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A Prayer For Those Great Southern Farmers Still In Need And Eastern States Farmers

A prayer Great Spirit, we pray for an end to the drought and the arrival of rain to soothe and replenish the dry and parched land.

We pray for wet weather to drench the earth, to bring new life to seeds, and to insure a good harvest.

We are saddened by the cracking of the ground, the spread of destructive wildfires, and the resulting deaths of crops and wild animals.

We pray for patience to endure this drought siege as we wait for rain to refresh and renew our lives and livelihoods.

We are so grateful for life-saving capacities of rain, and pray that we never take water for granted.

Amen

From the Principal

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school, as the Snow Queen. While an enjoyable storyline, one could only look at each of the students and appreciate how far their acting has come over the past three years. General confidence and improved diction in line delivery were all notable. The setting was simple and functional but more importantly completely created by students and staff in the Trade Training Centre and the Certificate II Art course. The production overwhelmingly shone due to the number of different areas within St Joseph’s College that contributed to it coming to fruition. A special mention to Mr Habal, Ms Goodlad, Mr Dougherty, Mrs Trichilo, Father Randolph, Mr Long and Mr Benari for their time and effort in enabling our students to enjoy such a wonderful experience.

The grand final of the regional Debating competition was held on Wednesday night. This year St Joseph’s College had six teams competing in the competition with our Novice and Junior teams making the grand final. It takes a lot of confidence to stand up and speak to an audience but even more skill to prepare on-going rebuttals while on the go. Congratulations to all students who represented St Joseph’s College in the competition and a special commendation to Sean Mann, Joel Delbene, Antoinette Jackson and Azriel Habal (Novice team) and Mariela Mate, Andrea Bombasi and Grace Larham (Junior team) on successfully winning their divisions in the competition this year. Thank you to Ms Goodlad for the many hours she has worked with the Debating teams this year.

The Albany Primary Schools’ Music Festival brings schools together showcasing the tremendous talent that exists in Albany and the surrounding regions. On Thursday night I had the joy of seeing our students perform. Our seventy strong Junior School Choir gave two very impressive, well-choreographed performances and the students were acknowledged for their outstanding performances by a huge applause. Thank you to Mrs Findlay for all the time and energy she gives to the choir and to the students who have contributed to this event and have represented our College with pride. Assistance from Mr Findlay, Mr Watson and Mr Amor Kuiti was also appreciated. There is an abundance of talent in our community and it is wonderful to have an opportunity to see it showcased outside St Joseph’s College.

The College Production, Debating and the Junior School Choir performance are examples of an array of opportunities available for students at St Joseph’s College. It is my hope that every student in the College can find a niche where they feel a sense of accomplishment and are valued. Every student is encouraged to focus on being the best they can be.

The students in Year Three have finished their preparation to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. For the students, their understanding is that this Sacrament is a way people are forgiven for their sins or things they do wrong. They are reconciled or brought closer to God. This Sacrament heals their soul because all their sins are taken away. This year in conjunction with the Holy Family Parish, the Sacrament of Reconciliation has happened over two Saturdays in St Joseph’s Church. The second group of students will receive the Sacrament tomorrow. All at St Joseph’s College wish the Year Three students who received the Sacrament this year every happiness at this significant stage in their faith journey: Lauren Angel, Zackeriah McNamara-Baxter, Kasia Boccamazzo, Lilly Bodlovic, Jessica Buck, Aerith David, Lawson Fennell, Bridie Fisher, Ayeisha Garcia, Henry Gilbert, Abby Gorman, Grace Gorman, Antonia Knuiman, Mia Lock, Anthony Maffei, Paul Mate (Year Six), Bobby Medbury, Leah Naughton, Sophie Speldewinde, Lyra Tagimacruz, Gianni Trichilo, Bella Valenton and Isaac Wright.
St Joseph’s College offers a Three-Year-Old Programme which is your child’s first introduction to school. It is an early childhood play-based learning programme for children who have turned three years of age or are turning three before the 30th June that year. The programme provides children with meaningful experiences that promote spiritual, social, emotional, language, intellectual, creative and physical development. The Three-Year-Old Kindy operates from 8.30 am until 3.00 pm one day per week during the school term. The approximate cost is $40 per day which is cheaper than day care. Enrolment forms to join this programme in 2019 need to be lodged now.

For those who use our canteen, the space under the servery has a new coat of paint and the beginnings of fresh new images being painted. This work is completely voluntary by three Year Twelve students and will be fully completed this weekend. It is heartening to see students at the College coming up with ways to make our physical environment more aesthetically pleasing. Thank you to: Tearoha James, Amy-Centaine Evans and Talarah Pedrocchi Roelofs.

The College Board is excited to announce that Paul Litherland from Surf Online Safe will be returning to St Joseph’s College on Wednesday 10 October for a not to be missed parent information session at 6.30 pm. Paul will provide parents with tips as to what you can do to safeguard and support your child as they become familiar with the online world. If you heard Paul speak at St Joseph’s College back in 2016 then you aware that his presentation was excellent. So much has changed with technology and the cyber world in two years so don’t miss a great opportunity to upskill yourself.

Earlier this year a chook pen was built over near the Bush playground. The mere presence of these birds brings daily joy to younger students who talk and feed them grass through the wire at recess and lunchtime. The capacity of the chooks to lay eggs is now proving to be a further bonus. Using scraps from the canteen to supplement their grain, the chooks are presently laying close to a dozen eggs every two days. These eggs are now being used by our secondary students in the Home Economics Centre to create delicious recipes.

All school fees need to be finalised by the 30 November 2018, there are still some families who have not attended to their fees from the beginning of this year. If you are experiencing financial difficulty, please come and see me as assistance is available.

To determine the number of staff (teaching and non-teaching) required for 2019, it is important to know if any students are not returning next year. Parents are required to give the College one term’s notice in writing if they are withdrawing their child(ren) from St Joseph’s. If a student is withdrawn without the proper notice, a full term’s fee will be charged. If a student is not returning for 2019, the last day to submit this information is Friday 21 September 2018.

There are a multitude of ‘good things’ happening in our school due to the efforts of so many people; seek to be one of these people in the coming week!
Letter from the Bishop


'Hope of Tarakea' Cake Stall

A group of Year Nine students are supporting members of the Holy Family Parish by having a cake stall to fund raise for the 'Hope of Tarakea', a not for profit group that raises funds to help underprivileged teenagers in Tanzania.

The cake stall will take place during recess next Wednesday, 12 September 2018.

Please support the Year Nine students in this worthy cause by bringing along some spare change and enjoy the delectable wares the students will be selling. Prices of items will start at 50c.

Year Nine ‘Hope of Tarakea’ Committee and Mrs Tompkin

Rising Star

Congratulations to Year Eleven student, Brock Anning who has been awarded the 2018 Rod Gillies Fairest and Best Colts medal for a fantastic season of AFL with the Sharks.

Brock polled 18 votes to defeat some tough competition from the competition.

Well done Brock, we at St Joseph’s College are super proud of you!

Mrs Caroline Tompkin - Pastoral Care Co-ordinator Years 7-12

Are YOU going to be a St Joe’s WOW (St Joseph’s Warrior on Waste)

I think this week we could be in luck with the weather! At St Joseph’s we are a determined bunch, being both persistent and resilient. We were washed out on our first attempt to gather plastics from Middleton Beach, but we are not going to let that stop us.

We have a job to do and I am hoping that many children and their families will come down to Middleton Beach on Saturday 8 September 2019, between 1:00pm and 3:00pm to make a difference for our environment. We shall be collecting all manner of plastics, for example water bottles, fishing line, plastic bags, rope, bottle tops etc.
You will need to wear closed in shoes, be sun smart – hat and sunscreen, and if you can bring a bag to hold the plastics, that will be handy. I will have some, but I am hoping there will be so many people I wouldn’t have enough! I will collect all materials gathered on the day, to evaluate the waste with the children back at school.

I would like to remind parents and guardians that your child’s safety is your full responsibility, as this is on the weekend and on a public beach. No child is to pick up broken glass, rusty tins or syringes. I will have a container handy in case we do come across such items. Gloves will be available for children’s use.

As your child will be doing community service, I will have a Sign In sheet to record their time gathering plastics, this can then be recorded on the school Community Record. So on arrival, please record your attendance, and then again record your departure.

If for whatever reason you cannot attend between 1:00pm and 3:00pm, but REALLY want to be there, please let me know and I will stay at the beach longer. But, please, if you say you’re are going to come after 3pm, please be there or let me know that you won’t be coming and I wont ‘hang around’.

I am looking forward to a wonderful afternoon, and I hope to see you there to support St Joe’s WOW.

Mrs Elizabeth Bain - WOW Coordinator

National Child Protection Week

This week is National Child Protection Week, which is an opportune time to update you on the implementation of our Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum.

Unfortunately, "In 95% of cases, the sexual abuse offender is known to the child; that is, they are a relative or trusted friend. Only 5% of child sexual assault cases are ‘stranger danger’ (Child Protection Council). This may seem a shocking statistic, however, through the Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum we are working to empower your children to understand when they are in an unsafe situation and what they can do if they or someone they know finds themselves in a sexually abusive situation.

The key messages are:

- All of my body is private, and I have the right to say “NO” if I don’t want someone to touch me – including hugging and kissing relatives or family friends.
- I need to know the correct names for my sexual body parts in case I need to tell someone something important – I also need to hear my Mum and Dad using these words so I know that it is OK to say them and that I won’t get into trouble for using them correctly.
- Some secrets are OK to keep if it is a nice surprise for someone, but I am learning the difference between secrets that are OK and not OK to keep – if I feel scared or uncomfortable about a secret then I need to tell a trusted adult.

If you would like further information about the Protective Behaviours Curriculum, please contact me or your child’s teacher.

Mrs Erica Mielens - Head of Junior School
the client is able to build an observing
self which reinforces the idea that your
thoughts are not you. In psycho
spiritual psychotherapy we use the
technique centring prayer. It is a
method of meditation used by
Christians placing a strong emphasis
on interior silence. Stress can be
addressed in a lot of ways. One basic
technique is relaxing our thoughts and
minds by developing a time for
meditation and prayer.

The Snow Queen

**Secondary School News**

**SJC Performing Arts’ The Snow Queen**

“Having been actively involved in productions in the past, with our children involved in
various roles, and my husband as a volunteer set and prop builder, we felt the cast were
relaxed and happy in what they were doing. There was definitely a feeling that the cast
and crew really knew their parts well and their confidence and a sense of enjoyment
was evident. Very enjoyable.” - Audience

Hearing positive feedback like the one above from our audience about last Saturday’s
College Production is definitely inspiring. The St Joseph’s Theatre Arts Guild members
and Mr Dougherty’s Certificate II Music students are ready to plan and start preparing
for next year’s College Production. A BIG THANK YOU again to all the actors who have
been rehearsing since Term One; the backstage crew or should I say Mrs Julia Goodlad’s
crew, who organised the construction of the set and performed smooth scene changes;
to John Delima for the music and James Le for doing the lights and to all the parents
who allowed their children to be part of this production. Special thanks to everyone
who helped backstage specifically Mrs Toni – Louise Saunders and Mrs Tamara Blyth. If
you missed the shows, DVD copies will be available soon. This will be a fundraiser for
the St Joseph’s Theatre Arts Guild.

“Loved it... a very polished performance. The addition of the music students was
excellent. The venue was perfect and the sound system worked well - I could clearly
hear the actors.” - Audience

“Thank you was a very enjoyable performance - the students and staff should be proud
of what was achieved!” - Audience

Mr Richard Habal - SJC Theatre Arts Guild Adviser/ Director

The College Production this year was a huge success, filling all the seats for the second
show, it was a great experience to be a part of. Being my third year in helping produce
the production this was my personal favourite. In this year’s, we performed “The Snow
Queen”. Once getting to know the play you really get attached to your character. While
learning the lines, you really get a feel for them. Georgia Bennett and I both played the
birds and as we learnt the lines, we started to learn each other’s characters describing
hers as old and wise and mine as young and sassy. It was really fun. I would also like to
mention a big thanks to Mrs Goodlad who helped with the back stage and Mr Benari
who helped with the Props and a MASSIVE THANKS TO Mr Habal, because without him
the show would not happen.

Jackson Weldon - Year Nine/Actor
ACC Athletics
The Year Seven to Twelve athletics team travelled to Perth on Monday in preparation for the ACC F-Division Athletics carnival. On arrival in Perth the team did a walking tour around the Optus Stadium grounds before walking across the newly constructed Matagarup bridge to Trinity College in East Perth. The team had their final relay change training session at Trinity before having a pizza and movie night in the gym.

The weather cleared on Tuesday morning as the team competed at the fantastic WA Athletics Stadium facility in Mt Claremont. While the team didn't have the best overall result finishing 8th but there were still some outstanding individual efforts. Congratulations to Jared Wiegele who placed 3rd in the Open Boys and to William Wise who was fourth in the Under 14 Boys. All of the individual results and scores can be viewed at www.accsport.asn.au

The excitement didn't end at the carnival though, with the bus having troubles on the way home making for a very late arrival back to the College on Tuesday night. Congratulations to all of the athletes for their fantastic behaviour on the trip and effort at the carnival. Thank you to Miss van Huyssen and Mr Scarterfield for their assistance with the event and to Mrs Lionetti for joining us for the trip. Our final thank you is to the wonderful P&F for their valuable contribution which greatly helped in reducing the cost of the trip.

Mr Paul O'Donnell - Physical Education Teacher

Parish Notices

Celebration of the Sacrament of First Reconciliation
Saturday, 8 September
10.30am
at
St Joseph’s Church

Let us pray that these children who will be receiving the Sacrament of First Reconciliation may discover the peace and the amazing love of God’s forgiveness.

Do You Like to Sing? Have you ever wanted to sing in a choir?

You are invited to join Holy Family Children’s Choir!
Under the direction of Edith Woods and Angela Gorman we provide the music ministry for; the Second Saturday of the month Mass at 6pm and also the Third Sunday of the month Mass at 9.30am at Holy Family Church.

We rehearse on the First Sunday of the month from 2-4pm (refreshments provided) at Holy Family Church. If you would like any additional information, or to register your interest, please do not hesitate to contact Angela Gorman on 0407389751 or at angelabendotti@hotmail.com OR Edith Woods on 0403947360

The choir is open to any child from Year 1 to Year 6. We’d love to see you!
The University of Western Australia
During the September school holidays the UWA School of Design is offering a series of short workshops on our campus, intended to appeal to school students who have interests in the fields of art, design, architecture, landscape architecture, and history of art. The workshops will all be conducted by School of Design staff and will be hands-on interactive experiences, suitable for students aged 13 and over. There will be one drawing session specifically aimed at younger children aged 7-12. Please see the link below for further information and registration details:  [http://web.sjc-albany.wa.edu.au/docs/UWADesignWorkshop.pdf](http://web.sjc-albany.wa.edu.au/docs/UWADesignWorkshop.pdf)

WANT TO PLAY BASKETBALL?
NOW IS THE TIME
TO GET A TEAM TOGETHER

The ABA (Albany Basketball Association) 2018-19 season is fast approaching. The season will commence (with first games) on Monday 15 October 2018.

Please see the ABA website at [www.albanybasketball.net](http://www.albanybasketball.net) for further information for the upcoming season and the registration process for teams.

A Year 3 competition will be introduced by the ABA for the 2018/19 season which will be held on a Saturday morning alongside our Year 4 competition.

Albany Aussie Hoops registrations are now open for the 2018-19 season also. Please view the Albany Basketball website for further information.

Please email any enquiries regarding the season to administrator@albanybasketball.net

Junior Cricket

Online Registrations Now Open for U10s, U12s, U14s and U16s

Cricket Blast
Junior Blasters is aimed at 5 to 8 year olds to learn fundamental skills  / Master Blasters is aimed at 7 to 10 year olds to develop game skills.

Online Registration Forms and Season Information available on our website ajca.wa.cricket.com.au
**Community Notices**

**POOL PARTY**

**Spring Holiday Program**

Programs on September 25th - October 6th

**SKILLED 4 LIFE WORKSHOP**

DATE 26 Sept
TIME 9:30 – 2:30
VENUE PCYC
Lunch provided

Transitioning to Independence
- Setting up a MyGov account, Tax File number, Medicare and Centrelink
- ID, Birth certificates and 100 points of ID
- Building a resume job applications and workplace expectations
- Moving out, basic budgeting, household, expenses, utilities and rental agreements
- Bank accounts and basic banking

Limited spaces registrations required contact
68203023 or Email commdev@albany.wa.gov.au

**Fathering After Separation**

Are you... recently separated and feel that the life you knew, is over?
Do you... want to focus your energy on the needs of your child (or children) to assist them to adapt to or separation/new living arrangements?
If so... this 2.5 hour parenting workshop is for you!

At Relationships, Australia, we strongly believe it’s important for dads to know that being separated does not mean they are any less important or needed by their children. We will help you, as a Dad, develop skills that are responsive to your children’s needs as they find their way through the family separation, and assist you to find helpful ways to stay connected.

You will explore:
- what children experience after separation and what they need from their Dad;
- how to develop a functional and parent-focused relationship with your child’s mother, and
- proactive ways to remain connected with your children.

When: Thursday 13 September 2018
Where: Relationships Australia – 29 Albany Highway, Albany
Fee: $10.00 per person
Time: 9:30am - 12:00pm

**Stepfamilies: An Introduction**

Are you... a member of a recently established stepfamily, or blended family?
Do you... want to learn some proven methods for successfully forming and living in a stepfamily?
If so... this 2.5 hour parenting workshop, is for you!

We at Relationships Australia, appreciate that growing a stepfamily presents an array of challenges, which are inherently different to those found in a biological family. Derived from research that highlights helpful methods for stepfamily living, Stepfamilies: An Introduction can be viewed as a starting point for your longer stepfamily course.

You will explore:
- stepfamily myths and how they can affect personal experience;
- lifestyle stages of a stepfamily – changes from honeymoon to commitment;
- stepparent complexity - no two stepfamilies will be the same, and
- how parenting in a step-family is different to parenting in a biological family.

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**It would be great to see you!**
The St Joseph’s College Board presents a

PARENT INFORMATION

‘Surf Online Safe’
INTERNET AWARENESS FOR ALL OF US
Gain a real world understanding of where our children are going online. Be introduced to ways in which we can help them understand and embrace the cyber environment.

Guest Presenter, Paul Litherland

Wednesday 10th October 2018
Presentation from 6.30pm – 8.00pm
Following, please join members of the College Board and St. Joseph’s College community for refreshments and a light supper.

To be held in the
St Joseph’s College Junior School Undercover Area

BOOK HERE

To reserve your seat, please phone
St Joseph’s College on 9844 0222 or come into the college office.

Cost - Free

AS SEEN ON TV!!

About our Presenter.
Paul Litherland, was born and raised in Albany. He has worked extensively in the world of Technology Crime.
During this time he gained a world of knowledge in all aspects of online crime, from online fraud to how predators use the internet to groom our kids. He has numerous qualifications holding him in good stead to educate others on Cyber safety. To view Paul’s credentials, visit www.surfonlinesafe.com.au
WEEK 9 SPECIALS

CHICKEN CURRY $5.00
CHILLI CON CARNE $8.00
BUTTER CHICKEN $5.00
MEXICAN CHICKEN & RICE
CANNELLONI $4.50 $5.00
CHOW MEIN $4.50
RISSOLES & MASH $5.00
RISOTTO $4.50
CARBONARA $4.50
CHICKEN & MASH $5.00
BEEF CASSEROLE $5.00

SOUP OF THE WEEK
PUMPKIN
$3.00

EXTRA TUESDAY SPECIAL
CHICKEN DINOSAURS OR FISH BITES AND CHIPS
$4.50