



Salvatorian College Parent Bulletin

Week Commencing
Monday, 22nd March 2021
Sunday 21st March, the Fifth Sunday in Lent
Gospel Reading: John 12:23-27

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

I would like to thank all of the boys who took part in our second Open Evening this week. Nearly one hundred families viewed the school at this socially-distanced event, and they were very impressed with the new facilities of the school and, more importantly, the work, attitude and positivity of our boys. Some were tour guides and others showed demonstrated what goes on in their favourite subject departments.

Just after Easter, we hope to take possession of the final stage of the new building. The sports hall has now been completed and the rooms and corridors have all been cleaned, ready for hand-over. The last stage, finishing off the exterior of the front of the new school, is unlikely to be finished until September. However, at this point we will be holding a series of events to celebrate the grand opening of the new Salvatorian College building.

I wrote to you this week with information about how the home lateral flow testing kits. Please try to follow the advice included in the letter and get into a routine. I want to emphasise the importance of not sending you boys to school if they are showing symptoms of Covid-19. If we all follow the Hand, Face, Space mantra too, we should be able to continue safely and with minimal disruption to learning.

The holiday will soon be here, but it is very important that the boys continue to work hard to try to address any gaps they may have in their learning from lockdown.

Kind regards

Mr Bryant
Head of School

GOSPEL REFLECTION

A Grain of Wheat

After his triumphant ride into Jerusalem and before celebrating the Passover, Jesus spoke to his disciples about his approaching suffering and death.

As we listen to the words of this reading, let us ask for God's forgiveness and his help to make a fresh start:

Sometimes when I feel wronged and hurt by others, I turn my anger towards them; but this is not your way, Lord. I know that you will never let go of my hand, you will always stand beside me.

(Psalm 73: 21-26)

A reading from the Gospel of John, Chapter 12:

Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honour the one who serves me.

"Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour.

Jesus feels troubled because he knows that he will soon be betrayed by Judas and will suffer and die on the cross.

No one likes to suffer, and Jesus knew what lay ahead of Him. He must have felt afraid, but He did not try to avoid what was to happen. Instead He turned to His Father and prayed for strength and courage.

The wheat plant produces a seed called a 'grain'. A single grain of wheat can produce a plant with many, many grains. To do this the wheat plant must itself die and give up its grain - its own life - to produce a tall and strong new plant.

Jesus used the image of the grain of wheat to try to explain what would happen to him. Jesus wanted you to understand that, like a wheat plant dying to give up its seed, his death was necessary if new life was to be given to many. Jesus gave up his life by dying on the cross so that we could have new and everlasting life which we could share with him.

Lord Jesus, you willingly gave up your life so that you could share your everlasting life with all of mankind. Thank you for your courage and love and for dying to save us all. Amen

MISSION PRAYER

God our Father we pray for the grace to respond to the call of discipleship, quickly and decisively, for the grace to witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice, for the grace to collaborate with other people of good will in relieving need and addressing its causes, for the grace to make no distinction in those we serve because, in them, help us to see the face of Christ. Merciful God, hear us. Amen

SOCIAL MEDIA

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WORDS OF THE WEEK

Monday – Vigilant

Adjective- Keeping careful watch for possible danger or difficulties.

Tuesday – Imperative

Adjective - Of vital importance; crucial

Wednesday – Unbridled

Adjective- Uncontrolled; unconstrained.

Thursday – Resent

Verb- Feel bitterness or indignation at (a circumstance, action, or person).

Friday – Iteration

Noun- The repetition of a process or utterance

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Your destiny is to fulfill those things upon which you focus most intently. So choose to keep your focus on that which is truly magnificent, beautiful, uplifting and joyful. Your life is always moving toward something.

MENTAL HEALTH

Times are tough for many people right now. Parents find themselves pulled in many different directions and children may be struggling being in the house for so much longer than usual.

A mixture of concern about covid, work from home and children at home, along with a possible financial impact make for a stressful household.

Young Minds have created a useful 'Supporting Parents Helpfinder'. By answering six questions, parents can find out how to support their child's mental health during the pandemic (and beyond).

Find the help finder here:

<https://youngminds.org.uk/supporting-parents-helpfinder/>

ST JOSEPH'S YOUTH GROUP

The St. Joseph's Youth Group is sponsoring a 5-sessions of Lenten reflections via Zoom. Meetings will take place every Thursday during lent from 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm. The program started yesterday (please see attached poster)

The previous reflection was held on 4th March and the speaker who presented was Mrs. Helen Teaghe, who led us in a reflection on Justice.

To Join this week's session on Zoom please use Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87849051148?pwd=aVJPbnNjMWwxTnJWY1FFKzdxNTcxdz09>

Meeting ID: 878 4905 1148
Passcode: stjoe

LENTEN APPEAL

We are holding our annual Easter/Lenten Appeal and have asked the boys to donate Easter eggs which can be brought to reception in the mornings. The Easter eggs will then be distributed to the needy of our local community.

POSITIVE DISCIPLINE WORKSHOP

Hope Harrow are hosting a 2-hour workshop on Zoom on the 29th March 2021 based around positive discipline. If you are interested in this please sign up at www.learnharrow.ac.uk

Details of the course are below



Parenting with Positive Discipline for Parents new to Family Learning with children of all ages Onl

A 2 hour workshop online for parents/carers with children of all ages Course fees to be paid directly to Hope Harrow

11 places

29 Mar 2021 (Spring) One day Mon 19:00-21:00

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