FROM THE PRINCIPAL

MR DAMIAN MESSER

“...and once again proved to be a wonderful transition experience for all the Grade 7 students”.

New Beginnings
Thank you to all involved in running the New Beginnings programme again this year. The programme concluded this week and once again proved to be a wonderful transition experience for all the Grade 7 students.

Time and Space Programme
It was extremely pleasing to see a large attendance at last night’s Grade 9 and 10 Time & Space event. We have an ongoing commitment to building relationships and this programme has proved to be invaluable over the past nine years.
Time and Space Mother and Son Evening
If you have not already done so, I encourage Grade 7 mothers to register for the Mother/Son Evening being held tonight. The College takes pride in the presentation of these programmes and we do encourage all members of our community to take up the opportunity to be involved.

Musical
Thank you to all the boys who auditioned for a role in our musical being held this year, ‘The Pirates of Penzance’. The musical which is held every second year promises to be a wonderful event and the enthusiasm of our boys and the girls from St Mary’s is great to see. The girls will be auditioning for their roles tomorrow and cast members will be published next week. I look forward to seeing the students performing in their roles in August.

Enrolments
Grade 7 2016 enrolments close on April 24 and I encourage anyone who wishes to enrol their son for next year to lodge an Expression of Interest as soon as possible. If you currently have a son at St Virgil’s you will need to complete an application for any siblings which may be entering the College in 2016. Current Junior School Grade 6 parents would have received a letter a couple of weeks ago; I ask that you return the form attached to that letter as soon as possible.

Junior School Open Day
The Junior School annual Open Day will be held on Wednesday April 29 from 9am to 5.30pm with tours of the fantastic facilities available for families wishing to enrol their son. Please contact the Junior School Office on 6234 2440 or jsadmin@stvirgils.tas.edu.au if you are interested in having a look around the campus.

Grandparents Day – Junior School
Tomorrow I look forward to the company of our Junior School boys’ grandparents or special people at the annual Grandparents Day. The day commences at 9.00am and after a brief prayer service and concert, our guests will enjoy a tour of the classrooms and morning tea.

Combined P&F Meeting
Last night the Combined Parents & Friends Committee Meeting was held and I thank the following for volunteering their time as members of the committees. Susan Roberts was re-elected as President and will be supported by Simone Ashby (President Junior School). Committee details:

P&F Senior School
President  Susan Roberts
Vice President  Michelle Direen
Treasurer  Narelle Freckleton
Secretary  Leon Ashlin
Exec. Committee  Jill Gluskie, Fiona Attrill, Michelle White, Sally Feldmanis, Katrina Manser.
TCP&F Rep  Shane Poulson

P&F Junior School
President  Simone Ashby
Treasurer  Neil McDonald
Secretary  Leisl Wylie

In the spirit of Blessed Edmund.

Damian Messer
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL
MR TERRY BLIZZARD

“Resilience plays an important role in minimising the effects of negative events in young people’s lives”.

Upcoming Events
The last day for Term One is Thursday April 2. We understand that for some families for convenience sake an early start to the Easter break and the school holidays is necessary; we are however anticipating all boys to be in classes up to and including the last day of Term. Teachers are preparing Interim Reports for parents to indicate progress for the year so far and these will be posted home in the last week of school. Term Two commences on Monday April 20 and the first Parent Student Teacher Conferences will be conducted on Thursday April 23 in the first week of Term 2.

Parents of Grade 7 students please note that Immunisations will be conducted on Monday March 30.

Bully? No Way!
Tomorrow, Friday March 20 is the National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence. This annual day provides a focus for all schools to say Bullying? No Way! and to strengthen their existing messages that bullying and violence at school are not okay at any time.

Bullying unfortunately happens in many areas of life including schools. For the victim and for the parent it is most distressing. The Australia wide facts are as following:

- Approximately one in four Year 4 to 9 Australian Students (27%) report being bullied.
- Frequent school bullying was the highest among Year 5 and Year 8 students.
- Hurtful teasing is the most prevalent of all bullying interactions.
- Older students are more likely to be involved in Cyber bullying than younger students.

If your son talks to you about bullying what should you do? The Bullying No Way web site recommends a six step plan:
1. Listen calmly to get the full story.
2. Reassure your son that they are not to blame.
3. Ask your son what they want to do about it and how you can help.
4. Contact the school.
5. Check-in regularly with your son.

What will the school do?

- Take all allegations of bullying seriously and act on them.
- Provide support for all parties involved.
- Seek to restore damaged relationships through use of restorative practices. This could include a meeting involving all those affected.
- Provide suitable assistance and support for the bully and victim.
- Implement the school discipline system – restorative practice, detention, suspension, behavioural contract, etc.

I commend the Spirit Leaders for their work in bringing the National Day of Action to the attention of the student body. Every student at Austin’s Ferry will be presented with a “Take a Stand Together” wrist band to wear as a symbolic gesture and reminder, and Peer Support Leaders will also be issued with Bully No Way badges to wear prominently. Posters addressing the issue have been displayed prominently in all Pastoral Care Rooms.

Tomorrow morning our leaders will visit each room and make a statement calling on all the young men of St Virgil’s College to stand together and say “Bullying? No Way at SVC”.

**COLLEGE MINISTER**

**BR PETER FLINT**

As part of the New Beginnings Programme, I have been running a session on, “What it is to be a Catholic.” The essence of my message is that Catholics try to do the things in their world that Jesus did in his world. (No simple matter indeed!) One element of the presentation is a short Youtube video on “The Woman Taken in Adultery.” (John Ch. 8)

The boys watch the three minute video ‘Rapt’. I am thinking to myself: “Have they ever seen actual videos around the life of Jesus.” I’m also asking: “What do they know of the life of Jesus? Obviously there were no videos in his time and even the fastest stone cutters could not carve quick enough to record the action! John’s Gospel was also written decades after Jesus died and most of it is probably highly allegoric anyway. There are messages in it everywhere.

We speak a lot about Edmund Rice at St Virgil’s and often I wonder if we speak enough of the main person who inspired him - Jesus.

On another matter, I found the following article about good films for Lent in the National Catholic Reporter. They could make good family viewing and the foundation for discussions. The article is at the following link: [http://ncronline.org/news/art-media/movies-foster-reflection-spiritual-growth-lents-journey](http://ncronline.org/news/art-media/movies-foster-reflection-spiritual-growth-lents-journey)

Blessings.

Br Peter
JUNIOR SCHOOL

MR ANDREW PINELLI, HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

Inclusive Community

*Our community is accepting and welcoming, fostering right relationships and committed to the common good.*

*Edmund Rice Education Australia Touchstone*

As a Catholic boys school in the Edmund Rice tradition, there are many instances in our days and weeks where we do ‘Catholic’ things. Saying prayers, attending Mass and other religious celebrations and participating in hymn practice are some of the examples that our boys participate in on a regular basis that are influenced by our Catholic tradition. These are important opportunities for all of our boys to wholeheartedly participate in. Whilst we are a Catholic College we welcome all boys equally into our College family – all our boys and their families are equal no matter what their background.

We encourage them to participate in these important facets of our College and Catholic life and to see them as opportunities for reflection and personal growth. Tonight, many of the Mini Vinnies boys will attend mass with Archbishop Julian. We have a very active Mini Vinnies group made up of a great variety of our Grade 5 and 6 boys. These boys are committed to making a difference in the world for our boys and for others in the wider community. I congratulate these boys for their efforts.

A further opportunity for all our boys and families will be joining in the Palm Sunday procession on March 29. Further details about this opportunity will be coming home with the boys next week however, I would like to encourage all our boys, and their families, to join in this procession as we commence Holy Week – the week leading up to Easter Sunday.

P & F Association

This week, the College’s P & F Association held its Annual General Meeting. I would like to thank the outgoing office bearers of the Junior School branch of the P & F Association, in particular Mr Mark Waddington for his undertaking of the role of President. As a result of the AGM this week I would like to congratulate the office bearers for 2015:

**President:** Mrs Simone Ashby  
**Secretary:** Mrs Leisl Wylie  
**Treasurer:** Mr Neil Macdonald  
**Committee:** Mrs Monique Careless, Mrs Ellen Crehen, Mr Les Strong, Mrs Georgina Graves, Mrs Jocelyn Huigsloot and Mr Rick Bennett
I wish to thank those parents who have been nominated and accepted positions on the P & F. I look forward to our first meeting which will occur early next term.

**Grandparents / Special Persons Day**
There is a great buzz around the Junior School Campus as we prepare to welcome in excess of 200 of our grandparents and special persons on Friday March 20. The day will commence with a liturgy and assembly presentation by Grade 5 M. Our visitors will then be welcome to tour the classrooms to see the work that our boys are doing and different it is to when they, or their children, were at school. Our guests will then be encouraged to stay for morning tea and a catch up with each other. We will share photos of this day in next week’s Star.

**Mini Vinnies Mass**
We are most fortunate to have a very active Mini Vinnies group lead by Mrs Chambers and President Max Marsh (Grade 6 W). This week our group will join with representatives from many of the other Hobart based schools and Colleges to celebrate mass with Archbishop Julian. I would like to thank the boys for their dedication to this very important outreach activity.

**Caritas Australia**
As part of the fundraising efforts for Caritas Australia, the Mini Vinnies group are organising some fundraisers to finish off Term 1.

Tomorrow, all boys are asked to bring along coins, any shape or colour, to form coin lines for their House Team. The aim is to see not only the longest line, but also the most valuable.

The boys are also organising our annual Easter Egg raffle. All families are being asked to donate Easter Eggs (or chocolate) to be included in ‘hampers’ for the raffle. These donations can be dropped off as soon as possible. Raffle tickets will be sold commencing next week.

**Uniform**
Boys who attend St Virgil’s College are encouraged to take great pride in their uniform and the correct wearing of it as determined by the occasion. I am aware that with the transition to the new uniform shop arrangements, there has been some disruption to the supply and availability of some uniform items. With the exception of some blazer sizes, I have been informed that all other uniform items applicable to the Junior School Campus are now in stock.

I would ask all families to ensure that their son has all items of both his formal uniform and his sports uniform. Smaller, more consumable, items like caps, bucket hats, socks and the like are available from the Junior School Office. Larger items are available from the Senior School Campus Uniform Shop either in person or by phone on 6249 3610 (online orders will be delivered to the Junior School Campus).

Commencing next week, Monday March 23, all boys will be expected to be in their full uniform. We greatly appreciate your support with this.

**Palm Sunday**
Palm Sunday, the commencement of Holy Week, is on Sunday March 29. Schools have been asked to participate in a Catholic diocesan procession from Lindisfarne into Hobart city. This has been discussed with the SRC boys and many were enthusiastic to participate. They have also shared this information with their classmates. We would like to encourage as many boys, and families, as possible to participate. Further details will be shared next week but are also available from [www.cymtas.org.au](http://www.cymtas.org.au)
Parent Volunteers
The College as part of its commitment to community and the integral home-school partnership, welcomes parental involvement in a wide range of College activities including music, sport, canteen, camps, events, classroom help, tutoring and fundraising activities. With new legislation for volunteering coming into effect on April 1 it will be essential that all parents having a ‘Working with Children Card’. These will be required for all community organisations including scouts, sporting clubs, art, craft and music activities – any activity that brings adults into regular contact with children. More information about the Working with Children Card (including online applications) can be obtained through the Service Tasmania Website – http://www.justice.tas.gov.au/working_with_children/application
More information about the card and the College’s arrangements for management of card requirements will be outlined in upcoming editions of The Star.

Permission and Information Notes
Many parents and families are active users of the College website and find it full of a wealth of information. This year we are striving to make even greater use of this resource by placing permission and information notes in the “In The School Bag” section of the site down the right hand side. We know that sometimes ‘paper’ notes don’t always get home or get out of your son’s school bag so this will be an invaluable resource for parents/guardians to check so you are even more aware information that is available.

Calendar update
Parents and guardians are reminded to subscribe to the College’s online calendar. The great advantage of this is that if there are necessary changes to dates these changes can be made immediately. Please check the calendar at: http://www.stvirgils.tas.edu.au/calendar/
Significant, upcoming events are summarised below

March
Week 7A
Parent / Teacher Interviews (compulsory) March 18 & 19
Grandparents Day March 20

Week 8B
IPSHA Leadership Day - Launceston March 24
JSSATIS Swimming Carnival March 26
Palm Sunday Procession March 29

March / April
Week 9 A
Grade 5 Excursion March 30
ATSI Excursion to TMAG April 2
Last Day of Term 1 April 2

Week 10 B
Term 2 commences April 20
Junior School Sport

SVC Rowing
St Virgil’s College has a long tradition in rowing. Whilst rowing itself is considered a Senior School sport, some junior school boys can be involved as a coxswain (the person steering the skull). Samuel Kelly (Grade 6 C) has been a most valued member the Rowing Club undertaking this role for not only Senior School Quad skulls but also for other club members GYC. Sam and the other members of the Rowing Club are to be congratulated on a season that has achieved many pleasing results. Grade 6 boys will be given the opportunity to have a try at sailing during Term 4 as the season commences again.

STCPSSA Swimming Carnival
Last Thursday the Junior School Swimming Team represented the school with pride and a determined effort. For the Grade 3 boys, this was the first time for many of them to represent their new school. Daniel Wylie, complete with broken arm, recorded impressive results as did William Faux, Noah Boonstra, Ben Santalucia, Darcy Berry and Ned Cunningham.

The Grade 4s, Riley Ferguson, Jack Pritchard, Ayrton Cooke and Charlie Banks also posted great results across the board. Sahib Singh, Harry Williams, Hamish Menzie and Lachlan Brennan swam well in the Grade 5 events.

The Grade 6s dominated all of the Grade 6 events, coming away with first ribbons across most of the divisions. Max Giuliani, Max Newett, Sebastian Brown and Joshua Wylie then teamed up to win the Grade 6 relay by 25 metres and in some cases 50 metres. These boys are looking forward to challenging the ten year old record set by SVC in the Freestyle relay at the JSSATIS Carnival next week.

Canteen
Mrs Olga Leon

Friday March 20  J Kruse / R Ferguson
Wednesday March 25  L Strong / T Chaperon
Thursday March 26  J Whitton / E Pinelli
Friday March 27  K Bridgland / A Crellin

If parents are able to assist please contact the Mrs Olga Leon on 62342440 or oleon@stvirgils.tas.edu.au
ASSISTANT DEPUTY PRINCIPAL
(MIDDLE YEARS/TRANSITION)

MR CAMERON ALEXANDER

Grade 7 New Beginnings
This week saw the final rotation of the New Beginnings Programme for 2015. It has been a pleasure to witness the enthusiasm of the Grade 7 boys as they enter each of the journeys they undertake. There is already evidence of the strengthening of relationships between the boys and in their relationships with staff.

The programme is a large undertaking and I especially thank the following staff members who have taken on a significant role within the programme: Mr Daniel Lapolla, Mr Steve Aitken, Mr Simon Harder, Ms Julia Dennis, Mr Terry Blizzard, Br Peter Flint, Br Sean McManus, Mr Isaac Lucas, Mr Mark Beck and Mr Mark Smith.

Time and Space Programmes
On Tuesday night 11 families gathered for the commencement of the Time and Space Programme, this is a significant time, and emotional, commitment from all participants, but one that we are sure will be extremely beneficial. We wish all participants all the best over the next week as the complete the programme.

SPORT

Please visit the SVC Sport Website!

The website featuring all fixtures and sport requirements is accessed from the front page of the College website www.stvirgils.tas.edu.au

For all sport enquiries please contact the Director of Sport, Mr James Dalton jdalton@stvirgils.tas.edu.au

Congratulations
George Drew has qualified for the Tasmanian State Junior Trap Shooting team and is competing at the Australian National Trap Shooting Championships in Wagga Wagga NSW from March 20-25.

Tom Messer, Joshua Wylie, Lachlan Reilly, Shae Burnett, Max Newett and Sebastian Brown have been selected for the Tasmanian team for the National Junior Water Polo titles to be held on the Gold Coast in April.

Jarrod Kaye, Jack Stevenson and Keegan Oates have been selected for the Tasmanian Under 15 cricket training squad to play in the National titles in Darwin in June. The boys are involved in extensive trials with the final team to be named next month.
This evening the annual Mother/Son evening will see over half of our Grade 7 boys and their mother or significant female mentor, discuss the change from primary to secondary school and the significance that marks in the boys journey to manhood. We thank all participants for their commitment to the programme under the leadership of facilitator Mr Bill Jennings.

Grade 7 Mother/Son Evening
Tonight - 7.30 - 9.30pm

Grade 8 Stepping Up Evening
Tuesday May 19 – 7:00 – 9:30pm

House AFL 9s Action!

Estate of the Late Barry William and Mary Jeanette Woods Scholarship

Applications are invited for the Estate of the late Barry William and Mary Jeanette Woods Scholarship.

The Scholarship provides partial payment of school fees for two students selected from Years 7 and/or 8 and two students from years 5 and/or 6. It is a once only payment to assist with the costs of attending St Virgil’s College.

There are four such scholarships provided each year.
Written applications are invited by April 20 2015.
The criteria to be applied in awarding of the Scholarships are as follows.

- The endeavours applied by the student to his educational studies
- The character of the student
- His participation in Catholic religious studies and practices
- The financial circumstances of the fee paying parents or guardian

Further details can be obtained from Mrs Monica Nugent on 62496519.

DIRECTOR OF LEARNING AND TEACHING
MRS BEV PETTIT

Essay Writing
Miss Lucy Dalton, Leading Teacher of English

The Queen’s Commonwealth Essay Competition 2015
Are you a writer? Interested in the world around you? Want your voice to be HEARD by others? Then, the Queen's Commonwealth Essay Competition is for you! The winner will be flown to London for a week of cultural and educational visits... wow!

If you are interested in receiving more information or entering, then please contact Miss Dalton.
Please feel free to visit the website for more details: https://thercs.org/youth/competition

Important dates:
The deadline for entries is May 1 2015
The results will be announced early September 2015

Homework Club
Miss Lucy Dalton and Ms Clair Graham
Homework Club re-commences next Wednesday (March 18) in the College Library from 3.30 – 4-30 pm. A milo and biscuit awaits all attendees as well as specialist help in all subjects from members of staff. Homework Club is open to all students. Please register with Miss Dalton – ldalton@stvirgils.tas.edu.au
Library News
Ms Louise Oldham

My Life Short Story Competition

**WIN! $1000 CASH and a signed set of the My Life books plus $1000 worth of books for your school. Details at www.randomhouse.com.au/mylife competition**

There is a short story competition which is a follow up to a recent visit to Hobart by Tristan Banck’s, highly talented children’s and young adult author of the well-known series titled ‘My Life’... series, and the ‘Mac Slater: cool Hunter’ series and ‘Two Wolves’. Win! $1000 Cash and an autographed set of the ‘My Life’ books Plus $1000 worth of books for your school. Full details at: www.randomhouse.com.au/mylife competition or ask at the SVC library. Competition runs from 2/3/15 until 31/8/15. Ages 8-13. All enquiries to the Library staff.

Production Management Excursion
Mr Mathew Derrick
Production Management
On Friday March 20, the Production Management class will be touring the community radio facilities of TYGA FM. This visit will allow the students to observe first-hand the operations of a broadcasting facility and to observe the role of radio in the Derwent Valley community.

Government House Morning Tea for School Kitchen Garden Teachers/Coordinators
Chanchal Foxen
Teacher Design and Technology
On Tuesday I was invited to Government House for Morning Tea in recognition of the work that we do in school kitchen gardens. The Governor talked about how important it is that students participate in growing food, to understand where it comes from, how to incorporate more fresh food into their diet whilst also having the opportunity to taste different fruit and vegetables.

Government House Executive Chef Ainstie Wagner, who was one of the instigators of the occasion, was extremely generous with her time, showing us the ‘downstairs’ with the cold room and storage areas. In the kitchen we got to taste a small selection of things which had been prepared with ingredients from the garden. Ainstie sources most of her produce from the extensive kitchen garden and plans the menus from the list of what is available each week. The gardens are really productive with fruit trees, chickens, bees and soon a small vineyard.

If there are any parents or grandparents who are interested in looking, or maybe helping, in our kitchen garden at Austins Ferry please feel free to call or email me – cfoxen@stvirgils.tas.edu.au I would be happy to show you around!
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

MRS JODIE WILLIAMS

Pirates of Penzance – College Musical
I am thrilled to announce that this year’s musical will be Gilbert and Sullivan’s ‘Pirates of Penzance’. The show is a musical comedy that has many male lead roles and known songs such as ‘I am the very Model of a Modern Major-General’ and ‘The Pirate King’.

Auditions for the Male ensemble took place this week and were of a very high quality. Auditions for the Female ensemble, consisting of students from St Mary’s College (lead roles and ensemble) will be next Friday March 20 at the Junior School from 3:30pm – 5:00pm.

The full cast list will be announced in The Star next week.

Instrumental Lessons
Instrumental lessons have now been up and running for several weeks. There have been some updates to the timetable, so could you please ensure that your son checks the instrumental timetable so that they know the correct time to attend their lesson. Instrumental timetables can be found on Filebrowser/Subjects/Arts/Music/Instrumental Timetables Semester 1 2015.

For all enquires about music @ SVC - please contact Mrs Williams - jwilliams@stvirgils.tas.edu.au

Yours in tune,

Mrs Jodie Williams
SPORT NEWS

1st XI Cricket

Mr Cameron Alexander

SVC Blue 6-162 (Andrew Bourke 56, Nick Haydon 25 and Reece Williams 20)
Defeated by
Hutchins Magenta 10-164 (Austin Keeling 3-18, Nick Haydon 2-18, Brad Percey 2-33)

Unfortunately the team lost in a thrilling finish this week. After struggling to contain the Hutchins top order on a tiny oval the team did well to contain them to a manageable total. The loss of early wickets appeared to put us out of the game but a fantastic 91 run partnership by Andrew Bourke and Brad Percey set up a thrilling finish. Needing a six off the last ball to tie the game James Graham heaved a big blow that dropped tantalising close to the line.

SVC Gold v GYC – washed out.

Grade 7&8 Cricket

March 16 Match Details:

SVC Blue 2-105 (James Bourke 23, Luke Kreune 22 ret, Isaac Manson 28 no) defeated Hutchins 2 8-104 (James Bourke 3-10, Isaac Manson 2-13)

SVC Green 5-106 (David Monks 16 ret. Tom Vallerine 22 ret. Jordan Baker 12, Tadhg Waddington 13 no) defeated SVC White 6-88 (Tom Lewis 41 ret. Jordan Baker 3-1)

SVC Jewell's 2-105 (Dylan Browning 23ret, Calvin Goodwin 15, Joshua Smith 11 no. Tyrone Fyfe 2-14) defeated SVC Divva's 4-70 (Noah Kazarine 16ret, Jack Smith 16, George Lazenby 15 no. Dylan Browning 2-2)

SATIS Schoolboys Tennis – Division 2

SVC defeated Hutchins Magenta 5 – 1 (34 – 13)
S. Plunkett-Smith d J. Green 6 – 0; J. Haas d H. Mohamad 6 – 0; O. Bresnehan d J. Song 6 – 2; J. Rhodes d N. Welling 6 – 4; S. Plunkett-Smith / J. Haas d J. Green / J. Song 6 – 1; O. Bresnehan / J. Rhodes lt H. Mohamad / S. Bruysters 4 – 6.

Next week SVC has a bye.

31/3 SVC v Friends at Friends Health and Fitness.
Austins Ferry Canteen
Mrs Carol Hilyer
Parents are reminded that lunch orders can be placed and paid for via secure online portal from the College website or via QKR mobile device payment system – please see the attachments to the newsletter for how to download and use QKR to order lunch for your son from your smartphone - [http://www.stvirgils.tas.edu.au/news-publications/](http://www.stvirgils.tas.edu.au/news-publications/)

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Uniform Shop
House T-Shirts are now in stock. Please call Melissa on Tuesday/Thursday with any uniform enquiries – 6249 3610.

Lost Blazer
Alexander Tsakirakis has lost his blazer – Size 20. It may have been picked up by another student by mistake as Alex has handed in another student’s blazer to the Front Office. Please see Kristy in Front Office for more details.

Parents and Friends Association
Mrs Susan Roberts
President

Entertainment Book
The P&F on both campuses are again selling the ever popular Entertainment Book which this year has been even further enhanced to ensure all purchasers receive amazing value for money! Please support the St Virgil’s College Parents and Friends - Pre-order your 2015 | 2016 Entertainment™ Book now!

20% of every membership sold contributes to our fundraising. Help us achieve our goals by sharing this link with your Friends and Family. Thanks for your support!


The P&F are ready to take pre-orders for this year’s book and all pre-orders will include 6 Bonus Vouchers!
SVC Rowing Club Fundraiser
Beer and Wine Tasting Fund Raiser - Friday March 20

Our final fundraiser for the season - Featuring local wines and boutique beers from local brewers.

**Time:** 6.30 – 8.30pm  
**Venue:** Upstairs function room at the New Town Bay Rowing Centre  
**Cost:** $30 per person  
**RSVP:** jmesser@stvirgils.tas.edu.au

PALM SUNDAY PILGRIMAGE – Sunday March 29

Every member of our school community – students, staff, families and friends are encouraged to join with other school and parish communities from right around Tasmania for the sixth Palm Sunday Pilgrimage event! Filled with energy, hope and faith, this is a celebration of World Youth Day 2015, Palm Sunday and all Catholic schools, parishes and organisations! This massive celebration includes something for everyone: Pilgrimage Walk from Lindisfarne to St David's Park (Hobart) for Festivities in the Park; Free music, dancing, giant slide, sumo suits, kid’s activities. Food and Drink available for sale; Street Procession to St Mary’s Cathedral for an inspiring celebration of Palm Sunday Mass!

Great opportunity to unite as one Archdiocese and have loads of fun!

You can find the facebook event for Palm Sunday Pilgrimage at: [https://www.facebook.com/events/792999204087948/](https://www.facebook.com/events/792999204087948/)

If you click on the link above it will take you to the Palm Sunday Pilgrimage facebook event. Click on ‘Invite’ and this will give you a dropdown menu to either ‘invite friends’ or ‘share’. Select ‘Share’. This will create another box with a post ready to share the event, and you can select at the top of a box to share on a ‘page you manage’.

Please ensure you register! For more information and to register go to: [www.cyntas.org.au](http://www.cyntas.org.au) or contact Rachelle Smith: rachelle.smith@aohtas.org.au or 0400 045 368

**Tapping Inner Strength Program**

Are you the parent or carer of a 12 to 18 year old? Do you feel like things at home are near breaking point? Might your teenager want to leave home, or has just left home? Do you sometimes feel like leaving home yourself?!

Tapping Inner Strengths is a FREE 7 week program for parents and carers, looking at ways to manage communication, conflict and relationships through difficult times. Tapping Inner Strengths starts Wednesday 6th May from 10am to 1pm, in North Hobart. Bookings and information with Reconnect at Colony 47 on 6214 1481 or reconnect@colony47.com.au

**Holyoake’s FOCUS Program**

Focus provides specialist therapeutic support for children, partners, families and friends of individuals with alcohol or drug issues or other addictive behaviours. Holyoake Tasmania Inc. (Holyoake) specialises in the delivery of therapeutic programs to support the children, partners, family and friends of people with alcohol and other drug issues.

Ongoing research and review of our **FOCUS** program ensures that contemporary, evidence based, therapy models are utilised in a range of age-appropriate interventions. Holyoake also provides a suite of specialist therapeutic interventions for children / adolescents and adults with an AOD or other addictive behaviour.
Holyoake is a secular non-profit organisation that supports a client centred, harm minimisation model. Holyoake programs are available in various outreach locations in southern Tasmania, or anywhere via Skype.

Information on these life-changing programs is available from [www.holyoake.com.au](http://www.holyoake.com.au)


- 2015 Instrumental Music Programme Enrolment Form
- Asthma and Anaphylaxis Flowchart
- How to Order your Lunch at the Senior School
- QKR lunch order and App download instructions
- Mona Gasp Fun Run
- TIS Cycling Talent Identification Flyer
- Tasmanian Sports Camps – April Holiday Programs
- Tapping Inner Strength Program Flyer
- Holyoake Focus Program Flyer
A WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE COLLEGE

Each week boys at St Virgil’s College are involved in a wide range of exciting curricular and co-curricular experiences.

These experiences provide a rich source of learning, fun and personal growth – here is just a snapshot of these activities, captured through the lens of Br Peter Flint and Mr Andrew Pinelli.

Additional photos can be accessed at:
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