When Francis said, after kissing the leper, “I left the world,” he was saying that he was giving up on the usual payoffs, constraints, and rewards of business-as-usual and was choosing to live in the largest Kingdom of all.

To pray and actually mean “thy Kingdom come,” we must also be able to say “my kingdoms go.” At best, most Christians split their loyalties between God and Caesar, but Francis and Clare did not. Their first citizenship was always, and in every case, elsewhere, which paradoxically allowed them to live in this world with joy, detachment, and freedom (see Philippians 3:20).

When you agree to live simply, you put yourself outside of others’ ability to buy you off, reward you falsely, or control you by money, status, salary, punishment, and loss or gain. This is the most radical level of freedom, but, of course, it is not easy to come by. Francis and Clare had little to lose, no desire for gain, no loans or debts to pay off, and no luxuries that they needed or wanted. Most of us can only envy them.

Richard Rohr

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back! We are pleased to report a smooth start to the term. It was such a pleasure to welcome the children back to school.

Term four is such a great term with much scheduled to take place. While we have events, it is important to note that teaching and learning continue unabated! There is plenty to do, and do well.

Here’s to an enjoyable term ahead.

Best wishes
Mark de Kluver
Principal
**SCHOOL UNIFORMS**

The children have begun the school term looking smart in their summer uniforms. Thank you to the parents who have already addressed the issue of their children wearing various bright coloured sports runners. If you haven’t as yet been able to purchase the correct (mainly white) runners for your child would you be able to do this as soon as possible. Thank you for your cooperation.

Would you also please ensure that all your children’s items are clearly marked with their name so that we don’t end up with a pile of lost property this term.

*Bro Stephen Barker OSM*
*Assistant Principal/ Pastoral Care*

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**SICK CHILDREN**

With the recent wider community outbreak of gastro we ask that if your child is presenting with symptoms, that you keep them away from school until they are better. As a general rule, children should not return to school for at least 24 hours after they have last been physically ill. Your help will minimise the spread of illness. We don’t want a repeat of last term.

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

What a great start to Term 4! We have new displays and lots of new books to keep you busy. Come and see the amazing dioramas made in Science by our clever Year 1s! Huge congratulations to the winners from the Senior Chess Tournament which played right up until the last day of Term 3. Ben Giumenti won the Tournament with Lucinda Tassone and Jake Marshall in 2nd and 3rd places. A presentation will be made to all 6 champions from the Junior and Senior Tournaments at assembly next Friday, 21 October. Well done to all of you!

*Mrs Butson*

“Everyone is a reader. Some just haven’t found their favourite book yet”

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**UNIFORM SHOP**

Normal opening hours:
**Monday 8:30am - 9:15am - Thursday 8:30am - 9:15am**

The uniform shop is not open during the holidays or on PD days.

Click [here](#) for order form or utilise the forms available from the School Office. Orders can be left in the Office, or emailed to Zerk.Susanne@cathednet.wa.edu.au at the Uniform Shop. These will be delivered to your child’s classroom, once payment is successful.

*Susanne Zerk - Uniform Shop Coordinator*

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**PARENT INFORMATION SESSION TWO:**

Tuesday the 25th of October (Week 3), 2:30pm in the staffroom.

'Parent Information Session Two' will showcase some of the fantastic work being done around our school in ICT. Teachers from a variety of year groups will show work samples and short presentations to keep parents informed and up to date on how the technology is being integrated across the curriculum. We would love to see as many parents as possible!

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**GROUNDS UPDATE**

The building for the nursing home next door has begun. Children have been fascinated at the size of the machinery and what it can do! The process we understand will continue for all of next year.

The parish have just received permission to build the new presbytery and parish centre next door, so that build will commence in the next couple of months and run for around the first half of next year.

The long cold winter took its toll on our grassed areas. This issue has been evident at a number of schools with high traffic areas. In our case, major work has been undertaken on our grassed areas, with the Dominican Playground cored, for the second time this year. The entire oval has been cored as well. The laying of new grass in the goal areas in both playgrounds has also been completed. All of the grass has been fertilized too, and most of the Dominican playground has been reopened.
COMMUNITY NOTICES

https://www.trybooking.com/MWLF
Keyed Up Music will be running keyboard and guitar lessons again in Term 4 after school at Holy Rosary. We run group lessons starting from $15.45 plus GST per lesson. To enrol, go to www.keyedupmusic.com.au/enrolment-form

Superfood for the Soul: If your soul could do with a dose of superfood, the Centre for Faith Enrichment is for you! Check out the wide range of online and face-to-face courses and events on offer by visiting www.cfe.org.au. ALL are welcome (you don’t have to be Catholic), there are no exams or assignments, and the environment is always relaxed and friendly.

Summer will soon be here – enrol now for swimming lessons
Enrolments for December/January lessons are now open. It is important for every child to learn vital swimming and water safety skills. VacSwim offers affordable school holiday swimming lessons run by qualified instructors at a range of locations throughout the state.
For further information and online enrolments visit education.wa.edu.au/swimming

FATHER PETER’S JUBILEE OF PRIESTHOOD!

Sunday’s celebrations went really well. Many were there to celebrate Father Peter’s important milestone. We are very fortunate to have a priest of his caliber and commitment here. Congratulations!!

GYM FLOOR RESEALED – AGAIN!

The gym floor, resealed earlier in the year, was damaged, and we received funds to have it done again. Sincere thanks to our P&F President Simon Devlin who made all the arrangements for the company doing the work to do the job over the holidays.

SNACK-E-TERIA

Mon 17 Oct  C Stevenson, L Williams
Wed 19 Oct   A Alsworth, F Fernandes, T Johnston
Fri 21 Oct    C Byrnes, M Della Franca, K Lockyer

Click here for summer menu.
Leanna 0414 953 958

P & F NEWS

Holy Rosary Community Food and Wine Fair
This is a free event presented by the P&F for all staff and school families, their extended families and Parish members.

Details: Saturday 29 October from 3pm-7pm on the school oval. For further details click here.

We have some fantastic food vendors and kids entertainment booked and the P&F will organise a fully licenced cash bar.

Shortly, we will be asking for volunteers for various tasks to enable this great event to take place within our community. This will include a roster for the bar and children’s entertainment, setting up and packing away.

Thank you for your assistance so far this year. Any questions please email us at holyrosaryhelpers@gmail.com

Thanks,
P&F Committee
Parents and Friends of Holy Rosary School

are invited to attend

a special Mass to celebrate the

800th Anniversary of the Dominican Order

at

10:00am

on

Thursday 27 October 2016

Our Lady of the Rosary Church

We will be joined by a number of our Dominican Sisters, as well as representatives from several metropolitan schools started by the Dominican Order