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"See and be grateful"

Saint Mary MacKillop (1884).

Week 6, Term 2

Friday 8th June 2018

Dear Members of our Community of Faith,

Happy Feast Day! It was wonderful to celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart with Mass this morning. Fr Lee reminded us of the need for our hearts to be open to loving others as that is what the Sacred Heart would do. We also prayed a Rosary for all priests throughout the world.

Queen's Birthday Monday 11th June

No School ☺ this coming Monday. Enjoy the reprieve and some quality family time.

Our Lady Help of Christians

On Thursday 24th May we celebrated Our Lady Help of Christians. Students were able to enjoy some wonderful soup at lunch and a tasty morning tea. Well done to the SRC for raising \$202.15 from the cupcakes. Thank you to everyone for their help on this day.



Confirmation

Congratulations to the 11 students who made their Confirmation on the 27th May: Bella Kite, Lillian Simpson, Giselle Dawson, Kateri Byrnes, Sarah Stewart, Callum Firmager, Dominic Stewart, Jack Irwin, Gus von Marburg, Calvin O'Donnell and John Suttie.



RAS Cross Country

Congratulations to all of the students who participated in the RAS Cross Country at the Jindera Golf Course last Friday, 1st June. SMMC won the Handicap Trophy for the second year in a row,

which is a terrific effort. We wish Matthew Woods, Miriam Suttie, Gabriel Dawson and Jack Irwin much luck as they represent the school at CIS Cross Country in Sydney next Thursday 14th June.

Wood Raffle

Thank you to everyone for all their effort in selling the wood raffle tickets, we have raised a total of \$730. Well done to Magdalene Kaur who won the Prize.

First Holy Communion

On the 3rd June, four of our students celebrated their First Holy Communion at Thurgoona Parish: Charlotte Burton, Zelie Tocher, Finn McCrohan and Carlos Patino. Congratulations! Jessica Stewart and Raphael Firmager also made their First Communion on this weekend. A beautiful day for these children!



Parent Evening

Our Term 2 Parent Evening is coming up on Tuesday 19th June. Mr Mark Mannering will be speaking on the topic "Raising Youth to Become well Balanced Adults in the iGeneration". Wine and Cheese will be available for your enjoyment. Looking forward to seeing you there.

SMMC Scarf Orders

Any parents wishing to purchase embroidered scarves for their children can be ordered at the office. These are available for \$5.00. The scarf has the school logo on one end and the child's name embroidered on the other.

Kinder Jindera Museum Excursion

Our 14 Kinder students enjoyed a fascinating trip back in time yesterday during their excursion to our local museum. Many thanks to Miss Maclean and Mr Galvin for accompanying them.

Have a wonderful weekend.

God Bless,

Luke Burton (Principal)

2018 Dates for your diary...

Term 2 – Tuesday 1st May – Friday 29th June

- Monday 11th June – Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
- Wednesday 13th June – ICAS Spelling
- Thursday 14th June – ICAS Writing
- Tuesday 19th June 7:30pm – Parent Evening
- Thursday 21st June – BISSA Athletics at Alexandra Park
- Friday 22nd June – Whole School Assembly after Mass
- Friday 29th June – HSC Science Study Day at CSU - 9:00am – 1:30pm

Term 3 – Tuesday 24th July – Friday 28th September

- Saturday 11th August – Saint Mary MacKillop Gala Dinner
- Thursday 9th August – RAS Primary Athletics at Alexandra Park
- Friday 24th August – Yr.9-12 Snow Trip
- Wednesday 5th September – The MacKillop Cup. Held at Saint Mary MacKillop College Wagga

Term 4 – Monday 15th October – Thursday 6th December

- Saturday 27th October – SMMC Annual Fete
- Saturday 10th November 6pm - Yr.12 Graduation

Curriculum Corner – Mrs Kathleen Horsfall



On Tuesday the 9/10 Science class braved the elements and ascended Budginigi, a volcanic plug in Table Top. They then went on a treasure hunt on the foreshores of Lake Hume whilst investigating features of the area and learning about the formation of rocks and other geological features. They were later revived by some hot chocolate and freshly baked chocolate muffins before returning to school.



LIVING OUT THE FAITH IN FAMILY LIFE

The Two Hearts-The Sacred Heart and The Immaculate Heart

This Friday we celebrate the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and on Saturday, the feast of The Immaculate Heart. These two hearts are so closely entwined, in the seventeenth century St John Eudes preached devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary together with the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The pure and Immaculate Heart of Mary is given to mankind as a source of grace and mercy. “This marvellous and unaffected heart of Mary” (JPII) radiates the love of Jesus. She is firstly the pure child of Nazareth, conceived without sin, to teach us, her children how to keep our hearts pure and illuminated with the love of Jesus as she did. “Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart” (Lk2:19). Look up to Mary, the shining one and draw closer to Jesus by learning to love him as she did.

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus was known to exist during the middle ages but it had died out and was renewed by Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque. Saint Margaret Mary was a visitation nun in France. Jesus appeared to her many times between 1673 and 1690. The central feature of the devotion is of God's love and mercy. In one of her letters she wrote: “The Sacred Heart is a treasure-house of graces and blessings beyond all counting. The guarantee of lifting souls in a very short time to the peak of perfection and allowing them to relish the sweetness of serving Jesus Christ”. There are promises of many blessings to those who honour the Sacred Heart: peace in families, rest for their souls, blessings on all their ventures, and comfort in times of trouble. Hardened sinners also will be converted through this devotion. Perhaps the greatest blessing is the promise of the grace of a happy death. The more you honour the Sacred heart, the greater will be the blessings.

Renew devotion to these two precious hearts within your families. The blessings will be immense. These are the safe refuges which will protect you and your children from the slavery of sin.

Act of Consecration

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary
we consecrate ourselves and our whole family to you.
We consecrate to you our very being and all our life,
all we are, all we have, and all we love.
To you we give our bodies, our hearts and our souls.
To you we dedicate our home and our country.
Mindful of this consecration,
we now promise you to live the Christian way
by the practice of Christian virtues, with regard for human respect.
O most Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary,
accept our humble confidence and this act of consecration
by which we entrust ourselves and all our family to you.
In you, we place all our hope.

Most Sacred heart of Jesus, have mercy on us. Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.

Virtue for the Month of June - Patience

“Patience allows us to abide foolishness without growing angry and to endure tedium without becoming bored.”- *De Marco- The Heart of Virtue*