FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY 2nd JUNE

The Body and Blood of Christ

The Gospel tells of Jesus sharing a Passover meal with his disciples. The Old Testament understanding of sacrifice is being renewed. Jesus offers a new sacrifice and establishes a new covenant. Jesus knew he was going to die the next day and he wanted the sacrificial meaning of his death to be understood. The body and blood of Jesus has bound together God and humankind for all time.

For most of us, bread is always in ready supply so we could miss an important aspect of this special feast we celebrate. For people in many parts of third world countries who lack basic nourishment, bread (food) is truly a gift from God that brings them to life.

When Jesus was on earth, he shared himself with anyone in need. To avoid the Eucharist becoming just a ritual action, we must be like Jesus, recognise human hunger and become food for others. Our sharing in the Eucharist unites us with Jesus and our brothers and sisters.

How is that sharing evident in your life?
TERM TWO - WEEK FIVE
Honour Awards: Self Control

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Value for Week 6: Resilience

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2013 MEGA RAFFLE in June (see below)
This will be our major fundraiser for the year. A book of ten tickets @ $2.00 per ticket will be sent home to each family tomorrow. We will have extra books of tickets available in the office if you need them.

Our thanks to Mr & Mrs Newman for their untiring endeavour in securing the 25 prizes for this raffle.

PARENT FORUM
On Tuesday evening this week, we were pleased to welcome a number of parents to the Parent Forum. My thanks to Mr Baird who led the evening which focussed on anti-bullying strategies at school and suggestions for parents to assist us in identifying and mediating any bullying experiences students may be experiencing.

The main messages from the evening were for parents to encourage their children to tell if they are bullied, report any bullying to staff (of themselves or of others) and to tell bullies to “Stop it, I don’t like it”, to help someone who is being bullied and not to bully others.

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FAMILY DISCO
Unfortunately the wet and cold weather last Friday created the necessity to postpone the Disco. Our apologies for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Initially it was our intention to have the Disco this coming Friday night, however I became aware that a considerable number of families would be unable to attend because of another commitment.

Friday of next week is also problematic as there is a football game at Parramatta Oval and parking will be extremely difficult.

Friday 14th is our Athletic Carnival and we are concerned that children and parents may be too tired after a long day of activities.

Our aim therefore is for Friday 21st June depending on the weather.

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STUDENT ABSENCES
Reminder: If your child is absent from school, parents are required to send a written notification to the classroom teacher within seven days of the absence.

If you know in advance that your child will be absent from school, parents are required to notify the school in writing in advance.

If you intend taking your child out of school and applying for EXEMPTION you must send a letter in advance setting out the reasons for your application.

Early release from school (part-absence) or very late arrival, unless for sickness, or medical appointments, or a family crisis, will be included in the above.

It is strongly recommended that holidays be taken in the regular school breaks. Children who miss school (other than for sickness) are disadvantaged as they miss critical concepts and learning.

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UNIFORMS
The boy’s jumpers have finally arrived and have been sent home.
LIFE EDUCATION PROGRAM
The Life Education Program commences today 30th May with Year 3 travelling to the Centre at Colyton. Please see the letter sent home for details.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
Tomorrow Friday 31st May. All students are to wear full school winter uniform. Year Six Sport Captains are asked to bring their sports uniform to change into for their photograph. Please see the letter sent home for other details.

NO ASSEMBLY tomorrow 31st May.

Lost Property
We have an ever increasing number of lost tracksuit jackets, pants and school jackets. These could not be returned as they did not have names on them. Some items appear to be new. Please come in and collect any item that could belong to your child. Please write your child’s name on their uniforms.

2014 KINDERGARTEN
Application for Enrolment Packs for 2014 are available to be collected from the school office. Please note we have begun interviews for 2014 Kindergarten places.

COMING EVENTS
SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Friday 14th June
Old Kings Oval, Parramatta Park
Primary start: 9.30 a.m.
Infants start: 11.00 a.m.
Sausage Sizzle, cakes & drinks on sale.

CAPTIVATE MUSIC SHOWCASE
Tuesday 18th June 6.30 & 8.00 p.m.
Nagle College Hall
Tickets available from www.trybooking.com
$15.00 adult - $10.00 Concession.

YEAR SIX INCURSION
Friday 21st June.
Labs on Legs. Details to come.

FAMILY DISCO
Friday 21st June. 6.00 to 8.00 p.m.

2013 SCHOOL FEES
Term 2 School Fee accounts have been sent out by the Catholic Education office. The due date for payment is Monday 3rd June, 2013. We would appreciate your prompt payment of these fees.

If you are experiencing difficulty in making fee payments, please contact Mrs Nutter.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN
It’s that time of year again where we start collecting points to earn new educational resources for our school.

The program runs until Sunday 9th June, 2013.

Simply shop at Woolworths and you will receive one Woolworths Earn & Learn Point for every $10 spent. Stick the Woolworths Earn & Learn Points onto the Earn & Learn Points Sheet.

Don’t forget to put the school name on the Earn & Learn Points Sheet before putting it into a Collection Box at the store OR bring them into the school office where you can place them in the box in the foyer.

ONLY PLACE 60 STICKERS PER CARD ANY MORE WILL NOT BE COUNTED.

Current Earn & Learn Points : 12960

LETTERS sent home this week
K - 6 : Athletics Carnival
K - 6 : Raffle

ENewsletter available
Read our newsletter online at:
http://www.stpatsparra.catholic.edu.au
If you require a hard copy please let us know.
Thank you to all the families who are reading the Newsletter online. You may also subscribe to our online newsletter by signing up. See home page right hand side of screen for more information.

School Notes & Forms have been added to our site under the heading on the left hand side PARENTS. This will allow parents to download required excursion notes or Administration Notes.

Compulsory School Attendance - Information for Parents is available on this site.
4th Prize
1 Family Lunch Time Cruise on Sydney Harbour
Sydney Harbour Tall Ships
Total Value $243

5th Prize
1 standard King Room plus 2 Buffet Breakfasts
Park Royal Hotel Parramatta
Total Value $220

6th Prize
1 Hour Trial Instructional Flight
Piper Warrior
Schofields Flying Club Bankstown
Total Value $180

7th Prize
1 Hour with instructor FMX Redbird Flight Simulator
Mr Peter Newman
Total Value $175

8th Prize
Meal Voucher
Ribs & Rumps Parramatta
Total Value 100

9th Prize
Gift Vouchers
Stockland Mall Merrylands
Total Value $100

10th Prize
Gift Vouchers
Stockland Mall Merrylands
Total Value $100

11th Prize
BBQ 4 Bunner Flat Jumbuck
Bunnings North Parramatta
Total Value $97

12th Prize
1 Family Pass
Australian Maritime Museum
Darling Harbour
Total Value $65

13th Prize
1 Family Pass
Australian Maritime Museum
Darling Harbour
Total Value $65

14th Prize
1 Family Ticket to Dinosaur Show
Riverside Theatre Parramatta
Total Value $60

15th Prize
1 Family Ticket to Dinosaur Show
Riverside Theatre Parramatta
Total Value $60

16th Prize
2 Adult Tickets
Featherdale Wildlife Park
Doonside
Total Value $56

17th Prize
Meal Voucher
City Extra Parramatta
Total Value $50

18th Prize
Meal Voucher
McDonalds, Rose Hill
Total Value $50

19th Prize
Epson XP100 Multifunction Printer
Officeworks Mays Hill
Total Value $49

20th Prize
Dinner Voucher for 2 Adults
Food Choice Family Restaurant
Merrylands Bowling Club
Total Value $44

21st Prize
Car Cleaning Items
Supercheap Auto Mays Hill
Total Value $40

22nd Prize
Gift Voucher
Kmart Merrylands
Total Value $40

23rd Prize
IPod Docking Stations
Dick Smith Westfield
Total Value $30

24th Prize
IPod Docking Stations
Dick Smith Westfield
Total Value $30

25th Prize
Gift Voucher
Kmart Parramatta
Total Value $30
COMING EVENTS 2013
TERM ONE - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TERM TWO

Week Five
Thursday 30th
Life Education Program begins
Friday 31st
Life Education
SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
NO Assembly

Week Six
Monday 3rd June
Tuesday 4th
Wednesday 5th
Thursday 6th
Friday 7th Sacred Heart of Jesus
Life Education
Life Education
Life Education / ICAS Science
Life Education
Life Education
Assembly - Year 3 - 9.00 a.m.

Week Seven
Monday 10th June
Friday 14th
Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
School Athletics Carnival
NO Assembly

Week Eight  Parent - Teacher
Monday 17th June
Friday 21st
Parent Teacher
Interviews
Life Education
Half Yearly Reports to Parents
Year 6 Incursion - Labs on Legs
Assembly - Year 2 - 9.00 a.m.

Week Nine  Parent-Teacher
Friday 28th June
Interviews
Assembly - Year 1 - 9.00 a.m.
Last day Term Two

Whenever two of you on earth agree about anything you pray for, it will be done by my Father in heaven for where two or three come together in my name, I am there with them.

Matthew 18:19-20

Mrs Gloria Bryant and staff

MASS TIMETABLE FOR ST PATRICK’S CATHEDRAL, PARRAMATTA


MASSES
Saturday Vigil 6.00 p.m.
Sunday 8.00 a.m., 9.30 a.m., 11.00 a.m. & 6.00 p.m.
Children’s Liturgy 9.30 a.m.

WEekday Mass
Monday to Friday 6.45am, 12.30 p.m.
Saturday 8.00am
Public Holidays 8.00am

RECONCILIATION
Monday to Friday 11.45am to 12.30pm
Saturday 8.30 to 9.00am & 5.15 to 6.00pm
Catholic Education Office

Good Grief - Seasons for Growth

Seasons for Growth is a small group education program helping children and young people learn new ways of coping with family change — separation and divorce, relocation, the death of someone they love, family illness and other changes. School holiday groups are being held in Baulkham hills. For more information go to www.goodgrief.org.au