



# ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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## A Prayer for the Journey of the WYD Cross & Icon of Our Lady

We make this prayer through the Sign of the Cross

*In the name of the Father  
who gives to all the gift of his love  
through World Youth Day,  
and who has entrusted to our nation  
the sign of the Cross.*

*And of the Son,  
who was crucified out of love  
for us to bring us healing and mercy  
and who teaches us to carry our cross  
with courage and hope.*

*And of the Holy Spirit,  
who makes us witnesses  
of love to the ends of the earth,*

*We pray for the Journey of the Cross and Icon  
throughout the Great South Land of the Holy Spirit.  
May this pilgrimage bless the lives of all who  
encounter Christ in the Cross  
and behold the image of Mary our Mother.  
We ask that this Journey may truly prepare young  
hearts and our nation for World Youth Day 2008.*

**Amen**



## World Youth Day Journey of the Cross and Icon

Events start at 4.45pm

Sunday at the City of Albany Civic Centre,  
North Road

We hope you can join this momentous event!

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Guardians, Families, Students and Members of our College Community,

Last week I received a letter from Bernadette McCormack, the sister of Sr Irene McCormack.

On a recent visit to Albany she discovered, to her delight, in the Business Directory that we have a "McCormack House" at the College.

Enclosed with the letter was a photo for each McCormack House Captain of the Icon, displaying Irene McCormack, that the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart were given by an artist; there was also an accompanying prayer card.

### Important Dates & Coming Events

Sat/Sun 31/1	Mon 2 June	Tues 3	Wed 4	Thur 5	Fri 6
Sun: WYD Cross & Icon Visit	Public Holiday Foundation Day JCI Mass 8.30am St Joseph's Church	Yr 11/12 Exams  Uniform Shop Open 8.00-9.00am & 2.30-4.30pm	MS Football Mike Biddulph Oval 3.45pm		JS Assembly 9am Gymnasium
Sat/Sun 7/8 June	Mon 9	Tues 10	Wed 11	Thur 12	Fri 13
Sat: Commitment Mass First Holy Communion	Yr 10 Exams Yr 11/12 Exams	Uniform Shop Open 8.00-9.00am & 2.30-4.30pm	Parent/Child Info. Night for First Holy Communion	Reconciliation & Practice for First Holy Communion	House Cross Country (Yr 4-7)

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### MORNING OFFERING

God, my Father,  
You love me and forgive me so TODAY  
I accept all as gift - and ask to find you,  
Lord the Giver in the gift.

I choose to face life without fear -  
and to live wholeheartedly  
in each present moment.

May my heart sing today  
a song of grateful thanks and praise.  
I am God's work of art!  
I am precious in his sight!

- Sister Irene McCormack, RSJ  
Died for the faith, Peru, 21/5/91

The prayer as Bernadette McCormack described it:  
*"The morning offering prayer is what Irene lived her life by. She wrote it many years before she died".*

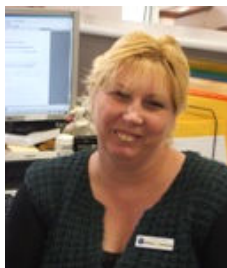
The College remembered Sr Irene McCormack in our prayers last week, on the anniversary of her death.

Mr Bradley Hall - Principal

## MEET THE STAFF

### Erica Cooper

I have been working at the College Office as Principal's Secretary for just over one year.



I was previously employed at Bethel Nursing Home and North Albany Senior High School in Administrative positions.

My hobbies include reading, sewing, patch work, doll making and jewellery making.

## COLLEGE NOTICES

### Year 8-12 Inter-House Cross Country

The Inter-House Cross Country for Years Eight to Twelve students is scheduled for Week Nine of this Term on Friday 27 June. This event is a voluntary event for students who wish to vie for selection for the Inter-School team or to gain points for the overall Inter-House competition. Students are encouraged to start their training for this event if they have not already done so. Medallions will be awarded to the male and female winner in each year group.

Mr Paul O'Donnell - Physical Education Teacher

### Ozanam House "Winter Blanket Appeal" for the St Vincent De Paul Society

As we move into winter, many people in Albany struggle to find the warmth and comfort they need to get through these months. Ozanam House is aiming to support these needy families by helping with the St Vincent De Paul's Annual "WINTER BLANKET APPEAL".

St Joseph's College students from Kindergarten - Year Twelve are encouraged to bring any type of blanket, such as doonas, rugs, throws of all sizes, to help with this worthy cause.

From 17 May, blankets can be brought to the College Office, Martin Road or taken straight to the St Vincent De Paul Society Depot in Chevalier St, Albany. The last collection date will be Thursday 29 May.  
Gerry Reilly - Year 11 Ozanam House Leader



Jeffrey Ledwith & Declan Howarth - Year 5  
beside the St Vincent's Clothing Bin

## COLLEGE NOTICES

### Scitech-In-Residence

Amber Atkins and Edda Irvin from Scitech worked with both staff and students this week. On Tuesday, a teacher's in-service was conducted that explored the latest and most practical classroom activities in space science. Amber and Edda worked with students in classes from Year Five to Year Ten on different aspects of space science on Wednesday and Thursday. A full report on these activities will be in next week's newsletter. We were very fortunate to have Amber and Edda spend time with us this week and they also 'donated' a large number of student resources to the College on behalf of Scitech.

College Science Learning Team

### Canteen News Next Wednesday's Special

Homemade Spaghetti  
Bolognese and Bottled Water for \$4.50



## JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

### Healthy Schools Day

Thank you to Mrs Wood and the canteen ladies Mrs Pearce and Mrs Flugge for supporting last Friday's "Healthy Schools Day". The canteen ladies organised a special menu promoting the eating of healthy food.

Year One students under the guidance of Mrs Wood and parent helpers, cut up fruit and vegetables and distributed platters at recess in the undercroft. Interestingly by the end of recess, the Year Ones were coming back to Mrs Wood with empty plates.

Well done to all involved and especially to the Year Ones for setting such a good example.

### Book Fair

Thank you to Stephanie Gorman for co-ordinating this week's successful Book Fair and also to the parent helpers who assisted over the three days. Congratulations to Ben Osborne in Year Five who won the Book Fair Draw and received a \$20 book voucher.

## JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

### Certificate of Appreciation

The Junior School was presented with a certificate last week from the Cancer Council acknowledging our commitment to the Crunch'n'Sip and SunSmart programmes. As mentioned at last Friday's assembly much of the credit for the Junior School participation in these programmes must go to Mrs Wood who has been the main co-ordinator since we first became involved as a pilot school back in the 1990's.

### Junior School Assembly

The next Junior School Assembly is on Friday 6 June commencing at 9.00am in the gymnasium. The Year Two students will be co-ordinating the assembly.

Mr Mike Watson - Head of Junior School

## MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

### Middle School Football

The Years Eight - Nine Team for the Smarter Than Smoking Cup Football tournament have their final training run on Wednesday 4 June with a scratch match versus Great Southern Grammar on the College's Mike Biddulph Oval. The game will start at about 3.45pm and conclude around 5.00pm.

Mr Paul O'Donnell - Physical Education Teacher

## SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

### Year 10 CIA - Reminder to Parents

This is a reminder for parents that work experience placement (during Week Ten of Term Two) needs to be finalised by the end of this week to ensure that your child's placement is secured.

Attending Work experience during Week Ten (30 June - 4 July 2008) is a requirement for completing the course. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's CIA teacher via the College if you require further information.

Mrs Rumeena Wood - Year 10 Co-ordinator

## SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

### Senior School Football

The Years Ten - Twelve football team had their first game of the Belt Up Cup tournament on Tuesday afternoon versus Great Southern Grammar at the Grammar school oval. St Joseph's was keen to make their mark on the competition but let a promising start slip as Grammar finished the first quarter in front leading by 3 goals. The game swung back in St Joseph's favour during the second quarter with some great play by Sam Juers, Codie Thiele, Liam O'Loughlin, Michael Betti and Gabe Crowe. The match remained just out of the reach of the St Joseph's team until an amazing run on in the final 5 minutes saw them close down on a 4-goal deficit. Codie Thiele had the entire crowd on edge as he marked strongly right on the final siren with a chance to goal for the match only to miss narrowly to the right. The final score was Grammar 9.15.69 defeating St Joseph's 10.8.68.

The next match is on Wednesday 11 June versus WA College of Agriculture Denmark at McLean Park.

Mr Paul O'Donnell - Coach

## PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

### Mitre 10 - Mates Rates Club Card

Albany Mitre 10 is offering St Joseph's Parents and Friends the opportunity to fundraise without having to cook, bake, gather or find volunteers.

It is offering the 'Mates Rates Club Card' to our P & F members which will entitle you to a 4% discount on your purchases at their store. A further 1% will be donated to the P & F. Payments will be made quarterly to the P & F.

If you would like a Mitre 10 discount card please advise staff at the Albany Mitre 10 store, or if you already have one of these cards please inform the staff that you are a member of St Joseph's P & F so they can update their records.

This is a really good opportunity to support your P & F without having to do the hard labour of fundraising.

Mrs Chris Annison - President

## PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS

### Footy Tipping Competition

Congratulations to our Round 9 winner - Leonie Ratnieks - \$50.00

The jackpot for zero tips was won this week by Marie O'Dea \$90.00 and Marie is also our Civic Video voucher winner this week. A voucher for \$5.00

As of Round 10 our jackpot begins again starting at \$10.00 for picking no winners.

Mr Neil Annison - Footy Tipping Co-ordinator

## PARISH NOTICES

### Kids Club & Children's Liturgy

On Sunday and Monday 1 and 2 June we are privileged to be experiencing a visit by the Cross and Icon sent by the Pope to Australia this year, heading for World Youth Day in Sydney in July. This is a major event for all of us young and old, whatever religion but especially geared towards the youth of the Church in the world.

It would be a memorable experience for the younger people in our community to be part of this celebratory visit by participating in the entrance procession into Holy Family Church on Sunday 1 June commencing around 6.50pm followed by the Ecumenical Service.

Kids Club and Children's Liturgy members have been preparing a banner to represent their group, which they will carry and place at the altar near the Cross to symbolise their faith. The children are asked to wear either a red or yellow top to coincide with the banner colours. Parents/guardians please be at the Holy Family Church by 6.15pm if you are participating.

Mass will be held on Monday 2 June at St Joseph's Church, commencing at 8.30am. If you want your children to help carry their banner in procession before Mass begins, please be at St Joseph's Church by 8.15am on Monday 2 June. Thanks, everyone. See you there.

Kids Club/Children's Liturgy Team

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### Southern Cross Cultural Exchange

The Southern Cross Cultural Exchange, and Australian not-for-profit organisation specialising in international student exchange programmes, is URGENTLY seeking volunteer host families for high school students scheduled to arrive in Australia in July 2008 from Germany, Austria, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Finland, Holland, Ireland, Brazil the USA and Canada. Host families can choose from students staying for a range of either 3, 5, or 10 months and they all attend local high schools whilst they are in Australia. The main purpose of cultural exchange is to challenge youth towards international understanding and tolerance, encourage further learning, self knowledge and awareness - invaluable characteristics in today's world. We organise all the flights, schools, transportation, insurances and support systems. Call Southern Cross Cultural Exchange now toll free on 1800 500 501, visit [www.scce.com.au](http://www.scce.com.au) or email [sceaust@scce.com.au](mailto:sceaust@scce.com.au)

### Catholics Corner

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Canning Vale  
Ph: 9456 1777

**Open: Mon-Fri 9am - 5pm**  
**Sat 9am - 1pm**

## COMMUNITY NOTICES



### Kids 'n' Music

For 0-4 year olds

**Enrolments now open for Term Two 2008**

Original music for early childhood with a focus on early intervention  
Now in Albany

Phone Leonie 9291 9959 or Joanna on 0428 889 014  
[www.kidsmusic.com.au](http://www.kidsmusic.com.au)

### Fitness for Her

New 1/2 hour Fun Fitness Classes for  
**Mums and Daughters**

Designed and supervised by a qualified Personal Trainer

Call Amanda or Christina for more information on Ph: 9842 9500

### Barrier Busters Roadshow Tour of the South West 11 June

Guest speaker: Dr. Andrew Fuller

Meet the author of "Tricky Kids" & "From Surviving to Thriving" who has

designed international programs to help families improve the lives & happiness of their children.

Andrew Fuller's parenting tips help prevent the risk of violence & drug & alcohol related harm.



### Be a part of change to create Communities Who Really Care Free Albany Parent's Workshop

**Date:** Wednesday 11 June 08

**Time:** 6.30 – 7.00pm light supper,  
7.00 – 9.00pm workshop

**Venue:** Albany Education Department District Office Conference Room 1.  
85 Serpentine Road Albany.  
Parking: in staff parking

**R.S.V.P:** Great Southern Population Health  
Ph: 98427500

Free big screen Playstation games for ages 8+