Dear Parents, Guardians, Families, Students and Members of our College Community.

The prayer above highlights the mission of every student, teacher and parent associated with St Joseph’s College. Each one of us is challenged to take on the teachings of Jesus and in daily life show love, joy, patience, kindness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. In doing so, an even better school community and world are created. Our children and youth need to encounter the Jesus they learn about at school in their relationships with their parents, teachers and peers. This Lent, all in our school community are asked to make an extra special effort to be an even better person and in doing so emulate the resurrection that signifies Easter!

Ash Wednesday was celebrated with a Mass for students in Years Four to Twelve and a Liturgy for students in Kindergarten to Year Three. Thank you to the students who did the commentary, readings, Prayers of the Faithful, offertory and singing. The reverence displayed by all students was outstanding and a member of the Parish felt the need to contact me regarding how impressed they were with the students of St Joseph’s College.

What an enjoyable evening our Sundowner was last Friday night! There were over two hundred parents and children and a significant number of staff at this function. The atmosphere was extremely positive and it was great to see families and staff engaging
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with each other. Thank you to Mrs Kylie Leusciatti for coordinating the event and to Mrs Michelle Sivwright for doing a lot of the cooking. I also extend my appreciation to the parents and staff in attendance for adding to the spirit of St Joseph’s College.

There are two key parent groups at St Joseph’s College that play an instrumental role in making our school an even better place. These groups are the P&F and the College Board. Both have recently held their first meeting with a great sense of optimism being evident. It is important that all in our community know which parents form the Executive of these two groups.

The P&F Office Bearers are: Mrs Kylie Leusciatti (President), Mrs Michelle Sivwright (Vice-President) and Mrs Cath McCracken (Treasurer). There is a need for a Secretary and I would hope someone in our school community would be willing to take on this position.

The College Board comprises: Mr Peter Speldewinde (Chairman), Mrs Slyvia Habal (Finance), Mr Anthony Probert (Building & Grounds), Mrs Gemma Larham (P&F Representative), Mrs Amanda Thompson, Mrs Marina Pietropaolo, Ms Meagan Diver, Mr Michael Hodnett, Father Christian (Parish Priest) and Mr Mark Browning (Principal). The Parish Council still have to appoint a representative and hopefully this will occur at their meeting next week. Last Wednesday, the six new members attended an induction presented by Mrs Maureen Tully (Regional Officer) from the Bunbury office. The induction focused on the rights and responsibilities of Board Members and developing their understanding of where the funding for Catholic schools comes from.

This week Mrs Jan Fleming (CEO Literacy and Numeracy Consultant) spent the day at St Joseph’s College observing our teachers in Pre-Primary to Year Six delivering a Guided Reading session. Mrs Flemming was delighted at the changes evident in classroom practice displayed by many teachers from her previous observations late last year. Our Junior School staff are trying particularly hard to introduce new strategies to ensure the best teaching and learning programme for our students.

One of the traditions at St Joseph’s College is our annual Easter raffle. This event brings great excitement to children, teenagers and adults. Each student is asked to bring an Easter egg to school and place it in the box located in their classroom. Members of the P&F will then turn these Easter eggs into at least fifty great prizes. Raffle tickets can be purchased at the carpark entrance. All families are asked to support this fundraising activity.
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Overall the flow of traffic works well in the St Joseph’s College car park during the peak periods of each day. At all times the prime concern is the safety of the students. A few friendly reminders:

- Drive slowly when entering or departing the car park.
- Only park in the designated areas. Please do not park on the verge near either entrance as such vehicles block the vision of other drivers. City of Albany rangers have been notified of this concern and will be patrolling the area.
- Drivers in our car park should never been viewed by staff or parents talking on a mobile phone.
- All pedestrians (parents and children) must use the crosswalk and follow the instructions of the teacher on duty. Do not take short cuts across the car park as the students are observing this.

Please keep our kids safe!

May the coming week be one of many positive experiences!

Mr Mark Browning
Principal

College Notices

Talented Young Writers’ Programme for 2017 Term 1

A reminder to students who are enrolled in the Talented Young Writers’ Programme for 2017, your first workshop is coming up.

Venue: Great Southern Grammar
Author: Barry Jonsberg
Date: Years Nine to Twelve  Monday 13 March
Years Six to Eight  Tuesday 14 March

Information was mailed home to participants last year, however if you should need this information again please Direct Message Mr Habal or see him in Room 300 or in the Drama Room.

Chaplain’s Corner
Fr Randolf, OSJ

We are now entering the Lenten season. What is Lent? It is the 40 days preparation for the Easter triduum, where we celebrate the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus. The Lenten season remind us of the 40 years the Israelites spent in the desert to prepare their people to enter the promised land, and the 40 days spent by Jesus in the wilderness to prepare himself for His public ministry. The celebration of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday where we put ashes on our forehead to signify that we are sorry for our sins and ready to start a new life in the light of the Gospel teachings. Now we prepare ourselves for the Easter joy these are several ways to make a meaningful Lent. First abstain from things that we are attached to, hence cling more to God and adore Him. Second make a little sacrifice in service to others, being selfless and thinking of others first. Be happy, happy to do all these things for God’s greater glory and for ourselves to be more holy.
The 2017 Beach Fun Day was held in fantastic weather conditions at Emu Point last Friday. The Year One, Two and Three students had a great day taking part in land and water-based activities. Students had the opportunity to participate in games including sharks and seaweed, beach soccer, beach cricket and swimming through hoops. There was also a waterslide, which was one of the highlights of the day. The students were ably supported by the Junior School Student Leaders who organised each of the stations. A great day was had by students, parents and teachers.

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A huge thank you to all that came to the Sundowner on Friday evening. I was very happy to see new and present families mingling and chatting away in a relaxed setting. Also seeing the children of all ages playing together really enforces the whole community feeling.

Special mention to the BBQ extraordinaires Michelle Sivwright and Mark Browning, the onion champs award goes to Sarah and Justin Miller for donating and cutting up onions for the night.

Thank you to all the children and parents who also helped set up and pack up.

There was a blue salad bowl and lid left behind and is now cleaned and in the canteen for pick up if it is yours.

Kylie Leusciatti - P&F President

P&F Easter Raffle

We are now collecting donations for our big Easter raffle. On Tuesday there will be a donation box in (or just outside) your child’s classroom for you to pop your eggs/bunnies etc in. Any donations would be greatly appreciated and go towards making this year bigger and better than ever.
Secondary School News

Our Year Eights were very courageous this week. Some were very apprehensive as they made their way to the Blessed Edmund Rice Library for their vaccinations. I am pleased to report that all our little soldiers came through unscathed. This immunisation is provided to the students at no cost to the parents or guardians by WA Health – Public Health Department. We thank Sally Moir and her team of nurses.

Whilst the Eights were putting their best arms forward for the needle, Year Eleven and Twelve students were actively engaging the brain to listen to important information presented by the West Australian Universities. I trust they made the most of the opportunity.

On Ash Wednesday, selected students represented the College in the Inter-School Tennis Competition held at Emu Point. Some budding stars for the future to look forward to. In this season of Lent I urge you to encourage your child to rather than give something up for Lent...Take something up (for example an extra chore or helping siblings with homework)... to do something for others!

Congratulations to Lachlan and Jessica Waldron who will represent Western Australia in the 2017 Australia Mountain Bike Championship in Queensland next month. Congratulations also to Sebastian Stanton and Angus Thompson who will represent Albany in a State Cricket Competition in Northam this weekend. Good luck boys!

Enjoy the long weekend.

Susan Alderman
Head of Secondary

“But rejoice in so far as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed”. (1 Peter 4:13)

INTER-HOUSE SWIMMING

Last Thursday the Year Seven to Twelve students descended on the Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre for the much anticipated Middle and Senior School Inter-House Swimming Carnival. Students participated in fantastic spirit right from the start of the day racing in a variety of Championship and novelty races.

The Cunningham juggernaut continued to roll on following last year’s success and proved victorious in the end by winning both shields.
Congratulations to the following students who were Champions and Runners Up in their respective year groups.

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Congratulations also to the following students who broke College records on the day.

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A huge thank you to all of the parents, staff and students who assisted with the many roles required for the successful running of the carnival. In particular Mr Polette and Mr Caldwell for the computer tabulation, Miss van Hulssen the Chief Timekeeper, Angela Williams the Starter and Nicole Hueppauf the Referee and Turn Judge.

Selections for the ACC Swimming team were announced this week and team members are reminded to commit to Saints Swim Club training on Monday and Friday afternoons over the next two weeks.

Paul O’Donnell
Physical Education Teacher
Community Notices

*Post school ball parties – what parents and students need to know*

Students look forward to having a great night out at the school ball, but parents may be concerned about what could happen afterwards at post school ball parties, especially if alcohol is involved.

Parents need to know that the Western Australian secondary supply laws now make it an offence to supply anyone under the age of 18 with alcohol in a private setting without the permission of a parent or guardian. The law carries a hefty fine of up to $10,000.

The law is particularly significant for post school ball parties because it places responsibilities on both parents and students. Parents who host post-ball parties where alcohol is provided must be certain that children attending the party have been given permission to drink by their parent or guardian, without relying on the child’s word alone. The law offers strong support for parents to resist pressure from their children to drink alcohol and this reason to refuse can also send a strong message to the person hosting the party.

There are other good reasons why young people should not drink alcohol. An Australian School Student Alcohol and Drug Survey study found that of students who drank on a single occasion in the previous week, more than one-third drank at harmful levels. The post school ball party ranks as a single occasion where alcohol-related harm is likely to occur.

The evidence indicates that young people are more likely to engage in dangerous behaviour when they drink than older drinkers. Young people are more likely to risk being physically injured and become involved in risky sexual or violent behaviour.

Our school is committed to protecting students from harm and we urge parents to respect the Australian National Health and Medical Research Council’s recommendation that children and young people under the age of 18 do not drink alcohol.

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Our Values: Community | Compassion | Quality | Integrity | Justice

*For under 18s, NO alcohol is the safest choice.*

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Saints Soccer Club Registrations

Please follow the following instructions to register online for our club:

Login:

Go to the MyFootballClub website: www.myfootballclub.com.au
Click on ‘Register Now’
Select “Player Registration”
Follow the prompts to proceed to login pages, find your FFA number and/or reset your password
Login using FFA number and password

FFA number
Password

Start Registration

Once logged in, select “Make a Registration” or “Register Now”
Update contact details if necessary
On the next screen (St Joseph’s Albany)

NB: If you get a message saying there are no packages then click ok and check the club name
Select the Registration role as: “Player”

NB: If this is the first time you have registered to play football in Australia you will need to confirm
whether you played in another country.
Select the correct Registration Package that applies for your registration
Your club registrar should have set it up so your package is the total amount you have been told is payable
to your designated club.
Click the “Add” button
Click the next button at the bottom of the screen.
Read and acknowledge the Terms and Conditions then click next.
Click on “manual Payment at Club” if paying cash. Click “Pay online” only if you have been advised to do this
by your club.
Answer the questions on the final page and click the “Save All Answers” button.

Your registration has now been submitted. Make sure you have paid your fees and completed any necessary
ID checks etc. Should take no longer than 2 minutes once you have your FFA# and password.

Marina Pietropaolo
Saints Soccer Club