THE FEAST OF ST MARY OF THE CROSS

On 8 August the Church celebrated the feast of St Mary of the Cross. Mary Helen MacKillop (15 January 1842 - 8 August 1909), also known as Saint Mary of the Cross, was an Australian Roman Catholic nun who, together with Father Julian Tenison Woods, founded the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart and a number of schools and welfare institutions throughout Australasia with an emphasis on education for the poor, particularly in country areas. Since her death she has attracted much veneration in Australia and internationally. On 17 July 2008, Pope Benedict XVI prayed at her tomb during his visit to Sydney for World Youth Day 2008. On 19 December 2009, Pope Benedict XVI approved the Catholic Church’s recognition of a second miracle attributed to her intercession. She was canonised on 17 October 2010 during a public ceremony in St Peter’s Square at the Vatican. She is the only Australian to be recognised by the Catholic Church as a saint.

CPSSA LEAGUE TAG CARNIVAL

We wish the students who have been selected to participate in the League Tag Competition the best of luck on Tuesday. May the hard work that they placed into their training be well rewarded. The competition will be held at Santich Park Munster.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our Year 6 students who were confirmed by Fr Peter Whitely, Vicar General, last weekend. Our students were well prepared by their teachers Mr Overton, Miss Regan and Mrs Surjan. We would like to thank Fr Phong and Fr Jeronimo for concelebrating the Confirmation mass. Our appreciation is also extended to Mrs Giovannangelo, Mrs Parella and Mrs Figliomeni for coordinating the confirmation sacramental program. Many of our teachers and teacher assistants gave up time on the weekend to assist at the confirmation masses and I would like to express our gratitude to them for giving so generously of their time.

God Bless.

CARMEL COSTIN
Principal

P&F NEWS

P&F PARENT AND CHILD CAMP OUT

Thank you to the families who responded to the camp survey and offered their assistance. All families who offered their assistance are asked to attend a meeting on Friday 14th August that will be held immediately after the assembly at approximately 9:15am in the Parish Hall. The aim of the meeting is to establish teams of coordinators for the organisation of the camp e.g. Overall coordinator, collection and counting of money, allocation of camping areas, evening activities, lighting, security and clean-up of the oval.

PRAYER

Dear God, You chose Mary MacKillop to do your work. Help us to know that we can each make a difference wherever we are. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.
P&F NEWS

P&F MEETING
The next P&F meeting will be held Monday, 17 August in the Library at 7.30pm, as always everyone is welcome!

FOOTY TIPPING - ROUND 18 WINNERS
- Kindy-Year 2 - Patrick Dowsett
- Year 3-6 - Jennifer Rose
- Adult - Chris De Pinto

Winnings can be collected from the office.

PE NEWS

INTERSCHOOL LEAGUE TAG CARNIVAL
Good luck to those selected students in years 4, 5 & 6 who will be representing Yidarra at the Interschool League Tag Carnival which will be held on Tuesday 11 August. Leading the students on the day will be our four fantastic captains Luke Yeo, Charli Hall, Cade Ravlich and Jennifer Rose.

ROB DEBOWSKI & AARON KUBICEK
PE Teacher & 4G Teacher

KNOWING GOD BETTER
The next session in "Knowing God Better" is especially for parents and grandparents from Yidarra School. Parishioners are also welcome. The session title is “Knowing God’s Spirit”, from (2 Timothy 1:6-7) “I remind you to fan into flames the spiritual gift God gave you when I laid hands on you. For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity but of power, love and self-discipline.” Come and join others who are keen to grow in understanding how the Holy Spirit is active throughout the world, drawing and wooing people to faith. We all need to say YES to the Spirit’s work in and through our daily lives, then our faith will help us to live life to the full.

Date and Time: Wednesday 12 August from 9.15-10.30am. If you like to bring your children and some toys, they can play at the end of the hall. For further information contact Sr. Ann on 0418 130 200 or Carolin on 0432 855 605.

LIBRARY NEWS

BOOK WEEK
Book Week is fast approaching. It will be in Week 6. The ‘dress up as a book character’ parade, assembly and teacher’s play will be on WEDNESDAY 26 August beginning at 8.40 am. Please encourage your child to dress as a fictional book character.

CHARITY BOOK SWAP
The Charity Book Swap will also be in Book Week. Yidarra students are asked to bring in any old, good quality children's books that they no longer want and some money to buy other second hand books. Families can start sending in their unwanted books tomorrow. They can be placed in the BOOK SWAP box in the library. Students who do not wish to part with their books are very welcome to come and buy other people’s treasures. Books will be on sale at lunchtime on Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th August.

This year the funds raised will go to supporting the library at The School of St Yared in Ethiopia.

VOLUNTEERS FOR ST YARED’S

Last week some of our fabulous parents volunteered their time and expertise processing new books for the library at The School of St Yared.

As you may know the school operates through direct sponsorship. It offers very poor children a chance to change their lives. The school’s motto is ‘fighting poverty through education’. Although the school’s library is small and has very few books, it is an integral part of the education programme. The contribution made by these parents, pictured here, is greatly appreciated.

Remember those wise words: ‘you have never really lived until you have done something for someone who can never repay you’.

CHERYL LOPEZ
Teacher Librarian
HEALTH NEWS

There have been cases of School Sores (Impetigo) in Kindy and Pre-primary reported. Please note the information below and if you require any further information, contact your child's teacher.

**Impetigo (School Sores)**

A common, acute bacterial infection of the skin caused by staphylococcal or streptococcal bacteria. Symptoms include itchy pustules and scabs.

- **Transmission:** Direct contact with skin lesions
- **Incubation period:** Usually 4 to 10 days
- **Infectious period:** As long as there is discharge from untreated lesions
- **Exclusion:** Exclude for 24 hours after antibiotic treatment commenced. Lesions on exposed skin surfaces should be covered with a waterproof dressing
- **Treatment:** Antibiotic treatment available – refer to doctor

ST THOMAS MORE PARISH NEWS

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING - Thursday 13th and August 2015**

Have you thought of being an Altar server in our parish? If you are interested training is taking place on Thursday the 13th of August at 4 pm in the church. Training depending on numbers, will last about 1.5 hours finishing about 5.30pm. You must have made your First Holy Communion to be eligible. Please notify Parish office if you are attending.

**PARISH AGM SUN 23rd AUGUST AT 12.15PM**

The Parish AGM will be held in the parish hall on Sunday 23rd August at 12.15pm. All are welcome to attend. Those interested in nominating for Parish Council or in joining any of the subcommittees, including the organising of parish events, faith formation, welcoming new parishioners, or building closer ties with Yidarra Catholic Primary, please contact Michael Roche at Roche.michael@trinity.wa.edu.au

Please note the notices above are only a few documented in this newsletter if you would like to find out more activities in the Parish they are advertised in the weekly Parish Bulletin, go to website: www.batemancatholic.org

CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE—ENROLMENTS FOR 2016

The Corpus Christi College is having enrolments for Years 8—12 for 2016. Due to demand limited places have been made available for Years 8 to 12 for Semester One, 2016. Contact the College register on + 61 08 6332 2567 for all of your enrolment enquiries.

IONA COLLEGE 40 YEAR REUNION

Iona Presentation College Mosman Park welcomes the class of 1975 40 year Reunion. Saturday 29 August 3pm—5pm at Iona Presentation College Mosman Park. Please contact Karen Canali at kcanalin@iona.wa.edu.au

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

Stickers can be dropped off at the office in the collection box.
Here at Winthrop Gardens Supa IGA has opened up a café next door called Winnies at the Village and we have a couple of deals that the Yidarra families may be interested in:

Bacon and Egg roll and a take away coffee, every Monday to Friday 6.30am - 9am for $10

Next Tuesday (Tuesday August 11th) on the Supa IGA’s regular double points day (which happens every Tuesday) we are running a special for our frequent shoppers: all they have to do is come into Winnies at the Village and show their frequent shopper rewards card to receive:

Buy One get One Free for DINe in coffee at the café.