



St. Thomas' Primary School

Community Newsletter

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Newsletter #4

Term 1 Week 5 2021

What's on this week?

Monday	~
Tuesday	~
Wednesday	~
Thursday	~
Friday	- Assembly @ 9am (will stream live on facebook)

Want to Know More?

View or download our Calendar
and Newsletters from Skoolbag or
our school Website.

A Lenten Prayer

Lord, I know how much you love me
It's hard for me to feel it sometimes
but I know your love is always with me
Help me to use your love as a way
to persevere in my Lenten intentions
I am weak, but I know with your help
I can use these small sacrifices in my
life to draw closer to you. Amen



Our School Vision

'Inspired by Christ, together we learn and grow'

From the Principal

I just wanted to say a big thank you to our school community in regards to the response to the snap lock down last week. In challenging circumstances everyone played their part. Hopefully this was just a 'speed bump' and we can get back to some normality.

Enjoy the rest of the week.

Matt Uzkuraitis

News

Lost and Found - Swimming Sports

We have a small box of lost and found material from the Swimming Sports in Mortlake. If you believe your child/ren may have misplaced any items please contact the office.

Terang and District Lions Club Fun Run

The Terang and District Lions club would like to inform the community that the Fun Run set for this Friday 26th February will now be on **Friday 26th March**. There is an updated flyer below.

Foundation Rest Days

Please note that this Wednesday will be the last of the 'rest days' for our Foundation students. As of next week they will commence full weeks of school.

Staff Professional Development

Throughout the course of the year, staff will participate in professional learning opportunities that will focus on developing their capacity in an element of their teaching practice and knowledge. Others will participate in professional learning associated with a leadership role that they may have. Whilst we appreciate that this may take staff away from their classroom, we have outstanding replacement teachers who ensure the class program is adhered to in order to ensure that children continue to be taught the necessary content to enable them to progress.

Athletic Sports Carnival - Friday 5th March

Our athletics sports will be on **Friday 5th March**. This will be held at the Terang Recreation Reserve. We will need some parent assistance on the day and therefore an electronic form will be sent out later this week to see if you can be of any help.

Project Compassion

Through Caritas, the theme for this year's Project Compassion is 'Be More'. Caritas is an international aid and development agency of the Australian Catholic Church, they are driven by social justice and the dignity of every person. Caritas works with local communities in Australia and overseas, listening to concerns, assessing needs and working with partners on locally-led development programs. With hope, support and compassion at the core of what they do, Caritas works towards a world where all people may thrive. Today we have handed out a Caritas Box so each family has one. We invite you to put your spare change in over the Lenten period. After the term 1 holidays we will collect the box back and forward the money onto Caritas Australia.



Happy birthday to the following children who celebrate their birthday this week!

Liam Kenna
Nate Irving

UPCOMING DATES

March

Friday 5th March -
Athletics Carnival

Monday 8th March -
Labour Day Long Weekend

Wednesday 10th March -
Reconciliation Parent
Information Night

Friday 19th March -
School Photos

Wednesday 24th March -
Reconciliation Sacrament
@ 7:30pm

April

Thursday 1st April - Last
Day of Term 1.

Sacramental and Liturgy Dates 2021

St. Thomas' Sacramental & Liturgy Dates 2021

Opening Mass:	Sunday 7 th February @ 10.30am
Ash Wednesday Mass	Wednesday 17 th February @ 12.00pm
Easter Liturgy	Thursday 31st March
Easter	Sunday 4 th April
Reconciliation Parent Night	Wednesday 10 th March @ 7.30pm
Reconciliation	Wednesday 24th March @ 7.30pm
Confirmation Parent Night	Wednesday 21st April @ 7.30pm
Confirmation	Sunday 23rd May (Pentecost) @ 10.30am
Eucharist Parent Night	Wednesday 6th October @ 7.30pm
First Communion	Sunday 24th October @ 10.30am

Feast of the Assumption	Thursday August 13 th
Reconciliation Year 6	Thursday 2nd December @ 11.30am
Mass of Thanksgiving	Sunday 12 th December @ 10.30am

Covid Update

COVID Safe Arrangements

In order to ensure the health and safety of all community members, we ask that all families adhere to the following guidelines. These guidelines are set with our Catholic Education Commision Victoria (CECV) School Operations guide:

Testing- Symptomatic (Feeling unwell) or Asymptomatic

If a member of a family is recommended by their doctor to have COVID 19 testing, this person is asked to self isolate until the results are known. **Any children/siblings of this family are requested not to attend school until the results of the testing are known.** This will restrict the spread of possible contact with the virus if the test is positive. This is a duty of care for all at school.

If your child is ill or is feeling unwell, they must not attend school. They must remain home and seek medical advice. Any unwell children will be sent home. We will temperature check any child we feel is unwell.

Sick Children at School

Every student that presents to the sick bay with cold or flu like symptoms will have their temperature taken and the first aid staff member will assess the student. If necessary, we will send the student home.

Visitors to St. Thomas'

At this stage, there has been an ease on parents, volunteers and community groups entering the school - however it is recommended that parents enter for short periods of time only. We would ask, if parents do have to come in, that it is a valid reason and that the task is completed as quickly as possible. Any parents/visitors that are onsite for more than 15 minutes, will need to sign in at the office. We still advise parents and guardians to maximise the use of phone (5592 1925) and email communication with the school or directly to their child's teacher.

Drop Off & Pick Up Arrangements

Drop Off- Parents are welcome to drop off at the normal time from 8.30am onwards. All children will need to enter the school via the Bolivar Street doorway or the Playground doorway.

Pick Up- Children being picked up by parents or walking home will continue to do so. Parents collecting children by car, are asked to park in the church car park and wait for their child/children to cross the road. Children riding/ walking home will exit via the Bolivar Street doorway or the Playground doorway.

Face Masks

Face Masks are required indoors and outdoors. Obviously this changes regularly. Please visit <https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/victorias-restriction-levels-covid-19> to keep up to date with current restriction levels.

Students Awards

Student Awards Name Term 1 Week 4, 2021

PREP/1	Erica Gibbins Seamus Meade	For doing an amazing job learning your sight words. For being a leader in the classroom and setting a good example for others to follow.
Gr 1	Alex Gubbins Kira O'Keeffe	For persevering through a difficult task. Well done! For making a wonderful start to the term and being a respectful member of our class.
Gr 2	Darcy Meade Alfie Rickard	For demonstrating persistence and always working hard. For a great start to the year and actively participating in all tasks.

Gr 3	Jade Byron Harry Beaton	For being a wonderful role model for all in our classroom. For being a positive class member and always displaying lovely manners!
Gr 3/4	Paddy Meade Khloe Meade-Dower	For displaying persistence and a positive attitude. For her excellent listening skills.
Gr 5/6	Archie Curran Lucia Clarke	For writing a fantastic narrative with the topic 'The Shoe' For writing a fantastic narrative with the topic 'Caught You.'
ART	Bella Scanlon, Amity Fleming and Beth Heffernan	For designing a fantastic cover for your art folio.
PE	Percy Vaughan	For being enthusiastic and willing to participate in all of the 50m swimming events



PASTORAL CARE WORKER- CLARE JEHU

Please find as an attachment an article from 'Triple P Positive Parenting - living together when we are forced to lock down.' Hopefully you find this information valuable.



Collection Notice for parents/guardians

2021 Student Residential Address and Other Information

The Australian Government Department of Education, Skills and Employment (the department) would like to advise you that a request has been made for your child's school to provide residential address and other information as required under the *Australian Education Regulation 2013* (Cth).

The school is required to provide the department with the following information about each student at the school:

- Names and residential addresses of students' parent(s) and/or guardian(s)
- Student residential address (**excluding student names**)
- Whether the student is a primary or secondary student (education level)
- Whether the student is boarding or a day student (boarding status).

Your child's school generates a **unique and unidentifiable** record number for each student record. The number is **only** used by the school for this collection. **It is not allowed to be used for any other purpose.** The number indicates to the department that each record provided is for one student.

Purpose of the collection

The Student Residential Address and Other Information Collection (the Collection) informs Australian Government school education policy and helps ensure funding for non-government schools is based on need.

The information collected will be used to inform school funding calculations. It is combined with data held by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) to calculate a non-government school community's anticipated capacity to contribute to the costs of schooling.

From 2020, a new measure of capacity to contribute, the Direct Measure of Income (DMI), was introduced. The DMI is based on the median income of parents or guardians of students at a non-government school using data collected through the Collection. More information about the DMI can be found at <https://www.education.gov.au/what-direct-measure-income>.

Use and disclosure of personal information

Your personal information is protected by law under the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) (Privacy Act). Personal information is information or an opinion about an identifiable individual. Personal information includes an individual's name and contact details.

Any use or disclosure of your personal information must occur in accordance with Privacy Act and the *Australian Education Act 2013* and *Australian Education Regulation 2013*.

Your personal information provided to the department through the Collection may be:

- disclosed to the ABS for the purposes of capacity to contribute calculations and analysis as a part of the Multi-Agency Data Integration Project (MADIP). Further information about MADIP can be found on the [MADIP page](#) on the ABS website.
- disclosed to a contracted auditor where the department may from time to time, carry out an audit of a school's submission to the Collection. The contracted auditor compares the school's submission with the student enrolment information held by the school and will not use the information for any other purpose
- disclosed to its service providers for the purposes of the provision of information and communications technology support services to the department
- used or disclosed where it is otherwise required or authorised by law.

The department does not intend to disclose your personal information to any overseas recipients.

The department's privacy policy can be found at www.dese.gov.au and includes information on:

- how individuals can access and seek correction of the personal information held by the department;
- how complaints about potential breaches or breaches of the Privacy Act can be made;
- how the department will deal with these complaints.

The department commissioned an independent privacy impact assessment (PIA). The PIA assesses the flows of information under the Collection, compliance with the Privacy Act and measures in place to safeguard the personal information being collected. The report is being updated, and will be available in 2021 on the [SchoolsHUB Address Collection help and support page](#). The current version is available at <https://docs.education.gov.au/node/51436>.

What do you need to do?

You are not required to do anything. Your school is responsible for providing the requested details to the department; however, you may wish to ensure that your school has the most up-to-date and correct details for your family.

Contacts for further information

Your school can provide additional information about the Collection process.

Alternatively, please visit the [SchoolsHUB Address Collection help and support page](#).

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE



TERANG & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB INC.



This is a Covid Safe Event
Friday 26th March, 2021
5.92 kilometres

Start: Walk 6.30pm – Run 6.45pm

Finish at the Terang RSL Hall – Strictly no bikes or dogs permitted

Entries: Adult Run \$10.00 – Child Run \$5.00, Adult Walk \$10.00 – Child Walk \$5.00

Many Trophies:

- First Male Runner Over 50 • First Female Runner Over 45 • First Veteran Male (40-49)
- First Veteran Female (35-44) • Open Male & Female • U/18 Male & Female
- U/15 Male & Female • U/13 Male & Female

PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES & CERTIFICATES AFTER RACE



Silvan Ridge
BUSINESS ADVISERS



**CORANGAMITE
SHIRE**



**WHEATSHEAF
HOTEL**
96 High St, Terang
Phone: 5592 2420



Belfast Wealth
MANAGEMENT



**TERANG
IDEAL DAIRY**
Anthony & Sandra Noonan
Milk Distribution
Phone: 0488 228 644

**FINN & PUGH
LEGAL PRACTICE**
Phone: 5592 1009

Reicha's Drapery
74 High St, Terang Ph: 5592 1758



REGISTRATION AVAILABLE ON DAY OF EVENT

BUSES AVAILABLE (FREE) TO TRANSPORT RUNNERS TO START – Depart Terang 5:45, 6 & 6:15pm

PARISH PRIEST

Fr. Michael McKinnon

PARISH OFFICES

St. Thomas' Terang

P.O. Box 25 Terang. 3264
Ph: 5592 1195 Fax: 5592 2308
terang@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Parish Safeguarding Officer

Clare Neal

"We are a Child Safe Parish"

St. Colman's Mortlake

St Joseph's Caramut

P.O. Box 25 Terang 3264
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SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

St. Thomas' Terang

Mr. Matthew Uzkuraitis
Ph 5592 1925

St. Colman's Mortlake

Mr. Tim Bourke
Ph 5599 2285

Mercy Regional College

Ms Sharon Gillett
Ph 5593 2011

St. Thomas the Apostle
and St. Colman's Parishes
acknowledge and respect the
traditional custodians of this
land the Kirrae Wuurong people.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

ST THOMAS' TERANG

Saturday 6.00 pm
Sunday 10.30 am

ST COLMAN'S MORTLAKE

Sunday 9.00 am

Next Weeks Readings:

27th & 28th February 2021

1st read: Gen 22: 9-13, 15-18

2nd read: Rom 8: 31-34

Gospel: Mk 9: 2-10

Welcome

We welcome Fr Bill
van de Camp who
will celebrate Mass
with us this weekend



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE TERANG and ST. COLMAN'S MORTLAKE PARISH BULLETIN

To access this bulletin online go to www.ballarat.catholic.org.au
and select either Terang or Mortlake Parish.

1st Sunday of Lent

20th & 21st February 2021

RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES: Pat Vaughan, John O'Leary, Bob Grayland,
Mary Green, Patrick John Bourke, Paul Murray



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Br Frank O'Shea

(Names placed on the sick list will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise notified)

SUPPORTING OUR PARISHES: Thank you for your pledge payments &
your ongoing support of our Parishes.

Weekend 13th & 14th February 2021

1st Collection

TERANG

MORTLAKE

\$

\$

Planned Giving Program Week 28

2nd Collection

\$

\$

Average given

\$ 2,187.43

\$ 269.64

Amount promised per week

\$ 1,696.46

\$ 300.81

**MASSES AT TERANG & MORTLAKE with a
gathering up to 250(T)/125(M) people. All attending must
sign in, hand sanitise & social distance.
Please wear a mask, if you cannot social distance.**

TERANG & MORTLAKE ROSTERS:

LINEN: February

Terang: Denise Bond

Mortlake: Rita Pasque

FLOWERS:

17th February - 28th March ~ Lent

No flowers or cleaning required

Mortlake Set Up: February - Gertie MacDonald

Liturgy Rosters: Weekend ~ 27th & 28th February 2021

READERS: 1st & 2nd reading & Prayers of the Faithful

Terang

Saturday 6.00 pm: Allison Lourey

Sunday 10.30 am: Julie Duynhoven

Mortlake

Sunday 9.00 am: Ian Murray

Offertory: Terang

Saturday 6.00 pm: Mark Maguire

Sunday 10.30 am: Clare Neal & Family

Mortlake Sunday 9.00 am: Don Murray

Eucharistic Minister: Terang

Sat 6.00 pm: Carmel Moloney

Sun 10.30 am: Christina Lee

Music Mortlake

Sun 9.00 am: Donna Baxter

Lap Top Terang:

Sat 6.00 pm: Ally & Tess Lourey

Sun 10.30 am: Julie Duynhoven

Weekday Masses

Wed 24th February: 9.30am Terang
(Bob Grayland & Mary Green)

Fri 26th February: 9.30am Terang



Lenten Program

Fr Michael is running a Lenten Program. It will be held in the Parish Office every Thursday during Lent from 6pm - 7pm



Please bring a plate to share

1st Sunday of Lent



Jamila is a Rohingya refugee living in a camp in Bangladesh with her elderly mother and baby daughter. With the support of Caritas Australia, and through Caritas Bangladesh, Jamila has been able to access to emergency food, shelter, counselling, and vocational training that will help to support her family.

Please donate to Project Compassion to help mothers like Jamila be more for her family and her community.

You can donate through Parish boxes/envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or ph: 1800 024 413

World Day of Prayer Service 2021

Pray for Vanuatu

Friday 5th march @ 10.00am
Terang Uniting Church
Contact: Michelle 0458 345 303



Pastoral Care Education

An exciting opportunity for education and formation in Pastoral Care, with the option to have a CPE unit recognised as 30 points should you wish to enrol in theological studies with the University of Divinity, is now available in regional Victoria. The South West Victoria CPE Centre is registered through the Association for Supervised and Clinical Pastoral Education Victoria (ASACPEV Inc.). Further information on the program is available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/pastoral-care-education-3/>

A Pilgrimage for the Year of St Joseph

The Aussie Camino is a pilgrimage route running from Portland in Victoria to Penola in South Australia, inspired by the life and journeys of Australia's first Saint, Mary of the Cross MacKillop and her mentor Fr Julian Tenison Woods.

This year being declared the Year of St Joseph by Pope Francis, is a great opportunity to visit & reflect on the "Josephites or Brown Joeys"; the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart, founded by St Mary MacKillop in Penola in 1866.

On average, you will walk between 20 & 25 km per day (6 to 8 hours) for the 8 days of walking. Each day is long, however it is spectacular and is both a spiritual and a human experience. This Camino includes amazing walks along cliff tops, beaches, sand dunes, goat trails and farm tracks. Based on the traditions of the Camino de Santiago de Compostela in Spain, pilgrims receive a guidebook, passport, scallop shell and stay in the local towns along the way. Fr Justin Driscoll will accompany the pilgrims.

10 Days – Portland to Penola

Departing Ballarat: Friday 30 April 21 Returning Ballarat: Sunday 09 May 21
Maximum of 12 people.

Please register your interest & attendance at the Info Session via email to Leonie at Lifestyle Travel Ballarat leonie@lifestyletravel.com.au

Notices need to be at St. Thomas' Parish Office by 10.00 am next Friday