Dear Parents,

This week the Prep Blue Class presented a liturgy to the school about the Sacrament of Confirmation. On Saturday 13th August and Sunday 14th August children from our parish will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. I would ask parents to keep these children in your prayers and thoughts.

Fruits of the Spirit

**TODAY**
- I will show LOVE to my family
- I will invite the JOY of the Lord to rise in me
- I will walk in PEACE and not stress
- I will be PATIENT with others and listen
- I will show KINDNESS to others no matter what
- I will do GOOD for others despite circumstance
- I will be FAITHFUL in all I do
- I will be GENTLE and not harsh
- I will allow love and grace to CONTROL my actions

**School Crossing Safety Education Program**— Following a number of queries from parents regarding the school crossing, the Knox City Council’s Team Leader of School Crossings has sent the following letter to parents regarding issues that have been brought to the Council’s attention. I would like to thank Mr. Chris Howie for the time and effort he has put into following up the concerns of our parents.

“Students, Parents and all road users all need to be aware of their responsibilities around Schools and especially around School Crossings during pick up and drop off times.

Due to the amount of heavy vehicles using Wellington Road coupled with a speed limit set by Vicroads of 80km/h, Knox Council supply 2 School Crossing Supervisors to control the flow of students crossing Wellington road to maximize their safety.

One Supervisor is in position at the lights on the South side of Wellington Road and another is located within the traffic island on the North side. These Supervisors must be in these positions to operate the traffic signals at either side to allow the safe, smooth passage of students crossing Wellington Road.

In regards to the Zebra Crossing on the Northern side of Wellington Road, the Supervisor may still venture onto the Zebra Crossing to assist Students to cross to the traffic island (having already pressed the stop button for Wellington Road), and facilitate their onward cross, this procedure has not changed.

It is the responsibility of all Parents who drive their children to and from the School, to slow down and stop at the Zebra Crossing if any pedestrians are waiting to cross.

To assist with the ongoing education of students in regards to their safety around our roads and in particular on and around School Crossings, a Safety Education Program was set up 3 years ago by the Knox Council School Crossing Team. The ‘Safety with Lottie Program’ assists Knox School Students, Parents and Teachers with all aspects of road safety and is enjoying continued success at many Schools in Knox. I look forward to presenting our Safety Program to your School.

If anyone has concerns at any time with the operation of School Crossings they can call Knox Council on 9298 8000 and discuss with the School Crossings Team.”

Kind regards,

Chris Howie, Team Leader School Crossings
Curriculum Evening – This year’s Curriculum Night will be on Tuesday 13th September commencing at 6.30pm and concluding at 8pm. The focus will be Literacy in Religious Education.

Year 6 Parents Graduation Meeting – Will be on Wednesday 17th August at 2.30pm. This will be a short meeting to form a committee and plan the meetings leading into the year 6 graduation.

Year 1 Prayer Night – Will be on Wednesday 7th September at 6.30pm.

School Closure Day – The school closure day for Term 3 is Monday 22nd August. Please note the change. This is due to the District Athletics on Friday 19th August.

Extra Curricula Activities Term 3 Weeks 5 & 6

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Thursday 18th August Walkathon
Friday 19th August District Athletics Day
Monday 22nd August Professional Dev. Day – No school

School Start - Parents are reminded that any child who arrives at school before 8.20am must attend the Out of School Hours Program. Teacher supervision does not commence until 8.20am and children are legally required to be supervised.

2017 Prep Enrolment – If there are any current families who still have not submitted an application form for Prep 2017, please do so as soon as possible as we need to finalize our enrolment list.

Re-enrolment 2017 School Year Re-enrolment forms for 2017 have been sent home soon and are due back by tomorrow Friday 5th August 2016. These require your URGENT AND PROMPT ATTENTION as class groupings for 2017 are based on these returns – therefore it is essential we have accurate figures in order to complete arrangements for 2017. The highlighted sections are the most important. Obviously Grade 6s are not included. Also take note if there are any updates that are required to the Contact information please feel free to make the necessary changes on the form.

Congratulations – To Karen O’Sullivan (Reading Recovery Support Teacher) on the arrival of her first grand daughter born this week.

The Good Manners Award goes to Ava Pascuzzi (1 Red) and Uniform Award goes to Lucas Simons (3 Blue). Well done to these children.

Yours sincerely,

Phil Hesse
Principal

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SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY – MONDAY 22ND AUGUST 2016

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**OFFICE NEWS**

SCHOOL FEES: Unless you have an arrangement in place, parents are reminded that all fees except Years 3 & 4 camps and swimming are now overdue. Prompt payment is appreciated.

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JOKE OF THE WEEK

Four brothers discussed the 95th birthday gifts they were giving their mother. The first had a house built for her, the second had a theatre built in the house and the third sent her a Mercedes.

The fourth said: “Mama loved reading the Bible but now she can’t see well. I met a preacher with a parrot who could recite the entire Bible. It took 10 preachers eight years to teach him. I had to contribute $250,000 to the church, but it was worth it. Mama only has to name the chapter and verse and the parrot will recite it.” The others were impressed.

Mama later sent out thank you notes: “Milton, the house is so huge that I live in only one room, but have to clean the whole house.”

“Michael, you gave me a theatre for 50 people, but all my friends are dead, I’ve lost my hearing and I’m nearly blind.”

“Marvin, I’m too old to drive.”

“Dearest Melvin, you were the only son to give a little thought to your gift. The chicken was delicious. Thank you so much”.
GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM

I was so proud to be involved with the Girls Football Team over the past few weeks. They have competed exceptionally well and they won the Knox Division Grand Final. They were the best of 22 teams on the day. They came together as a team, lost a game or two early on, scrambled into the finals, and then went on to win the flag on the day. They improved as a team each game, and it was definitely the teamwork that enabled them to be the best team on the day.

Tuesday was the Eastern Region Day at Templestowe. We were in a very tight pool, which we won on percentage. This got us into a semi-final, which we won, putting us into a Grand Final. Unfortunately, we fell just short, losing to Auburn South Primary School. The girls gave it their all, and again it was the teamwork aspect that really stood out. This meant that they effectively finished equal 5th in all of Victoria.

Each girl was a pleasure to coach, and a credit to the school. I would like to thank all of the girls for their enthusiasm and for all the families that came to support on both days. With the women’s AFL starting next year, I hope to see some of these magnificent St Simon’s girls playing in a few years’ time.

Nick Frederiksen
Sports Coordinator

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Wishing the following staff and students a very happy birthday.

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ANIMAL CLUB NEWS: Animal Club is holding a competition/raffle. The prize is a stuffed toy orangutan! There are two orangutans to win!

What to do:
1. Write three facts about Gokong off the fact sheet that the students have been handed.
2. Then go to The Orangutan project www.orangutan.org.au and find two of Gokong’s friends that are available for adoption.
3. Once you have done that, write it all on a piece of paper with your name printed on it.
4. Then address it to “Animal Club” and put in the office tub by 19/08/2016. We will announce the winner on this date.

Good luck!
By Emma and Elisha from Animal Club

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

The following students have been selected from each class for their outstanding achievements within the school. We congratulate the following:

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MUSIC NEWS: Congratulations to Chris Boey (3G) and Nathania Rajasingham (3G) for receiving their Orange Belts in Recorder.

Well done to the following students for working hard to receive their Yellow Belts: Alesha Maxwell (4G), Lily Bowyer-Smyth (3Y), Emmerson-Dior Drake (3Y), Cadence Eugenio (3Y), Grace Kaeli (3Y), Jack Porcino (3Y), Chiara Stabile (3Y), Amelia Barthelot (3B), Ethan Collins (3B), Sabrina Farinaccio (3B), Jodie Lam (3B), Sienna Punterre (3B), Laura Morabito (3G) and Matias Cornejo (3Y).

Great work by Mika Ono (4R) and Hannah Pedlar (4B) for achieving their Blue Belt. Keep up the Amazing Work everyone!!!

STUDENT OF THE WEEK FOR ART: This week’s award goes to Joel Bombardieri (Prep R), Lachlan Chang (Prep B) & Alessia Costanzo (Prep Y) for working hard on their snowman.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK FOR JAPANESE: This week’s award goes to Ben Hogan (1G), Adrian Theophilus (1R), Lily Alvis (1Y) & Michael Zhang (1Y).

STUDENT OF THE WEEK FOR LIBRARY: This week’s award goes to Ben Hogan (1G) & Daniel Morgan (2B) for good work in the library.
STUDENT OF THE WEEK FOR MUSIC: This week’s award goes to Anabelle Abboud (1Y) and Connor Wright (1Y) for creating interesting rhythms for the class to echo.

CANTEEN NEWS: For a limited time only we have fried rice with ham. When ordering fried rice please specify vegetarian or with ham, prices are the same for either. Please ensure you are using the current price list.

CANTEEN ROSTER:  
Friday 05/08  NO CANTEEN – SCHOOL SPORTS  
Monday 08/08  Sylvia F, Sandra M, Queenie F, Amanda M


UNIFORM SHOP:  
Tuesday 09/08  Narelle, Natasha, Kathy C 2.30pm – 3pm

CATHOLIC SECONDARY COLLEGES OPEN DAYS

AVILA COLLEGE ‘OPEN SCHOOL’ MORNING – Avila College would like to invite prospective students and their parents to our next Open School Morning on Wednesday, August 10th. The morning commences at 9am with a College tour followed by a presentation by the Principal, Ms Louise Gunther and the College Leadership Team. Our final Open Morning for 2016 will be in Term 4 – on Thursday 20th October. Online registration is now available by visiting www.avilacollege.vic.edu.au clicking on Enrolment and then Open Mornings. Phone 9831 9600. Parking is limited, so please allow time for parking in nearby streets.

MATER CHRISTI COLLEGE: Members of the St. Simon’s community are warmly invited to attend the upcoming Mater Christi School Tour on Sunday 7th August 10.00am to 11.00am. For more details contact 9754 6611. Enrol now for 2018 & 2019. Limited places available for 2017.

MAZENOD COLLEGE: Tuesday 11th October from 9.30am to 12.30pm. Tours commence 9.30am, 10.30am & 11.30am.

NAZARETH COLLEGE: School Tour Tuesday 9th August from 9.00am. Please register your attendance with the College Receptionist on 9795 8100.

ST. JOSEPHS COLLEGE OPEN DAY: Wednesday 24th August at 9.30am.

NAZARETH COLLEGE OPEN MORNINGS: Nazareth College has a number of Open Mornings scheduled this term –

- Tuesday 9th August,
- Thursday 18th August,
- Wednesday 31st August,
- Tuesday 13th September.

All Open Mornings commence at 9.00am. Please register your attendance with the College Receptionist on 9795 8100.

KNOX REGIONAL NETBALL CENTRE – Wednesday & Friday Ladies Competitions: The Centre is seeking ladies to participate in its Wednesday & Friday Ladies Competitions. Games are played indoors on sprung wooden floors with qualified umpires. There is a free creche which is staffed by qualified childcare workers. Uniform requirements are relaxed with teams able to wear leggings, skirts, shorts etc. We would love to welcome new teams. For more information please contact the Centre on 9758 7191 or email KnoxNetballCentre@knox.vic.gov.au

ST. JOHN’S NETBALL CLUB: Are now taking registrations for the Spring competition. Players of all ages and all abilities welcome. For enquiries contact stkjohnsnetworkball@gmail.com or visit our website www.stjohnsnetworkballclub.wordpress.com

UPWEY F.T.GULLY BASEBALL CLUB: Looking for a great sport to play? Try Baseball! Boys and girls of all ages and abilities welcome. Great game, great family club. Registration and Information Day Sunday 14th August 9.30am to 1pm. Free sausage sizzle. For more information about our club please visit our website or email: www.upweyftgbaseballclub.com juniorpresident@upweyftgbaseballclub.com or call 0418 591 921. Address – Kings Park, Willow Road Upper Ferntree Gully.

MAZENOD OLD COLLEGIANS CRICKET CLUB: Are you looking at playing Cricket for the first time or looking at getting back into the game after a break? Why not give us a try at Mazenod Cricket Club. We are looking for Junior and Senior players for the upcoming 2016/17 Cricket Season. We have fantastic facilities and a state of art Turf Wicket and Oval. Come down and have a look at our facilities and see for yourself. Junior fees for the 2016/17 season – if you register and pay before 31st August, you will receive a 10% discount. Family discount 1 child $160, 2nd child $140, 3rd child $120. Contacts President John 0422 812 274, Junior co-ordinator Allan 0411 722 552 Mazenod Secretary moccsec@gmail.com. www.moccc.com.au

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ATTN: St. Simon’s Parents’ Association

FATHER’S DAY STALL - HELPER SLIP

Name: ___________________________ Phone Number: ___________________________

Email: ___________________________

Eldest child’s grade __________ Child’s name: ___________________________

☐ I am able to help at the Father’s Day stall on Thursday 1st of September 2016.
Entertainment Books: By purchasing an Entertainment book through St Simon's Parents' Association, not only will you be saving yourself money on some great deals and helping the school to raise funds, but you could win glorious night's accommodation at the luxurious Crown Towers Melbourne, with access to the elite Crystal Club and your very own, handcrafted piece of jewellery, designed for you by the Master Jeweller at Micheli Eurogold! Please see attached flyer on how to purchase a book.

Walkathon: The annual school Walkathon will be held on Thursday 18th of August 2016. Sponsorship forms have now been sent home. This year we will be having an Olympic theme and students are encouraged to wear Olympic themed clothing. Volunteers are required to walk with the grades. Please find attached a flyer with further information on the walkathon and a Helper slip. If you are able to walk with a grade please fill in the slip and return to the Parent's Association. Younger siblings and prams are most welcome to join the walk!

Father's Day Stall: We will be holding our annual Father's Day Stall on Thursday 1st September. We have a great range of gifts for Dad ranging from $2 to $5. We will also be running the ever popular lucky dip. Please see the attached flyer. If you are able to help run our stall on the day, please fill out the helpers slip and return to the Parents' Association. Morning Tea and a light lunch provided. If you have any queries please contact Tracy on 0400 129 728.

Remember: All PA flyers are available at the School office

Special Note: All PA return slips (this includes Pizza day orders, and any future events) will no longer be accepted at the Office. All PA run events return slips will be required to go through the classroom tub system.
St Simon’s Parents Association - Rowville is pleased to be selling the 16|17 Entertainment™ Memberships as a fundraiser in 2016!

You can choose between the traditional Entertainment™ Book or you can purchase the Digital Membership, which puts the value of the Entertainment™ Book into your iPhone or Android smartphone, all for just $65!

_Purchase the NEW 2016 / 2017 Entertainment™ Membership today and get a chance to WIN a glorious night's accommodation at the luxurious Crown Towers Melbourne, with access to the elite Crystal Club and your very own, handcrafted piece of jewellery, designed for you by the Master Jeweller at Micheli Eurogold!_

The Entertainment™ Memberships contain over 800 valuable up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers for many of the best restaurants, attractions, hotels and retailers in Melbourne. Each Membership sold raises $13 for St Simon’s Parents Association - Rowville to help us raise much needed funds.

Please show your support by visiting the link below and purchase your Membership today:


For any enquiries please contact:
Sandy Bryant at sandy_wayne@bigpond.com
2016 Olympics Walkathon
Thursday 18 August

The Parents’ Association is endeavouring to raise funds to support the school. Our objective for this year is to raise $10,000 to improve the playground and facilities. If most families can raise $25, we are confident of achieving this goal!

Key Walkathon dates
Sponsorship forms distributed on Monday 1 August
Return of helpers form (see below) Friday 12 August
Walkathon to occur on Thursday 18 August

OLYMPIC GAMES THEME
As the Walkathon will coincide with the 2016 Olympic Games, students are encouraged to wear Olympics themed sports clothing to school on the day of the Walkathon. These sports clothes should be:

• representing an Olympic sport (e.g. athletics, gymnastics, basketball); or
• in the colours of a country competing in the Olympic games.

Important note: all students should be wearing comfortable sports shoes during the Walkathon.

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(Please return the helpers form by Friday 12 August) ---

ATTN: ST SIMON’S PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION OLYMPICS WALKATHON
I am able to help with the walkathon on Thursday 18th August.

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Name

Contact Number

Eldest child’s grade

* You may select more than one grade to walk with.

The St Simon’s Parents’ Association thanks you for volunteering your assistance and invites you for morning tea following completion of the walk.
If you have any queries please contact Sue on 0409 530 920.
FATHER'S DAY STALL

Thursday 1st September

Gifts for $2, $3, $4 and $5
Lots of presents to choose from including:

- Clocks
- Gift Bags
- Photo frames
- Trophy
- Money boxes
- Light up key rings
- DAD
- Car
- Boxer Shorts
- #1 Dad Glass
- Talking Bottle Openers

Remember to bring your money and a plastic bag to take your presents home in.

And don’t forget the LUCKY DIP!
For $2 per dip, every child will receive a surprise for Dad!
To sustain our Parish today
To grow and respond to Pope Francis' call to Mission
Our financial support is important to us - it is a priority
We plan and budget our financial support
We give out of genuine thanks for our many blessings

PARISHES - THE HEARTBEAT OF THE CHURCH
Welcome to the final week of our Stewardship Program.

The Program has asked us all to reflect on what it means to be part of St Simon’s Parish - how we celebrate our faith together and how we value engagement in parish life, in parish groups and ministries.

This week we ask every parish family to play their role in financial support of our parish.

We ask you to make a pledge - your financial commitment to the Stewardship Program. The Program brochure has detailed what is on the agenda in coming times and how your contributions will benefit these works.

As a parish school family you are a very important part of the parish. Our wonderful school has been built and developed through the generous support of parishioners past and present. Fr Jim and the parish team provide wonderful sacramental and pastoral support to the school.

Please make your generous contribution to our parish. WE THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

How much should I give?

There is no simple answer - for everyone is different. However, as a starting point, consider what is left after paying your essentials - mortgage, school fees, utility bills etc. What do you do with your remaining income? All we ask is for your parish support to be meaningful and reflect the importance of our parish in your life.

What are the payment options?

- CASH in envelopes at Mass
- CREDIT CARD regular deductions from your credit card
- DIRECT DEBIT deductions from a nominated bank account

What do my contributions support?

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PLEASE RETURN YOUR PLEDGE SLIP AND TIME & TALENT SHEETS

All parents are kindly asked to complete and return the Pledge Card on the back of the brochure together with your and Time & Talent sheet response. This can be done as follows:

- Return to Mass on our Supports Generously Weekend - Saturday 6 & Sunday 7 August
- Drop into the School Office by Wednesday 10 August
- Drop into the Parish Office by Wednesday 10 August

Thank you in advance for your generous support!
Parish Contribution Reminder
Thankyou to those families who have completed or are completing their parish contribution. A gentle reminder for those who have not yet, to please do so asap. Any assistance needed please contact the parish office on 9764 4058.

Join us for High Tea
For one afternoon only, St Simon’s hall will be transformed into the home of the best value High Tea in town.
Join us at one of two sessions for tea, coffee, sandwiches, scones, dainty savouries, sweet treats and sweet music. Treat yourself, your wife, husband or family. Generous discounts for families and groups of 8 or more. Places are limited so you will need to book. Look out for the flyer to come with prices and booking form or enquire at the Parish Office.
Date:- Sunday11th September 2016
Venue:- St Simon’s Hall, 2 Taylor’s Lane, Rowville
2 Sessions 12 30pm & 3.30pm
Cost:- $20 for one
$35 for two
$50 family (2 adults + 2 children)
Group of 8 or 10 - $15 per head
Enquiries:- Imelda Evans, 0438 534 290.

PARISH INFORMATION MEETING
When: Thurs, 4 August 2016 at 7:30pm
Where: St Simons church
Why: Discuss our achievements
Hear about our plans
Discuss what it means to be part of our Parish Community
Who: EVERYONE IS INVITED!
RSVP at Mass or email to suzette@stsimonsparish.com.au

Peer Support group for Parents, Carers & People Living with Disability
Guest speaker, Bernadette from Catholic Care.
Sunday 7th August, 2pm- 4pm in Church foyer.
Enquiries to Tina Costanzo on 0438178374 or Ida Padua on 0439864546See flyer in church Foyer.

WORLD YOUTH DAY NEWS
You can follow the Melbourne Archdiocese youth in Poland via Facebook or

Thinking about becoming a catholic?
This month five new enquirers began their RCIA journey to become Catholics. Please pray for these courageous people. Anyone can join them to enquire about adult Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.
Come and see. Please ring the parish office 9764 4058 or Reg 9790 5616 or email rlemons1@bigpond.com.
Next session is Tuesday 2 Aug 8pm in the parish house.

Learn to Crochet Every Tuesday in the Meeting Place from 1.30pm to 3.30pm.
All welcome.
The Missionaries of God’s Love warmly invites you to the Priestly Ordination of:-

Rembert Fernando, MGL  David Lemewu, MGL  Antony Santhiyagu, MGL

By Bishop Mark Edwards OMI DD PhD, Auxiliary Bishop of Melbourne

Friday, 19th August 2016, 7.00pm at St Dominic’s Church, 816 Riversdale Rd Camberwell.

Fr. David’s Thanksgiving Mass, Saturday, 20th August, 6.00pm at St Simon’s.

Fr. Rembert’s Thanksgiving Mass, Saturday, 27th August, 6.00pm at St Simon’s.

For those still wanting to still donate, please place your donation in an envelope and hand it to the help desk or into the parish office. Add your name to the clipboards in the Church foyer if you would like to bring a plate to share after each of the Thanksgiving Masses.

Finding the Face of God’s Mercy
Facilitator : Fr. Ray Sanchez (CP)
VENUE: St Simon’s Church
DATE: Saturday, September 3rd
TIME 10.00am – 4.00pm
Cost $10.00 (includes Lunch).
Pick up a flyer from the help desk

MEDITATION
“Come aside and rest awhile”
You are invited to join us for gentle, guided meditation and reflection as we take time out to experience God’s presence. Wonderful health benefits for those who practice meditation regularly.
Day/Time: Wednesdays 10am – 11am
Place: Meeting Place (behind Parish Office)

St Simon’s Youth Group Next Activity
Where:- St Simon’s Church  Time:- 6.00pm - 9.00pm  Date:- 28th August 2016
Cost:- $5.00  Theme:- “Mini Golf”  Who:- Year 7 -10 students
Reminder: Parents are required to sign your child in and out.

The Knights of the Southern Cross invites members, parishioners and all others to celebrate the Feast Day of the Order’s Patron Saint Mary of the Cross Mackillop. Mass will be celebrated on Monday 8th August 2016 at St Clare’s Parish Centre 1 Killara Street Box Hill North 3129 commencing 11am. After Mass light refreshments will be served in the Community Centre. All Welcome. For further information please contact Brian Philp Knox Branch Ph. 97587805.