Catholic Life and Mission, Religious Education Coordinator, Kev Coote

Sunday, 9 Nov 2014: **The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

*Gospel Reading: Jn 2:13-22 - He spoke about the temple of his own body.*

For the remainder of the year I’ll be including reflections on the Joy of the Gospel and encourage you to read through and try to take something from each reflection. You can access the full document for free at the Vatican Website through either a flipbook or a text version.

**Reflection**

“I prefer a Church which is bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been on the streets…”

In *Evangelii Gaudium (Joy of the Gospel)*, Pope Francis says:

I prefer a Church which is bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets, rather than a Church which is unhealthy from being confined and from clinging to its own security.

I do not want a Church concerned with being at the centre and which then ends by being caught up in a web of obsessions and procedures.

If something should rightly disturb us and trouble our consciences, it is the fact that so many of our brothers and sisters are living without the strength, light and consolation born of friendship with Jesus Christ, without a community of faith to support them, without meaning and a goal in life.

More than by fear of going astray, my hope is that we will be moved by the fear of remaining shut up within structures which give us a false sense of security, within rules which make us harsh judges, within habits which make us feel safe, while at our door people are starving and Jesus does not tire of saying to us: “Give them something to eat” (Mk 6:37).
“A ship is safe in port, but that’s not what ships are built for.”
(William Shedd)

Interpreting the phrase
Not everyone has a life or work that takes them, literally, out ‘on the streets.’ But many people we describe as being ‘at the coal face’ or ‘on the front lines’ of community life; that is, their lives on a daily basis are responsive to the basic needs of ordinary people who are in some sense vulnerable; e.g., parents, teachers, parish priests, medics, community workers, emergency workers, midwives, police, counsellors, youth workers...

Being ‘on the streets’ can also refer to how ‘in touch’ we are with the lives of those around us and beyond our immediate circle; i.e., our capacity to make contact and listen to those of another culture, religion, political point of view, or how open we are to being exposed to new ideas and ways of thinking, rather than choosing to remain insulated.

Ten Ways... to thrive ‘on the streets’

1. Pray to see the face of God in those you meet.
2. Go with a buddy, a friend, a fellow disciple.
3. Be patient. Take a step at a time.
4. Focus on persons, rather than ‘causes.’
5. Relinquish your preoccupation with perfection.
6. Keep a sense of humour.
7. Be inspired by the life of a saint.
8. Draw strengthen from the sacramental life of the Church.
9. Celebrate every positive step forward.
10. Over to you... from your experience, add a tenth point...

WOULD YOU PLEASE ENSURE YOUR SCHOOL FEES ARE UP TO DATE.

Coming Up

1.30am Y2 to Eddies for Fundamental Movement skills Program
14th
2015 Kinder Prep Group 2
12.30pm Assembly
2pm Marion Liturgy
17th
Y5 Surf Day
18th
Y6 Surf Day
19th
Y3 Surf Day
20th
Y4 Surf Day
21st
Y5 Leadership Camp

23rd
11am First Holy Communion Mass
28th
2015 Kinder Prep Group 2
2pm Assembly
30th
9am Family Mass
**ST PATRICK'S PARISH NEWS**

**GREETINGS FROM FR TADEUSZ**  
1st Communion parents are reminded to bring the children to the practise in the church after the 9am Mass [10am] on Sunday Nov 16.  
During this month of Remembrance we will be holding special Masses at Pt Clare Cemetery on Nov 14, 9am, and Pioneer Park, Pt Frederick on the 21st at 9am. Perhaps you may like to join us? Please join us.

**ST PATRICK’S SCHOOL MARIAN CELEBRATION**  
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**ST PATRICK’S PARISH CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**  
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1st: 2 Tickets to ‘The Magic Flute’ at the Sydney Opera House, plus a Christmas Hamper with vouchers for $60 on Peter’s Meats, and $40 on Harris Farm Markets.
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**CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS PLAY**  
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**CHILDREN’S LITURGY**  
[For Age 4 +]  
At the 9am Mass each Sunday of school term, excl Family Masses!

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**PINT SIZED PADDIES**  
for kids - Yrs 5 - 8,  
TODAY  
Fri Nov 7.  
at the Hall.  
$2 only!

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**SCHOOL BANKING INTIATIVE**  
To encourage School Banking, each week we will have a Primary and Infant Canteen Reward  
Winners for Week 5 Jamilah Widner & Lara Voessenk  
Congratulations!

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**LOST**

Giuseppe Merillo KM sports hat—name inside
Finn Gilmartin 2KO Sports Hat—name inside

PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD/REN’S UNIFORM TO MAKE SURE THEY HAVE NOT PICKED UP SOMEONE ELSE’S BY MISTAKE.
FROM THE MUSIC ROOM with Mrs Suzie Morris

Kindergarten
Again I had trouble tricking Kindy today! Last term we experimented using Lego to help up create simple pitch compositions and this week in Music Kindergarten students use Lego again. This time they had to compose an eight beat pitch pattern AND write down their composition AS WELL AS play it for me. This is tricky as not only are we beginning to notate our music (Year 1 work!), we also need to read it AND keep a steady beat while playing the different notes in the correct order! I am so proud of them as they took on the challenge and showed me what they can do - at this stage I can't trick Kindy BUT there is always next week...

In the Music Room with Year 2,
making sounds is what we do.
While our instruments might be 'fake',
listen to the sounds we make!

and what wonderful sounds we created with this week in Music. I was so impressed with the creativeness and resourcefulness of our students in making their 'made' instruments (just check out the photos!). Students introduced their instrument and showed how it can make different sounds depending on how it was played. Then we made music following simple rhythm patterns.

If you 'forgot' your instrument this week, never fear - bring it in next week where we will begin composing and improvising on our instruments - and listen to the sounds we make!
Welcome
Kinder 2015
Prep Group B

Kinder 2015
with their
Buddies
29th October 2014

The Principal
St Patrick’s Primary School
Melbourne Street
East Gosford NSW 2250

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: The Victoria Apartments-39-41 Melbourne St East Gosford

We have in the past asked for your assistance in the management of the parents of the students at the school, parking their vehicles/s in the private visitor parking spaces at the “Victoria Building” next door. It appears that there are a number of parents who have taken to parking their vehicles in the visitor parking spaces and then become quite abusive when asked to move their vehicle from the property.

We understand that this could be a difficult process for you to monitor and ask if you could advise the parents that this is private property and they must park in the street.

If you require any more information, please don’t hesitate to call me on 43824003 and we thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Yours faithfully,

Robert Price
Managing Agent
George Brand Strata
If you would like to help out in the canteen, we would welcome you with open arms. Please contact Michelle on 0408 412 408 or email michellecormack@bigpond.com. No experience needed – we are happy to train all volunteers. It’s not hard, the kids are friendly and polite and the best thing is your children really do love seeing you behind the counter!

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(Recess only – 9.30am – 11.30am) | Jane Minehan     | Katie Ercan      |
| FRIDAY 14th November  
(All Day - 8.15am – 2.00pm) | Monique          | Deidra Robertson |
|                     | HELP NEEDED      | HELP NEEDED      |
|                     | Ph 0408 412 408  | Ph 0408 412 408  |
| WEDNESDAY 19th November  
(Recess only – 9.30am – 11.30am) | Kristy Montague  | HELP NEEDED      |
|                     |                 | Ph 0408 412 408  |
| FRIDAY 21st November  
(All Day - 8.15am – 2.00pm) | Annabel Cockerton | Adrienne Prazauskas |
|                     | HELP NEEDED      | Karman Sawyer    |
|                     | Ph 0408 412 408  |                 |
| WEDNESDAY 26th November  
(Recess only – 9.30am – 11.30am) | Janniece Clark   | HELP NEEDED      |
|                     |                 | Ph 0408 412 408  |
| FRIDAY 28th November  
(All Day - 8.15am – 2.00pm) | HELP NEEDED      | HELP NEEDED      |
|                     | Ph 0408 412 408  | Ph 0408 412 408  |