



## ST. PETER'S COLLEGE



**BLESSING & OFFICIAL OPENING**

**CRANBOURNE EAST CAMPUS**

**24 FEBRUARY 2012**

## **THE OFFICIAL PARTY**

Most Rev. Bishop Christopher Prowse D.D.

Mr Anthony Byrne M.P.

Rev. Fr Denis O'Bryan P.P. Canonical Administrator

Mr Peter Ryan Director of Catholic Education Diocese of Sale

Mr Robert Carboon Chairperson College Board of Management

Mr Tim Hogan Principal

Mr James Roberts Head of Campus

Skye Brennan College Captain

Tyson Tifere College Captain

## **PROCEEDINGS**

Mrs Elizabeth Hanney welcomes guests and the Official Party.

## **LITURGY OF BLESSING AND DEDICATION BISHOP PROWSE**

Introduction:

Bishop Prowse: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

All: Amen

Bishop Prowse: May God, the source of all wisdom Christ the Lord, his Word incarnate, and the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Truth, be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Bishop Prowse: Lord, may the knowledge which will be taught at St. Peter's College bring us closer to you and each other. We ask this through Christ the Lord.

All: Amen.

## **A READING FROM THE LETTER OF ST PAUL**

### **TO THE PHILIPPIANS 4:6-9**

Mr James Roberts: May the peace of God guard your hearts and your thoughts. There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

This is the word of the Lord.

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM – AMANDA HAJJ LITURGY CAPTAIN**

- R: Give peace, O Lord,  
To those who wait for you.
1. I rejoiced when I heard them say:  
'Let us go to God's house.'  
And now our feet are standing  
within your gates, O Jerusalem. R.
  2. Jerusalem is built as a city  
strongly compact.  
It is there that the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the Lord. R.
  3. For Israel's law it is,  
There to praise the Lord's name.  
There were set the thrones of judgement  
of the house of David. R
  4. For the peace of Jerusalem pray:  
'Peace be to your homes!  
May peace reign in your walls,  
in your palaces, peace!' R.

## **GOSPEL – FR DENIS O'BRYAN**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 13:44-46

*He sells everything he owns and buys the field.*

Jesus said to the crowds: "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

## **HOMILY – BISHOP PROWSE**

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Fr O'Bryan: Let us bring our prayers to the Lord in faith and trust at this time of commencement of this campus.

Robert Carboon: Give wisdom and strength to our Holy Father Pope Benedict. May he guide your people with faith and with love. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Marjorie Canal: Lord, as your children we pray that the example of our lives may persuade others that it is better for humankind to love than to hate, to be generous rather than selfish, to forgive rather than to bear grudges. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Ken Barnes: We ask you, Lord, to bless all those who have contributed to establishing this school for us: especially the members of the Board, the Catholic Education Office, the Australian Government, the Architect, the builders, the people of our parishes, the friends of the school, our parents and all the staff. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Tais Lildaree: Lord, may we make the most of the educational opportunities You have given us. May we serve each other better and help to bring the Kingdom of God to this community. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Rebecca Crozier: Father, we ask you to bless the staff and students who occupy these buildings. May they be moved by your Spirit to be not afraid of the challenges that are presented to them. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Fr O'Bryan: God our Father, hear the prayers of your people and guide our students as they come to know you through their journey of faith in this place. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

All: Amen.

## BLESSING

Bishop Prowse: Peace be to this house.

All: And to all who use it.

Bishop Prowse: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

All: Who made heaven and earth.

Bishop Prowse: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Bishop Prowse: Lord God Almighty, in your kindness hear our prayers. We dedicate these buildings to the education of youth, to the process of the sciences, technology and to learning. Make them become a centre where students and teachers, imbued with the words of truth, will search for the wisdom that guides the Christian life and strive wholeheartedly to stand by Christ as their teacher, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Bishop Prowse: May these buildings be always used in the tradition of our patron St Peter to proclaim the good news of our Lord Jesus Christ.

May they serve well the aims of this College in educating the whole person, spiritually, academically and physically.

All: Amen.

## **BLESSING OF NEW BUILDINGS**

### **VOCAL GROUP “BE NOT AFRAID” & “AMAZING GRACE”**

#### **CONCLUDING RITE**

Bishop Prowse: May the all-knowing God, who is Lord, show us his ways; may Christ's eternal Wisdom, teach us the words of truth; may the Holy Spirit, the blessed light, always enlighten our minds, so that we may learn what is right and good and in our actions carry out what we have learned.

All: Amen

Bishop Prowse: And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come upon you and these buildings and remain with us forever.

All: Amen

#### **OFFICIAL OPENING**

##### **MASTER OF CEREMONY**

**MRS ELIZABETH HANNEY – DEPUTY PRINCIPAL**

##### **THE NATIONAL ANTHEM**

**ISABELLE BANGARD & GABRIELLE HARRISON**

**ACCOMPANIED BY MR FRANK CARTER**

Australians all let us rejoice,  
For we are young and free,  
We've golden soil and wealth for toil,  
Our home is girt by sea;  
Our land abounds in nature's gifts  
Of beauty rich and rare;  
In history's page, let every stage  
Advance Australia fair.

Beneath our radiant Southern Cross  
We'll toil with hearts and hands,  
To make this commonwealth of ours  
Renowned of all the lands,  
For those who've come across the seas  
We've boundless plains to share,  
With courage let us all combine  
To advance Australia Fair.

**ADDRESS: MR PETER RYAN  
DIRECTOR OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION DIOCESE OF SALE**

**ADDRESS: MR ANTHONY BYRNE REPRESENTING THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.**

Bishop Prowse and Mr Byrne unveil the plaque acknowledging the Blessing and Official Opening.

**VOTE OF THANKS: MR TIM HOGAN - PRINCIPAL**

**TOUR OF NEW FACILITY WITH OFFICIAL PARTY :  
MR JAMES ROBERTS – HEAD OF CAMPUS**

**“AVERAGE GUY” TAYLOR PIGGOTT & MATT BLACKBURN  
“ALL I COULD DO WAS CRY/AT LAST” ISABELLE BANGARD  
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**MORNING TEA  
STUDENT LED TOURS OF NEW FACILITIES**