THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

In the Sacred Triduum, the Church solemnly celebrates the greatest mysteries of our redemption, keeping by means of special celebration the memorial of our Lord, crucified buried and risen.

(St Paul’s Sunday Missal ©St Paul’s Publications 2012)

During Lent, we have taken time out to reflect on our Spiritual journey. Through our prayer, fasting and good works, we have used this season to prepare to renew our baptismal promises at Easter. Now we have reached Holy Week. Let us journey with the Lord this week, through the Sacred Triduum. May we be worthy participants in the Paschal Mystery.

Fr. Marcel

EASTER CEREMONY TIMES - NORTH ROCKHAMPTON CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

- Holy Thursday: Mass 6.30pm Our Lady Help of Christians
- Good Friday: Stations of the Cross 9.30am St Mary’s (followed by Reconciliation)
- Service of the Lord’s Passion 3.00pm Holy Family & St Mary’s
- Easter Vigil: Mass 6.30pm Our Lady Help of Christians (no Reconciliation before the Vigil)
- Easter Sunday: Mass 7.00am St Mary’s, 9.00am Holy Family
- Brazilian Mass 10.30am Holy Family, Vietnamese Mass 5.30pm St Mary’s

FORTNIGHTLY PRAYER

Lord God,

You loved this world so much,
That you gave your one and only Son,
That we might be called your children too.

Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace
Of Easter Sunday, everyday.
Let us have hearts of thankfulness
For your sacrifice.
Let us have eyes that look upon
Your grace and rejoice in our salvation.
Help us to walk in that mighty grace
And tell your good news to the world.
All for your glory do we pray,
Lord,

Amen

First Reading
Isaiah 50:4-7

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24
My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Second Reading
Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel
Mark 14:1-15:47
We wish all of our students and families a Happy Easter and a safe holiday. All are encouraged to take part in the important celebrations of Holy Thursday Night, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil or Easter Sunday masses.

College staff are currently compiling reports that will be available on Parent Lounge on Thursday 29th March. There will also be information about how to book parent teacher interviews on the afternoon/evening of 24th April with the report information.

The Yaamba Rd Office will be closed over the Easter Break and school holidays. The Main Street Office will be closed on Wednesday 4th, Monday 9th, Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th April. Both Offices will be closed Monday 16th for Staff In-service. Term 2 will commence on Tuesday 17th April.

ANZAC DAY

This year we will have our ANZAC liturgy at 10am on 24th April. We would like to invite any current or former members of the services to our liturgy and to the morning tea that will follow. More information about this will be sent early next term. Students in Tute groups will research soldiers who died in 1918 (one hundred years ago) and will be encouraged to write the name and details of this service person onto a special ANZAC prayer card. Students and staff will read this prayer during our service. When students and staff march on ANZAC day they are encouraged to carry this card on their person so that they march in honour of all who have sacrificed, in particular the person whose name is on their card.

LENT AND CARITAS

Congratulations to all of our students who have been involved in fundraising for CARITAS. Earlier this week the total was approaching $4000. Thank you also to staff and students who have been involved in decorating our local churches with Prayer Palms, Palm branches at Holy Family for Palm Sunday, provided special biscuits for parishioners on Saturday night and also were involved in readings and singing at mass.

2019 YEAR 7 ENROLMENT INTERVIEWS

We have now completed the bulk of our Enrolment Interviews for Year 7 in 2019. It was so wonderful to meet the many young people and their families who are looking to join the Emmaus College Community in 2019. The future of Emmaus College is in very good hands if the calibre of the applicants is anything to go on!

Enrolment applications are still being taken and I would encourage you to speak to anyone you know who may be interested in their child attending Emmaus in 2019, to drop their application in as soon as possible so as to avoid missing out on a place.

We require the following information on application:
- Fully completed application form
- Certified copy of their birth certificate
- Copy of any baptismal certificate if applicable
- Latest school report and any extra documentation if Learning Support is required
- Any Court Orders or Parenting Agreements if applicable
- Payment of the $50 application levy

Letters of Offer will be posted to successful applicants on May 25th with acceptances due back by the 8th June along with payment of the $300 acceptance deposit.

If you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to contact me on 49235758 or sonya_acutt@emmaus.qld.edu.au

P & F COMMITTEE

The Queensland Catholic School Parents Conference is being held in Townsville, from Friday 8 June to Sunday 10 June, 2018. The Emmaus College P & F will be sponsoring two parents to attend this conference. If you would like to attend, please register your interest by contacting Sue Greentree (0407 648 684) by Wednesday, 4 April.
MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE

There will be a Middle School Dance on Friday 27 April from 6.00pm – 9.00pm in the Emmaus Hall. The dance is for Year 7-9 Emmaus students only, and ID cards must be presented upon entry. Entry is $5. Refreshments will be on sale. Students need to dress appropriately for a school event. Funds raised from this event will go to support a charity as determined by the students.

To provide a well-supervised environment for the dance, the following rules will be in operation:

- There will be no pass-outs. If parents need to pick up a student early, they will need to come to the door at the Emmaus Hall and speak to a supervising teacher.
- Parents are asked not to drop students at the dance before 5.45pm.
- Parents are advised not to drop/pick up students from the service stations on the other side of the highway.
- Students need to bring a note from parents if arriving after 6.20pm.
- The dance concludes at 9.00pm and parents are asked to pick up students promptly at 9.00pm.

Alcohol, tobacco and illicit drugs are strictly prohibited. The prohibition also covers the use of these before coming to the dance.

NAPLAN TESTING FOR YEARS 7 & 9 STUDENTS

Our students in Years 7 and 9 will be undertaking NAPLAN testing online in May this year for the first time, see schedule below. Moving NAPLAN online brings many advantages, including a test design that offers test items tailored to students’ knowledge and ability.

Parents and caregivers of students in these NAPLAN year levels will need to be aware of important information relating to privacy, which can be found on the NAPLAN Online Queensland website’s parent information page.

Students will require their laptop charged and a set of earphones.

Click here to access the website

NAPLAN on line 15 – 18 May

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Catch up sessions are held for students who were absent for the initial test.

HOLY WEEK

With the celebration of Palm Sunday, we enter Holy Week. Hopefully, this will be a time of peace, reflection, penance and prayer for all Christians. Let this season of LENT remind us all that this life we have and the material possessions we hold are just being LENT to us. We’re all passers-by. We’re not immigrants here. We’re all pilgrims on the road. We take nothing when we die. But we can leave behind the love we’ve shared, the hope we have given and the goodness we’ve done. May we all have a meaningful HOLY WEEK. GOD BLESS.

WALKING/RUNNING FOR PROJECT COMPASSION

All students are encouraged to walk/run for Caritas (Caritas k’s) during the Interhouse Cross Country. Every day, thousands of people around the world cover many kilometres to fetch water, obtain food, get to school or market or simply to survive. By raising funds for Caritas, we are all helping the most marginalised in our world. All students should have received a sponsorship form from their tutor and tax receipts are available on request. Please bring all forms and money raised by the end of term.

CARITAS TUTE FUNDRAISING

It has been wonderful to see the creativity, enthusiasm and energy of the students in their fundraising efforts for Caritas. Events included water bombing a teacher, coin toss, sausage sizzles, cake sales, selling garlic bread, taping a teacher to a wall, selling icy cups and chocolate pong.

The total raised so far $4000! Well done!
FIFTH WEEK OF LENT PROJECT COMPASSION

FOCUS STORY

This year our Project Compassion theme is: A Just Future. Through your generous support of Caritas Australia you are empowering young people to build a just future for themselves, their families and their communities. In this 5th week of Lent we hear the story of Ditosa, who lives in Mozambique. She was first featured in Project Compassion 2013 when she was just 12 years old and had lost both her parents to AIDS-related illnesses.

Caritas Australia helped Ditosa, her aunt and her grandmother build a new home and assisted with transport, school materials and fees, to help Ditosa to stay at school. Ditosa has now graduated from school and hopes to go to university to become a police officer. She loved school and is ambitious for the future.

TERM 1 REPORTS

Term 1 student reports will be available on both Student Café and Parent Lounge from COB Thursday March 29th.

Term 1 reports include information in relation to:

- Persistence
- Preparedness
- Managing impulsivity
- General Academic progress

You are invited to attend the Parent Teacher interviews that will be held on Tuesday April 24th in the Emmaus College Hall, Yaamba Rd from 3:40 until 8:00pm. Bookings for these interviews can be made from Tuesday April 17th via SOBS.

NEW SENIOR SCHOOLING IN QUEENSLAND

As you would be aware, Year 11 students in 2019 will begin a new curriculum and assessment system in Queensland. Students graduating from Year 12 in 2020 will be eligible to receive an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank or ATAR. This replaces the current OP system. The new and revised curriculum and assessment is currently being developed with staff attending a range of professional development events and working together to prepare the new curriculum programs for January 2019. Below are links to resources on the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment website. We look forward to working with you in ensuring your student is prepared for the requirements of both current and future systems.
INTERACT CLUB
The Interact Club are busy assembling ‘Care Packs’ for deployed Australian troops. Staff and students kindly donated popular Aussie snacks and home comforts to send off to soldiers.

Gabby Devine and Ms Timlin putting together the ‘Care Packs’.

Ms Langley’s tute class hosting a sausage sizzle to raise money for Caritas.

The word “thanks” is a small word that is often so easy to forget in the hustle and bustle of lives. We all like to be thanked for the things we do. Saying thanks not only shows our gratitude to another but strengthens the connections within our relationships, be they family, friendships or community. Saying thanks is a gift; it makes us acknowledge the beauty of what we have been given through the love, kindness and support of others.

“The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.” 2 Corinthians

Vocalising our gratitude for the work and support we receive, when practised constantly, becomes a habit. A community that is supportive and thankful can only grow stronger. This is the bounty to be reaped from the sowing of gratitude as suggested in 2 Corinthians.

The end of term is also a time to reflect how we have travelled this part of our year’s journey. In particular, it is a time when we can reflect on the choices we have made this term and how they have affected our relationships, studies, goals and our spiritual selves.

Roy Bennet said: “Attitude is a choice. Happiness is a choice. Optimism is a choice. Kindness is a choice. Giving is a choice. Respect is a choice. Whatever choice you make, MAKES YOU. Choose wisely.”

A wise man Bennet hones in on the ultimate truth, we make the choices that dictate the sort of person we want to become. Our choices are ours to make and our choices affect others and how the world looks at us. Did our choices bring us stronger relationships, closer to our goals this term or closer to the person we want to be?

Easter is a time to reflect on ourthankfulness for the gift that is Christ alive in our world, Christ who lives on in us. We have so much to be thankful for.

May Easter bring you closer to each other and your God.
AUSTRALIAN JUNIOR ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Tiana Richards had some incredible results from The Australian Junior Athletics Championships in Sydney on the weekend.

She came away with 2 silver medals in the 90m Hurdles and the Javelin, a 4th in the 200m Hurdles and 2 5th’s in the Long Jump and the Triple Jump. The most amazing thing was that she did 5 Personal Bests.

SENIOR GIRLS WATER POLO TEAM

Congratulations to our Senior Girls Water Polo team who went into the Grand Final undefeated. The girls played well but went down to Grammar in a very close game.

Our Junior Mixed and Senior Boys also had a great season but narrowly missed out on the Finals.

GIRLS RUGBY UNION

Our Junior and Senior Girls Rugby Union teams both had great victories in their respective grand finals last Thursday night at Rugby Park with both teams winning their games and holding the trophy up high.

It was great to see so many girls get involved in a contact sport with some big hits and some great tries.
GIRLS BASKETBALL
Great win in the Junior A Grand Final by our girls beating RGS 53-14. Undefeated all term and all girls played well.

UNIVERSITY OPPORTUNITIES
INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIAN SCIENCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENTAL SCHOOL
The camp is designed to break down myths and barriers around attending university and build student’s aspirations. We encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to explore their post-school options and gain access to higher education. Our Indigenous Australian Science and Infrastructure Development School is a fully supervised five-day residential camp designed to inspire Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in Year 10, 11 and 12 to consider higher education studies.

The camp is held in Brisbane and all participants stay in safe and secure accommodation.

At the Science and Infrastructure Development School participants will meet current QUT students who did not consider university as an option for them. Participants will also have the opportunity to:

- experience university campus life
- visit ‘real-world’ work sites and meet industry professionals
- participate in interactive university faculty activities
- make new friends also considering university study
- do much more!

Who should attend the school?
Year 10, 11 and 12 students who identify as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander should apply. The camp is free for participant students. All travel, meals, accommodation and activities are covered as well.

Visit the Science and Infrastructure Development School website to find out more.
http://shoutout.wix.com/so/0LgXfwLb?cid=1154950d-d9fb-41c0-a7a7-91eb781b4aba#main

ADF GAP YEAR APPLICATIONS FOR 2019
ADF Gap Year applications for 2019 have opened. It’s a unique opportunity for students to try out a career in Navy, Army or Air Force and get a feel for a military life without committing for a longer period. Through an ADF Gap Year you’ll:

- Gain valuable skills and work experience
- Enjoy a great salary package plus free healthcare
- Live a varied, active and healthy lifestyle
- Make friends with like-minded people
- Get the opportunity to see more of Australia

In 2019 there are 14 roles to choose from ranging from admin to artillery and even flight crew, plus this year we’re offering 30 Army Officer roles - places are limited.

ADF Gap Year – Navy Closes 9 April 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Combat Engineer Closes 9 April 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Officer Closes 23 April 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Artillery Operator Closes 23 April 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Infantry Soldier Closes 14 May 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Driver Closes 21 May 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Administration Assistant Closes 21 May 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Warehouse Assistant Closes 21 May 2018
ADF Gap Year Army Air Defence Operator Closes 21 May 2018
ADF Gap Year Air Force Cabin Crew Closes 7 March 2018
ADF Gap Year Air Force Warehouse Storeperson Closes 28 May 2018
ADF Gap Year Air Force Aviation Support Technician Closes 28 May 2018
ADF Gap Year Air Force Base Protection and Security Closes 4 June 2018
ADF Gap Year Air Force Administration Assistant Closes 4 June 2018

QLD AGRICULTURAL TRAINING COLLEGES
Queensland Agricultural Training Colleges is pleased to provide details regarding our highly popular TASTE school holiday programs.
Queensland Agricultural Training Colleges runs The Agricultural Skills and Technology Experience (TASTE) during the July, September and December school holidays. The program is designed to help young people explore the many education and career options available in the rural sector.

TASTE participants will arrive at Emerald Agricultural College and during the week travel via bus to Longreach Pastoral College and return to Emerald Agricultural College at the end of the program.

02 – 06 July
24 – 28 September
03 – 07 December

More information HERE

ACT NOW!!

Program fee is $500 for 5 days of agricultural based activities. To receive an enrolment pack please advise your preferred TASTE program by replying to this email and we will email the enrolment pack to you.

To access these go to the library page –

The library page can be accessed by clicking on the library tab at the top of the intranet page.

http://oliver.emmaus.qld.edu.au/oliver/libraryHome.do

To access the library page from home -

http://emmaus.qld.edu.au/

• Select Login to Intranet
• Select the Library tab at the top of the page
• Log into Oliver (top right hand corner)
• Search for eBooks or Audiobooks

Enjoy 😊

The opening times for both libraries are 8:00am – 4:00pm Monday to Friday School Days

ACCESSING eBOOKS AND AUDIOBOOKS DURING THE EASTER BREAK

Students can access eBooks and Audiobooks on their laptop during the break.
OVERDUE LIBRARY RESOURCES FROM 2017

Overdue charges for outstanding items from 2017 have now been charged to Term 2 fees. If you have any questions regarding these charges please contact the Library on 49235731 (Main St.) or 49235781 (Yaamba Rd.) between 8.30am and 3.30pm Monday to Friday.

Have a safe and happy Easter break.

GIRLS IN TECH OPPORTUNITY

Are you a problem-solver? Do you think you can run a business of the future? Are you an amazing girl who has heaps to offer the world? Or are you a teacher (male or female) with an interest in entrepreneurship who wants to learn some skills to pass on to students at your school? Then this is for you.

The Tech Girls Movement is running a one-day entrepreneurship workshop, where you will identify a problem in the community to solve, design a solution, build a prototype of an app, and present a pitch of the idea to industry representatives. No experience? That’s ok! You will be taught everything you need to know on the day. This is an incredible opportunity.

The event is being hosted at Emmaus College, for the CQ STEM Hub, on Saturday April 14th, 2018. Register your interest here:

EDTECHTEAM GOOGLE SUMMIT

The 2nd Annual EdTechTeam Rockhampton Summit featuring Google for Education has launched! Emmaus College North Rockhampton Register NOW!!

ENROLMENTS

Enrolments for Term 2 are still available on all instruments. Interested students should fill out the online enrolment form found on at our website or collect one from the music block in the Performing Arts Building.

ENSEMBLES

All ensembles are now up and running on the following days:

- **Monday:**  
  - String Orchestra: 3:00pm - 4:30pm
- **Tuesday:**  
  - Concert Band: 3:00pm - 4:30pm
- **Wednesday:**  
  - Jazz Band: 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Please ensure your child can be collected promptly at the end of each rehearsal.

EISTEDDFOD

Eisteddfod preparation by our ensembles is now heavily underway. The Instrumental Section of the Eisteddfod is running from 18-22 May. More information will be available in early Term 2 regarding specific times and dates of performances. As 100% ensemble attendance is vital for this preparation, please advise the tutor of any absences prior to the rehearsals.

The draft timetable has now been published and ensemble times are as follows (DRAFT ONLY):

- **Monday 21 May 6:30pm:** Small Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Band
- **Tuesday 22 May 1:30pm:** String Orchestra
- **Tuesday 22 May 6:30pm:** Concert Band

Students should ensure they keep these dates free from work or other activities.

More information regarding these performances will be published early in Term 2.
COMMUNITY EVENTS & DATES

MONDAY MENS & WEDNESDAY JUNIOR SOCIAL

Every Week  
From 6pm to 7pm  
Only $10 each  
Cut off numbers at 25 players so please show up before 6pm to secure your spot.  

Capricorn Futsal, Berserker St State School - Venue

ROCKY RIVER RUN FLYER

ST MARY'S RACE DAY FLYER

CAPRICON – STEAMPUNK AND POP CULTURE CONVENTION

Saturday 7 April  
9am – 4pm  
Rockhampton Regional Library