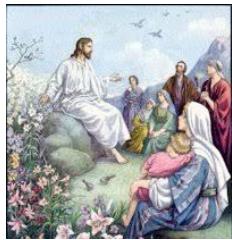


ST PAUL'S ST CLARE'S

Bulletin Highlights

Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C

3rd March 2019



On finding fault in others, Jesus said: "Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own?"

There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit.



Sacrament of Penance Programme ~ 2019

Parents and children are asked to remain after Mass for just a few moments. This will allow Father an opportunity to check the progress of children in learning the Act of Contrition. Hopefully, the overwhelming majority will, by now, be able to recite the Act of Contrition perfectly. For this coming week, parents are asked to read page seventeen in the workbook and assist their children to complete page eighteen.



Ash Wednesday ~ 6 March

Masses for Ash Wednesday
St Clare's Hall: 8:00 AM &
9:00 AM (w. children)
St Paul's 9:15 AM (with
children) and 7:00 PM

The eating of meat is prohibited and should not be substituted with, for example, gourmet seafood and boutique desserts. All parishioners should most willingly embrace some kind of special discipline for the duration of Lent.

Ash Wednesday
Remember that you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.
-Ecclesiastes 3:20

'Mortification' is not such a fashionable word in the 21st century. However, in instances where people have become far too accustomed to satisfying their bodily desires and appetites to excess, a little restraint and denial can have valuable spiritual and practical benefits (true).

Plenary Council - from Ken Garland

The final date for online submission responses to the Plenary Council is Wednesday 6th March 2019. Since the Bishops of Australia requested response to the question "What do you think God is asking of us in Australian at this time?" there have been over 68,000 responses, 3,000 from Wollongong Diocese alone. Thank you all who have responded. Ken Garland, Camden Parish Animator.



St Paul's P&F ~ AGM

Parents are advised of the AGM on Ash Wednesday at 7:00 PM. Executive positions will be declared vacant at the AGM, and then re-filled from newly received nominations. A parent/carer of a child at the school can self-nominate for a position or nominate another parent/carer of a child at the school. Nomination forms can be obtained from the school office or from the P&F at pandfstpaulscamden@gmail.com. Completed forms are due back to the school office, or to pandfstpaulscamden@gmail.com, by 3.00pm 4 March 2019.



Magdalene Catholic College

4 MARCH 2019: 4.45 PM - 8.00PM

Magdalene Catholic College is extending an invitation to interested families to an Open Afternoon and Evening Twilight Sessions. Families are welcome to participate in a tour of the school or simply come along to the information sessions. The option is available to attend both. Magdalene provides a school environment which has the students' formation at the centre. The Magdalene school community is a place where lifelong holistic growth is valued by fostering high expectations, quality relationships and academic success for all. We develop courageous hearts and creative minds. Regular tours between 4.45pm-5.45pm, Information Session: 6.00pm-6.45pm, Regular tours between: 7.00pm-8.00pm.



Periodical ~ Australian Catholics

The latest Autumn edition is available from the magazine tables and contains a broad scope of reading topics. One interesting article is on the Seal of Confession (page 38) which may be of special interest to our families in the Sacrament of Penance programme.

There's also another interesting contribution on Saint Francis of Assisi (page 16). He has been universally understood for his love of Nature. But the deeper reality is that he loved nature because he loved Jesus.