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From the Headteacher



Dear Parents/Carers,

I am very pleased with progress at Salvatorian College. As I write, our Year 11 pupils are completing their mock examinations and the early indications are encouraging. The boys have been working hard and revising, which augurs well for results day in August.

There was a full schedule of extra lessons during a large part of the Easter break. As the end of term approached we concluded our Lenten preparations with reconciliation services, liturgies and mass. Holy week concluded with our Easter Liturgy on Maundy Thursday.

We were pleased to receive a monitoring visit from an external consultant which corroborated the outstanding progress made since September. My hope is that our improving reputation, not just our new 'state of the art' building (that we will move into in April 2019), has generated a 50% increase in expected numbers for September 2018. In consequence, we are now planning to add an additional form of entry into Year 7.

We rely on the support of parents to ensure that pupils are completing homework to the best of their ability, aiming for ePraise, postcards home and avoiding sanctions. There was a bumper prize draw this Easter with Beats Headphones, vouchers and a giant Easter egg up for grabs.

I was delighted to recently receive a visit from a number of past Salvatorian pupils, including Father Peter who is resident in the Community House.

They toured the school and took questions from pupils. It was an opportunity to remind the boys that they are part of a rich tradition and that "many hearts have built our school".

I have really enjoyed leafing through the pages of the Salvatorian and note the huge range of opportunities we offer. The highlight of national Science Week was the visit from 'Zoolab' who were accompanied by snakes, tarantulas and other extraordinary creatures. World Book Day gave the opportunity for staff to dress up as classic literary figures – Mrs Kara was the most convincing Lady MacBeth and Mr Jones was H G Wells' Invisible Man. The point is, of course, that we want to encourage our boys to enjoy reading. The English department gave out a selection of books to be read over the Easter holiday. I was delighted to hear that our Year 10 football team beat St Ignatius College in the Middlesex Cup semi-final. I wish them every success.

We are sorry to be saying goodbye to Mr Lenane, whose prowess in a wide range of subject disciplines has proven invaluable. We thank him for his contribution and wish him and his family happiness and success in their new life in Australia.

On behalf of Mr Bryant and myself, can I take this opportunity to wish you a happy and holy Easter season. I look forward to a successful and productive summer term.

Martin Tissot

EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER

New Build : Taking shape

Planning for the new Salvatorian College building began in earnest in 2014, when it was announced that the school had been successful in its bid under the 'Priority Schools Building Programme' for a complete refresh of facilities. Since then, many hundreds of planning meetings, and many thousands of hours of work have been put in by school management, and by Kier, our contractors.

There have been frustrations along the way, including a significant delay to the start of works, whilst we planned how to accommodate the school and undertake the re-build at the same time on such a small site with access constraints. As parents and staff will know, this resulted in the decant to Priestmead, which has been a major logistical challenge for all involved. We thank our staff for their incredible energy in moving half of the school two miles down the road, and their forbearance during this period of disruption. Happily, works began in earnest on the new build site in January 2018, when foundations began to be poured. In March, the first steelwork arrived and a skeleton of the new 'South Block' rose from the mud. Over the coming months, work will commence on the North Block and the building will be clad with brick and a roof installed. We are on track to move back into the new building at Easter 2019.

More information will be posted on the website as the build progresses:

<http://www.salvatoriancollege.com/40/college-re-build>



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Spring Term Event Board



The upper school
enjoy a performance
of 'Scrooge'

Invisible man
Mr Tom

Year 11 perform
extracts from 'Bl
Brothers'

Visiting the new
building site as part
of Careers Week

Cross Country
successes



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Jack Petchey
Award Successes



Careers Week
'Speed Dating'



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Raising aspirations

Sixteen of our more able students travelled to Westminster, London and spent the afternoon in London's largest conference centre, a Grade II listed building (where United Nations meetings, and even the BBC London 2018 New Year celebrations were held!). Peter Rawling spoke to the students about the university application process and emphasised strongly how important it is for students to consider the top universities when making their choices.

At Salvatorian College we expect all of our students to fully respond to the challenges that we are setting them. Freddie Warner spoke about King's College London and the opportunities the university offers. He spoke about the application process, life as a student in London and student finance. Dr Joe Organ spoke about the Oxford and Cambridge application process, becoming a student there, the importance of independent study, and gave a clear indication on what Oxford University is looking for in a prospective student.

Numerous invaluable websites were shared to support the students in their background reading for A-Level study. Revision strategies were given, details on free online courses were discussed, and Mr Rawling advised students to gather evidence to prove that they have the additional skills to enhance their chances for gaining a place in the top universities.

We learned recently that past pupil Oliver Bertholdi-Gibbons, who left Salvatorian College in 2016, has been offered a place at Oxford University to read Mechanical Engineering -

congratulations to Oliver. We hope his achievement will inspire many more of our boys to raise their aspirations and gain admission to the country's greatest learning institutions.

Ms Stovold & Ms Griffin



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Jack Petchy Awards

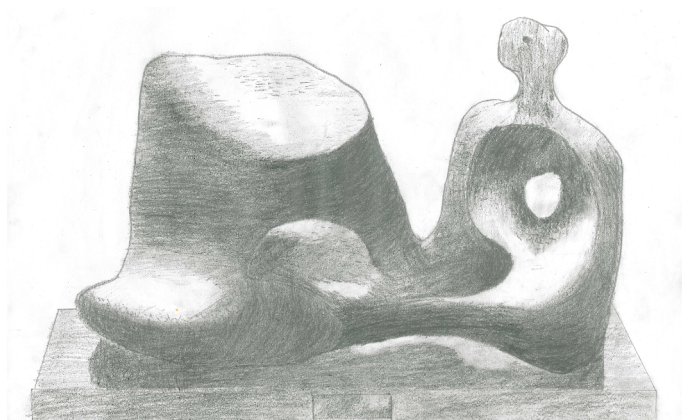
Mrs Griffin had the pleasure of attending, along with Ms Connors and Ms Kara, the Jack Petchy Awards evening in Rickmansworth. It was a lovely event with awards for nine boys from our school (seven current pupils, and two from last Year's Y11s). Two other boys from Salvatorian College received awards for their football team. Our congratulations go to the recipients: Lorcan Cullen, Aiden Ryder, Lewis Stimpson, Taylor Arthurton, Kian Chappin, Joshua Waterman, Anoukanth Thavaratnam, Ben Trojan, and Eoin Moffatt.

The boys were a fantastic credit to the school as always.



Tonal understanding

This term Year 7 have been studying tonal drawing through the work of Henry Moore. They have learnt how to use charcoal and pencil to a high level and results have been fantastic. For their mock exam, they produced an A3 pencil drawing of a Henry Moore sculpture that showed a range of tone and progress through skill. They should all be very pleased with their results.



Year 8 have been challenged to undertake some in-depth skill-based lessons in painting. They are learning the properties of paint and how to achieve desired results in order to effectively produce an outcome for their surrealism project. The results have been fantastic so far. The pictures show 8B in the process of painting their circles to achieve a tonal sphere. Well done year 8.

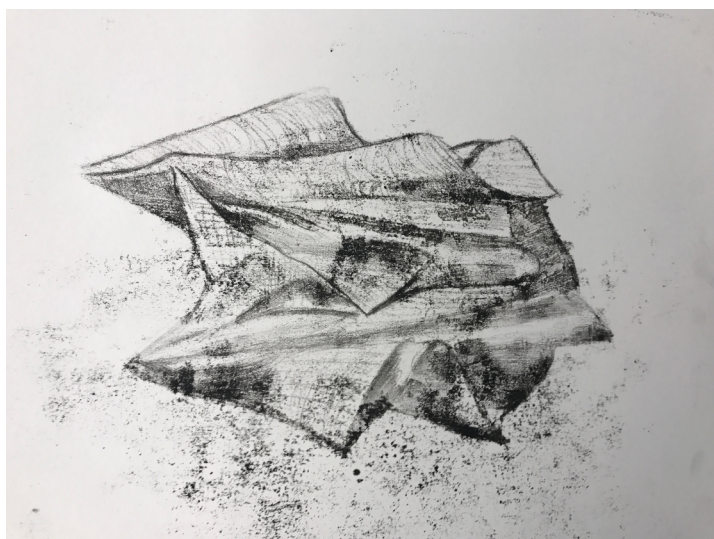


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Year 11 have started their Exam for Art and so far are making some excellent work and progress. The projects they have chosen to undertake are Materials, Light & Dark, Human Figure, and Telling Stories. They have also learnt a new technique - mono-printing. The results of their work are beautiful and they should be very proud of how they have hit the ground running. Good luck to them as they seek to create a high quality portfolio of work for their exam.

Mr James



Sub-zero Half-term

Forty boys and several members of staff set out, on the last day of the early half-term, on a long coach journey all the way to Passo Tonale (the Tonale Pass), a high mountain pass and ski area in northern Italy. Having settled into a beautiful, family-run hotel, it was straight off to the slopes for a week of fun in the snow. I would like to congratulate all the boys on the trip for their excellent behaviour throughout – they were a real compliment to the school and to our community. It was a pleasure to lead the trip, and I hope memories of the trip will remain with your sons for a very long time to come.

Mrs Griffin
Trip Co-ordinator



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School Oratory

The Oratory (Chapel) on the Priestmead site opened eventually on 31st January, the Feast day of St John Bosco, the Patron Saint of all youth work. Since then we have been holding weekly activities, which have been attended by pupils from Years 7 - 9.

During Lent, Stations of the Cross was said every Friday after school. In this prayer, traditionally associated with Lent, we meditated on the sad events of the suffering and death of Jesus. Those pupils who attended regularly also attended the famous 'Way of the Cross' at Trafalgar Square on Good Friday. Despite the driving rain, the boys and staff found it a powerful and moving experience. In particular, we noted that the hustle and bustle surrounding the play in Trafalgar square must have been similar to the busy streets Jesus had to carry his cross through on the way to Calvary. Further trips like a visit to Our Lady's Shrine at Walsingham will be arranged for these pupils in the summer term.

Each week we hold 'Voluntary Mass' on a Wednesday morning. This is an opportunity for pupils and staff to partake in the sacrament. We are delighted that Fr Fortunatus, a priest of the Salvatorian Order and resident in the parish, has been our chaplain this last term, and has celebrated our masses. In addition to the mass, we have started our 'Moment for Jesus' sessions every Tuesday and Thursday. This is a time for prayer and reflection in the middle of the week. We say the Angelus together and share our prayer intentions.



A group of pupils in the Oratory holding a sign saying thank you to Ms Nguyen for the Rosary beads she made for Salvatorian pupils. Mrs Nguyen is a widow in her eighties who lives in a coffee growing region in the highlands of Vietnam. Please remember her and her family in your prayers including her grandson who is an aspirant with a religious congregation.



Pupils lead Stations of the Cross in the Oratory during Lent

Bannonghoy School Project

Year 7 parents will have noticed that their children all received St Valentine's Day Cards last term. These were made by the pupils of Bannonghoy School in the East of Thailand. We have been improving links with this school since last October when a small group of ten Year 7s took part in a video link with fellow pupils on the other side of the world. Following this, our Year 7 pupils made Christmas Cards which we sent off to Thailand. Fortunately, they arrived there just in time for Christmas. Following on from this, the Thai children sent us St Valentine's Day Cards and now we are preparing Easter Cards to send back to Bannonghoy School. We hope to develop this type of activity and have more video links in the future.

Bannonghoy School is a small rural school in Sakeao Province which borders Cambodia. It is located in a small village with a Health Centre, a few small shops and a Buddhist Temple. The school is at the centre of the community and a hub for activities. There are about 60 pupils ranging from 4 - 12 years. When they complete



their primary education they go on to attend a secondary school in the nearest town. There is a national TV service for schools in rural areas where lessons are delivered through the television programmes. Usually this is just a live class being taught by a teacher. This work is supplemented by the teachers at the school. Since 2016 the school has benefited from a number of visiting volunteer English teachers. This gives the pupils the opportunity to talk to and learn from native English speakers in much the same way that Thai children do in the larger towns and cities.

This summer a group of teachers from Salva-



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torian College are going to visit Bannonghoy School and spend a week there. They have kindly volunteered to give up a week of their holidays and run a variety of fun activities for the children and the community. This will mean children are able to do hands on activities in things like Arts and Crafts, Science, Music, Drama and Sport. The children and teachers in the school are very excited about this. So as not to disappoint the older students who will be making the transition to secondary school in the upcoming months, and celebrating Thai New Year next month, we plan to include a lot of after school activities in order for them to take part.

If you would like to follow the activities at Bannonghoy School you can visit their Facebook page using this link:

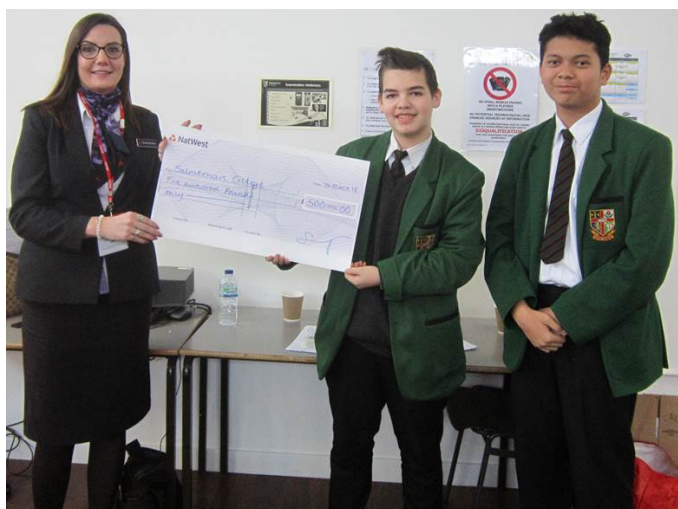
<https://www.facebook.com/Bannonghoy-School-Sakaew-Thailand-961036197306262/>



Careers Week

National Careers Week ran from 5th - 10th March, and at Salvatorian College several events were held to encourage pupils to think about their future careers beyond school.

On Monday, 5th March, Year 10 had an Assembly regarding the new school shop that will be run by the Student Council. We are very grateful to NatWest Bank who donated £500 to get the School Shop started.



The winners of the Soap Entrepreneur Competition (run by Business Education Events) were also announced and the students were handed 50 bars of soap to sell either in the School shop or elsewhere.

We look forward to seeing the shop and other entrepreneurial initiatives thrive in the future.

Later that day, during periods three and four, we had a number of volunteers from local and national business come in and impart their knowledge to our Year 10s. There was good feedback, both from pupils and volunteers. Kier Construction, who are the contractors on

our new school, were represented, and on Friday, 9th March, a number of boys visited the construction site – complete with hard hats – to learn more about career options in the thriving British construction industry.



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English & Literacy



WORLD BOOK DAY

On 6th March 2018, the Salvatorian College staff and students celebrated 'World Book Day'. Year 7 Literacy was the primary focus throughout the day, with the English Department allowing the students the opportunity to design their own costumes, based on a character from their favourite book, and show this off amongst their peers. Students were also afforded the opportunity to share their current reading books out-loud amongst year groups throughout the school, design their own token stickers to purchase texts, and take an hour out of the school day to join the 'Drop Everything and Read' initiative. But it wasn't just the students who had all the fun, staff were also provided the opportunity to dress up in their favourite character from a novel or text, share images of them reading around the world and distribute stories. Overall, we had a very successful day and look forward to celebrating again next year!

YEAR 10 LITERACY PROGRAMME

As part of the literacy initiative in Salvatorian, representatives from The Student View came in on Thursday 15th March. They ran a literacy workshop for a group of year 10 students. Their aim is to use the power of journalism in order to give young people a chance to share their views through words.

The first session involved students discussing their views in relation to the influence of media, the importance of headlines and fake news. The students voiced their opinions

which were very insightful. They also analysed news reports and discussed examples of their own.

The second session involved the students planning and writing their own articles. The students had the opportunity to choose a topic that they were passionate about. They engaged in research to back up the points they were making and learned that they must take into consideration copyright issues.

At the end of the day the students had a fully developed article which gave them the opportunity to voice their opinions. Their articles will be published on <http://www.thestudentview.org/>.

We have two more sessions to go in which the students will, again, have the opportunity to get their work published. This is a great opportunity for the boys and we are very excited to see the wonderful work we know they can produce!

SPEAK OUT! CHALLENGE!

As part of the Literacy Enrichment Program at Salvatorian College, a representative from Jack Petchey's "Speak Out! Challenge! came in on Wednesday 28th March.

This is a well-established and highly regarded public speaking training and competition program for all secondary schools in London and Essex. The program is sponsored by the Jack Petchey Foundation and delivered by Speakers Trust.



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As a result of their participation in this lively and inspiring program students are able to:

- Understand the key ingredients of successful public speaking
- Speak in front of a group
- Give and receive written and verbal feedback
- Prepare and deliver a competition speech
- Understand the importance of structure
- Master the art of speaking without notes or extensive preparation
- Increase their confidence and impact
- Have the opportunity to be selected to represent your school at the annual Regional Final

The winner(s) from each school participates in a Regional Final where they speak in front of an audience of around 200 and a distinguished judging panel.

All Finalists receive a framed certificate and have professional photos taken as they receive their award from a local VIP.

The judges determine which speakers are placed in the 'top three'. These top three Finalists win vouchers to the value of £100, £50 & £25 for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place respectively.

The Regional Winner may be selected to speak at the Grand Final in July 2018. The top prize at the Grand Final is £5,000, with the winning Grand Finalist receiving £2000 and the winning school £3000.

We are delighted that a number of our year 10 students have received the opportunity to take part in the program this year and look forward to hearing what they have to say!

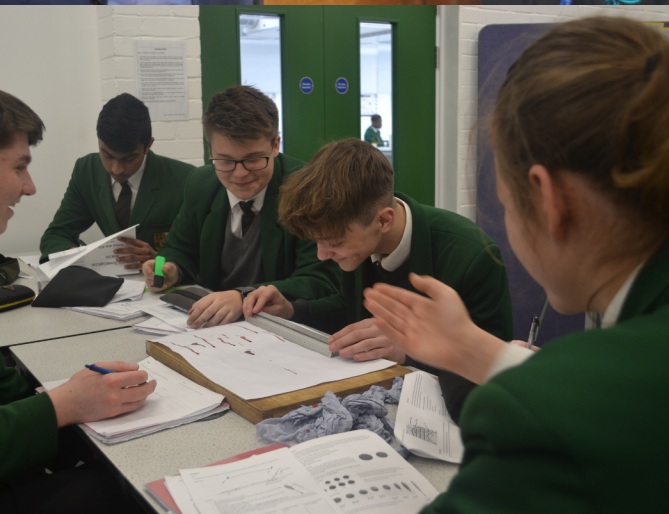




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History

'The History League is a small competition that is a battle of historians to top the class and top the year group' - Jack Ruddy, Head Boy.

This term, year 10 and 11 historians have participated in the History Class League. The League celebrates and rewards excellence in academia. The winners include: students who have gained the best effort grades from their historical exam answers and marvellous examples of exam technique and revision. The History league does not just celebrate scholarly brilliance, winners also include students who are 'History Behaviour Monitors,' these students act as role models and insist upon perfect behaviour in every History lesson. All winners have been celebrated by a star in the History class room at the Salvatorian site.

Well done and keep up the hard work!



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Salvatorian 'Tough Mudder'



On Monday 19th March, 28 of our year 8 students took part in an assault course at Henfold Lakes in Dorking. It is fair to say that the unexpected freezing conditions added a new dimension to the preparations for the day, with the lads having to wear many extra layers for the difficult task ahead. However, the icy conditions did not seem to deter the boys in any way, with plenty of enthusiasm on show throughout the bus journey.

On arrival, the boys were made very clear of the difficult task ahead by our course instructors, who emphasised the freezing temperatures within the water challenges. Once the safety information was delivered, it was a quick jog to the start line through woods layered with thick mud. As this was a team event, the boys were encouraged to help each other over and under the obstacles in their way. From the offset, they stuck together, encouraging each other as they navigated a range of challenges. The high nets proved to be one of the more difficult obstacles, mainly due to the constant movement of the ropes, but also because of the 20-foot drop at the highest point. Even those with a fear of heights managed to succeed, largely down to the help from their teammates but also through their own excellent perseverance and determination.

As we progressed through the 2 mile course, the challenge became more difficult with the introduction of water based activities. With the temperature at -2C, the boys entered the water with little fear, and trudged through the muddy waters in a unified manner. With the

build-up of mud now being complimented by soaking and freezing feet, some of the boys asked if this was anything like the conditions in the trenches during World War 1. However, we promise parents that no injuries were reported during the activities, although a shoe or two were almost lost along the way.

Although a bit cold and tired at the end of the course, the boys were still in jubilant form. The course instructors were so impressed with our boys attitude in challenging the course, especially in such cold conditions, that they treated them to official medals to commemorate their achievement. These medals are usually kept for adults who complete the 16 mile course, so this was certainly an achievement of note. On the way home, the boys treated themselves to a well-earned hot chocolate and some lunch at the motorway services. Their excellent behaviour was noted by several customers, some of whom complimented the boys for their clearing up and their general politeness. It was a pleasure to take this wonderful group of boys, who continue to represent themselves, their families and the Salvatorian College badge with great pride. Well done boys!

Mr Lenane and Mr Jones



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Year 7 explores colour

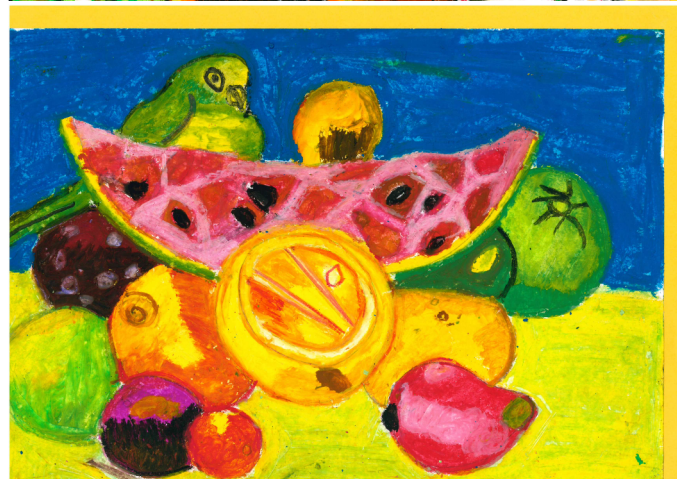


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Year 9 - Frida Kahlo response



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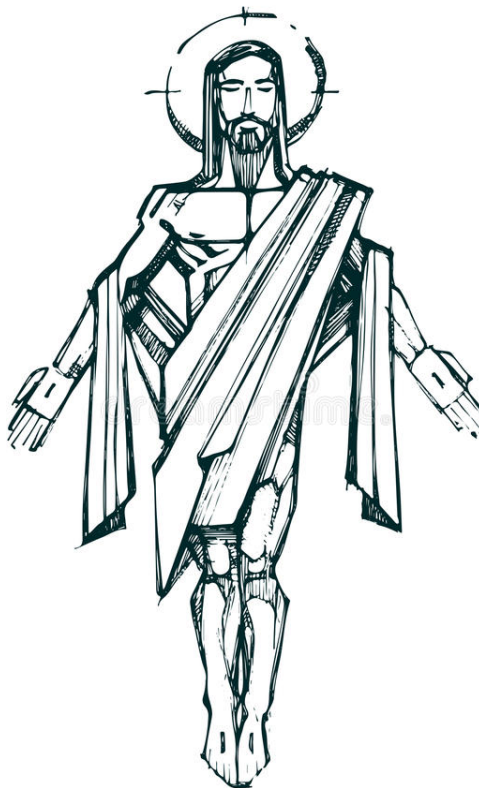


A prayer for Easter

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
By his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope,
through the resurrection of Jesus from the dead,
and into an inheritance which cannot perish or be defiled,
nor can it ever fade away.*

So let us rejoice!

Amen.



The Staff and Pupils of Salvatorian College
wish you a blessed Easter season



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