



Holy Family Primary School Newsletter

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Term 4

Week 2

Religious Education Matters

YEAR SIX

THE ROSARY

October is the special month of the Rosary. The Rosary is dedicated to our Virgin Mary who is known to be the mother of Jesus Christ. The Rosary is said to remind us about the purpose of why Mary was chosen to be the mother of Jesus, and why we respect the Christian Faith. In the Rosary, we say three main prayers, the Our Father, Hail Mary and the Glory Be. Year 6 has recently used the 4C's to gather information that we already knew about the Rosary. We also created questions linked to what we wanted to know.

Each day during the month of October, the Junior Joeys lead our school community in saying part of the Rosary.

What we already know about the Rosary!

Since the month of the Rosary has arrived, Year 6 discussed as a group, what we already knew about the Rosary. Here are some facts about what we know.

When and where do we pray the Rosary?

We can say the Rosary in our own time or anywhere we want, but October is the special month of the Rosary as it is dedicated to Mary the mother of God.

What is the true meaning of the Hail Mary?

People say the Hail Mary but they don't know what the prayer means. Year 6 discussed in Communication groups, the true meaning of the Hail Mary.

"Hail Mary full of grace", this means, "hello Mary, you are full of faith." This was a greeting from the Angel Gabriel.

"The Lord is with you", this means that God is always going to be there for you.

"Blessed are you among women", this means that Mary is the most special lady out of all the women in the world because she was the chosen one to carry Jesus in her womb.

"And blessed is the fruit of thy womb", this means that the baby in her womb, Jesus, will be blessed by his father.

"Holy Mary mother of God", this is saying that she is the most holy woman.

"Pray for our sinners now and at the hour of our death", this is asking Mary to pray for us when we sin so that Jesus will forgive us. "Amen".

What we wanted to know about the Rosary

We were very curious and wanted to know more about the Rosary. In groups we created questions about the Rosary to find out more about it. We researched and found out many different and interesting facts.

Q: Does the Rosary help us with our everyday life?

A: The Rosary will bring peace and holiness to our life. It protects the church from false teachings and negativity. The Rosary helps us understand the purpose of life, and will increase our capacity to love ourselves, and others. The Rosary provides us with protection against negative influences and it will stop us from having the will to sin and to disobey elders and God's orders.

Q: What does the word "Rosary" mean?

A: The word "Rosary" means Crown of Roses. Our Lady received several roses that were turned into a beautiful crown, which was dedicated to Mother Mary. The rose is the Queen of Flowers, and so the Rosary is the rose of all devotions, and it is there for the most important one.

Q: What are the Mysteries of the Rosary?

A: The mysteries of the Rosary are events that occurred during the lives of Jesus and Mary. There are a total of 20 mysteries divided into four groups, these groups are; Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and Luminous.



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Student Awards

We congratulate this week's Student of the Week Award recipients:

Mariah Manolis	Patrick Kirby
Nicholas Anjoul	Angelina El Katrib
Joseph Habib	Sebastian El katrib
Amir Ayoub	Robert Sorojevic
Cody Gergí	Miky Amelson
Janis Silverwood	Mikaylla Chakoush
Tony Habib	Najd Youssef



Principal's Message

Parent Representative Group Meeting for Term 4

Next Tuesday the 20th of October parents are invited to attend the Parent Representative Group meeting. This term we will be meeting in the evening starting at 6pm to 7pm in the Year 6 Learning space. If you would like to attend or you would like to include an item for the agenda please fill out the letter that went home this week and return to school by Monday the 19th of October. Only items submitted by the 19th of October will be include for discussion on the agenda.

Mission Mass

On Friday the 16th of October, our Junior Joeys and Mr Bawden will be attending the Diocesan Mission Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral. Following the Mass, a Mission expo has been organised where many schools will be exhibiting the work they have been doing to promote the idea of Mission at their school.

Parent Learning Walk

On Thursday we will be conducting our learning walk for Term 4. We encourage parents to take up the invitation to view the great learning that is taking place. Following the walk, parents will have the opportunity to talk with our teachers about what they witnessed happening in the classrooms.

Swimming Program

This week information regarding the swimming program was sent home to parents. The cost and dates were shared as well as the option to pay in full or in instalments. If you choose to pay by instalments, please contact Ms Ali and discuss this matter with her as soon as possible. The swimming program is compulsory for all students. If your child is unable to attend the program due to illness a medical certificate needs to be provided. Children who are not swimming will still need to attend school and journey with the students to and from the swimming center. I thank you in advance for your support.



Live Jesus in your heart

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Mrs Baird

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Calendar



October

Thursday 15th October	9:15am Parent Learning Walk
Friday 16th October	10:30am Diocesan Mission Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral
Tuesday 20th October	6:00—7:00pm Parent Representative Group Meeting



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Birthday Wishes!

Congratulations to the following students who celebrate their birthday this week : Gabrielle Foketi, Ryan Lu, Mina Nohra, and Johnathan Chakoush

Talent for Mission Quest

As part of World Mission Month we will be using our talents and gifts to raise money for those less fortunate by holding a Talent Quest. This fundraising will go to the Catholic Mission to support the wonderful work they do.

The Talent for Mission Quest will be \$2 per act to try out with the Top 8 Infants and Primary students chosen. The tryouts for Infants will be at Recess (and Lunch if needed) on Monday Wk3 and Tuesday for Primary. Then in Week 4 there will be lunchtime concerts for the top 8, Wednesday for Infants and Thursday for Primary. Students are welcome to watch these concerts for a coin donation.

Thank you for your support in this important social justice fundraising activity.
The Junior Joeys and Mr Bawden



Thank you to all families for collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers. These have now been submitted and we have chosen some great new resources for the school.

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