IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

OLSC COMMUNITY MASS
SUNDAY 7TH FEBRUARY
10.00AM UNTIL 11.00 AM

CHANGE OF DATE:
OLSC FRIENDS GARDEN GROUP
MONDAY 8TH FEBRUARY
2.00PM UNTIL 3.00PM

PREP – 1 PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT
MONDAY 8TH FEBRUARY
7.00PM UNTIL 8.00PM

ASH WEDNESDAY
WEDNESDAY 10TH FEBRUARY

GRADE 2 – 3 PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT
WEDNESDAY 10TH FEBRUARY
7.00PM UNTIL 8.00PM

YEAR 7 2017 CATHOLIC SCHOOL
ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS
CLOSE ON 26 FEBRUARY 2016

NOTES COMING HOME THIS WEEK

All –
• Scholastic Bookclub Order Forms

Eldest -
• School Stream – Free “school app” instructions on how to download the app to your phone
• St Andrew’s Parish Sacrificial Envelopes
• Australian Catholic Magazine Summer 2016

Yr 5 -
• Secondary Education Magazine Feb 2016

Prep –
• Melbourne Child February 2016

The Journey Begins

As we step into this new year,
Restore our spirits.
Renew our passion for sharing your wisdom
And nurture our compassion
for those in need of greater support.
Transform us as we seek to transform:
Guide us as we seek to guide;
Open our minds and hearts
As we seek to open minds and hearts
To the Good News of justice and peace.
Help us listen more deeply
To the world and to your Word,
So we can walk with those in our care,
Attentive to the Wisdom that
Calls us all to the Kingdom of God.

Sacramental Program 2016

Notes were sent home last week asking for notification of children who will participate in the Sacramental program. If you have not returned or not received a note, can you return as soon as possible so see Paul

You can email pmcdowell@olscwyn.catholic.edu.au and I can send you the information.
**OUR LADY OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS**

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**MS FUNDRAISER**

We have been asked to support Sophia Lima & her mother Daisy, who are participating in “Ride the MS Melbourne Cycle” on Sunday 6th March 2016. This ride is a fundraiser to assist those living with multiple sclerosis. To show our support we will be holding Casual Dress Day Fundraiser on Friday 4th March and ask children to participate and make a gold coin donation.

You can also help raise funds by donating directly to Daisy’s team which can be found at: msmelbournecycle.org.au and search for Daisy Lima.

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**2016 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM DATES**

Children who are to receive any Sacrament must be a Baptised Catholic or welcomed into the Catholic Church if Baptised in another faith.

For any queries please see me or email pmcdowell@olscwyn.catholic.edu.au

Reconciliation (Years 3-6)
Either Saturday, 23rd or Saturday, 30th April at St. Andrew’s Church

First Eucharist (Years 4-6)
Sunday, 5th June at 2.00pm at St. Andrew’s Church

Confirmation (Year 6)
Friday, 12th August at 6.00pm at OLSC Sports Centre

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**SCHOOL STREAM APP**

We remind all parents to download the School Stream app to your smartphone, ipad or tablet.

This App is a useful tool for communication between the school and families, allowing for instant notifications and less wastage of paper.

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**ILLNESS & MEDICATION NOTIFICATIONS**

**IMPORTANT**

We have a child at OLSC who is receiving medical treatment that puts them at risk, if they were to contract chicken pox or measles. We ask parents to be vigilant and advise the School Office if your child/ren develops either of these illnesses, so the child at risk can receive immediate medical attention to limit their risk of developing either illness.

A reminder to parents that if your child requires medication to be administered during school hours, that you provide ALL medication to the school office. You are also required to complete a Permission Form before any medication can be provided to your child.
WORKSHOPS FOR BAPTISED ADULTS TO RECEIVE FURTHER SACRAMENTS – Are you an adult who has been baptised but has never received the Sacraments of First Eucharist and/or Confirmation? Fr. Frank will be conducting a series of workshops to prepare adults to receive the Sacraments. Workshops are held on six Saturdays after Easter at 11am (dates TBC). Please leave your details at the Parish Office 9741 4144 or werribee@cam.org.au if you are interested. Thank you.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT
Have you been thinking about contributing to our Parish but are not sure how? Could you attend 6 meetings a year and a full day on the 3rd Saturday in November? If so, you could become a member of St. Andrew’s Parish Fair Committee. All positions will be declared vacant at the AGM on 9th March 2016, 7.30 pm in the Penola Hub and we need vibrant, energetic people to fill them. For more information or a position description on the following, please contact the Parish Office.
President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Site Manager, Assistant Site Manager, Stalls Coordinator, Entertainment Coordinator.

HELP HELP HELP
We are in desperate need for volunteers to join the roster to clean the church. Our volunteers list is dwindling due to age and ill health. After you take your children to school could you spare an hour or so to help keep our church looking good? A task list is provided or you could join an existing volunteer! This is on a rostered basis, and you can bring younger children along with you. For more information please contact the Parish Office.

Wyndham Vale Catholic Community Mass
Mass is celebrated at OLSC on the first Sunday of the month commencing 10am. Please feel to come along and bring a plate to share for some fellowship after Mass. The first Mass for 2016 is:

Sunday 7th February

Any queries about the Community Mass held at OLSC monthly on a Sunday, please Contact:
Lou Sullivan Pastoral Worker, Wyndham Vale Community 9741 4144

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION
Beginning Monday 1st February I will be offering Scripture Reflection at OLSC on Monday afternoons from 2.00 pm. It will focus on the upcoming Sunday’s Gospel and will be a quiet time for discussion, reflection and a bit of socializing too! Come and spend a relaxing 40 mins or so before picking up the children and getting back to the grind of everyday life. I look forward to meeting many mums, dads, grandparents and carers.

Lou Sullivan
Pastoral Worker Wyndham Vale Community
St Andrews Parish
Our Lady of the Southern Cross

LEADERSHIP GROUPS 2016

ICT LEADERS

SPORTS LEADERS

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SOCIAL JUSTICE

PREP CHILDREN 2016 RECEIVING A BLESSING FROM FR. FRANK.