EASTER
A season to be joyful

ALLELUIA

Fill our minds and hearts with the risen life we share with Christ.

Sunday, 29th March is Passion (Palm) Sunday and the start of Holy Week.

The events of this period are the most profoundly significant of our Catholic faith. The Easter Triduum which begins with the Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday, continues through the Crucifixion liturgies and Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, and reaches its high point, the Resurrection at the Easter Vigil.

The commemoration of these events allows us to focus on the person of Jesus and gain great insight into his life, sacrifice and glory. It is a time to reflect on the relevance of these events in our lives today, and their impact on our faith journey.

The times of Masses and ceremonies are published later in this newsletter and I strongly encourage students to fully participate in the opportunities offered to them in their parish and mass centres.

Karen Young
Principal

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**Holy Week Ceremonies**

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<td>Palm Sunday</td>
<td>March 29</td>
<td>10.00am</td>
<td>Solemn Blessing &amp; Procession of Palms</td>
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<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>April 1</td>
<td>7.30pm</td>
<td>Chrism Mass of the Holy Oils - St Francis Xavier Cathedral</td>
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<td>April 2</td>
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<td>Good Friday</td>
<td>April 3</td>
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<td>Stations Of The Cross</td>
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<td>3.00pm</td>
<td>Solemn Commemoration Of The Lord's Passion and Death</td>
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<td>Holy Saturday</td>
<td>April 4</td>
<td>7.30pm</td>
<td>Solemn Easter Vigil and Mass Of The Lord’s Resurrection</td>
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<td>Easter Sunday</td>
<td>April 5</td>
<td>8.30am</td>
<td>Mass</td>
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**Reconciliation Times For Holy Week**

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<td>31 March</td>
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<td>1 April</td>
<td>9.25am - 10.00am</td>
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<td>Good Friday</td>
<td>3 April</td>
<td>11.00am - 12 Noon</td>
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**ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH**

Fr. Michael Healy, PP  Fr. Lucas Myint, Asst. Priest
35 Cordeaux Street, Campbelltown
Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday 9 am – 3:30 pm
Phone: 4625 8044 Fax: 4626 1528

**MONDAY**

9:30am Mass – Reconciliation after Mass

**TUESDAY**

9:30am Mass – Reconciliation after Mass

**WEDNESDAY**

9:30am Mass – Reconciliation after Mass
7:30pm – Solemn Mass of the Holy Oils at St. Francis Xavier’s Cathedral, Wollongong

**THURSDAY**

7:30pm Mass – Solemn Celebration of the Lord’s Supper in the Church. After Mass you are invited to spend some time in prayer at The Altar of Repose to Commemorate Christ’s Agony in the Garden

**FRIDAY**

10.00am Stations of the Cross in the Church

1:30pm & 4:00pm Solemn Celebration of the Lord’s Passion in the Church

7:00pm Stations of the Cross in the Church

**HOLY SATURDAY**

11:30am–12:30pm Reconciliation in the Church
7:00pm – Solemn Ceremonies & Vigil Mass of Easter in the Church

**EASTER SUNDAY**

Masses at 7:30am; 9:00am; 10:30am & 5:00pm

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MESSAGE OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

We provide a copy of an opinion piece which appeared in The Australian newspaper today, from Tony Farley of the Catholic Commission for Employment Relations. The piece is in response to the ongoing campaign from the Independent Education Union and the Greens party to abolish the freedom that faith-based schools have to employ people who will act in accordance with the doctrines, tenets, beliefs or teachings of their religion.

You will have heard a lot about the inclusion of a Catholic Ethos clause as a key issue within the current Enterprise Agreement negotiations. Current legislation allows Catholic and other faith based schools to require that staff support the mission, teaching and values of our faith in schools.

To remove this ability seeks to remove the Catholic component of Catholic schools - the very reason why our schools exist.

These arrangements allow us the freedom to run our schools in a way that expresses our faith and provides parents with the ability to have their children educated in an environment that is consistent with their family’s beliefs and values.

The ongoing negotiations for an Enterprise Agreement have canvassed a range of issues, which employers will shortly be seeking to settle with the IEU.

The issue of Catholic ethos is one that is fundamental to the future of our schools. We urge you to ask your local IEU representative to cease their campaign to take the faith component out of faith-based schools.

Parents and Friends Association

John Therry Catholic High School Parents and Friends Committee is seeking expressions of interest from members of our School Community who are suitably qualified in Accounting to Audit the Financial Records for the Committee. Please contact the School Office on 4645 8100 to express your interest.

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Message from the Office

ENROLMENTS
Enrolment applications are being accepted now for Year 7 2016. Our open day was a huge success and we have a lot of interest in enrolling for 2016. Please ensure all applications are received by Wednesday 1 April 2015. If you have current students at John Therry and are wishing to enrol a sibling please ensure you do so by the cut off day. Applications received before 1 April will be processed first. Late applications will only be considered if we still have places available. We would not want siblings to miss out because of late enrolment applications.

FEE REMINDER
2015 School Fee Statements have been sent out. A 5% Discount to Tuition fees can be applied if your account is paid in full by 1/04/2015.

ATTENTION YEAR 10 PARENTS
All parents that paid for the Year 10 PDHPE Beach Day Excursion that was cancelled, please be advised that the $25 will be used toward a History Excursion early in Term 4. A note for this Excursion will be sent home shortly.

VACCINATIONS
Year 7 were given vaccination forms to take home a couple of weeks ago. These need to be returned to the school office. Please ensure that all parts of the form are completed and you have included your Medicare number.

NSW Health nurses will visit the school on the following dates throughout the year:

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<td>6 May 2015</td>
<td>HPV and dTpa</td>
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<td>15 July 2015</td>
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<td>17 November 2015</td>
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If your child is away on vaccination day they usually hold a catch up day within a couple of weeks of the vaccination day. If your child misses both days then you will need to organise to have the vaccinations with your local doctor.

For information regarding vaccinations you can contact your local Public Health Unit on 1300 066 055. Please see the brochure below for further information.

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Pastoral

Year 11 – Active Discipleship

Faith & Courage

- Justice and Compassion
- Christology
- Mission, leadership and ministry

News from the Music Department

As part of our ongoing support of Creative Arts, this year we will continue to offer music tuition within the school. It will feature experienced music tutors from the Liverpool Academy of Music. Today, the Liverpool Academy of Music in Sydney’s South West, has grown to become one of the largest music schools in Australia. Since the Academy does teach from a graded syllabus, there is music written for every level - students are making and playing music almost from the very first lesson. And as they apply themselves, students simply move to play more difficult music. At the moment we are offering tuition for guitar, piano and voice. Tuition will take place at school. Students will be taken out of class for their lesson/s each week. Lessons are typically half an hour and will fall on a Tuesday. Tuition fees will be paid directly to the tutor ($30.00 per lesson). Students are taught in a one-on-one style, using innovative methods, as we believe and see proof that this achieves the best results. More information about the Academy can be seen on their website at http://www.liverpoolacademyofmusic.com.au/

Please see one of the friendly music teachers or contact them via email to receive an enrolment form.

jennifer.koryzma@dow.catholic.edu.au
katrina.blunden@dow.catholic.edu.au

Thanks
The Music Department

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Sport Report

Term 1 - Round 7

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<th>Coach</th>
<th>Result</th>
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<td>Senior Boys Cricket</td>
<td>Mr. Tannous</td>
<td>No Game</td>
<td>– washed out</td>
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<td>Open Girls Cricket</td>
<td>Ms. Bond</td>
<td>No Game</td>
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<td>Senior Boys Oz Tag</td>
<td>Mr. Morris</td>
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<td>Senior Girls Oz Tag</td>
<td>Ms. Hogan</td>
<td>No Game</td>
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<td>8/9 Boys Volleyball</td>
<td>Mr. Williamson</td>
<td>Lost</td>
<td>3-1 Narrow loss again in a match we should have won. Took an early lead and all games were closely fought. Too many unforced errors led to today’s loss. MVP: Cody Hoffmeister</td>
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<td>8/9 Girls Volleyball</td>
<td>Mrs. Hynard</td>
<td>Won</td>
<td>3-1 A fortunate win in the very trying conditions. The girls lost the first set but decided to get their heads together in the next three sets. Looking forward to the final next week. MVP: Sarah Cassar</td>
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<td>8/9 Boys Basketball</td>
<td>Mr. Wakeling</td>
<td>Won</td>
<td>19-16 A great game. Fast paced and full of excellent skill. A tightly contested game but with some fantastic team work and accurate shooting. Some brilliant individual performances and awesome team defence. This enabled JT to come away with a three point win. 19-16. MVP - Alvin Narvais</td>
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<td>8/9 Girls Basketball</td>
<td>Ms. Patterson</td>
<td>Draw</td>
<td>6-6 The JT girls got off to a wonderful start leading 6-3 at halftime. Unfortunately the girls couldn’t hold onto the lead and Broughton drew level in the last 40 seconds. A great effort nonetheless. MVP: Mary El Kazzi</td>
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<td>8/9 Boys Softball</td>
<td>Mr. Goodhew</td>
<td>No Game</td>
<td>– washed out</td>
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<td>8/9 Girls Softball</td>
<td>Mr. Chapman</td>
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MISA.
MISA was unfortunately washed out this week as the kids were arriving at the venues. The volleyballers and basketballers still managed to complete their games despite the weather. MISA finals will take place next as well as Term 2 Sport Selections. Students not involved in MISA teams will be expected to completed their nominations via Sentral on their ipads.

**Students are reminded they must have John Therry representative shorts to compete in the Diocesan competitions.**

**MISA AND DIOCESAN SPORTS ATTIRE**

These shorts, as seen below, can be worn for MISA games, Diocesan competitions and other State/Knockout competitions. These shorts are only to be worn for representative activities. These soccer and rugby league shorts will match the latest jerseys the school has purchased for the students.

They are not replacing the schools current sports shorts and are not to be worn to school for normal sport or PDHPE lessons.

A shorts and socks combo will be sold for $25 each. If you are interested in purchasing this representative clothing for your child, could you please reply with an email with your quantity and size(s) to andrew.cook@dow.catholic.edu.au. and make the necessary payment at the front office.

Sample sizes will be available at the sports office

**Diocesan Events – Term 2**

- **Wednesday 22nd April**  
  Diocesan Carnivals - Boys Soccer (Nowra) + Girls Touch (W’Gong)

- **Wednesday 29th April**  
  Diocesan Cross Country (Nowra)

- **Thursday 30th April**  
  Diocesan Sports Meeting (1pm – 4pm)

- **Friday 1st May**  
  Back Up - Soccer + Touch

- **Monday 18th June**  
  Back Up - Diocesan Cross Country

- **Thursday 28th May**  
  DIO CCC Rugby League Cup @ Nowra

- **Wednesday 3rd June**  
  DIO CCC Football Qualifier (7-10 Boys, Open Boys and Girls)

- **Thursday 4th June**  
  Back Up - DIO CCC Rugby League Cup @ Nowra

- **Wednesday 10th June**  
  Back Up - DIO CCC Football Qualifier (7-10 Boys, Open Boys and Girls)

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**Message from the Catholic Education Commission NSW**

Catholic Education Commission NSW and the Council of Catholic Schools Parents NSW/ACT approached the major parties to determine how their education policies will impact the 254,000 students in NSW Catholic schools and their families. We have published a summary of their responses below to help you with your vote on 18 March.

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<td>Yes. “The Baird Government is committed to fully funding its share of the Gonski Agreement, which delivers an additional $529 million to Catholic schools over 6 years.”</td>
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<th>Q2: Does your party support an immediate annual increase in NSW Government capital funding to Catholic schools to relieve pressure on parents who currently meet most of the building costs for new Catholic school places?</th>
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<td>Maybe. “The Baird Government will continue to engage with the Catholic school sector to target capital funding to Catholic schools in growth areas, and other Catholic schools most in need of investment.”</td>
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<th>Q3: Does your party support parents’ right to choose a faith-based education for their children and the right of Catholic schools to deliver on that commitment through appropriate employment, enrolment and curriculum policies and practices?</th>
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<td><strong>Liberal National coalition</strong></td>
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<td>Yes. “The Baird Government supports the right of Catholic schools to deliver a faith-based education in line with the provisions of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.”</td>
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### NSW 2015 STATE ELECTION GUIDE

**Legislative Assembly - Lower House**

Citizens Amendment (Zoe’s Law) Bill (No 2) 2013

This Bill sought to decriminalize the act of feeding children in strollers with sugar-sweetened drinks. — Legislative Assembly (27 November 2013)

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<td>Greg Robinson (LNP)</td>
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### NSW 2015 State Election

**Australia Day**

The story of Australia Day, the celebration of the birth of a nation, is a complex one. It is a day of joy and celebration, but also of reflection and mourning. — Legislative Assembly (9 January 2015)

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All life has intrinsic value even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in His own image, destined to live for ever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect. — Pope Francis (2015)
Breakfast Club

Too busy this morning to eat breakfast?
Rushed out the door and forgot?
Come and join us for cereal, toast, fruit or yoghurt

When: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
Before school: 8.00 – 8.30am
Where: The kitchen area in the lower hall
Cost: A gold coin donation would be appreciated

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Sorry Day Service

All are welcome to attend this special occasion.
Light refreshments will be served.

Date: Monday 25th May 2015
Time: 10.30am—12.30pm
Venue: Holy Trinity Church
57 Guernsey Avenue, Minto

The Sorry Day Service is supported by:
* The Aboriginal Catholic Ministry
* Winga Nyamly Reconciliation Group
  "Winga Nyamly are Yindarri words that mean 'to sit down and talk'"
* Campbelltown City Council
* Tharawal Medical Service

Please contact Sr Kerry 9605 1838 for further details

Memorial Ceremony

This is an annual event to remember the Dharawal people
Killed in the Massacre of 1816
Sunday 19 April 2015 Cataract Dam Picnic Area
12pm – 3.30pm
Sausage Sizzle lunch will provide
Hosted by: Winga Nyamly Reconciliation Group

Contacts: Uncle Ivan Wellington 0447 581 306
Sr Kerry 9605 1838
Ann Madsen 0409 836 967
Peter Jones 0418 297 066

Supported by: NSW Reconciliation Council, Macarthur Shire Council, Campbelltown Council, Camden Council, Sydney Catchment Authority, WULLA, Tharawal Land Council and the Aboriginal Communities of Macarthur Region

Please Note: The Memorial Ceremony involves a short walk to the Ceremony. Limited seating available. Feel free to bring your own fold-up chairs. Appropriate footwear, hats, sunscreen and bottled water are highly recommended.

The event will take place regardless of weather conditions.
Our Lady Help of Christians Primary School

Our Lady Help of Christians Primary School is currently taking Enrolments for Kindergarten 2016. Enrolment Application forms are available from the School Office and should be returned by Thursday 2nd April 2015. Application forms can also be downloaded from the CEO website.

You Thrive Regional Youth Leadership Forum

As an initiative of Youth Week Campbelltown, Camden and Wollondilly Councils are hosting the Forum on Tuesday 14 April 2015 – 12pm to 4pm at the Campbelltown Arts Centre.
For more information please contact: Michele Mullineaux – 4645 4835

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Thursday 9 and Friday 10 April
Penchos
Youth Solutions and its Youth Advisory Group (YAG) will host an interactive stall at Macarthur Square, as part of the PENCHOS campaign, helping to educate young people about tobacco and reduce youth smoking rates. Youth Solutions and the YAG will also be delivering a fun and interactive peer education workshop at the University of Western Sydney, Campbelltown. This workshop will focus on tobacco prevention and building resilience.

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