persecution is shown supremely in the life of Jesus. The very word, "endurance" comes from an ancient Sanskrit word that means "wood". It is the wood of the cross that is the ultimate sign of endurance. Through it Jesus gave us an example from which we can gain strength.

For all of us there are those moments of trial - of confrontation and criticism, of times when we are misjudged and when we may suffer injustice. Whenever it seems to us that nothing can be done, Jesus invites us to endurance, perseverance in faith, trusting that all things will eventually be made well by the power of the cross and resurrection.

I think that whenever we know that we are going to have to face confrontation or criticism, the best thing to do is to pray about it, and with faith in the Lord Jesus, who has experienced it more than we could imagine, he will grace us with peace and eloquence, and, as Julian of Norwich once wrote, "all things will be well; all things will be very well indeed."



ADVENT DISCUSSION GROUPS

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

Advent discussion groups will be held in both Euroa and Nagambie. The booklet *New Life in Christ* is available whether or not you are able to attend a discussion group.

The booklet includes reflections for each day of Advent and the cost is \$5:00.



EUROA

Commencing on Wednesday 24th November at 5:00pm (the week before the First Sunday of Advent) the discussions will be held in St John's Church Narthex.

NAGAMBIE

Ecumenical discussions will be held on 4 Thursdays at 11:00am for an hour in

the church beginning on 25th November. We will join with people from the Uniting and Anglican Churches to discuss the Advent Sunday readings.

NOVEMBER ~ MONTH OF HOLY SOULS

During the month of November the names of recently deceased are placed near the altar and are prayed for throughout the month.

Euroa: You are invited to write the names of recently deceased in the folders available.

Nagambie: You are invited to add the names of recently deceased to the Remembrance Book which will remain near the lectern during November.

FIRST COMMUNICANTS @ ST MALACHY'S

Please pray for: Ayla Thompson, Ruby Gribbin, Emerson O'Brien, Flynn O'Brien, James McKeown, Brock Wilkshire, Ned Butler, Thomas Byers, Brodie Miller, and Oliver Young who are currently preparing for their First Holy Communion on **Sunday 5th December.**



THANK YOU ~ ST MALACHY'S

Thank you to all who made donations recently to both the development of the front garden and to the Nagambie Community Carols event. We received \$60 to help with the Carols event and over \$200 with more promised, to help develop the front garden. A bench seat will be placed in this beautiful reflective place.

Thank you also to Bob Arnold who has painted the notice board and the much used seats in front of the presbytery.

NAGAMBIE COMMUNITY Christmas Carols 2021



ALCOHOL FREE, COVID FRIENDLY, FAMILY EVENT
organised by the churches and community groups of Nagambie
Let's celebrate Christmas together in an evening of joy, music, stories, food and good company!

- Community Carols lead by the Larks
- Soloist items from local artists
- The Story of Christmas
- Santa on a fire truck
- Icy poles for all children
- St Joseph's Primary School
- Nagambie Primary School

Sunday 5th of December, 2021

Buckley Park

5.30pm - 6.30pm

Followed by

Mens' Shed Sausage Sizzle

Soft drinks and water to purchase



Sponsored by Strathbogie Shire Council, Nagambie Lions Club, Nagambie Lakes Community House, Nagambie Men's Shed, Nagambie/Avenel Uniting Church, St John's Anglican Church, and St Malachy's Catholic Church.

POUR ~ NAGAMBIE

Nagambie's bi-monthly ecumenical POUR service will be held on **Friday 3rd December at 12 noon** in the St Malachy's church. It will be followed by a BYO lunch with a Christmas theme.

NOTICES FOR THE BULLETIN

If you have something for the bulletin please give it to Fr Tony or Sally in some written form. Hopefully then we will get it correct and it will actually find its spot in the bulletin.

Due before 5:00pm Tuesday evening

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