



# St Catherine of Siena

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## NEWSLETTER

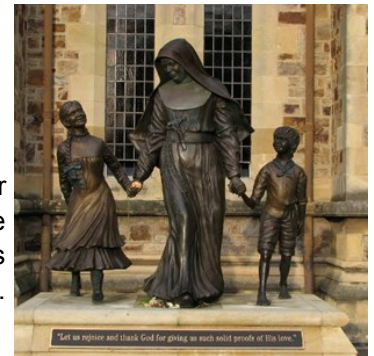
Term 3, Week 4

August 9th 2019

### *St Mary of the Cross Reflection*

Saint Mary of the Cross pray for us  
Trusting in God's loving care pray for us  
Responding to the Holy Spirit pray for us  
Accepting of the cross in life pray for us  
Saint Mary of the Cross intercede for us  
Living in simplicity pray for us  
Teaching God's little ones pray for us

Faithful to the will of God pray for us  
Knowing God's mercy pray for us  
Devoted to the Heart of Jesus pray for us  
Defending human dignity pray for us  
On our life's journey come to our aid  
Serving the neglected ones pray for us



Mary MacKillop reminds us that we are but travellers here in this world.

Let us pray: All Provident God, With grateful hearts we remember the power for goodness that Saint Mary of the Cross is for the people of Australia. As we celebrate her feast today, touch us anew with her spirit of charity and her generous participation in the mission of the Church. We ask this in the name Christ, the Lord. Amen.

Adapted from the 'Prayer for the Feast of Mary MacKillop', Sisters of St Joseph.

Dear Families,

This week we celebrated the Feast Day of Mary MacKillop - St Mary of the Cross. Mary was born on January 15, 1842 in Victoria and died in Sydney on August 8 1901. She was the eldest of eight children and at a young age worked to help support the family. When she was 24 she decided to dedicate her life to God and live a Religious life. She founded a school in Penola, South Australia, to educate poor, underprivileged children and, with Fr Tenison-Woods, she founded the Sisters of St Joseph.

During her life Mary faced hardship and opposition and was even excommunicated from the church for a period of time. Throughout all of this she showed compassion and forgiveness insisting that those who had made things difficult for her were not to be spoken ill of. She was a strong, determined woman who worked for the good of others. On 17 October 2010 Mary MacKillop was declared a Saint by Pope Benedict XVI and is now known as Saint Mary of the Cross.

Not only has Mary left us with her life as an example to follow, she has left us with a rich assortment of sayings which are still as relevant today as they were then. We could certainly do a lot worse than finding one or two of her sayings to live by. I have included a list of these in the newsletter for you.

Have a great weekend everyone.

Carmel Marantelli

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## *St Mary of the Cross Sayings*

### *Attitude Towards Others*

Try at least to excuse what you cannot understand and bear in mind that you have only to answer for your own faults. (1877)

Have patience with yourselves when you see that you have failed and patience with others when they seem to have done so. (1874)

Let us show love in our acts, bearing with one another. Forgiving and forgetting. (1890)

Many things we condemn are pleasing to God because God sees the motives. (1907)

Always remember to love one another. (1888) Do not be hasty in judging one another. (1878)

Try at least to excuse what you cannot understand. (1877)

Put kind constructions where you can and where you can't be silent. (1878)

Forgive from your heart everyone who has pained you. (1890)

Bear with one another, help one another. (1873)

Try to excuse what you cannot understand. (1877)

Bear in mind that you have only to answer for your own faults. (1874)

There must be gentleness towards the erring of others. (1871)

### *Attitude Towards Self*

Be calm and full of hope. (1871)

Let not your crosses make you unhappy. (1890)

We must look before us; do what we do well and refuse under taking too much. (1898)

Our courage needs to rise with difficulties and obstacles. (1890)

Let us all have courage. (1874)

Of ourselves we can never be sure that all that looks good is really so. (1875)

Never be ashamed of work done for God and for God's poor. (1874)

No duty is too little to be done well. (1873)

Be faithful in the least as well as the great. (1873)

Do all you can to work on in unity. (1882)

Let not weakness make you discouraged. (1876)

We must take things quietly and just do what our good God enables us to do. (1875)

No matter what your shortcomings you shall certainly succeed in the end. (1874)

When a duty is clear to me it must be done at any cost. (1899)

True happiness depends on ourselves not on those around us. (1907)

### *Attitude Towards God*

Prayer is our great weapon. (1907)

God will provide for the future. (1907)

God loves each one of us not withstanding our faults. (1874)

With God on our side what need we fear? (1890)

Lean more on God and less on ourselves. (1877)

Never is God nearer to us than when danger threatens. (1880)

If men and women forget, God does not. (1884)

Courage, trust in God who helps you in all things. (1874)

When I could not see my way God kept my heart full of trust to make all come right. (1874)

God's love is too deep for words to express. (1874)

God wants us to take fresh courage. (1877)

God understands us better than we understand ourselves or each other. (1877)

God helps us walk on water like St. Peter until he began to fear. (1890)

I can never think of God but as one of such tenderness that cannot be cast off. (1890)

### *Other Sayings*

We must teach more by example than by word. (1867)

Gratitude is the memory of the heart. (1907)

There where you are you will find God. (1871)

So great is the strength we possess in our unity. (1874)

Keep your mind in peace whatever happens. (1890)

Let us never admit grades of distinctions we are all humble followers of Christ.

Be eager in your desires but patient in their accomplishment.

Never see a need without trying to do something about it.



Circle Time has been part of our Social and Emotional learning for a couple of years now. This week I visited 1F and witnessed how Mrs Tuckerman and the Year 1 children use Circle Time in their classroom.

**During Literacy** the children were reading Picture Story Books and identifying with the character. The children used Circle Time to share their responses with their classmates. This enabled them all to share their ideas and to learn from each other in developing vocabulary.



**In the morning** 1F use Circle Time to greet each other in a different way. Some mornings it might be a high 5, it might be saying “good morning” or “hello” in a different voice or language. Next week the children will be using sign language to say “Good Morning”. I am looking forward to witnessing this. This provides a safe environment for children to communicate with each other. Thank you 1F for sharing your Circle Time with our school community.

## The purpose and benefits of Circle Time



Research indicates that schools that focus on building and maintaining relationships and a sense of belonging, and are explicit in their expectations in regards to relationships, behaviour and learning outcomes are safer and more productive.



Circle Time is a positive strategy focussed on building of a sense of belonging for all students.

## The purpose and benefits of Circle Time

- Circle Time helps build relationships.
- Encourages children to
  - : listen with understanding
  - : tune into feelings
  - : share opinions
  - : begin to see the world from another’s viewpoint.
- develops a more supportive class ethos
- increases social and emotional skills for all children
- increases connectedness, resilience and well-being

*Kristie Browning*

*Wellbeing and Learning Diversity Leader*

### Parish Of Melton Office

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Office Open: Tuesday - Friday 9am - 3pm

### Mass Times - St Catherine of Siena

**Wednesday:** 9.15am

**Tuesday Evening:** 7.00pm

**Saturday Evening:** 6.00pm

**Sunday Morning:** 9.00am & 11.00am

**Sunday Evening:** 5pm

### Reconciliation

**Saturday :** 5.30pm- 5.45pm

### Mass Times - St Dominic's

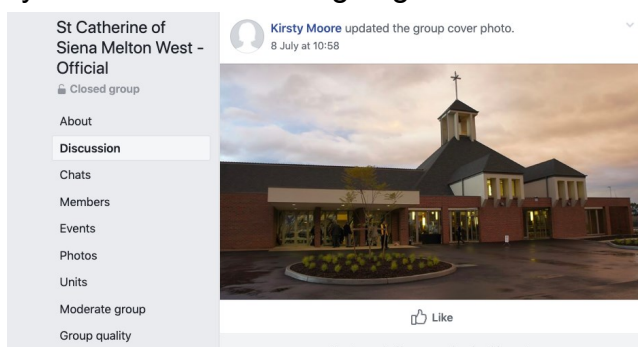
**Thursday - Friday :** 9.15am



### Our Facebook Group in LIVE!

Search for 'St Catherine of Siena Melton West - Official'

Join today, answer some simple questions and stay in touch with what's going on at school.



All families have received information regarding the St Catherine of Siena Facebook Group via Care Monkey. Please ensure you have read these forms and they are responded to ASAP.

## St Catherine of Siena Parents and Friends Association



### Father's Day Raffle

Tickets \$1.00 each (10 per book)

Tickets due back Friday,  
23rd August 2019

\*Raffle will be drawn Friday,  
30th August 2019



### Father's Day Stall



**FRIDAY, 30th August 2019**

Gifts are priced between \$1.00 and \$4.00

Please bring along a plastic bag to put your gifts in

\*Children will have the opportunity to purchase 1 - 2 gifts

### Father's Day Breakfast

Please join us at our Annual Father's Day Breakfast on **Friday, 30th August at 7.30am**. Come along and enjoy a BBQ breakfast with your children before school starts! (Please bring a gold coin donation for breakfast).



### **APPLICATIONS FOR CRC MELTON YEAR 7, 2021 CLOSE 23 AUGUST 2019**

Enrolment Applications for Year 7, 2021 close on *Friday, 23rd August 2019*. All families will be required to attend an interview with their Parish Priest. We ask that all interviews with Father Michael be completed by Friday, 6 September so that applications can be considered for a letter of offer. Applicants will be notified by mail of the result of their application by Friday, 18th October.

**REMEMBER – All applications received after *Friday, 23rd August 2019* or those that have not seen Father Michael may result in a student being placed on the waiting list.**

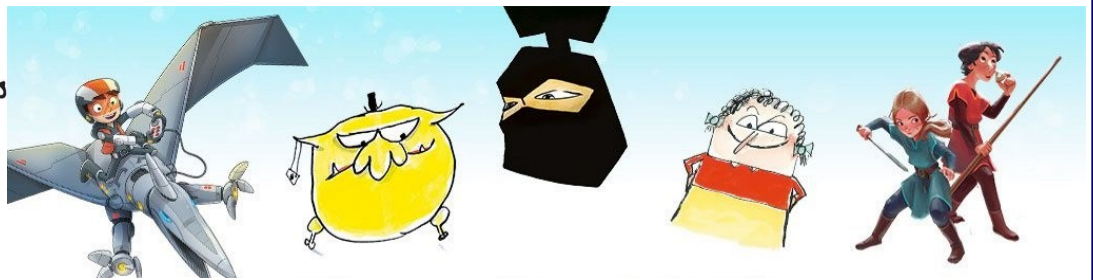




# Children's Book Week at St Catherine of Siena

This year our Annual Book Week celebration will run from Monday, 19th August to Friday, 23rd August. The theme for Book Week is 'Reading is my Secret Power'.

Please join us in celebrating Book Week on Friday, 23rd August for our Dress Up Parade. The parade will begin at 9:15am and children are encouraged to come dressed up ready to showcase their secret power or they can come dressed as their favourite book character.



**\*\* We would love to see family and friends there to celebrate and have fun with us \*\***

*Any questions about this day please speak to your child's teacher.*



Reading is my  
**SECRET POWER**

CBCA Book Week  
17-23 August 2019  
#CBCA2019



# CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the following children who all received a class award this and last week.  
Awards for this week will be presented on Monday at our morning assembly.

Keep up the terrific effort!!

Prep A - Emma McIntyre	3N - Dominic Abraham
Prep B - Anna Kakinda	4Q - Veronica Abela
Prep C - Lilyana Zammit	4S - Kristian Sare
Prep D - Jayden Rodrigo	4U - Annalee Torney
1E - Owen Maguire	5R - Ruby Barnett Tonna
1F - Christian Tuason	5T - Liam Walker
1H - Summer-Jade Kors	5V - Ayuen Majok
2G - Matti Babawi	6M - Sienna Farley
2I - Vee Schwartz	6O - Holly Carl
2J - Nicholas Bigeni	6P - Naomi Vassallo-Grant
3K - Leila Eckardt	LoTe - Class 5T
3L - Santino Mabok	

## Term 3, 2019

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
12 Week 5 *MPSSA District Athletics - Track Events	13 *MPSSA District Athletics - Field Events	14 *Class Mass Yr 5 & Yr 6 @ 9:15am	15 *Feast of the Assumption Mass @ 11:45am	16 *Yr 2 CRC Melton Science Lesson *Yr 4 STEM Park excursion	17	18
19 Week 6 *Book Week	20	21 *Class Mass Yr 3 & Yr 6 @ 9:15am	22	23 *Book Week Parade @ 9:15am	24 *Confirmation Presentation Mass	25 *Confirmation Presentation Masses
26 Week 7	27 *AFL 9's Yr 3/4 Girls	28 *Class Mass Yr 6 @ 9:15am	29	30 *Father's Day Breakfast *Footy Colours Day *Father's Day Stall	31	1 September
2 Week 8	3	4 *Class Mass Yr 3 & Yr 6 @ 9:15am	5 *MPSSA Yr 5/6 Basketball *Confirmation Reflection Night @ 7pm	6	7	8
9 Week 9 *Parent/Teacher Interviews 8:00am - 8:30am	10 *Parent/Teacher Interviews 8:00am - 8:30am	11 *Parent/Teacher Interviews 8:00am - 8:30am *Class Mass Yr 6 @ 9:15am	12 *Parent/Teacher Interviews 1:30pm - 8:00pm	13	14	15
16 Week 10	17	18 *Class Mass Yr 6 @ 9:15am	19 *School Disco	20 *Last Day Term 3 - Students Dismissed @ 1:30pm	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

# St. Catherine of Siena OSHClub

**OUTCOME 3: Wellbeing – Children can take increasing responsibility for their own health and physical wellbeing.**

\*\*\*Please remember to use our website, [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au) to book your child in and update your bookings for each session\*\*\*

Across this week the children have had a wonderful time further exploring their love of trains! The children were busy making trains and train carriages, conductors or drivers and their very own train tracks! Our favourite games this week have been our OSHClub Clubs and Chinese Walls.

Children can ONLY ATTEND when and if they have an ENROLMENT for completed by the parents! Please don't forget our Vacation Care Programs. To book, visit [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au) Have a great Holidays!

Just a friendly reminder of the importance of signing your child in to OSHClub. Knowing that your child is safe and looked after is on the forefront of every parents' mind, and, having them booked in to OSHClub so that our program staff are aware they need to be here is very important in this process. Please use our website or give the program a call if you require care on the day or even visit our friendly staff!

Please note our Before School Care program begins each morning at 6.50am. Please ensure, if you haven't already, that you create a FREE OSHClub account by visiting our website [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au).

**\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*** Please ensure you or any of your emergency contacts bring in your I.D and mobile phone if you are new to the service. We need to verify who you are, if you are new to the service, for the safety of your children.

## OSHClub St. Catherine's Melton Team

**FRIENDLY REMINDERS:** If you need to cancel ASC please do on the internet by 3:15pm on the day before, send us a text on: 0408 477 328 or pop in to let staff know you are collecting your child so that we know where the children are. **There is a \$1/minute fee for each child that is picked up after 6:30pm.**

### Week 5 Term 3 Activities

DAY	BSC	ASC
MONDAY 12.08	Dinosaur Eggs Silent Ball	Dinosaur Eggs Chinese Wall
TUESDAY 13.08	Dinosaur Drawing Minuit Mime	Dinosaur Drawing Tap Tap Ball
WEDNESDAY 14.08	Dinosaur Eggs Night at The Museum	Dinosaur Eggs Hospital Tag
THURSDAY 15.08	Pin the Tail on The Dinosaur Tap Tap Ball	Pin the Tail on the Dinosaur Jump the Creek
FRIDAY 16.08	Dinosaur Dig Simon Says	Dinosaur Dig Simpsons

### Week 5 Term 3 Menu

BSC	ASC
Children have a self-serve breakfast consisting of wholemeal bread, basic cereals (corn flakes, rice puffs and weet bix), fresh milk, soy milk etc.	Cheese Toasties
<b>NOTE:</b> All after care meals are served with a range of fresh seasonal fruit and vegetables.	Mac and Cheese
	Vegemite Scrolls
	Chicken Two Minute Noodles
	Crackers and Dip

**The memories we've made at  
St. Catherine's Melton  
OSHClub 😊**



**We enjoy building things outside.**



**We love playing on the different play equipment.**



**We love playing ball games! Football and Soccer are our favourites.**