



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

Newsletter No 23

Thursday 29th July 2021

# **Our Prayer for Week 3 Term 3**



It would be easy to be patient if everyone did everything according to your plans. The true test God has given you is being patient with those whom you find challenging.

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 3

Welcome to the third week of Term 3. It was great to have all the students back on site yesterday. They have settled in so well. Thank you to the staff for all the work they have done in continuing the students' learning during the lockdown period.

A few of the changes we need to make are listed below.

# Camps, playgrounds, pools and other school facilities and activities

School camps and overnight stays can take place across Victoria with no travel restrictions. Bookings must be limited to single schools. Multiple schools

can attend camps providing school groups remain separated and do not share common facilities at the same time. Mixing of staff and students between different schools is not permitted.

**Playgrounds** remain open for school use and can be made available for community use out of school hours.

Drinking fountains can remain open.

**Non-essential visitors** should be excluded from school sites for this period.

**Community groups** are not permitted to use school facilities during school hours (indoor or outdoor).

When used outside of school hours, a density limit of 1 person per 4 square meters must be applied to the spaces used.

**School tours** should not be conducted on-site for prospective students and their families at this time. **Incursions** are not permitted at this time.

**Excursions** are permitted with students from a single school only.

Non-essential meetings, and all school events, gatherings and assemblies should be deferred or held remotely.

Kinder to prep and Year 6 to Year 7 transition programs are not permitted at this time.

Our St Mary MacKillop feast day with St Mary's Rushworth will not be able to go ahead. We will have our own celebration here at St Joseph's

## **Welcome and Farewell**

This week we welcomed Madelyn Blackwood to our school. Madelyn will replace Bridgette as the 5/6 teacher and the senior teacher for the school. Please make Madelyn welcome.

We say farewell to Bridgette as she starts her maternity leave. She has been a great asset to the school. We wish her and Anthony all the best with the impending birth of their baby.

We also bid farewell to Addisyn Hower from our year 3 group. She is moving to Perth to live with her mother. Thank you to Leigh, her father and Helen and Peter, Addisyn's grandparents for all their support for our school.

# **New Principal**

As per the letter that went home last week, the process for the selection of a new Principal for St Joseph's Nagambie has begun. Janet Glassen, Principal Consultant Goulburn Valley, will lead the process. She will have consultation with meetings with the staff and Advisory Council. If you would like to have some input on the qualities of the person you would like, please speak to the members of the Advisory Council. They are Nicky McKeown, Brad Thompson, Sarah MacPherson and Josh Kliemt. They will meet with Janet on August the 4th.

# **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**

We will hopefully commence our Try School program when the two-week restrictions are over.

# 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 had an operation, is recovering well, and will have more tests in August.
- For Liz Tang, who is currently unwell.
- 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.

Spread love wherever you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier.

-Mother Teresa



# **Pupil Free Days this Year**

1. November 1st Report Writing Day

2. November 22nd (Planning Day)

# **PHOTOS** for Newsletter

Send them to <a href="mailto:smckinnon@sjnagambie.catholic.edu.au">smckinnon@sjnagambie.catholic.edu.au</a>
All Student Absence Please TXT to 0417 489 577

"Education is not the learning of facts, but the training of the mind to think!"

– Albert Einstein

# St. Joseph's Calendar

## July

30<sup>th</sup> Bridgette's last day.

# August

4<sup>th</sup> Advisory Council meeting. Consultation with Janet Glassen Principal Consultant.

9<sup>th</sup> St Mary MacKillop Feast day celebrations.

10<sup>th</sup> Proposed TA meetings.

23<sup>rd</sup> Book Week.

25<sup>th</sup> Book week Parade

30<sup>th</sup> Science show- Chemistry Capers.

# September.

2<sup>nd</sup> St Joseph's Athletics Day.

8<sup>th</sup> District Athletics in Shepparton

14<sup>th</sup> Montessori Adolescent Program at Templestowe

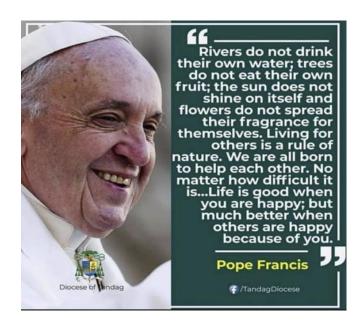
College Theatre performance

15<sup>th</sup> Family Bush Dance.

18th End of Term

# **Attendance Percentage**

Grade 5/6 97% Grade 2/3/4 92% Grade F/1 100%



## Classroom News - Term 3, Week 3

# **Remote Learning**

Thank you all for the way everyone has responded to the return to remote learning. Please remember to contact your child's teacher if you have any questions about the tasks your child has been given. I hope that we will have everyone back at school on Wednesday.

## **Wood Raffle**

We will send some more tickets home shortly, for the second wood raffle draw. Please try to sell these raffle tickets too. The money raised will be used to pay for a Science Incursion that we will have on the 30th of August.

# **TA Meetings**

Our TA meetings for this term were to take place on the 27th of July. At this point, we are hoping to reschedule for August 17th, we will send home more information as soon as we can.

## **Tissues**

Thank you to all our families that have kindly donated tissues, we are grateful to have such a supportive caring community.

# **Mrs Haysom's Last Day**

Mrs Haysom will have our last day with us tomorrow before she begins this exciting stage of life for her family. Please join us in wishing her well. Miss Maddie has spent the week working with Mrs Haysom and the 5-6 students.

Have a great week everyone!

Liz, Bridgette, Megan, Madelyn, Gen, Sam D, Sam G, Chris & Tim.



# **CHILDREN'S CHATTER MATTERS**

You can turn complex sentences on their head with this fun game for the whole family. Start off by asking your child to give a description of something they like, and why. For example, 'I like eating ice cream, because



it makes my tongue cold!'. Each person playing takes a turn to create a sentence. You can

write the sentence or your child can write them.

The sentences are then cut in half, and put in two piles – a 'what' pile and a 'why' pile.

Each person can pick a 'what' and 'why' at random from the piles, put them together and... hilarity ensues.

This can develop into a game of complex sentence bingo, with players reading both halves aloud and seeing if another person can provide another beginning/ending which would help the sentence make better sense.







Schooling over lock down









# **Bulletin**

1st August 2021

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

The Bread of Life

for the Catholic parishes of

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

Nagambie, Avenel

# 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

1st and 3rd Sundays 9:00am Mass

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

Communion

**AVENEL ST MARY'S** 

1st and 3rd Sundays 10:30am Rosary

1st and 3rd Sundays 11:00am Mass

2nd and 4th and 5th Sundays 10:30am Rosary 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** 

St John's Euroa - Vigil Mass Roster

PARISH PRIEST: FR TONY HILL

Presbytery: 91 Binney St, Euroa 03 5795 3048 or 0439 033 029

Pastoral Associate Euroa:

Mrs Mary Murphy 0457 847 056

Parish Contact Nagambie: 0400 476 416 Email Nagambie: srfyfield@bigpond.com

Secretary: Mrs Karen Malloch

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, and for those who have died alone, unloved, or forgotten. May they rest in peace.

▲ **Je pray for:** Theresa Fisher, Dina Van Dyk, V Carmel Corker, Louise Mirande, June Mulally, Billy O'Connor, Sally Minten, Marg Block, Benjamin Playford, Ollie Bodiam, Ciara Ryan, Sian Pasqual, Neville Andrews, Helen Perry, Patrick Cahill, Alice Cahill, Frank Boyer, Ted Palling, Joan Childs, Vicki Cooney, 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.

WELCOMER: Marina Van Maanenberg

31/7

READER: Therese Hamill

COMMENTATOR: Carmel Simmons

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTER:** Margaret Brodie

SACRISTAN: Therese Hamill

# COLUMBAN CATHOLIC ART CALENDAR

# ST MALACHY'S **PARISHIONERS**

If you wish to order a 2022 Columban calendar at a cost of \$10:00 per calendar please place your order and your money with Sally: 0408141969.



# ST MALACHY'S ROSTER

1/8 Jubilee

WELCOME: Loretta D, Moz LEADER: Mel READER: Helen

SPECIAL MINISTER: Mel, Deane

8/8 W&C

7/8

COMMENTATOR: Anne Walker

WELCOMER: Helen Dunn

READER: Bridget Allen

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTER:** 

SACRISTAN: Ian South

Carmel Simmons

WELCOME: Moz READER: Wendy K SPECIAL MINISTER: Julie

CLEANING: Julie B & Moz **CLEANING: Kennedys** 

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. Child Safety Officer in Avenel/Nagambie Grace Kenworthy 0405 125 963 and in Euroa Mary Murphy 0457 847 056

# FROM FR TONY

There's a lovely story about a woman living in Scotland who was so poor that her neighbours supported her. After a while they got a bit resentful because her son had gone to live in America where apparently he had made a lot of money and was living quite comfortably.

The mother defended her son, saying, "He writes to me every week and sends me a little picture. See, I keep them in my Bible."

Between the pages of her Bible were hundreds of American bank notes. The woman had a treasure in her Bible, but didn't realise it.

Often what "we overlook" or "take for granted" or even "fail to see the reality" are treasures.

Sadly we often overlook people or take people for granted or don't see just how good people can be to us.

Overlooking, taking for granted or failing to see what should be obvious are things that arise out of apathy, and there is no room in the Christian life for apathy.

As Christians we should live in a spirit of joy and fascination with each other, and most certainly with God. Then we will truly find the treasure in the field and buy the whole field for sheer joy.

The story of the Scottish woman begs another question. In her Bible she had a treasure she didn't understand and so ignored. But there's a deeper meaning there too. It's not American bank notes, but spiritual riches. So the question then is "To what extent do I need to rediscover the treasure in my Bible, namely, Jesus Christ?"

St. Augustine wrote, "Christ is not valued at all unless he is valued above all."

Perhaps as a suggestion for prayer this week, you might look over the readings on the Bulletin and reflect over the Gospel at least, and glean the richness of Jesus' message in his Word.

# POUR ~ NAGAMBIE

agambie's bi-monthly POUR service will be held on *Friday 6th August at 12 noon* in the Tennis Club rooms. It will be hosted by the Uniting Church and will be followed by BYO lunch and cup.

# **FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:**

Monday 2nd: St Peter Faber Tuesday 3rd: St Dominic

# CONGRATULATIONS TO MONSIGNOR FRANK HICKEY

Much loved priest of St. Malachys, Recognition from his peers, A man of God for 70 Years Appreciation from his many parishioners over the years.

We love and admire

His sense of humour which often appears, Receiving the information from his newspaper reading,

Plus a hearty pat on the back when leaving, And His eye for style with his human eye,

But it is his spiritual eye, reflecting his faith, That is inspiration to all his flock,

Sincere interpretation of God's word

Obvious to all concerned, In appreciation of this special anniversary,

We thank you Mons for all your care,

God be with you, from all us here.

Mel Arnold and Family



# FAREWELL JULIE

Luroa Parish bids a very fond farewell to Julie O'Brien who is going into care at Mercy Place in Parkville. Julie will be very much missed by so many in the Parish and in the wider Euroa community. Julie and her husband, Tom, are like so many who came to Euroa, fell in love with the town, and retired here. Tom died in 2009 and soon after, Julie moved to a unit in Weir Street. Please keep Julie in your prayers in this stage of her retirement.

# **AUSTRALIA'S PATRON SAINTS**



ext Saturday/Sunday we will celebrate the Feast of St Mary Mackillop and on the following Saturday/Sunday, the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady. These rarely occur on a Sunday. They are the two Patron Saints of Australia. (Our Patron Saints used to be St

Therese of Lisieux and St Francis Xavier, but they were taken out of our national calendar when we were declared no longer to be a Mission country.)

Saturday 4th: St John Mary Vianney Friday 6th: The Transfiguration of the Lord