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Week 2 Term 4

16<sup>th</sup> October, 2015

## NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

Today, I had the privilege of attending the Mission Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral. Representing Our Lady of the Angels were students Joseph Awadalla, Bethany Dersch, Jacob Domars and Kristian Skoljarev, as well as Mrs Byrne. Schools from across the diocese were similarly represented to participate in this event, the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Catholic Mission around the world. We celebrated with Eucharist and listened to words of inspiration from a variety of people. These are some of the reflections with which our students came away...

*"I was impressed by Fr Paul's experiences in working with people in the Himalayas and the difference he was making to them but especially the impact these people had on Fr Paul as well."* Jacob

*"When Roza, the speaker from Catholic Mission, had had enough and said she wanted to quit, the priest at the mission told her that she was Christ's presence; through her work she was the hands and feet of Christ."* Bethany

*"Mission is not an option but, for us as Catholics, it is a duty to do God's work".* Joseph

*"Great things start can start from very small actions like the girl in France who went and raised money from workers in her father's factory, 175 years ago. This was the start of the work of Catholic Mission in the world."* Kristian

What profound and insightful words from such young people. I am very proud of them. From their words, we each have something to learn and are inspired to act. This can start with something as small as joining the rest of the country in prayer across the country tomorrow, October 17<sup>th</sup> for Open Doors Australia. It prays for our brothers and sisters in Syria and others suffering dislocation and persecution. Let us pray:

*Almighty God and Creator, You are Father of all people on earth. I beseech you guide all the nations and their leaders in the ways of justice and peace. Protect us from the evils of injustice, prejudice, exploitation, conflict and war. Help us to put away mistrust, bitterness and hatred. Teach us to cease the storing and use of implements of war. Lead us to find peace, respect and freedom. Unite us in the making and sharing of tools of peace against ignorance, poverty, disease and oppression. Grant that we may grow in harmony and friendship as brothers and sisters created in Your image, to Your honour and praise. Amen.*

Over the next few weeks, the students will be looking at ways they can support Catholic Mission and those less fortunate than ourselves.



This week we celebrated World Teachers' Day at OLA. This is an opportunity to thank God for the wonderful gifts that our teachers bring to OLA and to thank the teachers for their hard work.

### Dates to Remember

Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Crazy Hair Day – Gold coin donation towards DWF
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Stg 3 Taronga Zoo incursion P&F General Meeting 7.00pm
Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Kinder 2016 Orientation Morning 9.15am – 11.00am
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	All Souls Day – Liturgy
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Kinder 2016 Orientation Morning 9.15am – 11.00am

## Gospel Reflection



Gospel, Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached him. 'Master,' they said to him, 'We want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I shall drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I shall be baptised?'

They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I shall drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I shall be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them, 'You know that among the gentiles those they call their rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. Among you this is not to happen. No one who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all.'

For the Son of man himself came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

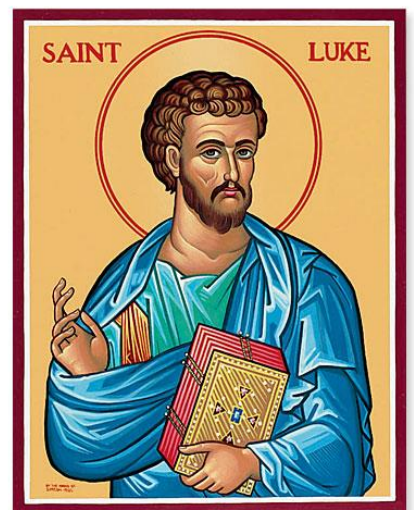
Sunday's Gospel of Mark is a discussion Jesus is having with his disciples. He responded to His disciples by saying that leadership isn't about power or making their authority felt. Leadership is about servant hood, even when it involves suffering and giving one's life. The only way to glory is by self-emptying and serving. Much of our doing for others is simply part of our everyday life; for example, the care parents take of children, couples doing thoughtful things for each other and colleagues cooperating with each other. Being a slave of all, as Jesus says, isn't always something extra or big; most of the time it is simply doing our everyday tasks and keeping in mind that others are the body of Christ. It is doing our everyday tasks with loving care.

Mrs Katrina Byrne  
Acting Religious Education Co-ordinator

## Saint of the week St Luke

St. Luke was born around the same time as Jesus. St Luke lived in the first century. He was born in Syria. St Luke was one of the best writers. His writing is found in the bible. One of his writing were Acts of the Apostles. His job was a surgeon, but people think that he may have been a slave. St Luke is famous for doing paintings on Mary and Jesus. Luke went around the village telling stories about Jesus including the story about Zacchaeus. In his old age St Luke travelled back to Greece. St Luke died at the age of 84 in Boeotia. St Luke is the patron for Surgeons. His feast day is on 18<sup>th</sup> October.

By Zane Boatwalla, Sienna Mooney and Sal Colosimo - Year 2



### Rosary

The month of October is the month of the Rosary. We will be saying a decade of the Rosary every Wednesday in Mary's garden. We invite students and parents who would like to attend to bring along a set of Rosary beads. There will also be an opportunity to light a candle for a special intention



## CRAZY HAIR DAY 23<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER 2015

This Term will be holding a CRAZY HAIR day. This will be our last fundraising event for the year. Gold coin donations will go towards the DWF Appeal. Students can dress up their hair or wear a crazy wig to get into the spirit of Crazy Hair day. Students will still wear their summer uniform on the day. Thank you for your ongoing support and donations for this appeal.



Whooping Cough alert. There has been a confirmed case of whooping cough in the school community. Please refer to the information from NSW Health which was sent out on Thursday via email.

### ICAS-Maths

Congratulations to all students who recently participated in the University of NSW Maths Competition. A special mention to the following students:

**Merit** – Alicia Dersch, Karl Fischer, Joshua Palmer- Burton, John-Paul Colosimo, Juliana Constantino, Jack Hudson

**Credit** – Max Fischer, Kiara Wijaya, Thomas Lenane, Mikayla Muscat, Caitlyn Palmer-Burton, Jessica Bollard, Melissa Preston, Isaac Sultana, Remi Ferdinands, Maneesha Gunasekara

**Distinction** – Kalan Oxspring, Roman Bizanelli, Giaan Lee, Kobe Orsmby

### Social skill –

#### **Responding to teasing –Weeks 3 and 4**

The social skill this week is about how to appropriately respond to teasing and unkind words. Children are encouraged to stop and count to 5. If they have tried ignoring the teasing without success, then say, “Stop it, I don’t like when you....”. If the teasing persists, they need to tell a teacher.

### Woolworths Earn and Learn

Thank you to everyone who collected stickers for the Earn and Learn program. This week we placed an order for a variety of board games that will be used during wet weather. We expect to receive these early next year.



## From the Classroom – 1G



### City Landscapes

The students in Year One designed a city landscape using coloured paper on a black background. They created a variety of skyscrapers using large rectangles. The windows were added using small squares and rectangles. The students then used a white pencil to draw the stars in the background.





## SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

Thank you for your generous donations of second hand uniforms so far. If you have any items of clothing that you would like to **donate** to the OLA Second Hand Clothing Shop, please send in the **clean** items to the school office in a plastic bag. Items will be on sale later this term.

## **P&F GENERAL MEETING**

***Wednesday October 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm - School grounds***

No need to RSVP or even speak on the night. We will hear what the P&F (as part of the parent body) have been up to. It is also an opportunity to hear from the school all the wonderful things that are happening with our children. There is also time to discuss any general business items which can be added to the agenda by submitting them to [olapfc@gmail.com](mailto:olapfc@gmail.com) no later than Tuesday October 20<sup>th</sup>. ALL WELCOME!

***See you next TONIGHT at 7pm!!  
SOCIAL BINGO and GAMES NIGHT!!***



***Our Lady of the Angels  
P&F Association***

\*\*\* *If you have any ideas or are interested in helping out in any way for any of the upcoming events please email [olapfc@gmail.com](mailto:olapfc@gmail.com)*

# AWARDS

Term 4 Week 1			
Student	Academic Merit Award	St Francis Award	Einstein Award
Kinder B	Billy Bowen	Jelena Tolentino	James Elliot
Kinder G	Michael Fuda	Dylan Halwani	Amber Kim
Kinder W	Grace Kim	Charlotte Ives	Jett Fiorio
Year 1B	Lucas Cajic	Ava Silva	Joshua Robertson
Year 1G	Lucas Monks	Joyce Ghobrial	Tyrone Lee
Year 1W	Ayden Stewart	Celina Wassef	Charlotte Anderson
Year 2 B	Mia-Bella Trifiro	Amelia Novelli	Lachlan Whitehurst
Year 2 G	Bowen Cleary	Sal Colosimo	Madison Mihalic
Year 2 W	Ivana Edeliski	Georgia Nemithsas	Isaac Xuereb
Year 3 B	Natasha Charlesworth	Harry Taylor	Alannah Lock
Year 3 W	Hudson Galvin	Isabella Iori	Jacob Connellan
Year 4 B	Alyssia Salib	Shanae Makumbe	Rory McArdle
Year 4 G	Tatum Crook	Bella Masters	Cody Kingcott
Year 4 W	Georgia Grozos	Amber-Lilly Baker	Nicholas Zahorsky
Year 5/6 B	Gary Parizian	Rex Finch	Tyler Spiteri
Year 5/6 G	Daniella Lopresti	Brock Bailey	Elise Ewer
Year 5/6W	Kalani Nobleza	Claudia Pacella	Angus Misek

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Term 4 Week 2			
Student	Academic Merit Award	St Francis Award	Einstein Award
Kinder B	Maddix Laborte	Max Luther	Mya Bassili
Kinder G	Harry Jones	Keira Mooney	Camryn Sammut
Kinder W	Patrick Doueihy	Georgia Dolahenty	Cameron Muscat
Year 1B	Justin Medjumurac	Jett Laborte	Lucy Tapley
Year 1 G	Mikayla Edwards	Stella Signorelli	Amity Oxspring
Year 1W	James Apap	Emma Quijano	Michelangelot La
Year 2 B	Madeleine Wilson	Lachlan Hollier	Nate Davis
Year 2 G	Isabel Williams	Marissa Farrugia	Patrick Leach
Year 2 W	Bryce McDonald	Drew Sammut	Charlie De Rous
Year 3 B	Nicholas Kamber	Christian Garofano	Zachary Signorelli
Year 3 W	Nathan Osborne	Nicholas Gomez	Lucy Finch
Year 4 B	Nicholas Hallal	John-Paul Colosimo	Anthony Cutuk
Year 4 G	Olivia Jones	Max Kelly	Natasha Eyles
Year 4 W	Anthony Kamber	Elysia Connellan	Mia Sprowles
Year 5/6 B	Bethany Dersch	Caleb Martinez	Jake Eyles
Year 5/6 G	Seronique Taylor	Remi Ferdinands	Alexandra Mercado
Year 5/6W	Ana Basic	Emily Odd	Francesca Marino

# 2016 Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials

Any Primary students enrolled in Year 5 and 6 in 2016 are invited to participate in the Parramatta Diocesan Team Sport Trials during Term Four in 2015 and Term One in 2016.

It is important to note that these trials are generally for those children who display an above average ability and/or have representative experience in their chosen sport. While teams are open in age it is **strongly recommended that only children of a representative standard in Years 5 & 6 in 2016 be invited to attend.**

Parramatta Diocesan trials will be held in the following sports:

\*AFL (boys), Basketball (B&G), Cricket (B&G), Diving (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Football (B&G), Golf (B&G), Hockey (B&G), Netball (girls), Rugby League (11yrs & Opens), Rugby Union (boys), Softball (B&G), Tennis (B&G), & Touch (B&G).

To be eligible for selection for these trials an Online Team Registration Form must be completed that can be accessed via the website [www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au](http://www.primarysportparra.catholic.edu.au). This online form is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST** for the 2016 Parramatta Diocesan Primary Sport Team trials. You may complete this form to attend a selection trial or if you have been selected in a representative squad or team. One form is to be completed per child, per individual sport. Each sport has its own criteria therefore, it is imperative that the correct form is completed.

Please note that your online registration is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLY** and **MUST be approved by your child's school**. In order for your child to attend the nominated trial or event this may come down to the discretion of your school as to who is selected to attend the trial. In some sports only 2 students per school can be nominated. **Please complete all fields and especially "Representative Experience"**.

**Your child's school will notify you one week prior to the trial date if your child is to attend to the Parramatta Diocesan trial for their selected sport by providing a trial information sheet.**

***Under no circumstances will a child be eligible to trial if the Online Registration Form has not been completed and approved by the school by the closing date.***

**Currently only the Summer Sports of BASKETBALL, CRICKET, SOFTBALL & TENNIS are open and registrations close on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October as these trials will be held in November 2015. All other sport registrations will open on 2<sup>nd</sup> November for 2016 trials.**

Please contact your school sports coordinator for any further information.

Yours In Sport,

*Margaret Thornton*

Teaching Educator – Primary Sport  
Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta



## Bishops Office

### Diocesan Family Sunday: 18 October

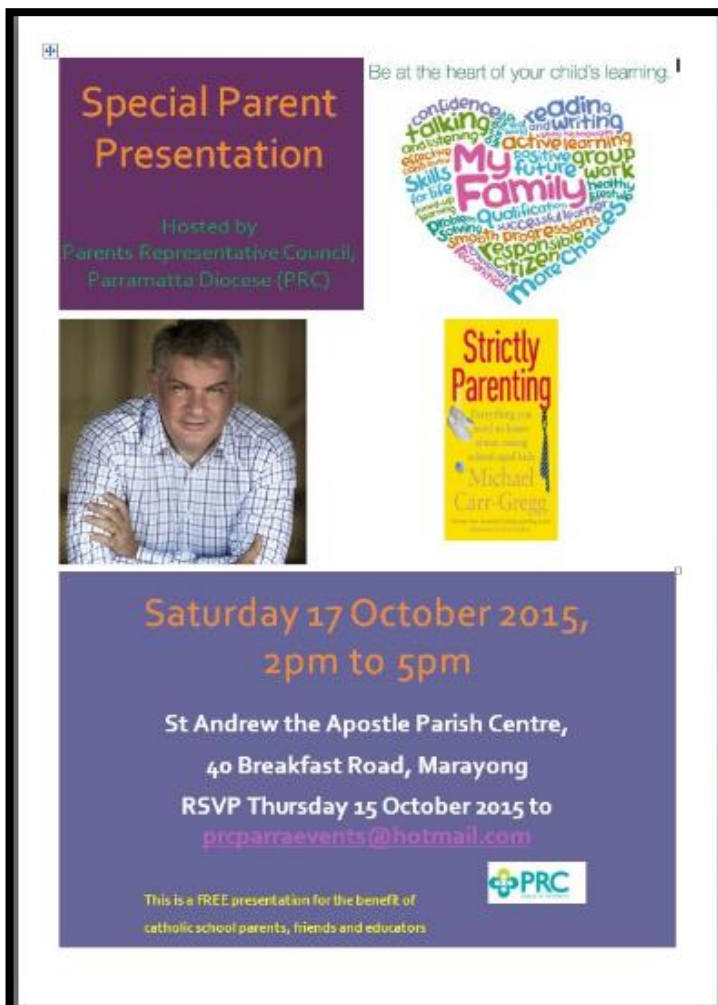
Theme: 'Love is Our Mission'. The afternoon family gathering from 2.30pm – 6pm will include: testimonies from our diocesan delegates to the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia, update on the Family Synod in Rome and a talk on Blesseds Louis and Zelie Martin (parents of St Therese of Lisieux), who will be canonised on 18 October. Children's activities and sausage sizzle. MacKillop Centre, cnr Swanston & Collins Sts, St Marys. Inquiries: (02) 8838 3440, [famlife@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:famlife@parra.catholic.org.au)

### Parramatta Youth Rally: 24 October

All young people aged 16-35 are invited to celebrate the young Catholic Church in the Diocese of Parramatta with an outdoor concert and festival on the feast day of St John Paul II, founder of our Diocese and father of World Youth Day. From 7pm-9.30pm in St Patrick's Cathedral precinct, 1 Marist Plc, Parramatta.

### Vocation Discernment Afternoon: 25 October


All young men who feel God might be calling them to the priesthood are invited to the Catholic Diocese of Parramatta's Vocation Discernment Afternoon. The afternoon starts at 2pm and concludes with a shared meal at 6pm. Holy Spirit Seminary is at 31-33 Allen Street, Harris Park. To find out more about priesthood in the Diocese of Parramatta contact the Director of Priestly Vocations, Fr Warren Edwards, tel 0409 172 700 or send an email to: [vocations@parra.catholic.org.au](mailto:vocations@parra.catholic.org.au)



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Friday 30 October 2015

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# Sporting News

## State Athletics Carnival- Junior Girls Relay Team

On Thursday, Hollie Ford, Jade Richardson, Seronique Taylor and Claudia Coombes competed at the State Athletics Carnival representing the MacKillop team in the 4 x 100m relay team at the Sydney Athletics Centre, Homebush.. All four girls were nervous but excited at the same time. The girls ran well and their baton change was flawless. The girls finished 6<sup>th</sup> in their heat and 27<sup>th</sup> overall. Well done girls. The OLA community is very proud of your achievements along with your parents who were there to support them.



### Claudia Coombes – Tennis

Earlier this month, Claudia and her tennis team competed against other teams from Sydney metropolitan area, A.C.T., South East and North West. After 2 days of competition, her team was undefeated and after winning the final, her team placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the U10 State Teams Championships, winning the Dom Fogarty Cup.

### Blake Tickell – Water Skiing

Blake recently competed in the Grafton Bridge to Bridge water ski classic in the U14 age group. After hitting speeds in excess of 100kph, he finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> position, which is a huge achievement, particularly for an 11 year old.



### Anthony Kamber - Futsal

Anthony has been selected to represent Australia in the U10/11's National Futsal team to tour the US for a 2 week tournament next year.

*From the Parish Office...*

**All Souls Day Mass**

A special mass will be held on All Souls Day, Monday, 2 November at 7.30pm. If anyone has had a relative recently deceased and would like to be included in the All Souls Day mass offering, please give the details of the deceased (date of birth and death) to Fr Warren by Fri. 23 October and we will have a special candle lit for that soul during the mass.

**New Altar Servers Training**

Beginning Wednesday, 28 October, Fr Warren and Fr Rizzo will be holding a 3 week course for new altar servers at 4pm in the Church. If you have a child who has received their first communion and would be interested, please let Geraldine in the parish office know asap.

**Reconciliation**

Reconciliation for children in Year 2 and older will occur this Term. If you did not attend the Enquiry Night and would like your child enrolled, please contact the PARISH Office immediately.

**Parish Priest:** Fr Warren Edwards

**Assistant Priest:** Fr John Rizzo

**Mass times:**

**Sat vigil:** 5:30pm **Sunday:** 8:30am, 10am & 5.30pm.

**Weekdays:** Mon -Sat: 9 am

**Email:** parishoffice@ourladyoftheangels.org.au

**Website:** www.ourladyoftheangels.org.au

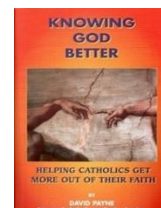


We are running the first CaFE (Catholic Faith Exploration) course titled on Tuesday, **10<sup>th</sup> November 2015 in the old church building.**

Knowing God Better is a series of stimulating talks aimed at helping us understand our faith more fully and so become more enthusiastic about God's action in our lives.

Set in a café style environment, CaFE is fun and, at the same time, prayerful. There is opportunity for reflection and group discussion.

So, if you would like to enrich your knowledge of our Catholic faith, come and join CaFE.



Congratulations to the Sales family  
on the birth of their beautiful baby  
girl, Azalia. A baby sister for Acacia.



*God bless.  
Eva La Rocca,  
Principal*

