



Term 2 Week 3

15th May, 2020

May

Monday 18th

Red colour house return to school

Tuesday 19th

Green colour house return to school

Wednesday 20th

Blue colour house return to school

Thursday 21st

Gold colour house return to school

Sixth Sunday of Easter: Jn 14:15-21

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my commandments.

I shall ask the Father,
and he will give you another Advocate
to be with you for ever,
that Spirit of truth

whom the world can never receive
since it neither sees nor knows him;
but you know him,
because he is with you, he is in you.

I will not leave you orphans;

I will come back to you.

In a short time the world will no longer see me;

but you will see me,

because I live and you will live.

On that day

you will understand that I am in my Father

and you in me and I in you.

Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them
will be one who loves me;

and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father,

and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

Ref: Liturgyhelp.com



Laudato Si' Week 16-24 May

"I would like to invite you to participate in Laudato Si' Week from 16-24 May 2020. It is a global campaign on the occasion of the fifth anniversary of the encyclical letter Laudato si': On the care of our common home."

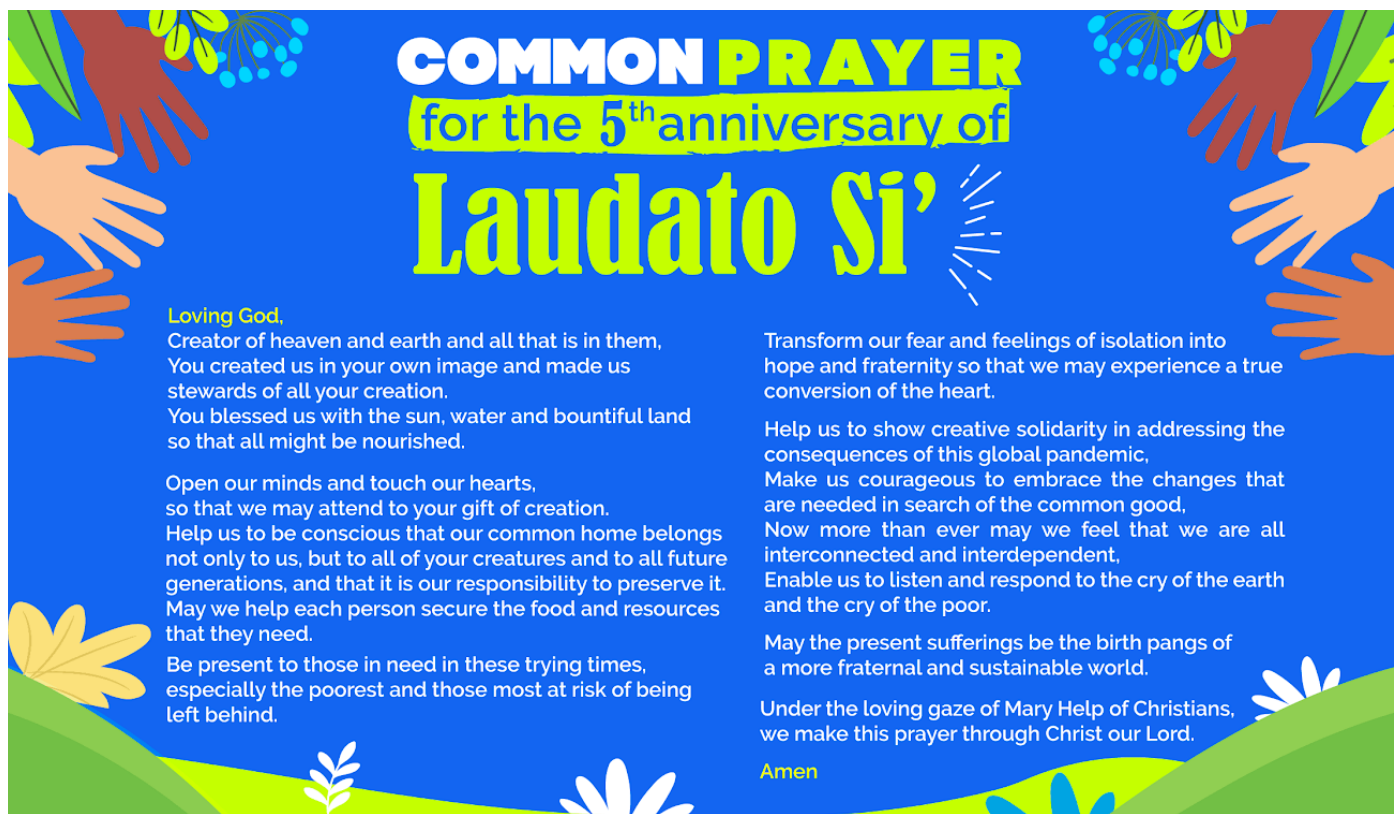
Pope Francis

Pope Francis' encyclical on care for our common home, Laudato Si', is an inspiration during moments of difficulty. It encourages us to reflect on the values we share and create a more just and sustainable future.

The theme of Laudato Si' Week is **"everything is connected."** During Laudato Si' Week, we come together as one people around the world to prayerfully discern the lessons of this moment. While the world experiences a history-defining crisis, we reflect and prepare to build a better world.

On 24 May, let us come together in solidarity and join Catholics from around the world in prayer at noon. @ <https://laudatosiweek.org/>

For more information about Laudato Si visit- <https://laudatosiweek.org/>



Return to School

Next week we continue our staggered return to school. It was great to see so many smiling faces as students returned this week and they were able to spend time with their teachers and friends. Many students have returned more than one day per week with most classes having more than two thirds attending each day, particularly in our infants grades, Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2. At this time, it is still the choice for parents on whether to send their children to school or keep them home and we are happy to support that decision. While we will still have online learning, as more children return to each class, depending on numbers, the teachers will begin to do more face to face teaching with the students that are present.

During Week 4 we will continue with our house colour returns for students who are attending only one day per week. During Week 5 we ask that children return at least two days per week, their House Colour day and one other day that suits your family situation. It is anticipated that most students will have returned by week 6 to 10 where learning will generally be delivered face to face.

Next Week (Week 4)

- **Monday: Red Colour House**
- **Tuesday: Green Colour House**
- **Wednesday: Blue Colour House**
- **Thursday: Gold Colour House**



A Reminder:

- In the morning we ask that parents drop their child at the front gate and leave promptly. In the afternoon, for safety reasons, parents will be allowed to collect their child from the classroom. However, we ask that parents do not enter the classroom or stay on the premises or at the front of the school gathering with other parents. Social distancing needs to be adhered to at all times with other adults.
- Before and after school care is still available each day. Please contact Cubby House to ensure they have an appropriate number of staff each day.
- If you have borrowed a school device, please ensure your child brings it with them if they are attending school.
- Walkers bus duty will continue for those children crossing Windsor Road and Oakland Avenue.
- As a precaution, we ask that parents **do not** send their child to school if they are showing symptoms such as fever, sore throat and coughing. For safety reasons, if we notice any of these symptoms at school, we will ask you to come and collect your child.
- Parents are still able to send their children everyday if they choose.
Children are to wear the uniforms as per normal, however, we should now have their winter uniforms.
- We will continue with our safety and hygiene practices with no assemblies, regular hand-washing and separate playgrounds.

As more students return we ask that parents please remember the social distancing rules and please collect your children and leave promptly. As children can be collected between 3:10 pm and 3:40 pm, all parents do not need to be at school at the same time in the afternoon.

If you have any questions, please contact myself or Mrs Neylan.

Reports

Following directions from the Government and CEDP, you will still receive a progress report for your child at the end of this term, however, it will not be an E-A Report or be as detailed as the previous reports due to the unusual events taking place. More information will be explained at a later date.

2020 School Fees

If you would like to organise a flexible payment plan for 2020 school fees, please email Dianne on ololbhills@parra.catholic.edu.au

For those that have been financially impacted by COVID-19, please click on the following link for fee relief information:

<https://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/feerelief>

The fee relief form can be completed **online** or **downloaded** as a PDF. If you are completing the paper document, please scan and email to cl@parra.catholic.edu.au (Community Liaison at CEDP). All information will remain strictly confidential.

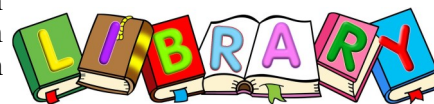
Enrolments



We are now taking Kindergarten Enrolments for 2021. The enrolment form can be downloaded from the school website www.ololbhills.parra.catholic.edu.au. Completed forms can be returned to the school office or emailed to OLOLBHills@parra.catholic.edu.au with all the required documentation including originals (if emailing you will be required to present original documents at a later date). Please note that we cannot accept a Driver's Licence as proof of ID.

Library News

This term Mrs Bryant has created a virtual library called, Online Look On Library, for the children. The children are able to access this through their own Google Classroom. In addition she has created a newsletter with information about Australian authors and illustrators.



Returning Reading and Library books

Dear Parents, As your children return to school it is very important that they return the reading books they were given prior to the school holidays. Library books can also be returned at the same time. This will give the children an opportunity to borrow more books.

Children can return their library books the day they are present at school and borrow new titles.

Head Lice

There has been a report of head lice at the school. Please check your child for signs of lice or nits (small white eggs on the hair shaft). If necessary, consult the pharmacist about a suitable product.

Canteen

Canteen licence is up for tender. Please visit the following link for further information

<https://www.tenderlink.com/parracatholic/>

Social Skills

Care and Compassion - Being Positive

- ♦ Leaving other children alone
- ♦ Name calling



Parish News

Sacramental News

Unfortunately, due to Covid-19 and the uncertainty surrounding it, the Sacramental Programs which were due to commence in early May with the Parent Meeting for the Sacrament of Confirmation have now been cancelled. More information will follow at a later date.

For youth in the Parish

Due to social distancing restrictions, we have been on a youth group break for quite some time and have really missed connecting with you! To try and reconnect in this time we have created a Youtube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFy52IMn0ChQv7iEuR2ptAg>

Videos present input, games, activities and a few tips for keeping connected! We'd love to continue to utilise this medium, if you have any suggestions please forward them via contact details below!

If you have any general questions or concerns please contact the Youth Minister Paul Fam, on 0407 773 174, or send an email through to youth@parishofbaulkhamhills.org.au



Reading is all around us

One reason why we must help our children love reading.

Children have to love reading to become excellent readers. Only if they love reading will they spend lots of time reading. Practice is everything.

Other ways to help your child include:

- Create a positive reading environment at home.
- Make learning to read part of every day.
- Set aside a special time for reading with your child.
- Re-read books.
- Have a variety of texts e.g. stories, comics, poems, plays cartoons.
- Talk about what you are reading
- Continue to read to your child even when they can read.

Australian authors / illustrators

Stephen Michael King	Aura Parker
<p>Stephen Michael King was born in 1963 in Sydney. His younger years were spent exploring the adventures within books and drawing. In 1990 Stephen moved to the Sydney offices of Walt Disney Studios in Surry Hills as an illustrator. Stephen credits his love of drawing and creating characters that can do just about anything to his teacher mother. He is thankful to his father, who loved tinkering with inventions for his creative flare.</p> <p>Ref: https://www.creativekidstales.com.au/authors-illustrators/ckts-featured-illustrators/1978-stephen-michael-king </p>	<p>Aura Parker is a children's author and illustrator based in Sydney. Her picture books are whimsical with a playful sense of humour, brimming with details to explore. Aura Parker's storytelling through words and pictures inspires imagination, courage and confidence in young readers.</p> <p>Ref: http://www.illustrated.com.au/</p>

Reference: Leonhardt, M. *99 ways to get kids to love reading*