

From The Principal

Dear Parents, Carers and friends of the Trinity Catholic College community,

On Saturday, May 13, Pope Francis will travel to Fatima, Portugal, to bestow sainthood on **Francisco and Jacinta Marto**. They were two of the three shepherd children who captured the world's attention 100 years ago by witnessing appearances from the Blessed Mother six times, on the 13th of each month from May to October of 1917, each time exhorting them to "Pray, pray, pray." This year commemorates the 100th anniversary of this apparition and we have been provided a



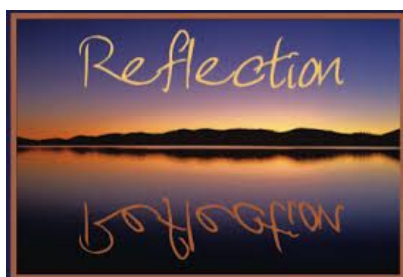
wonderful opportunity to join in the celebrations by **Fr Eduardo**, Parish Priest of St. Joachim's Parish, Lidcombe. **Fr. Eduardo** and his team will be at our Auburn Campus at 12.30pm and 2.00pm at our Regents Park campus on Wednesday May 17 to enable our students to pray the Rosary together.



I warmly invite our parents and families to join us on these wonderful occasions.

Reflection on Learning

As many of our students are preparing for major assessments and examinations, I am pleased to see their commitment to study and application. Doing as well as we can in exams and assessments is an important part of the learning process. However, I often wonder about the power of self reflection and its contribution to learning. Students who reflect on their effort, application and learning challenges often also excel in their studies. Students who adopt a self reflective mindset can excel in their studies. I wish all students well over the next few weeks as we finalise student assessments for semester 1.



Upcoming Events

Term 2, Week 4

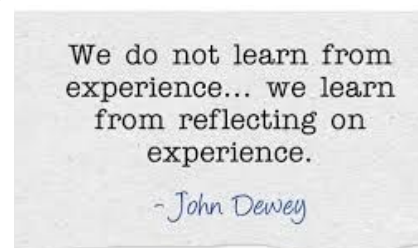
YEAR 10 SEMESTER 1 EXAM WEEK

- **Monday May 15**
2.15pm - Uni of Sydney presenting to Yr 12
- **Thursday May 18**
Business Studies Competition (Yr 11 & 12)
- **Friday May 19**
Big Science Competition 9.30am - Yr 10 Drama Incursion
5pm - Debating, Round 4 - Holy Spirit, Lakemba

Term 2, Week 5

VET Work Placement

- **Monday May 22**
Year 9 Semester 1 Exams
- **Tuesday May 23**
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- **Wednesday May 24**
Enlighten Workshops (Year 8 & 9)
- **Friday May 26**
9am - School Based Meningococcal Vaccination (Yr 11 & 12)
3.30pm - Debating, Round 5 - Redfield College, Dural



Mother's Day Mass

I would like to thank all parents and families for your support of our **Mother's Day Mass**. We had a large number of mothers, grandmothers and carers here with us on the day and it was a wonderful opportunity for our students to show their appreciation. I hope that our Mums enjoyed the morning as much as we did in hosting you. I hope all of our Mother's enjoyed a wonderful day on Sunday.



Letter from Dr. Dan White, Executive Director Sydney Catholic Schools

Attached is a [letter](#) from **Dr Dan White** that articulates Sydney Catholic Schools position very clearly in response to the Federal Government's inability to understand the nature and mission of low-fee systemic Catholic schools.

**God Bless,
Daniel Delmage**

Careers

Hello everyone from the Careers Office,

It has been a productive start to the year with a number of Tertiary institutions coming to the College to present their courses to our students, these include:

- Western Sydney University
- Torrens University
- Chartered Accountants Australia
- Australian Catholic University

On the 15th of May, we will have the University of Sydney joining us in the library during Period 5 for Year 12 students and parents with questions are welcome to attend. The University also has a further information evening on the 25th of May at the Park Royal in Parramatta, Sydney.edu.au/your-path.

The latest in Trade Apprenticeships from Sarina Russo is available on the Careers Google Classroom page, **code kkdq57**, please ask your child for guidance on where to find it and how to subscribe.

Finally, there is a massive Careers Expo at the Dome at Sydney Olympic Park from the 22nd of June till the 25th, westernsydneycareerexpo.com.au.

It will be the students' best opportunity to see all the Universities and Private Education institutions as well as major employers from a large number of fields, all together in one place. I look forward to seeing you there.

Mr.Hassarati, Careers Adviser

MAX Potential Update

On Monday 1st of May we attended the first 'Connect Session' of the Max Potential Program at Dooley's Catholic Club, Lidcombe. The focus for this session was learning about some of the fantastic organisations who work tirelessly to help less fortunate people within our local community.

We listened to guest speakers from Barnardos Australia, Auburn Youth Centre and Auburn Diversity Services, and gathered valuable information on how we can do our part to give back to the community. They were kind enough to give up their time to answer questions and offer advice as we begin to plan for our upcoming Community Service Project, to be presented later on this year.

We look forward to our upcoming Individual coaching sessions.



Debating

For three consecutive weeks, Trinity Catholic College has played host to our debates against Delany Catholic College, St Scholastica's and Waverley College.

All rounds have seen Trinity students persevere with sheer determination and enthusiasm, presenting their arguments with conviction. A special mention must be made of Jayda Boutros, Joshua Brattoni and Tanisha D'Paul of Year 7, who won their first ever debate last Friday, arguing that "*There is too much violence on TV*, with strength and great persuasion".

I would like to personally thank all Trinity students, who in the true Marist Spirit, assisted in hosting our home rounds, not only as chairpersons and timekeepers but as the faces of Trinity for our visitors. I wish all teams the best of luck for the remainder of the CSDA debating season. We will continue our debating season over the next three rounds, playing against Holy Spirit Lakemba, Redfield College, Dural and Christian Brothers Lewisham.

Mrs. Veronica Hachem, Public Speaking and Debating Coordinator

Archbishop's Meeting

On Friday the 12th of May, school captains Anthony Barnett and Elana El Katrib, accompanied by Ms. Askilov, attended the Archbishop's Meeting at the University of Notre Dame, Sydney. Students from across Sydney archdiocese schools were given the opportunity to meet with His Grace to explore student's thoughts regarding the Australian Catholic Youth Festival, the Year of Youth in 2018, opportunities for questions and answers and their post-school engagement with the church. The day also provided opportunity for the Archbishop to encourage school leaders in their leadership role and their ongoing faith journey. Overall, the day was most enjoyable and insightful.

Monica Askilov



Wellbeing - Homework

The below link provides some helpful information to assist parents in guiding their child's homework habits. As with most issues around wellbeing – balance is imperative to avoid burnout, maintain motivation and to build other essential skills.

<http://raisingchildren.net.au/articles/homework.html>

St Marcellin Champagnat Mass (Save the Date)

On Tuesday, June 6 we celebrate the Feast of St. Marcellin Champagnat. Our College Feast Day is a special occasion for the Community. Please save the date as we will be extending an invitation to all families to join us for Mass, at 9am at Auburn campus, followed by morning Tea.

Homework

Term 2 is a very important term and all students from Year 7 to Year 12 should be undertaking homework every night. It is expected that students in Stage 4 (Years 7 and 8) spend 1½ hours each night on homework. Students in Stage 5 (Years 9 and 10) should spend 2½ hours each night and students in Stage 6 (Years 11 and 12) should spend 3 to 3.5 hours each night.

This homework should include some time for general reading, but also time completing work assigned in class, research assignments or projects and assessment tasks.

It is anticipated that by doing their homework successfully, students will:

- learn to manage their own study time more effectively;
- learn to work independently;
- consolidate what has been learned in class by revising and reinforcing the lessons of the day;
- extend their knowledge and skills beyond what has been learnt in class;
- set and manage their own goals;
- motivate themselves;
- strive for higher standards of performance;
- appreciate that learning extends beyond the classroom.

HSC Dates for Practical and Performance Examinations

HSC Dates for Practical and Performance Examinations are now available. You can review these dates from NESA's [website](#).

The [2017 HSC written exam timetable](#) is now available. This year the HSC written exams start on Monday 16 October and finish on Tuesday 7 November.

Students can view their personalised HSC Examination timetables via their [Students online](#) account. It provides students with the date and time of the exam for each of their subjects that have a written exam.

Year 11 and Year 12 Parent/Teacher Interviews

A reminder that Year 11 and Year 12 Parent/Teacher Interviews will be conducted on Tuesday May 30 in the College Hall at the Auburn campus between 8.30 am and 8.00 pm. This is an important opportunity for parents and teachers to discuss each student's progress so far and to raise any issues or concerns.

Parents are asked to book an appointment with each of their son's/daughter's teachers through the Sentral Parent Portal. The booking site is live as of 8.00 a.m. on Monday May 8. Detailed instructions on making a booking are available on the Parent Portal website.

Year 10 Semester 1 Examination Timetable Week 4

DATE	Periods 1 & 2	Periods 3 & 4
Monday Week 4 15th May 2017	MATHEMATICS –1.5HR + 5 Reading Time [201 students]	AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHY – 1HR + 5 Reading Time [201 students] <i>Students will be late for Period 4</i>
Tuesday Week 4 16th May 2017	RELIGION – 50 minutes + 5 Reading Time [201 students] <i>Students may be late for Period 2</i>	SCIENCE –1.25HR + 5 Reading Time [201 students]

Year 9 Semester 1 Examination Timetable Week 5

DATE	Periods 1 & 2	Periods 3 & 4
Monday Week 5 22nd May 2017	MATHEMATICS –1.5HR + 5RT [189]	AUSTRALIAN HISTORY – 1HR + 5RT [189] <i>Students will be late for Period 4</i>
Tuesday Week 5 23rd May 2017	RELIGION –1 HR + 5RT [189] <i>Students will be late for Period 2</i>	<i>No exam (catch up Exams will be held for any student who missed day 1 & 2)</i>

Peter Logiotatos, Leader of Learning and Curriculum

Sports Report

Peter Langi of Year 10 has been successful in selection into the President's Team for U15s Rugby League. This is an opportunity for Peter to trial for the NSW State Team on Friday the 19th May and Saturday 20th May at St Mary's Stadium. Well done to Peter and we wish you the best of luck!

Congratulations also to Ansh Angra of Year 10 for his selection into the CCC Touch Football Under 15's team. Ansh will now play with the representative Touch in Dubbo on May 24th with the CCC Team.

Next Tuesday, Trinity students will be participating the MCS Cross Country at Penrith Lakes. Students who excel in their age group will then have the opportunity to compete at the CCC Cross Country event at Eastern Creek. Good luck to all of our students who are competing next week.

On Wednesday 17th May, Trinity will convene the Junior and Intermediate CGSSSA Basketball Competition at Bankstown Basketball Stadium. Our students will compete in a round-robin against other schools in the CGSSSA. We wish all of our teams the best of luck!

Lauren Hadchiti, Sports Coordinator

School Zone Upgrades

Roads and Maritime Services is upgrading school zone signs at 400 schools across the state. This includes removing and replacing the existing static signs with school zone signs with flashing lights to improve the safety for students. For more information about this project, please see the [attached](#).

We started these upgrades in February and will finish the upgrades before the end of June.



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NSW SCHOOL VACCINATION PROGRAM

Each year NSW Health works in partnership with schools to offer the vaccines recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) for adolescents as part of the school vaccination program.

In 2017 the following vaccines will be offered:

YEARS	VACCINE	NUMBER OF DOSES
Year 7	Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine	2-doses in 2017 at least 6 months apart*
	Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (whooping cough) vaccine	Single dose
	Varicella vaccine (chickenpox) – catch-up	Single dose
Years 11-12	Meningococcal ACWY vaccine	Single dose

** The second dose of HPV vaccine is being delayed to later in the year (at least 6 months after the first dose) to allow the recently-announced Meningococcal ACWY Vaccination Program to be offered to students in Years 11 and 12 from Term 2 when the second dose of HPV vaccine is usually given. There is no harm for Year 7 students in delaying the second dose of HPV vaccine and further advice for parents will be provided later in the year regarding HPV course completion.*

Parent Information Kits that include an information sheet, consent form and privacy statement will be sent home to parents/guardians. To consent to the vaccination of their child, parents/guardians are advised to:

- read all the information provided
- complete the consent form, including signing their name next to the vaccine/s they would like their child to receive
- return the completed consent form to their child's school
- ensure that their child eats breakfast on the day of the school vaccination clinic.

Please note that students who commence HPV vaccination in school clinics in Year 7 but do not complete the course during the school year may be offered catch-up doses at school in Year 8. Students who have any HPV doses at their GP will be advised to complete the course with their GP.

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the school Principal or phoning the school. The Procedure for Withdrawal of Consent is available on the NSW Health website at www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation.

To improve vaccination completion, students will be opportunistically offered any missed doses throughout the year where possible.

A Record of Vaccination card will be provided to each student vaccinated at each clinic. Parents/guardians should ensure that this record is kept for future reference and should not assume that their child has been vaccinated if they do not receive this Record of Vaccination.



Ex-Students & Staff Annual Reunion Dinner



Friday, 18th August, 2017

Mass at St Vincent's Church - 6.00 pm

Dinner - 7.00 pm

Cost - \$75.00 (Dinner and Drinks)

For further information contact your years
'Key Contact Person'

Or call the College on 9797 3200



**PARRAMATTA
COMMUNITY CARE**
A HEART IN THE CITY

Discounted Groceries, Fruit & Vegetables

**Thursday 6pm - 8pm
Friday 10:30am - 1pm**

Parramatta Community Care (PC Care) is the care arm of Parramatta Christian Church. PC Care is a social welfare service that exists to serve the disadvantaged in our community.

At present, PC Care runs a shop that provides groceries such as fresh fruit and vegetables, meat, bread, milk and pantry items at a low, affordable cost - some at no cost at all. This service is available to:

- Centrelink Cardholders
- Centrelink Newstart
- Low Income Earners
- Asylum Seekers
- Refugees
- Students

There is an easy registration process to become a PC Care member. The appropriate documentation e.g. Centrelink card, Case Worker reference letter and identification will be requested.

EFTPOS facilities are available.

We also have an independent Chemist available on site every Friday between 11am and 12:30pm (conditions apply).

Enjoy a free tea, coffee or hot chocolate when you visit!

Phone: (02) 9630 3892 (9:30am - 4:30pm Tuesday-Friday)
Address: 18 Barney Street, North Parramatta, Sydney NSW 2151
Email: foodcare@pcc.org.au
Website: www.pcc.org.au/home/care

