God’s Voice

A little boy on his way home from school arrived late at a busy pedestrian crossing and found it unattended. Several cars pulled up for him but he hesitated to cross such a wide road all by himself. The fourth car in line was a police car with a loud hailer attached. The policeman saw the little boy hesitating on the kerb, so he flicked a switch and said “The boy at the kerb can cross now.” Slightly bewildered, the boy looked around then hurried across the road. When he got home his mother asked how he had got on. “All right”, he said, reaching for his apple, “when I got to the crossing there was no one there, but God told me I could go across”.

God often speaks to us through the voices of others. Our challenge is to recognise this and to listen.

WELCOME BACK

I would like to welcome all families back for Term Two and hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable break during the holidays. At the end of Term One the school had two Professional Development days that focussed on improving Reading and Comprehension skills and the Year of Mercy. The school staff benefited and appreciated the time to challenge and reflect upon what we are currently doing and how we can better meet the needs of the students of St Lawrence Primary School.

MOTHER’S DAY

On Friday 6 May there will be a Mass for Mother’s Day to be held at the Church at 9.00am. This is an opportunity to say thanks and to celebrate the many things that our mothers and grandmothers do for the children of St Lawrence. Following the mass there will be a morning tea to be held in the school hall, co-ordinated by the P&F. It would be great to see many mothers at this important event.

MOTHER’S DAY STALL

On Tuesday 3 May all students will have an opportunity to purchase an item from the Mother’s Day stall organised by our P&F. All items will be valued from $1 to $5. I thank the P&F for organising this event.

CAR PARK

As you would be aware each afternoon at 3.00pm the carpark is extremely busy around the school. I would like to stress the importance for all drivers to be patient, considerate and kind to all road users. The drive through lane either in front of the Church or the school office is not for parents to park and pick up their children. I do not wish to ever write a letter to parents notifying them of an incident or accident regarding the safety of students at drop off or pick up times. Please work together to ensure the safety for all our students. On rainy days the school closes the Junior School Oval to maintain the integrity of the lawn. I thank you for your continued support with this important matter.
CONFIRMATION
Last night all parents whose students are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation had a Parent Information session with Father Tim Deeter. Please keep our Year Six students in your prayers as they will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation over the weekend of 14/15 May.

AUTHOR VISIT
At the end of Term One all students from Year Three to Year Six were fortunate enough to have well known Australian Author Jacqueline Harvey talk to the students about writing. It was a truly inspiring talk that had all students engaged. Thanks to Mrs Archer and Mrs Frenzel for all the organisation and preparation for this incursion.

PUPIL FREE DAY
A reminder there is pupil free day on Tuesday 7 June that all Catholic schools in the North Eastern Region will be participating in.

With God’s Friendship and Love we Grow
John Rose
Principal

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FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

ASSEMBLY
There will be a Principal Assembly this Friday 29 April. Merit awards will be distributed.

WHOLE SCHOOL MASS
Years Pre Primary to Year Six will be attending the whole school Mass for Mothers on Friday 6 May commencing at 9.00am. All are welcome to attend.

CONFIRMATION PARENT WORKSHOP
The Confirmation Parent workshop is next Tuesday 3rd May. Parents and their child making their Confirmation can attend either the 5.30pm or the 7pm session. These will be held in the school hall.

COMMUNION PARENT MEETING
The Communion Parent Meeting will be held on 10th May. This is a meeting for parents of children making their First Communion. (Children do not need to attend). This will commence at 7.15pm in the school hall.

COMMUNION PARENT WORKSHOP
The Communion Parent workshop will be held on 17th May. Parents and their child making their First Communion can either attend the 5.30pm or the 7pm session. These will be held in the school hall.

Miss Angela Leddin and Mrs Marie Heavey

(Making Jesus Real)

In Year One we try to make Jesus real and show the Spirit of Jesus everyday. We brainstormed some of the ways that we can do this. Mrs Roselyn Pizzino, Year One Teacher

In Year One we show the Spirit of Jesus when we ..... help others with their school work. Helping others read. Say sorry when we hurt someone. Say thank you and please. Play nicely together. Give hugs to our friends. Pick up things and give them back to people. Show respect. Encourage others and say, “Good job!” or “Well done”. Look after our friends. say, “Are you ok?” if someone hurts themselves. Use people's name when we say hello. Let others learn. take turns. Listen to the teacher and each other.

We want to be like Jesus because He is good and kind.
PRE KINDY
It is great to be back at school tomorrow. I hope your holidays were fabulous. We will be starting our term with the topic of FAMILIES - and especially Mothers just in time for Mother’s Day. We would like to welcome our newest class member – Milana – who will start with us this week. I also ask parents to send in a family photo that we would like to share with the class over the next few weeks.

Mrs Kaylene Bozich, Pre Kindy Teacher

KINDERGARTEN
Welcome back everyone. I hope you had a wonderful break and are relaxed and ready for the term ahead. We start the term with the focus on 'Autumn' followed by 'Families'. We also have Mother’s Day to look forward to. Our literacy focus this week is rhyming words. Kids love rhyme and listening to stories with rhyme. We will then move on to starting to learn sounds. In Maths we are focusing on number recognition and writing numbers 1-5. We are also looking at length: long and short.

Have a wonderful week. Mrs Simone Covich, Kindergarten Teacher

PRE PRIMARY
Welcome back everyone. I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable break. The Pre-Primary class are settling back in nicely after the holidays and we are looking forward to a fun filled term. This term we are learning about Space and would like to make our role play corner into a space rocket. If anyone has some big boxes we would appreciate the donation!
In Oral Language we have been working on using simple full sentences about vegetables and farm animals. We are asking the children to identify and classify the item as well as tell us something that they know about it, for example: “This is a cow. It is a type of animal and it lives on the farm. It has hooves and udders. We get milk from cows.”
Also for the rest of the year, sports days will now be Mondays and Thursdays.
Thanks and looking forward to another lovely term,

Mrs Edel Waldron, Pre Primary Teacher

YEAR ONE
Welcome back for Term 2! The children have settled back into routines well. We will continue with ‘Kiss and Drop” this term as it helps the children to get ready for the day independently and settle down to learn. Thank you to the parents who have already helped with Morning Reading. If you are able to help with Morning Reading, please pop in and grab a folder. The children love having you listen to them read and it is a really important part of their learning. Morning Reading is from 8.30 – 8.50am.
This term we are learning about Dinosaurs. The children are very excited to find out as much as they can about these interesting creatures. A news roster was placed in this week’s Homework Journal. News will begin on Friday.

Have a great week. Mrs Roselyn Pizzino Year One Teacher

YEAR TWO
Welcome back everyone for Term 2. Get ready for another busy term! We are focusing on Recounts and Reports in English, and Addition and Subtraction strategies in Mathematics this term. We are also looking forward to our ‘Amazing Race’ excursion in Week 4, as well as our Liturgy of the Word celebration. A reminder that Sport now changes from Tuesdays to Mondays for the rest of the year.
Thank you for returning books and stationery so promptly, and thanks to those parents who continue to help with Morning Reading.

Miss Anna Brenkley, Year Two Teacher

YEAR THREE
Welcome back to Term 2! We have already been busy with our persuasive writing on which is the best superhero power to have. Ask your child which power they chose and the 3 reasons why. I hope they convince you that you are correct.
NAPLAN testing will be from Tuesday 10 May to Friday 13 May. Please do not worry about this testing and by parents remaining calm then this calmness will be passed onto your child. We are looking forward to the Mass for Mothers on Friday 6 May. We hope to see many mums and grandmothers there.

Miss Angela Leddin, Year Three Teacher
YEAR FOUR
Welcome back for another busy term. We will continue to read each morning at 8.30am, Tuesday to Friday. If you are able to come in and hear a group of children read, please come to the classroom and grab a file.
The following are dates to remember this term especially for the Year Four class:
(1) Mother’s Day Mass on Friday 6th May
(2) Communion Parent Meeting on Tuesday 10th May
(3) Communion Parent Workshop on Tuesday 17th May
(4) Excursion to Fremantle Museum on Thursday 19th May
(5) Communion weekend on the 28th and 29th May
(5) Year 4 assembly on Friday 10th June

Mrs Marie Heavey, Year Four Teacher

YEAR FIVE
Year Five have had a busy week in preparing for the term ahead. During Week Three, all Year Five students will sit the NAPLAN tests from Tuesday 10th May until Thursday 12th May. During the first two weeks of this term we will be working through some NAPLAN assessments to ensure all students feel prepared for testing in Week Three. This term in Reading we will focus on the comprehension skills of Inferring, Searching for Context Clues and summarising information. During Writing we will focus on Persuasive texts and Explanations. Our Words their Way program will continue to be our focus in spelling along with building our knowledge of high frequency words, prefixes and suffixes. In Maths we are currently working on fractions and will continue to work on developing our problem solving skills. In our Health lessons this term we will begin the Protective Behaviours program. Next week we are looking forward to visiting St Kieran Primary School to demonstrate our MJR program. Please sign the permission note and return this to school as soon as possible.

Have a great week! Miss Emma Reid, Year Five Teacher

YEAR SIX
Thank you for attending last night’s Confirmation Parent Evening. Father Deeter certainly had some challenging words. I have reinforced with the students about reflecting on one of the points of scripture he handed out and making time for prayer together. The Family Workshop that you signed up for last night is next Tuesday 3rd May at either 5.30pm or 7pm in the school hall.
All mothers (and grandmothers!) are invited to the Mother’s Day Mass on Friday 6th May.

Mr Phil Haydon, Year Six Teacher

CLASS REP NEWS

KINDERGARTEN

Mums catch up
The Herdsman for lunch on Friday 20th May at 11.30am.
(33 Herdsman Parade Wembley) Siblings welcome as there is an indoor playground!
RSVP by email or SMS Caterina 0421648887

Dads catch up - Round 9 Footy
The Odin Tavern on Saturday 21st May at 4.00pm. (51 Erindale Rd Balcatta)
Port Adelaide vs West Coast Eagles.
RSVP by email or SMS Caterina 0421648887
Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely relaxing break.

**Easter Egg Update**
Your generous support has raised approximately **$4,000.** A big thank you to all our families for your assistance in both selling (eating) your way through your box of chocolates or donation. It is all appreciated with assisting the school with items that benefit our children.

**Mother’s Day Stall**
We are holding a Mother’s Day stall on Tuesday 3 May 2016 between 1.00 and 2.45pm. Children can bring in money to purchase a gift for Mother’s Day. This can be either for mum or another female relative.

Prices will range from $1.00 to $5.00 per item.

Children must have their money on the day to purchase.

**Mother’s Day Morning Tea**
On Friday morning after the 9.00am mass we will be holding our Mother’s Day morning tea. Please come and join us for a cup of tea and cake.

**Upcoming Events this term**

**Bogan Bingo**
Bogan Bingo is locked in for Friday 27 May 2016. Get your friends together, scour the op shops (or hubby’s wardrobe) for your best Bogan outfit. More details to come in the next few weeks.

**Fun Run**
Our Fun Run for all years from Kindy to Year 6 will be held in June. More details to come.
St Lawrence Netball Club News

The season is finally upon us. **Our first games are this Saturday 30th April.** I hope we are all prepared - uniforms organised, nails clipped and enthusiasm ready to shine.

All teams will be training this week:

- Year 5 and 6 on Wednesday.
- Year 3 and 4 on Thursday.

Could all parents please be aware that no parking is allowed on the netball courts after 3.30pm. Anyone arriving late to collect children must not drive up to the car-park. All coaches and managers should have information forthcoming regarding scoring/timing/fruit rosters and court locations. All game bags have been re-stocked and new game balls purchased.

Any queries, contact your team managers/coaches or myself.

Just remember that the idea is to have fun. The score is not important, as long as you do your best you’re a winner.

A special mention to our Year 3 team: all the best girls for your first game together for St Lawrence Netball Club.

Good luck.

Mrs Paula Bulich 0403 317 850
St Lawrence Netball Club President

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**Merit Award Winners Final Assembly Term One**

![Merit Award Winners Final Assembly Term One](image-url)
Kidsafe WA Passport to Bike Safety Event

Kidsafe WA will be providing a free community event for families. This event will be a one stop shop for bike safety. Children are encouraged to bring along their bikes or wheeled devices and the appropriate safety gear.

Participate in bike safety focused activities which will ensure families leave with the skills and knowledge needed to enjoy bike riding safely in the community. There will also be plenty of prizes to win!

Who should attend?
Children, parents, carers and the general public to reinforce bike safety messaging and information. Parents or guardians must attend with children to enter the prize draw or participate in some activities.

Place
Millett Park Playground Area, Park Way, Innaloo

Date and Time
Saturday 30th April 2016, 9am to 12pm

Activities
- 10 & 11:30am SDERA’s Izzy the Road Safety Lizard
- 11am Constable Care puppet show
- Bike and equipment safety checks
- Skills obstacle course
- Road safety

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Year of Mercy Pilgrimage to Central Europe
4th September to 28th September 2016

With the encouragement of Pope Francis to take a pilgrimage in the Year of Mercy, we invite you to join us. **Countries:** Czech Republic, Germany, Austria, Slovakia and Poland; **25 Days; $6,890.00.**
Includes return airfares, accommodation in 4 star hotels, daily breakfast and dinner, entrance fees at places mentioned in the itinerary and tips for guides and driver. For more detailed information and a copy of the itinerary, please contact Judy David on 0423 167 583 or email: J.david494@gmail.com or contact Fr Emil on 0408 447 062. Please see poster and pick up a flyer in the foyer of the church. **If you are interested in coming with us, please let us know as soon as possible as we are trying to finalise numbers.**
SJFC is the only local football club offering the below in your local community

Under 12 Girls Team  
(Ages 9-12)

Start Date:  
Friday 27th May 2016
Where:  
HBF Arena, Joondalup
Duration:  
6 weeks
Finish Date:  
Friday 1st July 2016
Session Time:  
90 minutes
45 mins training / 45 mins game
Start Time:  
4:30pm First Games
(TBC due to numbers)
Fees:  
$110 (includes Stirling Junior Football Club pack)

Registration is open and can be completed online via
http://stirlingjfc.com/registration/

The program allows for a coach to be provided at the Friday night sessions.

If you have any queries, please email registrar@stirlingjfc.com or secretary@stirlingjfc.com
St Mary’s School Donnybrook
Invites you to our
100th Anniversary
Sunday 1st May 2016
10 am Mass
followed by an Open school event 11am–3pm
(digital displays, memorabilia, time capsule)
Morning tea & Sausage sizzle available for
purchase or bring your own picnic.
Please RSVP 08 9731 4496 or email
admin@stmarysdbrck.wa.edu.au
By April 1st 2016
Please tell all past staff and students about it.
We would love to see you there!
A centennial magazine will be available for
purchase on the day.