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Dear Parents,

This week marks the final week of Ordinary Time in the Church's liturgical calendar and draws us almost to the end of our journey through the gospel of Luke. Next week's reading of the crucifixion concludes the Year of Luke. It is in this context that we need to read today's gospel passage. Jesus and his disciples are gathered around the Temple in Jerusalem in the final days before he is to be put to death. The end is imminent. This must have seemed bad news for the disciples. I can imagine that those many thousands who are suffering in the Philippines must be wondering what the future holds for them. Feelings of desolation, depression and despair may be overtaking them. This is understandable and tragic. In such circumstances hope is vital. St Augustine tells us hope is based on the justice God wants in this world, and will see done in the next. Let us pray that those presently suffering may be given signs of hope by the level of assistance that is beginning to filter into the affected areas and towns. St Thomas Aquinas teaches us that hope, along with faith and love, is one of the prongs in the anchor of Christian belief. No matter how stormy are the waters, how much we are tossed and buffeted by life's winds, this anchor keeps us rooted in God until calmer seas return. Hope is about holding on, come what may.

**PREP ORIENTATION**

Next year's prep children have been invited to attend on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> of November between 11:45 and 1:00. Parents are asked to bring the children to the Hall and they will be taken by staff to the classrooms for some activities. Parents are most welcome to remain in the Hall for a 'cuppa.'

**LUNCH ORDERS**

Lunch orders will be available from Classroom Cuisine on Fridays for the remainder of the Term – **commencing tomorrow**. If promising, we will offer lunch orders on both Monday and Friday next year.



**NEXT WEEK'S VALUE**

Next week we are continuing to focus on respect – this time 'Listening with Respect.'

**CAR PARK**

Once again I'm asking that we take care and show patience in the carpark. Next week I will attach some 'Car Parking Protocols' that the Education Board have worked on developing with the assistance of some interested parents.

**PUBLIC SPEAKING**

It has been wonderful to see and hear the Year 3 – 6 students working so diligently on writing their speeches and practising their public speaking skills. I think that we can be proud of all the children for their enthusiasm and willingness to 'have a go.'

**COHR MARKET NIGHT**

Don't forget the save the date for the COHR Market Night.  
 When: Thursday November 28<sup>th</sup>  
 Time: 6.30 – 9.30pm  
 Place: Christ Our Holy Redeemer School Hall  
 All profits raised from the night will be donated to the Peter Mac Callum Cancer Centre

**FAMILY TENNIS DAY**

Holy Redeemer Tennis Club will be hosting a family tennis day on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November from 2-4pm. All invited to join for a fun day.

**ASYLUM SEEKERS GALA NIGHT**

A huge thank you to all who volunteered their time to help out at the Asylum Seeker Gala Dinner on Saturday night. Almost 350 people attended raising \$13,549.15 for the Sacred Heart Asylum Seeker Charity to be used for food, clothing, housing, medical treatment and general integration costs for asylum seekers living in our local community.

**CONDOLENCES**

Are thoughts and prayers are with the McKeown family (Holly 5/6K & Abbey 1/2G) on the sad loss of their Auntie last week.

**TERM FOUR DATES**

- November  
 Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Prep Orientation  
 Public Speaking finals  
 Parents' Association meeting  
 Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> Prep Orientation  
 Education Board meeting  
 Market Night
- December  
 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party/Carols in the Park  
 Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Yr 6 Graduation Mass & Dinner  
 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Reports sent home  
 Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Parent/teacher interviews  
 Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> End of Year School Mass  
 Year 6 Assembly  
 Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Children dismissed at 2:30pm

With best wishes,

Thomas Coghlan  
**PRINCIPAL**

Christ Our Holy Redeemer

# Night Market

**FUNDRAISER**

Proceeds in support of  
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**THURSDAY  
28TH NOVEMBER  
6.30PM - 9.30PM  
SCHOOL HALL**

**\$2** ENTRY  
**STALLS**

**BAR  
TAPAS**

**X-MAS  
SHOPPING  
RAFFLES**

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