



# ST ALBERT'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL LOXTON

## NEWSLETTER

Term 1, Week 6  
5 March, 2019

### Important Dates



**Monday 4 to Friday 8 March**  
Scholastic Book Fair

**Tuesday March 5**  
Year 3 / 4 excursion to Marine Discovery Centre, Adelaide  
Shrove Tuesday  
Presentation of Sacramental (Confirmation)  
Candidates @ 5pm liturgy  
Parents & Friends Meeting (7pm)

**Wednesday, March 6**  
Ash Wednesday school liturgy @ 10am.  
(hosted by Yr 1 / 2)

**Monday, March 11**  
Public Holiday (Adelaide Cup)

**Tuesday, March 12**  
School Board Meeting (7pm)

**Friday, March 15**  
Year 3/4 Class Assembly @ 2:40pm

**Sunday, March 17**  
Parish Picnic at Kingston on Murray

**Tuesday, March 19**  
Year 5/6/7 Class Mass  
St Albert's Multi-Cultural Day

**Wednesday, March 20**  
Year 7 Halogen excursion, Adelaide.  
SAPSASA Athletics (4-7)

**Tuesday, March 26**  
Pupil Free Day  
Twilight Sports Day (3pm @ Loxton High School)

**Friday, March 29**  
Year Reception Assembly

**Friday, April 5**  
Term One Student progress report distributed.



*Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel*

## Lent

Dear Parents / Caregivers and Friends of the St Albert's Community

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. In Jesus' time, when people did something wrong, they had to go away from their community and show that they were sorry for their sins. They were only allowed to wear hessian sacks and they covered themselves in ashes to show everyone that they were truly sorry. Today, we still use ash as a symbol to show people that we are sorry for our sins and that we want to be closer to God.

Part of our tradition of the forty days of Lent is to remember the time that Jesus spent alone in the desert. For forty days he gave up all those nice things that we usually enjoy and resisted all sorts of temptations to help bring him closer to God. That's part of our challenge too. Lent is a time for us to think about what's really important on the inside. It's a time for us to think about others. It's a time for us to do something good for others.

Lent is also the time we start Project Compassion. This year's Project Compassion showcases the many ways we work around the world with our local partners to offer hope to people most vulnerable to extreme poverty and injustice.

Through your generosity during Project Compassion this year, you are empowering communities with hope and helping those in great need to shape a better future for themselves, their families and their communities. **Lives change when we all give 100% during Lent.**

Brett Czechowski  
**Principal**



# Our Lady of the River Parish



## Parish Priest

Father Paul Bourke  
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## Riverland Priest

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olor@bigpond.com

## Pastoral Care Worker and Contact

Barb DeMichelis - 85847731

## OLOR Youth, Families and Young Adults

### Facebook Group

[www.facebook.com/groups/OLORYouth](http://www.facebook.com/groups/OLORYouth)

## LOXTON MASS TIMES, SUNDAYS

March 10 - 6:00pm

March 17 - 11:00am - Parish Outdoor Mass & Picnic at Kingston on Murray.

March 24 - 6:00pm

March 31 - 11:00am (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

April 7 - 11am

April 14 - 6:00pm

## LOXTON MASS TIMES, WEEKDAYS

Shrove Tuesday - 5:00pm.

## STUDENT LEAD LITURGY

Ash Wednesday - 10:00am

All welcome.



# Uniform Shop



Please note opening time.....

OPENING TIME - TUESDAYS, 1:45 - 3:00PM

If you are unable to call to the school during the above opening time, please email me to arrange an appointment or you may email your order and it will be packaged ready for collection upon payment.

Payment of uniforms - Cash, cheque, EFTPOS or direct in the School Uniform account - BSB 105 059 Account 037078340.

[jennyh@stalbert.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jennyh@stalbert.catholic.edu.au)

Jenny Hicks

Uniform Shop Manager

# Mardi Gras

Congratulations to all the parents, students and teachers who helped our Show Time float win the Best School Float prize at the 62nd annual Loxton Mardi Gras. We had more children involved than ever before and the float looked amazing as we created a Looney Tunes spectacular! Special thanks to Shelly Westbrook, Helen Drake, Danielle Formby, Tess Avis, Alicia White, Nick Uren from Larry's Sign and Mark Cash from Cash's Cabinets for your contributions, support and artistic flair! More photos can be found on our [Facebook](#) page.

Our congratulations also to Lisa-Marie Perre and her family for winning best Junior Ambassador float!



## Advance Notice.....

### TERM ONE PUPIL FREE DAYS

#### **Tuesday, March 26**

Twilight Sports Day

(students and families to meet at Loxton High School Oval @ 3pm)

#### **Thursday, April 11**

Staff Training

Trauma Sensitive School's project

#### **Friday, April 12**

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## Pastoral Care



Hi everyone,

If you need to speak with me about anything, I'm at school every Monday. You may contact the school or email me at the address below.

I hope you have a fantastic week.

Take care

Erin Harrauld

Pastoral Care Worker



## Congratulations

Please congratulate Larissa and Daniel Halupka on the birth of their daughter, Lily at 8:30am on Tuesday, March 4. Calvin and Rohan went to visit Mum in hospital yesterday to be introduced to their new baby Sister. They returned very excited and keen to share the good news!

## Aquatics

In Week 4, the 5/6/7 Class made their way to Lake Bonney in Barmera to participate in an Aquatics Day. The students were treated to a fairly mild day with the weather, however, that did not deter any of them and they thoroughly enjoyed the day. The students participated in a variety of activities, including Sailing, Wind Surfing, Kayaking and Knee Boarding. All of the activities challenged the students and allowed for many of them to participate in activities they never had tried before.

Wind surfing was a definite highlight and with the wind being a little stronger than expected, it was quite interesting and humorous to watch one of the instructors towing 4 or 5 students back from the middle of the lake.

The students had a wonderful attitude whilst at Aquatics and it was a really enjoyable day. A big thank you to Joe from Barmera Aquatics as well as those parents that either helped transport students, came and supported or volunteered their time if needed.

Brogan Whitelaw.



## Scholastic Book Fair

Our Scholastic Book Fair continues this week in the school library; opening times are 8:20am-9:00am and 3:10pm – 3:45pm Monday – Friday. Please note these are approximate times as staff need to accommodate this event in addition to their regular commitments.



## Community Notices

### MARCH 5 - TUESDAY

Shrove Tuesday Panoake Night  
From 6pm. At Church of the Resurrection  
William Street, Loxton.  
Adults \$10, Children under 12 \$5.00  
Families of 5 or more \$30.00  
Eat as many panoakes as you like.  
Soft drinks available for purchase on the night.

### MARCH 9 - SATURDAY

'Eggoiting games Nite'  
Living Waters, Edwards Street Loxton  
6pm – 9pm.  
For more information –  
[www.livingwatersloxtan.com.au](http://www.livingwatersloxtan.com.au) or  
phone Craig Swanbury on 0428 851 161



## Clean Up Australia Day

Students from all over the country eagerly participated in the annual Clean-up Australia Day. Each class had an area around the school perimeter to focus their attention on. The initiative has been running for so many years now that generations of students can now claim to have played their part. At St Albert's we have our own 'mini clean up' every Monday, Wednesday and Friday after lunch.



## Sports Day

A reminder our Sports Day is also a Pupil Free Day. Staff will be engaged in Professional Learning in the morning before heading to Loxton High School to help set up the event. Sports Day commences at 3pm and usually concludes around 6pm. The Parents & Friends also have a Sausage Sizzle planned which is of great help to families who are eager to feed the hungry ones after a good busy afternoon of competition.