A Father's Day Prayer

Thank you, friend Jesus, for my father who loves me, for my grandfather who cares for me, and for God, your father and mine, who made me and is always with me. How lucky I am!

“A dad is a person who is loving and kind, And often he knows what you have on your mind. He’s someone who listens, suggests and defends. A dad can be one of your very best friends.”

Children who can write poetry like this are saying that they feel that they really matter and are important in the lives of their fathers. A father can do a lot for a child but it is the emotional bond that the child feels, that their dad is really there for them and that their welfare and progress socially, intellectually and emotionally really matter to their dad. However, being a dad entails knowing when to shift gear and move into a role that is appropriate to the development of our child. Mark Twain’s witty observation has some advice to offer: “When I was a boy of 14, my father was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have him around. When I got to 21, I was astonished at how much he had learned in 7 years.”

Oxford University’s “Tomorrow’s Men Project” surveyed more than 1500 boys between the ages of 13 – 19 and proved the importance of the role of a father. More than 90% of boys who felt that their fathers spent time with them and took an interest in their progress, emerged in the ‘can do’ category. By contrast 72% of those who felt that their fathers rarely or never did these things, fell into the group with the lowest self-esteem and confidence and exhibited behavioural problems. There is much truth in the observation that ‘A man’s garden and his children, both reflect the amount of nurturing done during the growing season’.
So, how about some more of that poem.

“Thank you, dad, for listening and caring
For giving and sharing, but especially for just being you.
Happy Father’s Day!”

FATHER’S DAY BREAKFAST
The St Mary’s Father’s Day breakfast will be held again this Friday beginning at 7:30am on the paved area near the oval. All dads and Grandads are welcome to come along. School will provide BBQs however dads are asked to bring whatever they need to cook for their breakfast.

JUNIOR PRIMARY SPORTS CARNIVAL
The Junior Primary Sports Carnival is being held on Friday, September 4th. It will be beginning at 9:15 am on the school oval. All parents and friends are encouraged to come along on the day and support our younger students.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS MEETING
There will be a P & F Meeting on the 9th September to plan the St Mary’s Quiz Night which is due to occur on the 14th November. We are encouraging new members to join the P & F as there a number of the executive that are calling their time on P & F duties at the end of this year.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR
Current Religious Education Coordinator, Ms Kate Chilvers, has been offered and accepted a position at Kearnan Catholic College, Manjimup. Ms Chilvers is currently on leave till the end of the year after which she will relocate to the South West.
Ms Chilvers has been passionate and instrumental in St Mary’s maintaining a strong focus on its charisms and traditions; something for which we are extremely grateful. Ms Chilvers will be returning to Carnarvon towards the end of the year. At this time we will have the opportunity to acknowledge and thank her for the considerable contribution she has made to our school community.
A replacement for Ms Chilvers is currently being sought.

God Bless

Mr Steve O’Halloran
Principal
Middle School News

When I woke up this morning, I realised with shock, that it was already Week 7 of term. Where has the time gone? With so much still to complete before we get to the holidays, I was mentally calculating the days left with our Year 10s especially before they graduate! With the Nagle Orientation trip scheduled for next week and the Year 10 Outreach camp the following week, we are running out of preparation time for our Work Experience program. The decision has been made to postpone this activity until Term 4, Week 3 so that the students are better prepared for the Parish Bazaar and can complete all requirements prior to going out to the workplace.

I have been privileged to sit on the judging panel for the St Mary’s Got Talent auditions held this week and from the calibre of some of the performances, the PVA showcase evening promises to be highly impressive and entertaining. Thank you to Miss Ward who has been coordinating this process and to all teachers, choreographers, costume designers, singing coaches and directors involved! Some of the acts have been superbly prepared due to the hours of practice and thought that has gone into the audition piece already. It has also been a huge learning curve for some acts who have realised that perhaps working in groups poses more problems than they had previously considered, song choice is crucial and rehearsal vital to a successful audition. I congratulate all who had the courage to audition and thank them all for their efforts thus far. Good luck in making it to the Showcase program.

If your child is in Year 9 this year and you have not yet sent back your forms to Nagle Catholic College, this is a gentle reminder to do so. The information received will enable Nagle to plan for additional resources that will be required for when your child attends the Carnarvon campus in 2017. So even though it looks like a long time ahead, in reality, it isn’t and will quickly be upon us.

Finally, we received news that Miss Kate Chilvers has accepted an REC position at Kearnan College, Manjimup for next year. We had hoped that she would return after her Long Service Leave but another Catholic College has snapped her up! It has been a privilege to have worked with Miss Chilvers during my four plus years here at St. Mary’s and she will be a great loss to our school and parish community. Good luck with the cold weather down south Miss Chilvers!

Take good care until next time …

Kind regards
Sam Da Luz
Head of Middle School

Dear Parents

The P & F will be holding a Father’s Day stall at lunchtime outside the library on Thursday and Friday this week.

Gift prices range from $2.00 to $8.00.

If you would like your child to purchase a gift, you can place some money in an envelope and we will help your child choose their special gift.

Thank you for supporting your school.

P & F Committee
Caroline Simmonds will be “having preparation for the Baptism” for parents of children on Friday at 3.30 pm. For more information please call 0429535116.

Fathers Day - Next Sunday during the Masses we will be having the blessing for all Fathers. Please join us for morning tea after the 10am Mass.

Parish Priest : Fr Mariusz
Assistant Priest : Fr Chris
Phone: 99411768
Weekend Mass Times:
Saturday 7pm
Sunday 8am & 10am

Year 5 News
On the weekend the Year Five class celebrated the Sunday Mass. All the children participated in a pleasing and respectful way. Thank you to the parents, grandparents and all who attended, it was so wonderful to see the students lead the mass. Thank you to Mrs Dixon who organised the power point and music, Mrs Griffiths who set up for morning tea and thank you to Father Chris for helping us to prepare before the day.

**HELP NEEDED!**

* Are you able to lend a hand? We urgently need some volunteers to assist with stall co-ordination!

* Donations of cool drinks or prizes are graciously received and can be left at the school office.

For any queries call Robyn: 0437 171 040
Congratulations to the following Champions and Runner’s up for the 2015 Athletics Carnival.

Year Seven Boys
Champion          Will Durmanich  118 points
Runner up         Kai O’Loughlin  72 points

Year Seven Girls
Champion          Linzey Roberts   88 points
Runner up         Leah Ferreinha   52 points

Year Eight Boys
Champion          James Morgan     85 points
Runner up         Connor McLeod    50 points
                  Flynn Mallard    50 points

Year Eight Girls
Champion          Bree Hudson      128 points
Runner up         Jessica Fernihough 97 points

Year Nine Boys
Champion          Prince Gupta     105 points
Runner up         Jai Perry        79 points

Year Nine Girls
Champion          Zoe Roberts      107 points
Runner up         Teaghan Black   68 points

Year Ten Boys
Champion          Roger Clark      104 points
Runner up         Caleb Hudson    99 points

Year Ten Girls
Champion          Renee Gilbert    89 points
Runner up         Renee Simmons   79 points
Year Three Boys
Champion   Luke Jordan   52 points
Runner up  Bradley Harken  50 points

Year Three Girls
Champion   Harmony Bellotti  60 points
Runner up  Claire Wheatley  32 points

Year Four Boys
Champion   Jack Buzzard   55 points
Runner up  Leon El Said Coomerang  26 points

Year Four Girls
Champion   Teagan Legg  48 points
Runner up  Grace Nuttall  29 points

Year Five Boys
Champion   Daniel Ferreirinha  71 points
Runner up  Mathew Gilbert  68 points

Year Five Girls
Champion   Jordie Porter  83 points
Runner up  Melanie Pidala  43 points

Year Six Boys
Champion   Jared March  69 points
Runner up  Brody Phillips  43 points

Year Six Girls
Champion   Tamika Dijkwel  47 points
Runner up  Lily Baker  44 points
St Mary Star of the Sea
presents
Performing and Visual Arts Showcase

Wednesday 16th September
6:30pm—8:00pm
St Mary School Hall

Free Entrance
Cheese and Wine
Sale of Art & Photos
ST MARY'S BAZAAR

SAT 17th OCTOBER 4pm - 7pm
St Mary's School Grounds

- Activity Stalls - Hole in ONE, Soccer Shoot Out, Plinko, Lucky Dips, Mighty Miner, Face Painting, Prize Wheel and loads more to keep the kids busy
- Hot Meals - curry & rice, hotdogs, chips, pasta, meat & gravy rolls & more...
- Barista Coffees, cool drinks, juice & a licensed bar
- Cakes, Plant, Craft, Fruit & Veg & 2nd Hand Stalls
- ENTERTAINMENT - Liz Newton Dance Academy
  - Bouncy Castle
  - Balloons
  - Showbags
  - Raffle
  - Fairy Floss & Donuts
  St Mary’s School Art Display

For any queries call
Robyn: 0437 171 040
Dental clinic at the Carnarvon Community College Marmion Street Campus is now open between the 25th August and 17th September 2015. Any enquiries contact 99411 336

EP Classes
Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

Congratulations!!!!
We have collected over 32400 stickers so far. Keep collecting and send them to the office.
Thank you to all my helpers who have been busy helping stick the stickers to the sheets.
CARNARVON AQUATIC CENTRE

SWIMMING LESSONS

ENROL NOW FOR TERM 4 2015

6 mths to 4 yrs
• Infant Aquatics - Babyswim
• Tuesday & Saturday Lessons available

5 - 9 yrs
• Swim & Survive Lessons
• Monday & Thursday Afternoon Lessons

9 - 14 yrs
• Junior Lifeguard Club
• Wednesday & Friday Afternoons

15 - 21 yrs
• Bronze Medalion & Lifeguard Qualifications
• Senior First Aid Courses

Any Age
• Private Lessons
• Adults & Special Needs

Contact Carnarvon Aquatic Centre on
9941 1415 or 0410 994 039
Email: Carnarvon.Aquatic@ymcawa.org.au

TERRIFIC TUESDAYS

Week 3 Tuesday 4th August
Skate Park Trip
Meet us at the skate park and borrow our boards to skate on!
Outreach will be closed this day

Week 4 Tuesday 11th August
Cooking
We’ll be planning a menu for a week and learning to cook Macaroni & cheese from scratch, quiche and a salad!

Week 5 Tuesday 18th August
Gone Fishing
Outreach will be closed this day
Meet us at the foreshore!

Week 6 Tuesday 25th August
Music
Come on down to learn how to play guitar, cajons and more!

Week 8 Tuesday 8th September
Craft Afternoon
Custom design your own bag, or bring a shirt or piece of clothing to put a funky print onto!

Week 9 Tuesday 15th September
Gone Fishing
Outreach will be closed this day
Meet us at the jetty!!

Week 10 Tuesday 22nd September
Cupcake Decoration
Come down to decorate and eat your own cupcakes!

Priority for laptops and pool table will be given to those who attend school.
Tuesday 3:30-5:30 pm
For: Ages 12+

What’s on at Youth Outreach

Catch Ya On Day At
CARNARVON SPEEDWAY
FUNDRAISER

3rd October 2015 – 9:00am Departure
From Outback Travel Centre
Destination Gascoyne Junction Pub / Caravan Park

$20 Entry Fee Per Person • Any Road Registered Vehicle Welcome to Enter
Dust Off Your Pride and Joy Vintage or Modern, Bike or Trike for a Fun Weekend
With a Few Stops on the Way (Auction, Raffles, Prizes and Fun
Caravan Park + Bookings to Be Made in Advance By Individuals)
Contact Eddie Smith 0428 91 1465 or Paula Lyall 0408 440 443

Carnarvon Aquatic Centre
2015-16 Season Opening Weekend

The Inflatable is coming to Carnarvon 26th September our Opening Weekend for the 2015-16 season

Also Available During the Opening Weekend:
• Late Enrolments for YoSwim
• Enrolments for Term 4 Swimming Lessons
• Bbq, Bara, Goody & other merchandise for sale
• Fully stocked BBQ - hot food, ice cream, drinks & of course lots of LOLIES
• Carnarvon Amateur Swim Club Registrations
• Lots of Games & Prizes
• Free Giveaways

WATCH AROUND WATER

SAUSAGE SIZZLE AVAILABLE