

# St Mary's Faith News

## School and Parish Connections

### Gospel: Luke 12: 13-21



*To whom will all this wealth of yours go?*

A man in the crowd said to Jesus,

‘Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.’

‘My friend,’ he replied, ‘who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?’

Then he said to them,

‘Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man’s life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.’

Then he told them a parable:

‘There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, “What am I to do? I don’t have enough room to store my crops.”

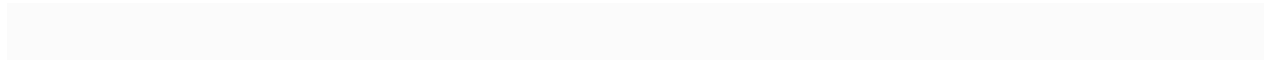
Then he said, “This is what I will do; I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul:

My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time.”

But God said to him,

“Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?”

So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.’



# Way of the West

## The Month of August

This week we are collecting Tinned products such as:

**Tuna in oil**

**Tinned sardines or Salmon**

**Tinned vegetables - tomatoes, carrots and corn**

**Dried or tinned legumes - yellow split peas, red split lentils, chickpeas, kidney beans**

**Oils - vegetable and olive oils**

**Milks - longlife full cream milk, coconut cream milk**

**Additional - tomato paste, honey, peanut butter, jam or tahini,**

Please see the posters displayed in the office and on the noticeboard for specific items.

Next week we are collecting **Toiletries**- Please see the posters displayed around the school, on the school noticeboard and on the flyer sent home.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support of this program, which makes such a difference in the lives of others.

# **New Front Office Display**

## **Crosses from Around the World**

### **We Received our second Cross - Thank you the Vezspremi Family**



As part of our recent staff Reflection Day, we were inspired by the idea of creating a new display in our front office – a collection of crosses from around the world. This will be a whole school initiative, and we warmly invite our families and staff to take part.

If you have a cross from your travels – whether from overseas or within Australia – that you would like to donate, we would be honoured to include it. The crosses will be thoughtfully displayed on the wall beneath the mounted monitor in the front office.

We look forward to creating an inspiring and meaningful space that invites contemplation, discussion and reflection for all who visit.

Thank you for helping us bring this idea to life.

## **Wednesday Morning Masses**

As part of our ongoing commitment to nurturing the spiritual life of our students, each class has been taking turns to attend the Wednesday morning Parish Mass at 9:15am.

The response from teachers has been positive. The children have been able to connect with parishioners and pay attention to rituals that they have been taught in class.

Moving into term 3, we warmly invite parents and carers to join their child's class on the day they are rostered to attend.

You may receive an email invitation or a paper invitation, so please check emails, children's reading folders or take heed of your child's verbal invitation.

This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in prayer and strengthen our connection as a school and parish community.

The class Mass timetable should have been sent home as a PDF last week by your child's teacher.

We encourage you to check when your child's class will be attending the Wednesday Mass.

We look forward to welcoming you to this special part of our faith life.

## **Sacramental Program 2025**

# Confirmation - Thursday 14th August

**Instruction will be conducted through the Parish by Monique, with the Support of Mrs Lipnicki**

If your child is in Year 6 and is yet to make their "Confirmation" please contact Mrs Lipnicki at

[clipnicki@smwilliamstown.catholic.edu.au](mailto:clipnicki@smwilliamstown.catholic.edu.au)

Confirmation will be held on Thursday 14th August at 7:00pm.

## Term 3 Masses

Event	Date	Time	Where
<b>Year 1 attending Wednesday Mass</b>	Wednesday 6th August	9:15 am	Church
<b>Mary MacKillop Feast Day Mass</b>	Friday 8th August	9:15 am	Church
<b>Year 5/6 Year level Family Mass</b>	Saturday 9th August	6:00 pm	Church
<b>Prep attending Wednesday Mass</b>	Wednesday 13th August	9:15 am	Church
<b>Feast of the Assumption</b>	Friday 15th August	9:15 am	Church
<b>Year 5/6 attending Wednesday Mass</b>	Wednesday 20th August	9:15 am	Church
<b>Year 3/4 attending Wednesday Mass</b>	Wednesday 27th August	9:15 am	Church
<b>Year 2 attending Wednesday Mass</b>	Wednesday 3rd September	9:15 am	Church

<b>Father's Day Mass</b>	<b>Friday 5th September</b>	<b>9:15 am</b>	<b>Church</b>
<b>Year 5/6AK attending Seniors Mass</b>	<b>Friday 5th September</b>	<b>11:30 am</b>	<b>Church</b>
<b>Prep attending Wednesday Mass</b>	<b>Wednesday 10th September</b>	<b>9:15 am</b>	<b>Church</b>
<b>Year 1 attending Wednesday Mass</b>	<b>Wednesday 17th September</b>	<b>9:15 am</b>	<b>Church</b>

At the weekend family Masses, families sit together. Children who are reading are encouraged to sit with their family near the front of the church and ideally to have the reader sit in the aisle seat.