



1 August 2019

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Friends of our Marymede Community,

In many ways, this time of the year is one of the most challenging for our students. With the weather often at its worst and still a long way to go in Term 3, this is a time when the focus of all students needs to be on learning and for many, it is a time of decision making.

It was pleasing to see so many interested parents attend the Subject Selection Information Evenings which were held earlier in the week. The best pathway decisions are made after students, parents, Careers Coordinator, Domain Leaders and subject teachers talk and listen to each other.

I hope our students set their goals high and strive hard to achieve them, engaging in all the learning experiences along the way.

### Staff Spirituality Day

On Tuesday 23 July, the Marymede staff came together to listen to well-known international presenter, Dr. Carmody Grey. We were challenged by the question of how do we measure success in our society today? Many people would respond from a materialistic point of view in terms of how much income they earn and the lifestyle they live. Dr. Grey took the focus away from the "I" to the contribution we make in our relationships with each other every day.

Dr. Grey has a unique ability to engage with her audience and provide wonderful insights and understandings.

### Wednesday Night Live: 28 August

We have been very pleased with the number of tickets which have been sold for the upcoming Wednesday Night Live function hosted by media personality Brian Taylor. We expect the event to be sold out in the next fortnight. To avoid disappointment, I encourage parents to purchase their tickets as soon as possible.

### Marymede Sunday Community Mass: 28 July

Last Sunday 28 July, we celebrated Sunday Mass in the Chapel of the Annunciation. It was a wonderful sight to see the Chapel almost full to capacity and I thank our Director of Faith and Mission P-12, Ms Julia Wake, for her coordination of the Mass and our Deputy Principal Learning and Teaching P-12, Ms Tracey Kift, for her music and singing which added so much to the celebration. Our next Marymede Community Mass will be held on Sunday 8 September.

### Social Media

Last Thursday Youth Resource Officers, Leading Senior Constable Wendy Shields and Senior Constable Shannon Batten from the Epping Police Station, presented to our Years 9, 10 and 11 students about the inappropriate use of social media. I was very impressed with the message they delivered. I hope our students are now more aware of the negative impact social media can have in our society today.

### Year 11 Retreat

Our Year 11 students are currently participating in a two-day Retreat which is based on Christian Leadership. I am visiting the three Retreat sites and talking to the students about the qualities we are looking for in our young people who aspire to be leaders in our school community.

### Marymede Day: 16 August

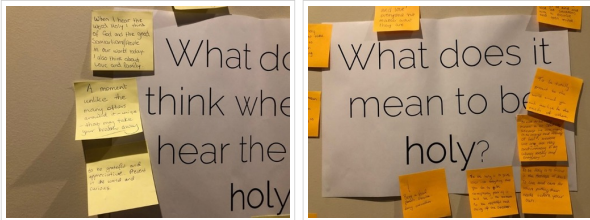
Marymede Day will take place on Friday 16 August. This is my favourite day of the school year as it brings staff and students together in celebration. The funds raised will support our House Charities. In 15 short years, the College has grown to become one of the leading Catholic schools in the northern corridor.

**Mr. Michael Kenny**  
**Principal**

## DIRECTOR OF FAITH AND MISSION

### Holy Today – Youth Connect Evening

Senior student leaders from Marymede Catholic College, Assumption College and Marymede Alumni gathered last week with Marist Youth Ministry (MYM) to discuss what it means for young people to be 'Holy Today'. The photos of some of their musings are inspiring – where our young people are seeing holiness in the gifts and talents of each other, and how they can participate in our community, expressing God's love, we know we are in good hands.



### Sunday Mass @ Marymede

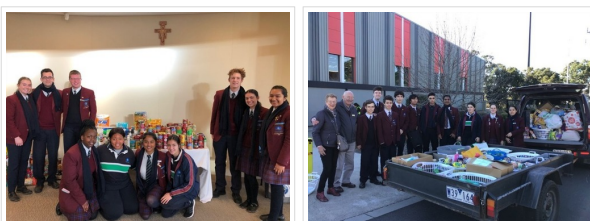
It was a beautiful community turn-out for the return of Sunday Mass – extended families, staff and friends filled the pews. In between footy games, on the way to lunch, after a family breakfast, we shared that sacred moment of Eucharist together. Tracey, Tatenda and Sheryl led us in song, and we added our voices, Charles, Marian and Mary shared the word and prayers, and Maria and her son George offered the gifts. Jacob ably served Fr Cruz and Nuwin and Gabby assisted with the collection. Our next Sunday Mass is:

**Sunday 8 September 10.30am.**

We will have tea and coffee available and if we bring a plate to share (biscuits / slice) we can chat together for a short time after mass for those who are able.

### Sacred Heart Mass and Vinnies Winter Appeal 2019 – BIG Thankyou!

Our student leaders, social justice group and mini-vinnies did a wonderful job of raising goods for the local Vinnies group in our community. The photo shows the amount of goods, but Carmel and Ian indicated that at this time all these goods would be distributed within two weeks! \$250.00 was donated by the Year 9 Commerce class who raised funds via their market stalls. Thankyou for your generous hearts – putting into action the very essence of the Sacred Heart of Jesus – always thinking of the vulnerable, the other, in our community. Having this action as the focus of our celebration of the Most sacred heart of Jesus Mass unites the P-12 community in both the physical and spiritual aspects of our faith.



## Upcoming Faith & Mission Events

- Year 11 Leadership & Formation Retreat – Thursday 1 – Friday 2 August.
- REMAR Gold Retreat – 2 – 4 August.
- Marymede Day (Feast of the Assumption of Mary) – Friday 16 August.
- Confirmation Family Evening – Tuesday 20 August.
- Community Mass – Confirmation Candidates Blessed (28 August, 4 and 11 September).
- McAuley House Mass – Monday 26 August
- Year 6 Reflection Day (Confirmation) – Monday 9 September.
- Sacrament of Confirmation – Sunday 15 September.
- Year 12 Graduation Mass – Thursday 19 September.

## DIRECTORS OF STUDENTS

### Celebrating Marymede Day 2019

Marymede Day 2019 will be celebrated on Friday 16 August 2019. Marymede Day is the most important day at the College when we come together as a learning community of faith, celebrating our identity as a P-12 Catholic school.

We begin the day with a Whole College Mass in our Fitness Centre, celebrated by Fr. Martin Ashe.

Following Mass we move into Mission-Action Activities where students and staff work together to have a lot of fun as well as raise funds for our House Charities and Catholic Social Justice initiatives. We raised \$10,000.00 last year; our target amount for this year is \$15,000.00.

This is the main fundraiser for our House Charities, all of whom depend on what funds we can provide and make a tangible difference to those struggling in our community and abroad. It would be appreciated if you would support our Mission-Action focus by purchasing tickets via trybooking for your children to participate in student and staff run activities on the day.

<http://www.trybooking.com/XHUQ>

### Prep – Year 2 Students: Mission-Action

<b>Uniform:</b>	House PE Uniform
<b>Activities:</b>	All Prep to Year 2 students are asked to purchase a 'Marymede Day' ticket for \$10.00 via <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/BEGDY">https://www.trybooking.com/BEGDY</a> as their contribution to our fundraising. Students will be given a House Colour Marymede Day Wristband and will participate in a range of engaging and fun activities.
<b>Lunch:</b>	Students will have the opportunity to purchase their lunch for \$5.50 via Flexischools online ordering from the Canteen. There will be set choices for the children to select. If your child does not order lunch, they will need to bring to school in their school bags their own fruit, snacks, lunch and water bottle as per normal.

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## Year 3 – Year 6 Students: Mission-Action

<b>Uniform:</b>	House PE Uniform
<b>Activities:</b>	All students are asked to pre-purchase 'Marymede Day Activities and Food' tickets using the link below by Friday 9 August. \$10 for 12 tickets. Students will receive their tickets during tutor time the morning of the celebrations.  At 11.15am, students will be escorted and supervised by their Pastoral Teacher to join the Secondary students and staff to participate in a range of fundraising activities and stalls until 1.15pm. The stalls will include hot and cold food, drinks and many fun-filled activities for students to participate in.
<b>Recess</b>	Students are to bring a snack with them to have after Mass. They will be in their core class for this break.
<b>Lunch</b>	Lunch items will be available in Wurrun Common from 12.00pm with line up areas for Primary and Secondary students. (Food items will be made available prior to the day to enable parents to assist their child planning their day).
<b>Marymede's Got Talent</b>	Years 3 and 4 students will watch the 'Marymede's Got Talent' show together in the Auditorium.  Years 5-12 students will watch the 'Marymede's Got Talent' show together in the Fitness Centre.

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## Years 7-12 students

<b>Uniform:</b>	Full Winter uniform for Mass and option to change into House PE uniform afterwards.
<b>Activities:</b>	All students are asked to pre-purchase 'Marymede Day Activities and Food' tickets using the link below by Friday 9 August. \$10 for 12 tickets. Students will receive their tickets during tutor time the morning of the celebrations.  At 11.00am, students will be participating in a range of fundraising activities and stalls until 1.15pm. The stalls will include hot and cold food, drinks and many fun-filled activities for students to participate in.
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<b>Marymede's Got Talent</b>	Years 5-12 students will watch the 'Marymede's Got Talent' show together in the Fitness Centre.

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## CareMonkey

Please login to CareMonkey, ensure your child's details are up-to-date and provide acknowledgement by Friday 9 August. Our College Nurses will be in attendance. It is expected that all students are in attendance for this special day and any illness evidenced by a medical certificate.

If you have any questions, please consult with your child's Pastoral or Tutor teacher in the first instance. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

## Volunteering

For this day to be a success we are looking for the support of our amazing community. We will require support in particular with cooking and preparation of food in the morning and the set up of activities whilst the students are at Mass. If you would like to volunteer some time to assist on the day please contact your

child's Core teacher, House Co-ordinator or email Jenny Priest at [jenny.priest@marymede.vic.edu.au](mailto:jenny.priest@marymede.vic.edu.au) and ensure you have an up-to-date Working with Children Check.

**Ms Melinda Muir**

**Director of Students Year 5 – Year 8**

## LEARNING AND TEACHING COORDINATORS

### Your Child's Report

At the start of term there was an email sent out to families in relation to their child's report. Please make sure you click on the link and fill in. This gives us valuable information about the reports and how we can better support you and your child.

Here's the link to the form "Your child's report.":

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=b7xc83YIcEqb7mZdHE0nl2hHZlnoSoZPsQ8sJj9dT5eUM0ZVNEtO0VSVkFLWFBaUFZXTVZlQ1hDRS4u>

Your child's report can be accessed via our Parent Access Module by logging in with your username and password. If you're not sure of your login details, please contact the school.

**Ms Deb Molloy**

**P-6 Learning & Teaching Coordinator**

## WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS

### The Lion King Jr.

A big thank-you to the 1350 audience members who supported over 100 students from Years 5-9 (plus a few senior students) by attending *The Lion King Jr.*

We were also fortunate to have 400 feeder school students enjoy one of our rehearsals and participate in a Q&A session with some of our lead cast.

*The Lion King Jr.* has received excellent feedback from the community. I am very proud of all the staff and students involved. At the final performance, the following students were presented with awards in recognition of "going above and beyond" – as professional participants who demonstrated excellent organisational skills, courtesy towards others and a commitment to making a great show.

### DIRECTOR'S EXCELLENCE AWARD

Zac Cangialosi

Olivia Grossi

### BEST NEWCOMER AWARD

Angelina Khoury

### DIRECTOR'S AWARDS

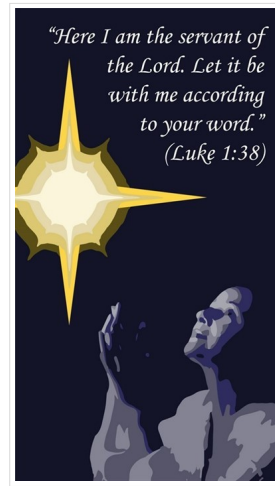
James Pampanella, Shayne Manyere, Zoe Kouts, Emma Fasciani, Stefan Buzevski, Saskia Truter, Toby Pinney, Rebecca Kouts, Jennifer Roussos, Paul Roflo

## STAGE MANAGER'S AWARD

Hayley Fitzgerald

## SPECIAL AWARD

Ashling West, Year 12 VCAL, for her outstanding make-up designs and application.



**Ms Angie Bedford**  
**Cultural Co-Curricular Coordinator P-12**  
**Director/Producer of The Lion King Jr.**

## BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

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**Healthy little MasterChefs**


In Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) we make sure that the children who attend our programs eat healthy and delicious meals and snacks that are in line with the Australian Dietary Guidelines. To help you and your family stay healthy, we thought we'd share one of our favourite recipes from our very own Healthy Eating Cookbook.

**Mexican Bean and Corn Dip**

This quick and easy dip can be varied by adding cheese and/or diced fresh tomato on top.

**You'll need:**

- 1 tin of diced tomatoes
- 2 tins of kidney beans
- 1 tins corn
- 1 jar of salsa
- ½ grated cheese



**Method:**

1. Drain excess sauce off beans and corn but do not rinse.
2. Mix salsa and beans together.
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4. Place grated cheese and tomato on top.
5. Serve a teaspoon of cold dip with crackers or vegetables.
6. Ready to eat. Enjoy!

To find out more about our programs, view fees or to register your child with Camp Australia visit [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au) and use the school finder to search for your school.

If you have any questions about the program, feel free to drop by, meet the team and see what happens first hand in the program. If you would rather talk to our friendly Customer Care Team you can call them on 1300 105 343. The team are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week – except for National Public Holidays.

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon!

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## COMMUNITY MASS



**MARYMEDE CATHOLIC COLLEGE**

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Marymede Catholic College celebrates Community Mass each Wednesday morning commencing at 8:00am in our beautiful Chapel of the Annunciation. This is a wonderful opportunity for all members of the Marymede Community (students, staff, family and friends) to join together in praise, reflection and worship.