Good evening students, parents, friends and relatives. Along with all the staff here tonight we celebrate the year, the triumphs, the shared moments when we knew that St Francis Xavier College is a place that cares for and about you as learners and God’s shining achievement.

I am grateful that we have been able to come together to celebrate. The world is a wonderful, exciting and occasionally crazy place. Let us pause for a moment to think and pray about those less fortunate. Those with danger or uncertainty around them. Those without access to housing, clothing, food and shelter. Those for whom access to learning remains a dream.

And let us be grateful. For we are blessed.

Our new Bishop reminds us that God is good. It is so.

And life is good. Jesus said in the gospel of John that he came that we may have life and live it to the full. Here tonight we are celebrating the fruits of that fullness.

Fr Frank Moloney is a scripture scholar. Some would say the world’s foremost writer on the gospel of John. He once spoke to me about the beauty of human achievement.

The beauty of human achievement.

What a gorgeous thought.

The various calamities around the world come as a result of severe breakdowns in relationships and structures. But we have an opportunity in a school to add another beauty. The beauty of community. A community that supports, nurtures, accepts and, in doing so, helps each other to grow.

This we are also celebrating tonight.

Each of us has been given talents and gifts by God. The parable of the talents can take a little bit of literal interpretation. When we do that we see in the story the desire that God has for us to make the most of that gifts and talents.

Three beauties.

Human achievement.

Human community.

God’s generosity.

Each of these are on show tonight. Each is being celebrated. Each is a thing of beauty.

This is why St Iranaeus, and it is a favourite quote of mine, said that the glory of God is a human fully formed.

Surely that is what we can see the emergence of in today’s purpose, the celebration of human achievement; in tonight’s gathering, the community of St Francis Xavier College; in tonight’s source, the generosity of God’s gift of talents to us all.

I would like to congratulate all award recipients on their achievements. On their commitment to excellence. On their commitment to really doing something profound with their God-given gifts.

My thanks to all families for their support of the students which enables them to never have to travel the path to growth and achievement alone. My thanks to their teachers for guiding them. My thanks to the support staff for ensuring that St Francis Xavier College can function purposefully as a place of learning. My thanks to the Board and the Canonical Administrators for their commitment to assisting the leaders of the College to make St Francis Xavier College a place of excellence and achievement.

Another beauty, no doubt.
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Sacramental Program

Next year St Francis Xavier College will be piloting the Sale Diocese secondary schools Sacramental program. This will mean students who wish to receive any of the sacraments will be able to do so through our College. We will liaise with Parish Sacramental coordinators in providing the program through Religious Education and lunchtime classes. Candidates will take part in Parish, Diocesan and school rites as they move through the program. This is a very exciting development with more details available next year. If you wish to enrol your student in the program please email kwoodhouse@sfx.vic.edu.au for further details.

Student trips in December

We wish Remar Blue all the best for their Solidarity Camp in Benalla, followed by attendance at the Catholic Bishop’s hosted Australian Catholic Youth Festival in Adelaide. In Benalla they will be completing an environmental project, visiting a nursing home and then attending Mass at St Joseph’s. While in Adelaide they will be participating in workshops, rallies and liturgies that celebrate and explore Catholic identity.

At the same time four Year 11 and 12 students, Lilian Davine, Miranda Ryan, Ebony Lucas and Taylor Evans will accompany Rhonda O’Connor and me on a visit to Timor Leste. After arriving in Dili we will work in an orphanage for 3 days, followed by 2 days in a parish in Laléia, then into the hills of Ermera where we will visit a secondary school. The trip is being hosted by Catholic Mission and throughout the trip we will be delivering funds raised by Burgess and Synan Houses.

Year of the Consecrated Life

This year has been a year to celebrate those men and women who have served others through their vocation to the priesthood or religious life. Everyone is invited to the Consecrated Life Mass of Thanksgiving on Wednesday 2 December at 11.00am at St Michael’s Church, Kay Street, Traralgon.

Advent

The church new year is ready to begin! The Feast of Christ the King ended our church year last Sunday, and so our 4 beautiful weeks of Advent now begin. The light rituals which celebrate the future coming of the risen Christ now begin each Sunday Eucharist. We can mark these 4 weeks by having an Advent wreath in our homes to accompany Christmas decorations, by lighting the purple candles of expectation, and by praying in hope for our world that certainly needs to hear Christ’s message of peace.

Jesus, without you there is no going, without you there is no knowing, and without you there is no living.

May Christ be present in your families over the coming celebrations and holidays!
It was a privilege to attend the Year 12 Valedictory Dinner with students, parents and staff last Thursday. These young men and women have worked towards the completion of their VCE, VET and VCAL studies. Photos from the Graduation Mass and Valedictory Dinner may be viewed on www.boxpix.com.au We eagerly await the release of VCE results on 14 December. We hope to see many Year 12 students at the College on this day (10.00am - 12.00pm). This will be a great opportunity to meet informally with friends. Students wishing to discuss their result with the Careers Counsellor may do so privately.

Students and staff have participated in White Ribbon activities in the lead up to White Ribbon Day on 25 November. We shared information and discussed strategies in order to speak out about violence against women. Thank you to all students and staff who purchased a ribbon or wristband. We must all endeavour to break the silence and speak out in support of this worthy cause.

The members of the Year 12 Executive attending their first leadership training session recently. Please read the reflection below, written by College Captain Emillie King.

The National Young Leaders Day is an event held each year to inspire and assist tomorrow’s leaders in their leadership endeavours. On Friday 21 November, the 2016 Year 12 Executive team attended this exciting conference. Throughout the day the students were captivated by the presentations of Josh Richards, Jules Allen, Dr Amantha Imber and Daniel Flynn. The sparkling experiences and careers of these moving leaders (including astronaut hopeful Josh Richards) are evidence of the way attitude and determination can result in brilliant outcomes. Speaking of their experiences of hardship, resilience and determination, these 4 innovative leaders inspired the executive to master the little in order to achieve success. Looking forward to 2016, the Executive are enthusiastically preparing for another year of success for St Francis Xavier College and are eagerly ready to master the little, in order to achieve the great.

Senior students have participated in Unit 1 and 3 2016 classes during the last fortnight. They have conducted themselves in the appropriate manner and are expected to complete all tasks as assigned by staff. Students will be dismissed at 3.20pm on Friday 27 November. Yearbooks and Semester 2 Reports will be distributed during afternoon Care Group.

I wish you all a safe and happy holiday and look forward to welcoming our new Year 10 2016 students as they begin their Orientation program on Monday 30 November.
2016 Student Leadership Team

Congratulations to the following students who have been elected in the various leadership positions as outlined below for 2016. All students conducted themselves admirably in an interview setting and we look forward to their positive contributions to the school community next year. During the last week of this term we will be running a leadership day to assist with planning and directions for the future.

Campus Captains: Natalie Morgan & Charlie Stocks
Liturgy Captains: Sophie Ambor & Alana Popovic
Justice Captains: Megan Nunn & Claire Price
Sport Captains: Clare Carroll & Max McGreal
Arts Captains: Emma Jelavic & Oliver Thomson

Burgess
House Captains: Clare Davine & Julian Hayden
Burgess SRC: Nicole Benza & Luca Hartig

Gallagher
House Captains: Danielle Wilkinson & Jacob Stephens
Gallagher SRC: Kirra Scalzo & Keaton McConville

McDonagh
House Captains: Phoebe Pratt & Jordan Pratt
McDonagh SRC: Ella Rapson & Joshua King

McKenna
House Captains: Georgia Taranto & Nicholas Groppo
McKenna SRC: Natasha Fraser & Georgia Oliver

Schneider
House Captains: Paige Robertson & Kyle Wessels
Schneider SRC: Angela Patricio & Harjas Gill

Synan
House Captains: Leticia Tabone & Jacob Keysers
Synan SRC: Aiden Dunkley & Johanne Siritunga

Thomas
House Captains: Kailee McAuley & Sebastian Sekulovski
Thomas SRC: Kali Captieux & Tiarna Byrne

White
House Captains: Adelaina Palu & Damon Hill
White SRC: Kiah Martin & Jessica Grizancic

Year 9 Examinations

Mathematics and English examinations were conducted for all Year 9s on Wednesday 25 November. If positive attitude and commitment to preparation in the lead up classes are any indication, we can expect very encouraging results. Good luck to all.

Year 10 Commencement Week

On Monday 30 November, Year 9 students from the Berwick Campus will commence their orientation week at Beaconsfield. During this time students will become acquainted with their respective Houses and House areas along with their teachers, subject outlines and classrooms for 2016. This is an exciting time for students and provides a great opportunity to build confidence levels going into 2016. During this week, full school summer uniform is to be worn and the compulsory hat rule will also apply.

Year 7 Water Safety Day

The importance of teaching of water safety skills can never be understated enough, especially in Australia, a country with such a hot climate. We have been fortunate to be in a position to offer our Year 7 students the opportunity to learn and apply many water safety skills at the Croydon Swim Centre last week.

This program is compulsory and during the day skills such as survival strokes, safe towing, body boarding skills, swimming in currents/rips and assuming the HELP position are learned as vital aspects of building confidence in the water.

In addition to this, students gain valuable insights into the art of resuscitation using the DR ABCD method. Many thanks to Laura Folino and the Physical Education team who have worked hard to put such a valuable program together for our students.

Assistance required

A current Year 8 student from the Berwick Campus is looking for transport home after school, from Term 1 next year onwards to the Pakenham area. For more details, please contact Johanna Chavez (Pastoral Associate) via email: jchavez@sfx.vic.edu.au
FROM THE OFFICER CAMPUS
Margaret Blythman, Deputy Principal - Head of Campus

It doesn't seem possible this is the last Newsletter of the year but indeed it is, and the academic year has almost come to an end. It is timely to offer thanks to God, for the gift of our entire College staff, students, parents and friends, who have all been faithful and generous to keep the light of wisdom and knowledge alive across the Campus. Some of us during this year have shared experiences, struggles, insights, challenges and discoveries among ourselves and others to become more connected with the greater glory of God.

In my last newsletter at the College I offer you all – parents, students and staff – every best wish for the future. This has been a wonderful four years, filled with fabulous experiences, challenges and of course, memories.

Let me conclude by offering my appreciation for all the personal support and encouragement offered to me throughout the year by the College community. My thanks to the wonderful leadership teams at the Campus, they are great educators and leaders and they serve our College very well. My thanks also to the staff who give so generously and provide such wonderful opportunities for learning and growing. I wish all the staff and students a happy and safe return to the Campus in 2016.

Christmas Blessings
As we commence the holidays I wish all families a well-earned rest from the school routine. In the midst of these frantic final weeks before Christmas when so many other things can distract us from what this grace-filled feast is really all about, let’s take a moment to find time for both prayer and solitude, finding God within you and around you. May Christmas be a special time of hope, peace and love for you and your family:

May the blessing of Christ, word made flesh, be with us
May Mary, courageous amidst the unknown, help us love
May Joseph, noble in time of challenge, show the right way
May shepherds, who know theirs, call and protect us
May Magi, wise guides who journey and celebrate, come and counsel!
May angels from heaven sing in our heart and unite us from afar
May the Christmas story live, live in us!
May you have the gladness of Christmas which is HOPE,
the spirit of Christmas which is PEACE,
the heart of Christmas which is LOVE.

Student Leaders 2016
At St Francis Xavier College, leadership is an important part of student learning. Those of us fortunate to work at St Francis Xavier are regularly impressed by the quality of students who have been chosen as leaders. For 2016 we are pleased to announce Chloe Jones and Benjamin Shields as the Campus Captains. I would also like to congratulate the following students on their leadership roles:

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In this final newsletter for 2015 I would like to congratulate students for the way they presented in the final VCAA, Unit 2 and Year 10 Examinations. When the reports come home this week many parents will proudly celebrate the academic achievements of their sons and daughters. This is most important when it is evident that the student’s understanding and skills have developed during the second semester of 2015 because of a more consistent approach to their studies and an improved work ethic.

The College is most grateful for the support and expertise of our VCAA Supervisors who guarantee that the security and integrity of the VCE external assessments is maintained at all times. Mrs Tricia Randle and her team worked to ensure that students were provided with optimum conditions to produce their best performance.

The subject teachers look forward to congratulating their students when the results are published on Monday 14 December 2015.

The 2016 Academic Year has already begun with students completing the first two weeks of Unit 1 and Unit 3 classes. These introductory lessons and the work to be completed over the holiday break all contribute to the work required for the satisfactory completion of the first VCE Outcomes for each VCE Unit of study.

All holiday homework will be located on Moodle; students are advised to develop a plan to ensure that they understand exactly what is required to be done and how long it is expected to take. Every subject teacher and year level curriculum leader is actively building on our culture of academic excellence; therefore failure to complete the work set to a satisfactory standard tells us that the student is not serious about his or her studies.

2015 has once again been a very busy year in the VCE Office. Students, teachers and parents have many and varied needs. The Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority have many rules to be followed and deadlines to meet. So I would like to take this opportunity to thank Christine Miller and Paula Fuentes for their expertise and invaluable support of us all.

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Mary Bourke

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Carmel Gardiner (Acting)

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Directors of Learning

Director of Learning – Berwick Campus
Kelly Ryan

Exams
The Year 9 students sat their final exams on Wednesday as part of their last assessment for the year. The students approached the exams in a mature manner and were for the most part, well prepared. Exam results will be included in their end of Semester reports.

Reports
A reminder that reports will be posted home in the week after students finish. If you have not received your students report by Friday 11 December, our office at Berwick will be open until 18 December to follow up.

Holiday Break
The end of year break is an important time for our students to rest and recharge their batteries in readiness for the new school year. I would like to commend our Berwick students on their efforts in their learning in 2015 and am looking forward to an excellent academic year in 2016.
College Presentation Night
St Francis Xavier College’s Presentation Night is one of our major College celebrations. This is one of the few opportunities when our whole College community gathers together in celebration to acknowledge the achievements and efforts of students from all year levels at our three Campuses. Presentation Night for 2015 will be held at Robert Blackwood Hall, Monash University, Clayton TONIGHT at 7.00pm. Presentation Night is for all students and their families. There are limited tickets available and can now be booked online via the link on Moodle (http://lms.sfx.vic.edu.au)

Orientation Day for Year 7 2016 Students
Orientation Day for Year 7 students starting in 2016 at Berwick and Officer Campuses will be held on Tuesday 8 December. Students will receive information about the following year, explore their Campus and experience a day in the life of a secondary school student. More information for new enrolments can be found on our Moodle page http://lms.sfx.vic.edu.au

Re-Sale Uniforms
The Uniform Shop welcomes all families to bring any uniform their children are no longer wearing to the shop for second hand re-sale.

We ask that uniform items are in good condition, no fading or fraying and must be freshly laundered (blazers to be dry cleaned). Half price is offered for most items, more if they are in near new condition. There is a service fee of 10% for re-stocking and handling. The sales value less the service fee is credited against your school fee account. If the student has left the school, the money can be transferred into a nominated account.

This is a great way to recycle any unwanted uniform whilst supporting our College.

Thank you...
On behalf of all the Members of St Vincent de Paul Society Inc, Pakenham Conference, I would like to thank the St Francis Xavier College Community for their generous donation of gifts and food towards our Christmas hampers.

Your ongoing support of our Society is greatly appreciated and encourages us with our work.

Our best wishes for a blessed Christmas and a safe and enjoyable holiday to everyone at the College.

Thanks and regards
Bernadette Briffa, Secretary SVDP Pakenham
Ruben Centre Appeal 2015

This year marks the 16th year that our College has promoted the Ruben Centre Appeal, which supports education, health services and key community development programs for the Mukuru slum, one of the largest slums on the outskirts of Nairobi, Kenya.

What began as a simple response for assistance to feed students at Ruben in 2000 (a year of extreme drought throughout Eastern Africa), has developed into an annual fund-raising program which is so generously supported by our students, staff and families of our feeder parishes. As well, St Catherine’s Primary School has walked alongside our College every year in raising funds at their annual school concert. This year $19,713 was raised through the Appeal.

Our students have addressed Campus assemblies and also all Mass congregations at St Patrick’s, Pakenham and St Michael’s, Berwick. The response and affirmation students received from these communities was truly heartening. Hopefully all our students involved over the many years of the Appeal will carry this experience into their adult working lives. They, too, have the potential to be instruments of change in their world.

Staff have embraced the three weeks of the Appeal, by encouraging Care Groups to give generously. There have been gourmet lunches, a dinner at a local restaurant and raffles of rucksacks made by the women of Ruben. Throughout these weeks, we have all been reminded of our privileged lifestyle, and of Nelson Mandela’s words: Do not look the other way. The world hungers for action, not words!

The Ruben Centre, with the assistance of donors and under the governance of the Edmund Rice Foundation, has embarked on a major development program in recent years, which has seen 24 new classrooms and facilities provided for its ever increasing enrolment of students. The education project at Ruben will benefit many generations and will be a model school for other such projects.

The Ruben Centre Medical Clinic continues to serve a huge clientele, with ever increasing capability through more trained staff, donated equipment and greater access to medications through effective networking.

Our College is sincerely grateful for the ongoing support and encouragement provided by our parishes, our priests, our families and countless donors who continue to believe in the dream of a just world for all.

Bernadette Barlow

‘Many Hands’ House-knitted Rug 2015

Raffle to support school fundraising for the White Ribbon organisation

- Dedicated College Staff members (with a bit of help from others) have knitted squares in their House Colours with a White Ribbon included in the design.
- The blocks have been sewn together into one big rug.

TICKETS
$1 each
3 for $2
10 for $5

Raffle tickets will be sold at the Beaconsfield, Berwick and Officer Campus Receptions as well as at Beaconsfield Library, until Friday 4 December and at the Presentation Night Thursday 26 November 2015. The Raffle will be drawn on Monday 7th December and the winner notified.

Bonus ticket for any special edition gold coin used!
Resources for the Mathematics classroom in 2016

The following highlight the options related to textbook resources in Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 Mathematics classes. Our programs are designed around the Pearson Mathematics resources, which are available in print (student textbook) and digital (eBook) form. As a result of varied needs, students have the opportunity to purchase a digital only product (Option 1) OR a student textbook/eBook bundle (Option 2).

**Option 1: Digital only (eBook 3.0)**

Digital version of textbook with access to additional interactive and Pearson Places website Price: $45.35. This is an option for students who don’t wish to use the print version.

**Option 2: Pearson Maths bundle (Combo Pack)**

Consists of a student textbook and eBook 3.0 Price: $76.50 – This option is for students who still like to use the print version as well as the digital.

When you purchase a student textbook and/or digital access, activation of the eBook 3.0 is done through Pearson Places with the College supplied student email address and the digital access lasts 15 months. Activation details (instructions and access code) are located on a sticker inside the back cover of the textbook. **It is essential that this is not lost, especially if you plan to on-sell the book at a later time.**

The following option relates to second-hand textbooks and the facts for digital access.

**Option 3: Second-hand textbooks**

If purchasing a second-hand book, it is expected students will also have digital access

If you purchase a second-hand textbook, the access code can be reused, however it needs to be re-activated through Pearson Places with the College supplied student email address and costs $20 each time (Payable via credit card through the website)

The access code can be re-activated 3 more times beyond the first time, that is, a total of 4 times.

It is expected that all students have digital access to their Mathematics resource. This is essential as many of the activities used in classes relate to the additional interactive provided as part of the eBook 3.0 (digital) package.


**VCE Mathematics from 2016**

2016 is the start of a new Study Design Accreditation period for VCE Mathematics.

New resources are provided by publishers to match the new study design, meaning that the current textbooks used will not be suitable for next year.

The new textbooks are required for each of these VCE Mathematics studies

- General Mathematics Units 1 and 2
- Mathematical Methods Units 1 and 2
- Specialist Mathematics Units 1 and 2
- Further Mathematics Units 3 and 4
- Mathematical Methods Units 3 and 4
- Specialist Mathematics Units 3 and 4

Digital only or Print and Digital options also exist for each of these subjects. All information will be provided on the booklist.
Calculator requirements for 2016

CAS Calculator (Senior and Advanced Mathematics classes)

Students in the following classes are required to use a CAS Calculator as part of their studies in Mathematics next year and beyond.

- Year 9 Advanced Mathematics
- Year 10 Advanced Mathematics
- Year 10 Core Mathematics
- All VCE studies in Mathematics (excluding Foundation Mathematics)

The calculator will remain with the student throughout their senior years at the College.

Students planning to study Year 10 Essential Mathematics next year are not expected to purchase a CAS Calculator. The standard Green TI 30 XB Scientific Calculator the students use in Junior Mathematics classes will be suitable for the Year 10 Essential Mathematics course.

To assist our families, the College will continue to work with our calculator supplier Haines Educational to supply the calculator and adaptor at extremely competitive prices. An additional benefit for purchasing through our supplier is that students receive a free 3-Year warranty, which for most students, will last the remaining years of study at the College. Purchase instructions are available through the attached documentation (which students have been provided with). Ordering is made through the Haines Online Calculator Portal as per the instructions provided. Please note the dates that the Portal is open for and the dates the calculators are to be delivered to the College. Ordering outside these dates may result in a delivery charge to you.

It is possible that an earlier model CAS will be sufficient for our courses, such as those purchased second hand or handed down from an older sibling.

Scientific Calculator (Junior Mathematics classes)

The suppliers also offer the standard Green TI 30 XB Scientific Calculator that is used in the Junior level classes at the College. Parents also have the option to purchase this calculator through the portal. This is useful for families that may need a new calculator for a Year 7 student in 2016 as the price offered is a significant saving.

If there are any queries about the Calculator Portal, feel free to contact Haines Educational during business hours on 8736 6000 or general queries can be directed to Joe Marsiglio at the Beaconsfield Campus on 9707 3111.

Calculator Portal Instructions 2015

We now offer a simple method for students to order the following calculators at competitive prices.

CAS Calculators

Option 1 – Special bundle $213
TI-Nspire CX including wallet and pre-registered 3 year warranty
PLUS USB wall charger (also suitable for charging other devices)

OR

Option 2 $205
TI-Nspire CX including wallet and pre-registered 3 year warranty

Additional OPTIONAL offer for Junior Campus students:
(Note this is available for students who need to replace a scientific calculator or for parents of students new to the College in 2016).

TI-30XB Multiview $23

The prices include free delivery to your school if you order with either of these options:

Order before: 24/11/2015 for free delivery to College on 1/12/2015
Order before: 25/01/2016 for free delivery to College on 2/02/2016

The portal remains open all year but orders after these dates will be charged $11 for postage direct to students’ home address.

To order via the Haines Educational portal, just follow the steps outlined as follows.

1. Go to the Haines Educational home page at www.haines.com.au
2. Click on portal link (underneath the My Cart box) halfway down page on left side.
3. Enter code sfxc (lower case only), school portal page will be open.
4. Follow the instructions and add your required calculator package.
5. Check that details are correct in MY CART (yellow box on left), proceed to checkout.
6. Ensure that your student’s name is entered (required for delivery at College).
7. Add details, address and contact number (ignore any ticks in boxes as delivery will be to College).
8. Complete payment method (Mastercard or Visa only).
9. Click on Place Order, a confirmation email will be sent to you, retain for collection/taxation purposes.
10. Click on return to home page (at top of page). Order completed.

If you have any questions please contact Haines during business hours on 03 8736 6000.
Merry Christmas and best wishes for a happy New Year to all the staff, students and families of St Francis Xavier College community.

Parents and Friends Association 2016 Committee

President          Coralie Nelson
Vice President     Nell Briffa
Treasurer          Mary Anne Morison
Secretary          Sue Wall
Publicity          Jacqui Hockey

Please join us at the next Parents & Friends meeting in 2016. A great opportunity to meet new people, support your school, your child’s education, stay updated on the latest news/events, offer ideas and help in a friendly environment.

Enquiries regarding the Parents & Friends Association can be made to Coralie on 0428 893 551.

God Bless and Peace be with you
The rally will be addressed at 6.00pm by Cardinal Oscar Rodriguez

Former President of Caritas Internationalis. Staunch defender of human rights and a powerful voice in the global fight against poverty. Vatican's spokesperson with the International Monetary Fund and World Bank on the issue of Third World debt. He continues to challenge leaders of the world’s richest nations to address the impact of climate change in our world particularly on the most vulnerable. The message is quite clear:

"Climate change is a major obstacle to eradication of poverty, equitable solutions are urgently needed."

Inquiries: justice@cam.org.au

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**To all People interested in the effects of Climate Change,**

You are invited to join

**Fr Gary Walker**
Regional Director of the Columban Missionaries
Leading a Presentation and Discussion about Pope Francis’ Letter on Climate Change

**Laudato Si’**
St Michael’s Basketball Stadium
Entrance off Bain St, Berwick
Thursday 26 November 2015
7.30pm
Advent Reconciliation Service
Wednesday 9 December at 7.30 pm

Christmas Masses
Thursday 24 December

6.00pm at St Brigid’s School
25 Bayview Road, Officer.

7.30pm at Our Lady of the Southern Cross Chapel
73 Ridgemont Drive, Berwick South.

9.00pm in the Church.

Midnight in the Church (with Carols from 11.30 pm).

Friday 25 December

9.00am in the Church.

10.30am in the Church.
UNIFORM SHOP
Beaconsfield Avenue, Beaconsfield
(House next to Chapel)

Tuesdays & Thursdays
8.30am - 4.00pm
Every Saturday
9.00am - 12.00pm

Telephone Orders Welcome
Tel: 9707 3111

DECEMBER 2015
Tuesday December 1 8.30am – 4.00pm
Thursday December 3 8.30am – 4.00pm
Saturday December 5 9.00am – 12 noon
Tuesday December 8 10.30am – 7.00pm
Thursday December 10 8.30am – 4.00pm
Saturday December 12 9.00am – 12 noon
Tuesday December 15 8.30am – 4.00pm
Thursday December 17 8.30am – 4.00pm

JANUARY 2016
Tuesday January 12 10.30am – 7.00pm
Wednesday January 13 8.30am – 4.00pm
Thursday January 14 8.30am – 4.00pm
Saturday January 16 9.00am – 12 noon
Tuesday January 19 8.30am – 4.00pm
Thursday January 21 8.30am – 4.00pm
Saturday January 23 9.00am – 12 noon
Monday January 25 8.30am – 4.00pm
Wednesday January 27 8.30am – 4.00pm
Thursday January 28 8.30am – 4.00pm
Friday January 29 8.30am – 4.00pm

LAST DAY OF TRADING FOR 2015 WILL BE THURSDAY 17 DECEMBER.
SHOP WILL REOPEN ON TUESDAY JANUARY 12.
PLEASE SEE ADJACENT FOR ADDITIONAL HOLIDAY HOURS.