I include the following message from our Canonical Administrator Fr Andrew Wise who will be leaving the Parish of St Agatha’s Cranbourne at the end of this year. Fr Wise has been an integral part of the planning and expansion of St. Peter’s College into Cranbourne East as well the establishment of the forthcoming new parish St Thomas the Apostle. He has worked tirelessly and with great passion to ensure that the needs of Catholic families in this large parish have been catered for both educationally and spiritually. On behalf of this community I thank him and wish him well on his new appointment as the Dean of St Mary’s Cathedral in Sale.

A MESSAGE FROM FR. WISE

Dear Parishioners

Last Wednesday Bishop Prowse announced new clergy appointments for the Diocese of Sale. He has appointed me Dean of St. Mary’s Cathedral in Sale. I did not ask to move parishes as I have always been happy at St. Agatha’s. At the same time I have always sought to be open to whatever the Bishop asks of me. Bishop Prowse has appointed Fr. John Allen, currently at Narre Warren, as the new Parish Priest of St. Agatha’s. I shall miss our Parish and its school communities very much however since these clergy moves don’t take effect till January 19th at least there will be the opportunity for some adjustment and proper farewells.

Please pray for me as I do for you!
Fr. Andrew Wise PP

VALEDICTORIAN MEDAL WINNER

Congratulations to Clare Ziino who was awarded the St. Peter’s College Valedictorian Medal for 2010 in recognition of her work with special needs students at the college. Clare has played a key role in changing our approach to special needs students at St Peter’s through her role as an advocate on their behalf and as an educator for staff so that we are better prepared as teachers to meet their needs. We have a fantastic reputation in the local community for our care of special needs students and I attribute this to our dedicated teachers, our teacher aids and Clare’s leadership.

SPEECH NIGHT

I look forward to meeting many of our families at Speech Night tonight. Please come a little early to view the magnificent Art and Technology work from our students that will be on display in the foyer of the Frankston Cultural Centre. Speech Night is an opportunity to reflect on the wonderful achievements of our student body, a direct result of their hard work and dedication over the course of this year. It is also a time to celebrate and give thanks for being part of this wonderful community.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS AND THE STATE ELECTION

Catholic education has achieved bi-partisan support for fair funding for Catholic schools at 25% of the cost of education in a government school. Regardless of who wins the election on 27 November, Catholic education will receive increased state government funding that recognises the contribution of Catholic schools across Victoria.

You may familiarise yourself with other issues in relation to education policies by visiting the websites of the political parties listed below.

ALP www.alpvictoria.com.au
Liberal Party ww.liberalvictoria.org.au
Nationals www.vicnats.com
Greens vic.greens.org.au
DLP www.dlp.org.au
Family First www.vic.familyfirst.org.au

Tim Hogan
PRINCIPAL
STUDENTS LEAVING THE COLLEGE

Could parents of students not returning to St Peter’s College in 2011 please complete a Student Exit Form as soon as possible. This information will allow us to respond to students currently on our waiting lists particularly at Years 8, 9 & 10 for 2011. Student Exit Forms are available from the College Office. Thank you for your assistance.

Kelley Cooper
REGISTRAR

Christmas Cards on Sale

During this term, St Peters will be selling Christmas Cards as part of a fundraiser for the Parents and Friends Association.

The cards will be sold in packs of 10 (with 5 original designs) and will cost $5 per pack. Each card will be designed by St Peter’s Students.

As you plan your Christmas presents over the next month or so, keep an eye out for the St Peters Cards that will be on sale at reception.

YR 10 PARENTS AND STUDENTS

Yr 10 students received a letter last Friday regarding the details for the Yr 11 Formal 2011. It will be held on Saturday 12th February in the College Hall. This function is a fabulous way to formally celebrate the beginning of the students’ VCE studies. 3 tickets are allocated per family (student plus 2 parents). Please see the letter for more details. It is expected that a student will attend with at least one parent – students are not permitted to attend on their own. Any further enquiries can be directed to the Yr 11 Coordinator.

Ms Gina Goss
YR 11 COORDINATOR

YR 11 PARENT AND STUDENTS

The Yr 11 students have been working extremely well in their first two weeks of Yr 12 classes and I congratulate them on a fantastic start to their Yr 12 studies. A reminder that this Friday 26th is a compulsory day for all Yr 11 students with our final Liturgy and Assembly. Lunch will be provided and students will be dismissed at 1.00pm.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the students and their parents for a productive and eventful year, and wish you all the best for the Christmas break!

Regards Ms Gina Goss
YR 11 COORDINATOR

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SPORTING NEWS

JUNIOR GIRLS SIS SOCCER

Once again the Junior girls soccer team triumphed over the opposition. This time the girls travelled to Beaconhills and came away with the win. The St Peters team started the match slowly and were behind 2-0 in the first few minutes of play. But strong running by Samantha Galik and Alesha Pallant soon brought the scores back to even at the half time break. Goals to Tahlia Stoll and Linh Nguyen in the second half put the result beyond doubt. The final score of the match was a 4-2 win to St Peters College. Congratulations to all of the girls on a fine team effort.

Goal Scorers: Linh Nguyen 2, Alesha Pallant 1, Tahlia Stoll 1.
Best players: Bianca Hawkins, Paris Magius, Claudia Parisi and Samantha Galik

Cathy Heijden
COACH

JUNIOR BOYS SOCCER VS BEACONHILLS

With 3 games gone and lessons learned in all, the team were sent out for their penultimate fixture with no more excuses for what looked to be an even contest on paper. The opposition’s best player soon became apparent and Wennholz was swiftly given his now customary marking role; managing to limit the damage inflicted to one goal. With the opposing coach’s Scouse accent (“calm down, calm down”, “alright, eh, eh, eh” - not sure how many readers will be familiar with the Harry Enfield characters!) drifting to meet my Yorkshire tones, one could have been mistaken for being on the terraces at Anfield or Fortress Elland Road (yes, the mighty Leeds are on the march back to the Premiership). A predatory Legaie strike levelled the scores but while the team were still celebrating (we’re not used to being on equal terms except at kick off!) we conceded to find ourselves 2-1 down. With DeBaize then winning the “miss of the season” contest (an open goal from about 2 metres out) and Faamasuli providing a comedy moment by turning a complete 360 degrees then falling over and losing the ball without an opposition player in sight, the game was brought to an end by Ref. Parton. Another defeat, albeit by only one goal, left the team (and coach) somewhat deflated. The disappointing aspect was that, while the effort of all the players cannot be faulted, this was a game we should have won. The squad have one final home game to try and secure an elusive first victory but with Chairman DeGoldi on the warpath (about both the results and the state of the changing rooms after the game), team selection remains undecided.

Mr Broadley
COACH

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ST. AGATHA’S NEWS

MASS OF THE ANGELS: A very special “Mass of the Angels” will be held for all those who have suffered the loss of a child in the womb or in infancy this Thursday 25th November at 7.30pm, followed by light refreshments.

OUR HOLY FATHER POPE BENEDICT has called for a Vigil for protection of every human life called into existence on Saturday 27th November. He writes “The purpose of this vigil is to thank the Lord for His total self-giving to the world and for His Incarnation which gave human life its real worth and dignity and to invoke the Lord’s protection over every human being called into existence.” A special rosary will be prayed on Saturday 27th November at 6.40pm before the 7pm Vigil Mass. We will be also especially praying for these intentions at our Mass of the Angels this Thursday at 7.30pm.

ADVENT PROGRAM: This year for our Advent Program we will be running small group discussions on the Bishop’s Pastoral Letter – “Finding Home in Jesus”. The program will run for 4 weeks starting this week. If you are interested in joining a group please place your name & phone number on the clipboards in the foyer and you will be contacted with further details.

ADVENT WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP this Thursday 25th November at 9.15am in the Hall for you to make your own from fresh native flora, which can be watered and kept fresh. Cost $6 (or $5 if you bring your own plate - 30cm diameter).

THE CATHOLIC FACTOR: The last talk “The Mass” will be held this Thursday at 7.30pm in the hall. All Welcome!

ZUMBA NIGHT: A World Youth Day fundraiser. Please help send our youth to Madrid; come join us for Zumba Night. We promise you a fun-filled night with “Minute to Win It games” and something to keep both adults and kids busy! Come dressed up to Zumba those calories away on 3rd December at 7pm in the Parish hall! Tickets $6 each or $10 for two! Enter our competition in the foyer to guess the amount of lollies in the jar – 3 guesses for $2.

Greg Nelson
ST. AGATHA’S PARISH REPRESENTATIVE

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

On Sunday the Church celebrated the Feast of Christ The Universal King. Next Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent. The feast of the Kingship of Christ brings us to the quiet anticipation of Advent. In the coming weeks each of the year levels 7-11 will celebrate a final liturgy for the year. As always our liturgies will include an element of service to those in need. Particularly at this time, when we look at our selves and how the year has gone for us, it is good to ask in what ways we have grown in relationship with God.

The concept of following Christ who is presented as “King” can be difficult for people. However, when we consider the focus of Scripture for the mass on Sunday things start to come a little clearer. As Jesus is led to his crucifixion he is mocked, the name of king is used to ridicule him. As they began ripping his clothes from him, he said ‘Father forgive them; they do not know what they are doing.’ The model of Kingship in Jesus is not that of a self interested tyrant; nor is it of a high living aloof creature of comfort. Throughout his earthly life Jesus is concerned to maintain his loving relationship with his father and to spread the “Good News” of new and everlasting life for all. He was concerned that people came to know of the unconditional love that their creator has for them. Jesus told people that they had a great worth in the eyes of God and no person can take that from them; we all share in the dignity of the children of God.

When then does this loving King with his talk of selflessness and human dignity fit in to what has become a tradition in the western world “Schoolies week?” Even if one was to remove any religious considerations from this annual travesty it would be nigh on impossible to list any benefits to those taking part. The pressure on families to capitulate, despite quite proper misgivings is huge. Students begin planning for this event well ahead and they do not consider that anyone would or should object to this, after all “everyone goes”. Of course, like it or not, this annual debacle is sanctioned by society (by us) as a “reward” for working hard to get a good education. It is built on the fairly wobbly assumption that school leavers all know what is best for them, that is, a place largely unsupervised where overindulgence in alcohol is the norm and exposure to a drug culture and alcohol fuelled violence etc. Personally, I would not be sorry to see this “tradition” sink slowly into the sunset. Next Sunday the Gospel urges us to “Stay Awake!” that means being aware of both what we do and what we permit. Let us pray for the strength and guidance we need to do this.

Prayer For Guidance

Lord grant me your peace,
for I have made peace with what does not give peace, and I am afraid.

Drive me deep now
To face myself so I may see that what I truly need to fear is my capacity to deceive and willingness to be deceived.

Lord grant me your peace.

Instill in me such fear of you as will begin to make me wise, And such quiet courage as will enable me to begin
To make hope visible and myself open and present to other people
And your Kingdom. Amen

Deacon Tony Aspinall
COLLEGE CHAPLAIN