A Mothers Day Creed

I believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God, who was born of the promise to a virgin named Mary.
I believe in the love Mary gave her Son that caused her to follow him in his ministry and stand by his cross as he died.
I believe in the love of all mothers, and its importance in the lives of the children they bear.
It is stronger than steel, softer than down, and more resilient than a green sapling on the hillside.
It closes wounds, melts disappointments, and enables the weakest child to stand tall and straight in the fields of adversity.
I believe that this love, even at its best, is only the shadow love of God,
a dark reflection of all that we expect of him in this life and the next.
And I believe that one of the most beautiful sights in the world is a mother who lets this greater love flow through her
to her child, blessing the world with the tenderness of her touch and the tears of her joy.
Thank God for mothers, and thank mothers for helping us understand God!

Dear Families

This week is Family Week. This is an initiative from Catholic Care and is celebrated each year to raise awareness and acknowledge the contribution of families to the community. The theme for this year is “It takes a village to raise a child”, emphasising the role of other agencies and individuals within the community who have a very real impact on the development of all of us. On Wednesday 13th May at 11:45am we will come together as a school community to celebrate Mass for all families within our community. We would love to have you join us for this if possible.

In the Church’s calendar May is traditionally the month which we particularly devote to Mary. From the few times Mary is mentioned in the Gospels, she shows all the marks of a loving and protective mother. It is therefore appropriate that during May we also celebrate Mother’s Day and acknowledge the care and devotion, not only of Mary, but also of our own mothers and other significant females in our lives, be they grandmothers, aunts or female friends. These women play a significant role in the lives of young children and families. Be they living or dead, present or absent, a mother shapes the life of all those she cares for and who they will eventually become. Mothers display many qualities such as loving, nurturing, protecting and providing for their families. This Mother’s Day, I hope we are able to take the time to reflect and give thanks for the gift of motherhood and to honour the place of motherhood in our own families. We hope all Mother’s also reflect on the goodness they provide to their families. Our Mothers Day breakfast will be held on Friday 8th May from 7:30am. A Mothers Day stall will also operate on Friday so children can buy gifts for significant females in their lives.

This year our Year 3 and Year 5 students will participate in NAPLAN assessments on May 12th, 13th & 14th. These national tests will assess student achievement in both Literacy and Numeracy.

- Literacy includes: Reading, Writing and Language Conventions (which is spelling, grammar and punctuation).
- Numeracy includes: Number, Algebra, Function and Pattern, Space and Measurement, Chance and Data.

An information sheet regarding NAPLAN has gone home to all families in Year 3 & 5. Children who have particular learning difficulties can be exempt from these assessments if their parents choose. If you have any questions regarding the NAPLAN tests, or about your child participating in these tests, please see your child’s classroom teacher. Results from these assessments will be available to parents, in print form, later in the year.

Have a great week

Carmel Marantelli
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Mass Times - St Catherine of Siena
Wednesday: 9.15am
Saturday Evenings: 6.00pm
Sunday Mornings: 9.00am & 11.00am

Reconciliation
Saturday: 5.30pm - 5.45pm

Mass Times - St Dominic’s
Tuesday Evening: 7.00pm
Thurs - Friday: 9.15am
Sunday: 5pm

School Term Dates 2015
Term 2
Monday, April 13– Friday, June 26
Term 3
Monday, July 13– Friday, September 18
Term 4
Monday, October 5–Friday, December 18

ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN FOR 2016
Enrolments for 2016 are now open - please pick up an Enrolment Form and Information Pack from the School Office.
We will be holding an Information Night for 2016 enrolments Tomorrow Wednesday, May 6th. The Information Session begins at 6.30
Additional School Tours:
This Thursday, May 7th at 9.15am & 10.00am Please contact the office to book a place for these tours.

Mothers Day Breakfast
All Mums are invited to attend our Mother’s Day Breakfast
Date: Friday, May 8th
Time: 7.30am
Place: School Hall
Cost: Gold coin Donation (Paid on the Day)

Mothers Day Stall
Children will have the opportunity to purchase Mother’s Day gifts this Friday, May 8th. Gifts will be priced between $1- $5. Please bring a bag to carry your gift.

Mothers Day Raffle
Raffle tickets have been sent home and are due back tomorrow, May 6th. Raffle tickets will also be available at both Mothers Day Breakfast and stall. Tickets are $1.00 each or $10.00 a book.

Mother’s Day Breakfast

Yes, I will be attending the Mother’s Day Breakfast on Friday 8th May
Name: ________________________________________
Number of Adults: ________________________________
Number of Children: _______________________________
Last Friday all of St Catherine students and staff had their Hand Prints done in our new landscaping area.
### 2015 Term 2 Calendar

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**Coming Soon St Catherine of Siena’s Annual Book Fair**

St. Catherine of Siena’s Annual Book Fair will be held in the Library / Learning Resource Centre during the last week of term 2.

More details to follow.

**CDF STUDENT BANKING**

Thursday is our banking day. Deposit books are to be handed in to class or the Office by 9.00am on banking day. Encourage your child to save by opening up a CDF Banking account.

Application forms are available from the Office

**OSHClub**

St. Catherine of Siena Outside School Hours Care

Program Contact Number: 0402 669 652
HEAD OFFICE CONTACT NUMBER: 03 8564 9000

**Cancellations**

1. OSHClub requires 24 hrs notice for cancellation of a booking or a medical certificate in the case of illness. If you provide either of these, you will receive a credit. If not supplied you will be charged for the session.
2. Credits will equal the full fees less your CCB.
3. How to cancel a booking
   1. Online (preferred method)- login to your account at www.oshclub.com.au and remove or change your booking.
   2. These changes take effect immediately.
   3. SMS- 0421 268 989 (SMS charge apply). This can take up 24 hours to process. Include the following details to ensure your request can be processed:
      Child’s name e.g. Scott & Katie Smith
      Service e.g. St. Catherines Primary School
      Session & Date you wish to cancel e.g.
      After Care on 15 Aug 2015

**Interschool Sports**

Interschool Sports will begin this Friday, May 8th at the following venues.

Football- Westlake Reserve : 11.30am-1.15pm
Netball- St Catherine of Siena : 11.30am-1.15pm
T-Ball- Wedge Park : 11.30am-1.15pm
ST CATHERINE OF SIENA PRIMARY SCHOOL  
- WINTER UNIFORM ORDER FORM -  
- Terms 2 & 3 -

Parent Name: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________
Child’s Name: ___________________________ Class: ___________________________

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**TOTAL ORDER AMOUNT**

Presentation of Uniform:
All students are expected to wear the prescribed school uniform, at all times.
Black shoes are to be worn daily, except on sports days - runners are to be worn.
Socks - navy.
Jewellery: a watch can be worn. Earrings are to be plain studs/small sleepers only.
Hair - long hair to be tied up in black/brown hair-tie, with or without a blue/yellow ribbon.
No Nail polish.

**UNIFORM SHOP IS OPEN EACH MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY MORNINGS BETWEEN 8.30AM - 9.00AM**
**PAYMENT BY CASH & PAID IN FULL AT TIME OF ORDER**
### Important When Ordering

- Please provide an adequate order with your child’s name, grade, and order written clearly in pen.

### Menu

#### Drinks
- Soft drinks - $0.60
- Water - $0.50

#### Snacks
- Chips - $1.20
- Cookies - $1.00
- Pre-frozen ice cream cones - $1.00
- Box of recess - $1.00
- Muffins - $1.00
- Bag of potatoes - $1.00

#### Hot Foods
- Mini meatloaf - $1.00
- Chicken nuggets - $1.00
- Fried rice - $1.00
- Sandwich - $1.50
- Chicken and noodles - $1.50
- Bag of chips - $1.00

#### Cold Foods
- Salad pack - $1.00
- Cheese and crackers - $1.00
- Fruits - $1.00

#### Special Dietary Needs
- Vegetarian options are available upon request. Please indicate any dietary restrictions when ordering.

### Catering
- Catering is open Monday to Friday for access and lunch orders.

### Contact Information
- Tel: [Contact Information]
- Email: [Email Address]