

2018 PRESENTATION EVENING > Celebrating 2018 With One Heart



PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS > 2018 Presentation Evening

Each morning when I walk into school, I go through the front office and the first thing I see is the portrait of Archbishop James Gleeson looking down at me.

I find myself talking to it, which is slightly concerning, and I ask the same question each day - how do you think we are going? In this, our 30th year as a College, I wonder just what Archbishop Gleeson would say about our school.

It seems obvious, but one of the key differences of our College is that it is proudly a Catholic school. Our Catholic Identity provides an important theological lens by which we can deal with, and hopefully make sense, of some of the complexities of the world.

Whilst many of our students are not baptised Catholic, one of their many fine attributes that they possess is that they engage and embrace in the Catholic nature of our school with deep respect and reverence.

In all of the many College liturgies, Masses, prayer opportunities, Retreats and opportunities to provide service to others - our students excel and demonstrate they have a deep sense of goodness, which is always remarkable to witness. We are always looking for ways to re-contextualise our faith tradition - that is to make it more accessible to our students. Tonight's liturgy was another example of this. I wish to thank Monsignor Swann in particular, as well as Fr Leo and Fr Manu, who have supported us incredibly well once again with their presence in the school.

The other key stewardship group that I would like to thank is the College Board, under the outstanding direction of Chair Mr Peter Stewart who is a great personal

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are available to our students. We provide a myriad of opportunities for our young people, and it is often during these activities that school pride and identity are developed. Once again, our students have enjoyed and excelled in performing arts, intercultural activities, excursions and interstate trips, as well as sport. They are inevitably the finest of ambassadors for the College and always represent the school with great pride. They demonstrate to those that they meet that they value and are proud to be Gleeson College students. Time and again I receive positive feedback from those outside of the school about our students and it is a source of great pride for me personally. So thank you to those people who have provided these opportunities, and to our students who have grasped them as a way of becoming better people.

Obviously this year was historic with the introduction of our Year 7 students. The eyes of Catholic education were on us as the early adopters of the move of Year 7 to secondary school, and I am pleased to say that this has gone exceedingly well. Our Year 7s have added a positive vibrancy and energy to our school, and it was tremendous to witness them engaging and flourishing in a secondary school environment. In one sense, we have paved the way as this move is embraced across the Catholic education sector from next year, and a number of schools have asked us about our learnings and progress. I have loved teaching my class of Year 7 RE this year - they have learnt from me, and I have learnt much more from them.

The success of our Year 7 transition is in no small way a significant contributing factor to our very strong enrolment



numbers for next year and beyond. In 2019, we will have 130 Year 7s and 150 Year 8 students, which is a significant increase for us, and we have carefully planned for this growth with both staffing and capital development. We have appointed a number of new staff, some of whom are here with us this evening, and I am certain they will learn to embrace this wonderful school.

An exciting initiative for 2019 is the implementation of a new learning management system called SEQTA. We are certain that SEQTA will provide an enhanced level of information and learning engagement for both students and parents. In short, it will deliver all that our current system iScholaris provides as well as a whole lot more. The staff will be utilising the staff days at the end of this year and beginning of next year to ensure that the implementation of SEQTA is smooth in 2019. We will also be bringing students and families along this journey at the start of next year.

In what is perhaps the most significant and exciting capital development since the campus began 30 years ago, we are embarking on Stage 2 of our Master Plan with an ambitious project - the construction of our Senior Learning Centre. We have spent the majority of this year developing and planning this project and we have received all approvals through Catholic Education. Not only will this building accommodate our enrolment growth, it will provide an amazing learning space for our Senior School students to aspire to be in to complete their education at Gleeson. It is a double story building that includes eight classroom spaces, a number of meeting rooms and breakout areas, Student Services will be housed here, a new student carpark, a kitchen designed for the students to utilise,

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support to me. Thank you to our retiring members Michelle Sauerwald and Chris Hill for their wonderful contribution over the past few years. We are so fortunate to have such an engaged and supportive Board that provides that great balance of support and challenge.

We celebrated our 30th year with a wonderful event 'amid the hills and valleys' earlier this term, and this drew together many past and present families and staff and was a beautiful way to recognise this milestone. As our ever alert and astute Deputy Principal Mr Corbo has pointed out to us though, this was not in fact our 30th birthday as such - that will officially occur at the start of next year, but the 30th year was an excellent excuse to get together to recognise all that is great about the Gleeson community.

When prospective parents ask me about the differences of a Gleeson College education, after the most important - the Catholic nature of the school, I will often point to two things - the exceptional pastoral care and support of the staff, and the extra-curricular activities that

2018 GLEESON DIARY DATES >

Term 1 2019

29 Jan	FIRST DAY OF TERM 1 FOR YEAR 7 + NEW YEAR 8 STUDENTS
30	FIRST DAY OF TERM 1 FOR YEAR 9-12 + YEAR 8 STUDENTS WHO ATTENDED GC AS YEAR 7 IN 2018
4 Feb	Student ID Card Photographs > MSP Photography Middle School Parent Information Evening (TBC)
11	Senior School Parent Information Evening (TBC)
17 - 18	2019 Student Leadership Camp

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staff offices and the signature space being the student hub of 400 square metres on the second floor overlooking the hills and valleys! It will be a space where our Senior students can study before, during and after school, a space designed to ensure that our students are tertiary ready, and a space that will be the place I want all Gleeson students to enjoy as they aspire to be graduates of our school. We are currently working with our local council on development approval, and envisage going to tender early in the New Year with construction throughout next year ready for occupancy early in 2020. The location of the Senior Learning Centre will be where the current shade ports are, adjacent to the Oval, and construction should not disrupt the rest of the school at all next year. I cannot begin to tell you how excited I am about this project as our students absolutely deserve this magnificent space.

I take this opportunity to thank a number of people. Thank you to all our parents and families for your support again this year and for your willingness to work with us. Thank you to each and every student for what you bring to our community - each of your personalities and gifts combine to make our school great. Thank you for your extraordinary care you demonstrate for each other as well.

Thank you to the Leadership Team of Gleeson College, a more talented and committed team of leaders I have not worked with. Thank you to the staff, teaching and ESO staff, who continually amaze me with their positivity and collegiality. We say farewell this year to



a number of staff including Mr Richard Milne who has accepted an Assistant Principal position in Darwin, Mrs Emily Colville and Ms Janelle Ruthven who are moving to Nazareth Catholic College, Mr Nathan Ackan who is taking up a position at Thomas More College and to Mr Adam Biggs who will be working at St Michael's College in 2019. You all leave with our every best wish and blessing and we thank you for your contribution and commitment to Gleeson College. We pause also to remember our friend and colleague Mrs Vicki Weaver who tragically passed away this year, and once more we pray for her husband Lee and Vicki's family.

I have found this year to be possibly the most complex in my time at Gleeson for a number of reasons, and I think that possibly this is due to the fact that life in general is more complex for young people and families, and as a human institution we are directly impacted by this. Schools are called on more and

more to respond to issues that young face people, and in particular the increased need to support their mental health and wellbeing, not to mention the complexity of social media interactions. It is not easy, but I am really proud of the way the staff at Gleeson College do support young people and the extraordinary lengths that they go to in order to promote positive relationships.

Finally, at the centre, or if you like at the Heart, of our newly adopted Strategic Plan are the aspirations that we hold for all of the students in our care.

We aspire for every Gleeson College graduate to be:

Thriving people, capable learners, leaders for the world God desires

If I go back to where I started, talking to Archbishop Gleeson's photo on the wall, this is exactly what I believe he would want us to strive toward. If he could respond to my question of how we are going, I think he would do so justifiably bursting with pride, and potentially he would be amazed at what this community has developed into.

Thank you all from the depth of my heart for all that you do. I wish you and your families every blessing and happiness this Christmas holiday time.

*"May the Blessings of Christmas be with you,
May the Christ Child light your way,
May God's holy angels guide you.
And keep you safe each day"*

Mr Andrew Baker,
Principal



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2018 HOUSE AWARD RECIPIENTS



Damiani



Middle School



Nathan Archer



Amy Fredella



Ethan Hubbard

Senior School



Jayden Dawson



Melissa Roden



Emily Unewisse

Jenny Damiani Medal Recipients

Middle School Medal - Amy Fredella (9 DMDAS)

Senior School Medal - Jayden Dawson (11 DSPOS)



Fyfe



Middle School



Lara Convill



Olivia Sunasky



Ellen Welden

Senior School



Millicent Anderson



Peter Librino



Maybelline San Juan

Sr. Margaret Fyfe Medal Recipients

Middle School Medal - Ellen Welden (9 FMWIL)

Senior School Medal - Peter Librino (11 FSRUT)

Middle School



Lachlan Searles



Natarsha Viskic



Taylah Viskic

Senior School



Stephanie Guidolin



James Nisbet



Luca Topolnjak

Fr. Don Hughes Medal Recipients

Middle School Medal: Lachlan Searles (8 HMCOL)

Senior School Medal: James Nisbet (11 HSRAN)

Hughes



Middle School



Riley Aistrophe



James Harding



Ella Taverner

Senior School



Claudia Agius



Emily Hartwell



Phoebe Surman

John McDonald Medal Recipients

Middle School Medal: James Harding (7 BAR)

Senior School Medal: Claudia Agius (11 MSCOD)

McDonald



PRESENTATION EVENING 2018 > Congratulations to our Award Winners



2018 ADF Long Tan Leadership & Teamwork Award Recipient:
Michigan San Juan > Year 10
Presented by Aircraftwoman Emily Bennewith



2018 King Kindness Award Recipient:
Bailey Arnold > Year 9
Presented by Paula Leuthen, Member for King



2018 The Minister for Education and Child Development Volunteering Award Recipient:
Mr Christopher Hill
presented by Blair Boyer, Member for Wright



2018 Rotary Club Community Service Award Recipient:
Melissa Roden > Year 11
Presented by Mr Kevin Smith, President - Rotary Club - Golden Grove

PRESENTATION EVENING 2018 > Pursuit of Excellence Award Winners



Year 7 Pursuit of Excellence Award Winners

Mercedes Bates, Brooke Benzie, Ava Cannard, Lachlan Cannard, Charlotte Duncan, Emilia Gill, Scarlett Hatchard, Caitlin Hodge, Thomas Hughes, Jack Lindsay, Alfie Nayler, Ashleigh Roach, Alanah Skewes, Stefan Valentino, Kailee Williams.



Year 8 Pursuit of Excellence Award Winners

James Attick, Chanel Balaza, Molly Bennett, Samuel Borg, Claudia Brazell, Kate Burford, Lara Convill, Natalie Cufone, Jordan Cursaro, Tahlia Fiala, Ella Fraser, Aaliah Hayes-Selfe, Shaylee Hossen, Jonathon Ierace, Jacob Jones, Antonio Lippiello, Paige McLachlan, Daisy Mumford, Kiara Searle, Aleksa Stojanovic, Matt Tyczenko.

Year 9 Pursuit of Excellence Award Winners

Angus Braendler, Cameron Deavin, Teagan Feltrin, Alana Fitzsimmons, Amy Fredella, Niamh Hughes, Jack Hutchins, Alysia Redel, Alyssa Reynolds, Mikala Searle, Mikayla Sletten, Katherine Stavropoulos, Ella Taverner, Natarsha Viskic, Taylah Viskic, Ellen Welden.



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Year 10 Pursuit of Excellence Award Winners
 Imogen Brooksby, Lucy Burford, Lara Copeland, Sarah Gill, Callum McFadden, Alex O'Neill, Eloise O'Neill, Caitlyn Papalia, Italia Puccini, Brianna Rosenthal, Michaela Rutter, Madison Sauerwald, Chelsea Schwarz, Phoebe Surman.



Year 11 Pursuit of Excellence Award Winners
 Claudia Agius, Jai Bassham, Panos Constantinou, Ryan Doyle, Olivia Fiorita, Rachel Gallina, Stephanie Guidolin, Jade Halfpenny, Tiffany Holzer, Anna Ivenovichbokuv, Patrick Miller, Emma Quinn, Melissa Roden, Madeline Scherer, Amy Scragg, Tatenda Taivo, Luca Topolnjak, Emily Unewisse.



MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADUATION > Congratulations to our Award Winners



2018 Middle School Creative Writing Award Winners Aaliah Hayes-Selfe (Year 8) and Thomas Hughes (Year 7) with Literacy Coordinator Mrs Jessica McCarthy and Principal Andrew Baker.



2018 Middle School Premier's Reading Challenge Award Winners > Alanah Skewes, Brandon Hendricks, Mia Damiani, Renae Damiani, Austin North, Danica Sandercock, Emma Clark, Riccardo Lippiello, Charlotte Duncan, Izabella Kozak, Christian Tropiano, Cameron Harris, Alfie Nayler, Stefan Valentino.



MIDDLE SCHOOL CREATIVE WRITING AWARDS 2018

In Year 7, 8 and Year 9 English, all students this year were involved in composing a piece of creative writing that involved an Out of Africa migration story at Year 7, a challenge or race at Year 8, and a Quest at Year 9. These tasks at 8 and 9, have become a Gleeson tradition going back many years, and we are happy to welcome a new tradition this year, by including work from our Year 7s. English teachers selected the best pieces of creative writing from their classes to be put forward for judging.

This year the competition was judged by Mrs Jane Case, an English teacher at Gleeson for many years, who retired in 2017. The winner of the Year 7 "Migration Sensation" was **Thomas Hughes (7 BAR)**. Mrs Case commented that the historical detail of the hunt, food, tools and clothing were woven into the narrative very effectively. The winner of the Year 8 "Ace of the Race" was **Aaliah Hayes-Selfe (8 HMSCH)**. Mrs Case described her journal entries as reflective and with occasional touches of humour, detailing creative adventures. At Year 9, the "Best of the Quest" award went to **Antonio Shyti (9 DMMCC)**. Mrs Case was impressed by some very vivid descriptive detail that brought the story to life for the reader. The winners were all presented with a certificate and a \$50 Westfield voucher at the Year 9 Graduation Assembly.

I encourage all 2019 Middle School students to try their best next year to be nominated for one of the Creative Writing Awards.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE AWARDS 2018

The Premier's Reading Challenge is a literacy engagement program that was introduced by the Premier in 2004 to encourage students to read more books and enjoy reading, as well as improve literacy levels across the state. The Challenge requires students to read 12 books between the beginning of the school year and early September. At the Year 9 Graduation Assembly,

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we also acknowledged the Gleeson students who received certificates and medals in the Premier's Reading Challenge 2018.

YEAR 7 HALL OF FAME CERTIFICATES

Alanah Skewes (7 BAR) > Hall of Fame - Reader for Life - reading for 8 years.

Brandon Hendricks (7 HEW) > Hall of Fame - Reader for Life - reading for 8 years.

YEAR 8 HALL OF FAME CERTIFICATES

Mia Damiani (8 DMDAS) > Hall of Fame - Reader for Life - reading for 9 years.

Renae Damiani (8 DMDAS) > Hall of Fame - Reader for Life - reading for 9 years.

GOLD MEDAL

Austin North (7 BAR)

LEGEND MEDALS

Danica Sandercock (7 PUT)

Emma Clark (7 BAR)

Riccardo Lippiello (7 BAR)

HALL OF FAME MEDALS

Charlotte Duncan (7 BAR)

Izabella Kozak (7 BAR)

Christian Tropiano (7 BAR)

Cameron Harris (7 HEW)

Alfie Nayler (7 HEW)

Stefan Valentino (7 PUT)

I would like to acknowledge and thank in particular Year 7 English Teacher, Mr Simon Barratt, and Mrs Jan Fuller from Thomas Library, for their work in promoting the Premier's Reading Challenge at Gleeson College this year.

Mrs Jessica McCarthy,
Literacy Coordinator



Year 9 Contribution to Arts Award Winners >

Taliyah-Lee Archer, Bailey Arnold, Madison Celles, Kayla Foreman, Liam Garvey, Jessica Harding, Ethan Hubbard, Jack Hutchins, Alicia Manders, Sarah McIver, Alysia Redel, Katherine Stavropoulos, Imogen Verrall, Natarsha Viskic, Taylah Viskic, Ellen Welden.

Year 9 Contribution to Sports Award Winners >

Riley Aistrope, Tyson Ballentine, Angus Braendler, Madison Celles, Ky Cooper, Indya Couzner, Alana Fitzsimmons, Kayla Foreman, Ellie Fountaine, Liam Garvey, Jessica Harding, Ethan Hubbard, Niamh Hughes, Harper Locke, Alicia Manders, Jasper Mumford, Charlotte Nenke, Mikala Searle, Ella Taverner, James Taylor, Aidan Tuckwell, Jack Walker.



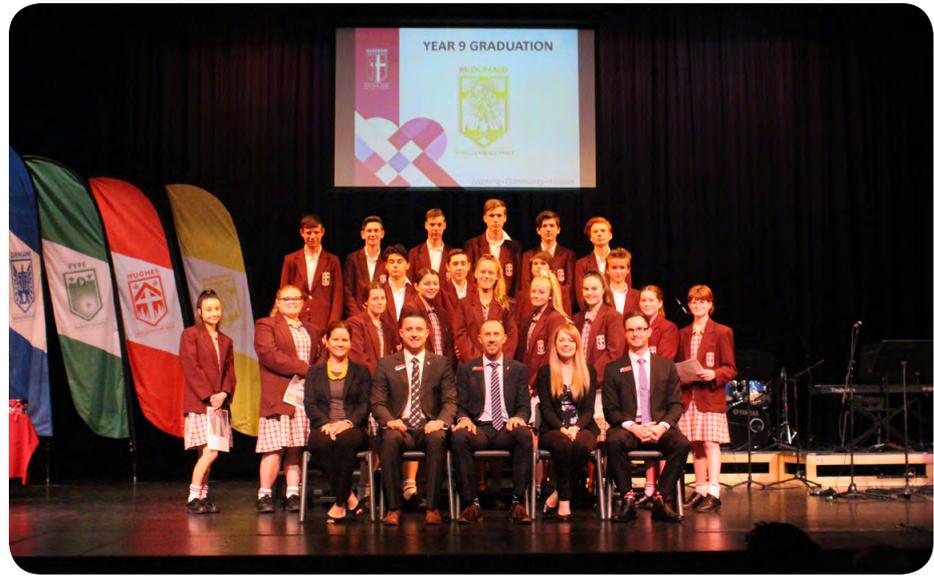
MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADUATION > Congratulations to our 2018 Year 9 Graduates

Our Middle School Graduation is a 'rite of passage' for students moving from Year 9 into the Senior School.

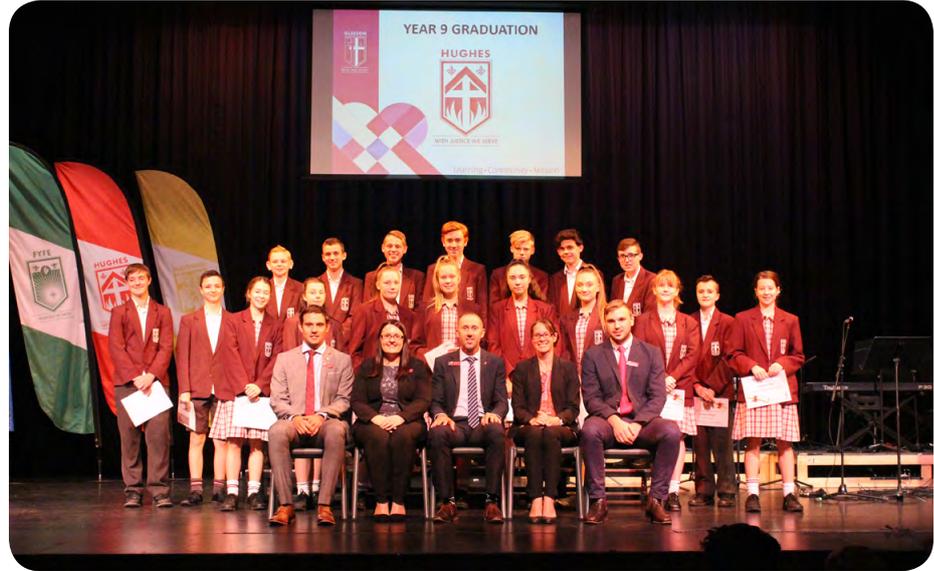
We held this special ceremony in the Dame Roma Mitchell Centre on Tuesday, with all our Year 9 students presented on stage. We were wonderfully entertained by the amazing musical and artistic talents of our Year 9 Rock Band and Dancers. Middle School Awards for English, and Contribution to Sport and Arts were also presented at this ceremony.

We wish our Year 9 students well as they move into Senior School, and I hope all families have a safe and happy Christmas with family and friends.

Mr Shannon Bertram,
Assistant Principal -
Student Development



McDONALD HOUSE > Year 9 Graduates 2018



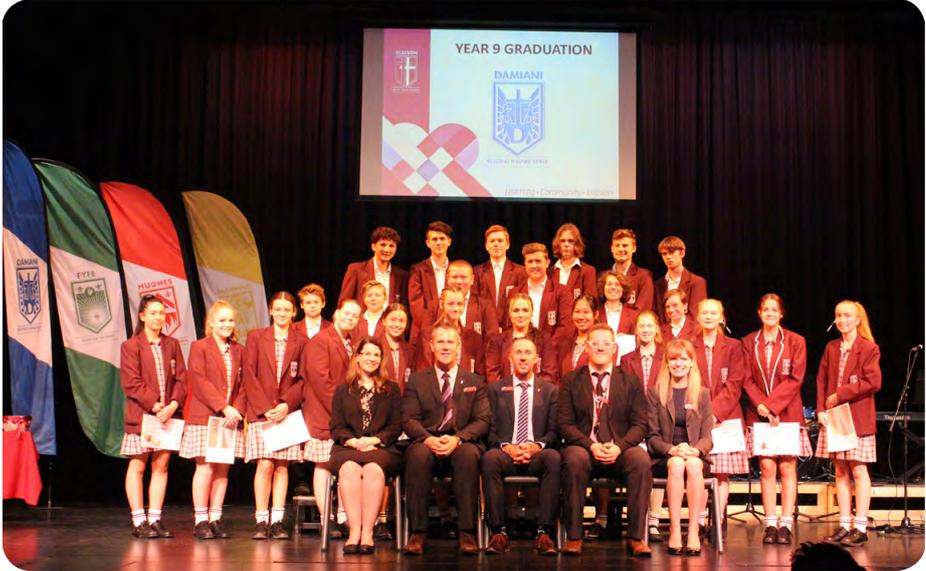
HUGHES HOUSE > Year 9 Graduates 2018



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FYFE HOUSE > Year 9 Graduates 2018



DAMIANI HOUSE > Year 9 Graduates 2018



YEAR 7 + YEAR 8 STEM EXHIBITION 2018

Throughout Term 4, Year 7 and Year 8 classes engaged in a project to showcase the scientific process and understanding they had learnt throughout the year. The Year 7's undertook a project incorporating planetary motion and energy with their design of 'Solar Cookers', while Year 8 students deconstructed the problems of yeast evolution and mutation through varying effects.

On Thursday 29 November, we invited parents to engage with students on their scientific processes and understanding by visiting our STEM Exhibition. This engagement was a testament to the organisation of teachers and effort from the students. The wide vocabulary students have developed in association with their scientific understanding has been a true success. I would like to thank all of the teachers for their planning with the course, the students for the wonderful engagement and parents for taking the time to engage in professional conversation with their children.

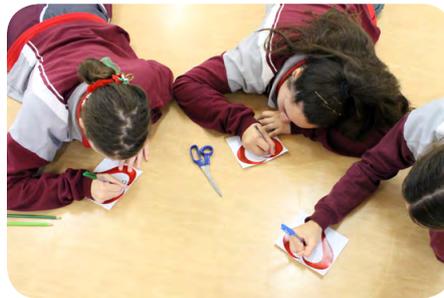
Mr Nathan Ackan,
STEM Coordinator

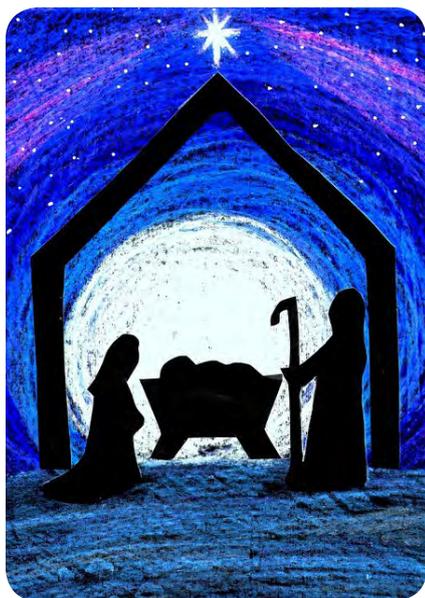


YEAR 9 RETREAT > Tuesday 4 December 2018



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ST DAVID'S PARISH > TTG & OLOH ADVENT DATES 2018

Anointing of the Sick of our Parish Mass
Saturday 15 December @ 9.15am

Thanksgiving Mass for Volunteers at all Mass
Sunday 16 December - 3rd Sunday of Advent

2nd form of the Rite of Reconciliation
Tuesday 18 December @ 7pm > Modbury Parish

Sunday 23 December - 4th Sunday of Advent

Christmas Eve Masses > Monday 24 December
Set up for Christmas Mass @ 10am *Helpers needed *No morning Mass
6.30pm @ Our Lady of Hope Chapel
6pm, 9pm + Midnight Mass @ St David's Church

Christmas Day > Tuesday 25 December
9.30am @ St David's Church *No evening Mass

PARA HILLS MODBURY CATHOLIC PARISH

St John XXIII Church
50 Reservoir Rd
Hope Valley



Holy Trinity Church
3 James St
Para Hills

'Behold, I Make All Things New'

ADVENT MASSES: DECEMBER 1st - DECEMBER 23rd

Weekends and Weekdays are as Normal

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Fri 14th December 7pm at St John XXIII

INDIVIDUAL RECONCILIATION

Fri. 14th Dec. - Before (from 8.30am)
and (after) 9.15am Mass at Holy Trinity
Sat. 15th Dec. - 5.00pm at St John XXIII

CLUSTER RECONCILIATION

2nd Rite of Reconciliation
St John XXIII 7pm
Tuesday 18th December

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Christmas Eve - Monday 24th December
6.30pm - Family Mass at Holy Trinity
8.30pm - Mass at St John XXIII
MIDNIGHT MASS at St John XXIII
Christmas Day - Tuesday 25th December

9am Mass at Holy Trinity
9am Mass at St John XXIII



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Gleeson College is supporting Cartridges 4 Planet Ark with collection locations in Student Services and the Thomas Library.



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