Father Dan Celebrates 50 Years
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New students are settling into campus life
Editorial

Selling off the Kimberley

One of the magnificent aspects of the Kimberley is its pristine beauty, largely untouched by resource exploitation and industrial development. The air in the Kimberley is mostly clean, the waterways are largely unpolluted, and the forests, though often ravaged by fire, usually give the appearance of being as they were before colonial times. It is still possible to explore a coastline or a National Park and experience it without the distractions of invasive crowds and the negative effects of urban living. You may still today camp on a remote beach or sail an inviting estuary and enjoy it as it was when only Indigenous people lived there. So much of the remote Kimberley shoreline remains just as Philip Parker King, the explorer, first saw it when he circumnavigated the continent in 1821. Unlike the coastline of the Queensland tropics in Eastern Australia, the Kimberley shores are not punctuated with glitzy resorts or ugly pretensions of wealth. There are no golf courses sprouting Bali motifs, no holiday villages packed with caravans, no burgeoning theme parks and no tacky shopping centres selling cheap tee-shirts and plastic crocodiles. Neither are there factories, industrial conglomerates or processing plants scarring the terrain or filling the sky with unwanted impurities.

Just when we were thinking how fortunate we are to have this northern seashore, the last untouched wilderness in Australia, original and pure, along comes a gas project and a company, Inpex, who wants to build a gas processing plant on the Maret Islands. This hub will receive gas via a pipeline from the Browse Basin, then process it to be packed aboard ships bound for the energy-hungry factories of Japan and China.

Future planning for the development of the Kimberley needs to begin at a point of departure consistent with principles of conservation, not exploitation. A question to ask is: What constitutes the greater human value – the country as a national treasure or the resource as a commodity to be exploited? And again we ask, is there an absolute necessity to exploit this pristine country or is there an alternative?

Fortunately, there are a few outposts of resistance, Indigenous and non Indigenous, that may well be able to coalesce in the coming months to lead an effective opposition to the Inpex proposal. There are also signs that the Governments, State and Federal, prefer a single hub, one that is far away from the beautiful wilderness that surrounds the Maret Islands.

A brief look at the ugliness of development in the Pilibara region should be enough to make people stop and think about resource exploitation and development in the Kimberley. Such thoughts may lead them to conclude that the natural beauty of our region is worth preserving just as it is, for future generations. It is never too late to speak out. Perhaps commonsense will prevail. Great things can happen when good people stand up together for what is right.

Relationships Exhibition Open

In 2007 the Sisters of St John of God celebrated one hundred years of their arrival in the Kimberley and one of the enduring aspects of the celebrations was the Relationships Exhibition that was set up in the Old Convent in Barker Street Broome. The Old Convent, built in 1926, is now State Heritage listed. A Photographic Collection, which is part of the Relationships Exhibition, will again be open to the public. If you are visiting Broome throughout the year drop into the Old Convent in Barker Street from the 25th March to the 23rd October on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday between 10am and 2pm. For further enquiries about the exhibition call Liz on 9192 3950.

From left, Gwen Bucknall, Sally Bin Demin and Maggie Van Pren (Iboska) take a closer look at the Photographic Collection. Photo: Courtesy SSJG Heritage and Archive Centre.

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It was a big Wet in the northern ranges of the Kimberley and much water flowed through the Barnett River. The Bishop's 4WD Toyota travels over the Barnett Crossing after the floods have passed.

Photo: CAS

Should you pass through the sea, I will be with you; or through rivers, they will not swallow you up.... For I am Yahweh, your God, the Holy One of Israel, your saviour. Isaiah 43:2-3
DANEY IRUDAYA is from Chennai in southern India and is a student for the Priesthood at Redemptoris Mater Seminary in Sydney. Daney is presently on pastoral placement in the Cathedral Parish of Broome.

SR JAN BARNETT (below) is a Sister of St Joseph from Sydney, NSW. Sr Jan was recently in Broome to facilitate the Meeting of Priests, Pastoral Associates and Principals of the Diocese.

VIN AND JUDY BIBBY, pictured above, from Victoria, have recently arrived to volunteer at Mirrilingki in Warmun. Vin will undertake much needed maintenance and Judy will assist with the running of the Centre.

FATHER BILL MISCAMBLE, (left) an Australian who belongs to the American Holy Cross Fathers, has a keen place in his heart for Notre Dame Broome. Father Bill is shown here in front of a Kimberley painting on display at the NDA Sydney campus.

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**Viewpoint**

By Bishop Christopher Saunders DD

**WYD is for us all**

I have recently attended a meeting in Sydney of the Indigenous Reference Committee for World Youth Day. There we received a briefing on the progress of planning for this event which will see the largest gathering of youth ever in Australia. Our task as a committee was to advise the WYD management team on the contribution of Indigenous Australians to this significant moment in the history of our nation and the Church in Australia.

We discussed the opening Mass on the Tuesday (15 July), the Pope’s arrival on the Thursday, the boatcade of the Holy Father across Sydney Harbour, the welcoming of the Holy Father at Barangaroo and the concerts to be held for youth in the evenings. There are workshops to be held, art exhibitions, information events, various keynote addresses, forums on vital issues, shows by young well-known Australian performers, and a host of other activities including trips to Sydney’s major attractions. It is going to be a full week of events that will also allow time and space for the spiritual growth of the young people attending.

The vigil gathering at Randwick Racecourse on Saturday will be truly something for the hundreds of thousands involved. The sleep-out there under Sydney skies will be an extraordinary experience for all the participants. The Sunday morning Mass with Pope Benedict presiding will be memorable and inspiring.

After the Mass we return to the Parish of Clovelly in the eastern suburbs, two hours walk, from the racecourse. That evening we catch a bus to Canberra for sightseeing and a de-briefing. We will be staying at a hostel and the next day will have the opportunity to see the highlights the city has to offer.

It is important for every Parish to realize that its youth who go to WYD represent the Parish they come from. The youth are going to Sydney as pilgrims and as ambassadors. I am hopeful that each Parish will benefit from the graces that arise from a pilgrimage. As young people meet young people in an environment of faith their understanding of God and appreciation of His love will hopefully grow. Such growth in the love of God can only benefit both the individuals and the parishes they come from.

Each Parish will be responsible for the preparation and formation of their pilgrims for the WYD event. This preparation should include sharing prayer times and social events with the participants – encouraging them to put themselves into the frame of mind of a pilgrim. It will also mean hands-on help such as making sure each pilgrim has enough warm clothing to endure the Sydney July climate.

In return the pilgrims will be praying for their families and for their parishes. It is my belief that they will return with the determination to be better people. Their realization that they also belong to a family of faith will prepare them to some degree for the challenges of life.

I urge you all to become identified with your pilgrims in your parishes, assist them to prepare for the WYD event, support them in every way possible and pray with them for a successful pilgrimage.

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**Chic clergy couture for World Youth Day 2008**

World Youth Day 2008 (WYD08) will provide specially designed vestments for the world’s Cardinals, Bishops, Priests and Deacons to wear during the week-long event in July.

“The vestments are an earthy red colour to reflect Australia’s unique landscape,” said Fr Peter Williams, WYD08 Director of Liturgy.

“They feature the Southern Cross on the front, signifying Australia as the Great Southern Land of the Holy Spirit.

“This is reinforced by the indigenous image on the back of the chasuble – Marjorie’s Bird – also representing the Holy Spirit.”

Father Williams said it was the first time His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI will visit Australia and the first time that a World Youth Day will be held here.

“We want to ensure we reflect our unique landscape, history and cultural influences when the international spotlight is on Sydney for this great event.”

Marjorie’s Bird was created by indigenous artist Marjorie Liddy from the Tiwi Islands in Northern Territory.

Above: Mons Mullins of the Archdiocese of Sydney models the chasuble designed for Bishops celebrating Mass at WYD08.

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**Centacare Kimberley**

In the first week of April, Centacare offices moved to 25 Robinson Street, Broome, to the building known as “Loreto House”. This move has been made possible through the efforts of the Diocese in restoring and refurbishing the house to meet the requirements of community services such as Centacare provides. With these improved and larger premises, Centacare looks forward to expanding its range of services, and undertaking further interventions for the broader community.

As a welfare agency of the Diocese of Broome, Centacare is currently involved in working with long-term unemployed persons in the community, and at this time, assisting 125 people to address issues that obstruct them from achieving employment. This federally funded scheme aims to restore self respect and confidence in each person it undertakes to support.

Centacare also provides emergency relief for people experiencing personal or family hardship. This may be in the form of food vouchers, payment of urgent expenses and other forms of material assistance. In the last month, more than 200 people have been assisted in this way.

To contact Centacare, phone 08 9192 2293.
A Priest for 50 Years

Father Dan O’Donovan this year celebrated 50 years as a priest (February 25, 2008). Father lives as a hermit at Beagle Bay, on the Dampier Peninsula, in the old Bishop Raible House. Previously he had been at the Hermitage a couple of kilometres from the remote settlement, next to the rice bore.

Fr Dan came to Australia from Ireland and joined the Community at Tarrawarra Abbey in Victoria. Before that he had been at Mount Saint Joseph Abbey, Roscrea, Co Tipperary where he was ordained on 25 February 1958. He arrived in the Kimberley on 2 December 1972.

We thank Fr Dan for his work of prayer and service throughout the years.

Kimbemley – Kalumburu, Gregory Well, Fitzroy Crossing and Wyndham. The Diocese has benefited a great deal from his ministry of prayer, one that he continues in Beagle Bay today.

On behalf of Kimberley people we extend our gratitude to Fr Dan together with our prayers that he will be truly blest.

Fr Dan (L) with Bishop Christopher Saunders. Photo: P Cowan.

MIRRILINGKI NEWS

Thanks to volunteer caretakers

Outgoing volunteer caretakers of the Mirrilingki Centre in Warmun, Damian and Lyn D’Ath, recently moved to Diggers Rest as caretakers.

Damian and Lyn did a wonderful job caring for the Centre over the Wet Season.

The Centre at Mirrilingki provides valuable services to the people of the Kimberley and volunteers play an essential role in its care and management.

CARE TO HELP OUT? Contact the Secretary at Broome Diocese (08) 9192 1060 or see the website: users.bigpond.com/ mirrilingki/default.html.

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Caritas Kimberley

The Catholic Agency for International Aid and Development

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Be informed

Check out Caritas Australia’s free online justice magazine at www.ozspirit.com. A different theme is featured each fortnight. Find out about the Millennium Development Goals which aim to halve world poverty by 2015 - and the Make Poverty History campaign.

Take Action

Take an active role in caring for your environment, starting with your own environment. Cut down on waste of resources. For example be thoughtful about how we use water, and find ways to minimize or recycle the amount of water you use in your daily life.

For students

Organise awareness-raising days around issues such as global debt, child labour, trafficking, refugees and peace building. Learn more about GLOBAL ISSUES and see our EDUCATION RESOURCES.

Caritas Kimberley is grateful to all those who contributed through Project Compassion this year. Once again the campaign has been most successful in the Diocese of Broome.

For more information: Phone 08 9192 1060 or Email secretary@broomediocese.org
Caritas Australia Website: www.caritas.org.au
New students are settling into campus life

The 2008 first semester is well under way with the new students settling in to life on the Broome Campus of the University.

Aiming High Scholarship helps to reinforce Campus commitment to Catholic education

Sasha Bailey is the winner of The University of Notre Dame Australia’s Broome Campus Aiming High Scholarship for 2008. The annual award is presented to a St Mary’s College, Broome, Year 11 student who has achieved outstanding academic success. The scholarship covers the cost of text books for Sasha’s first year of TEE.

Sasha hopes to follow on from the success of previous Aiming High 2007 Scholarship winner, Mathew Wellington who had a successful first TEE year and said the scholarship had helped him concentrate on his studies.

St Mary’s College, Broome, Year 11 and 12 Coordinator, Bridgid Lafferty, said it was a key focus to encourage upper school students to use the Notre Dame Broome Campus facilities.

“Both Mathew and Sasha have great potential to do big things with their lives and it is wonderful to see the Broome Campus supporting these students.” Mrs Lafferty said.

“The relationship Notre Dame has created with St Mary’s College is invaluable and I look forward to expanding and developing it so that together we can continue to promote Catholic Education in the Kimberley”.

VET students visit football academy

Students from the VET Teacher Assistant program at Notre Dame’s Broome Campus visited members of the West Kimberley Football Academy at St Mary’s Secondary College in Broome recently. During the visit the students were given a tour of the facilities by WKFA football operations manager Tony Delaney and WKFA Director Gavin Geaves, to see just how the academy functioned.

The visit also allowed both sets of students a chance to meet each other and pose for photos to commemorate the visit.
Clare’s Tuna Patties

Clare Pigram grew up in Lombadina/Djarindjin and has lived most of her life in Broome. Clare works as the Receptionist at the St Mary’s Primary Campus in Broome. She is married to David and they have six children and three grand children.

Clare tells us inspiration for the recipe came from her mother-in-law, now deceased. “Aggie passed on the recipe to David, and David used to teach me how to make the patties. I then took over the recipe, cooking the patties to my way. Aggie cooked with fresh salmon then when it was the season. Tinned tuna is a substitute for the fresh salmon when we can’t catch it. I used this recipe many times during Lent, especially on Fridays. My children love coming home to have a taste. It is now my speciality when we go to family functions or just a social gathering.”

INGREDIENTS

1 x 425g Tuna  
1 x 420g Corn Kernels  
4 x Large potatoes  
1 x Onion  
2 x Eggs  
1 x Cup of Flour  
1 x Cup of Oil  
1 x Cup of Oil

METHOD OF MAKING

Peel potatoes and boil until potatoes are ready for mashing. While potatoes are cooking, prepare your fish ingredients. Place tuna in a bowl with diced onion and corn and mix together. Mash the potatoes and combine with the tuna mix. Season to taste. Put in the eggs and mix all together. Roll the tuna mix into palm sized patties. Roll in the flour. Heat oil in a shallow frying pan. Place 5 patties at a time and brown on both sides, Drain on paper towel. Serve with salad and rice. Serves 2 – 4
The annual meeting of Priests and Pastoral Associates took a new direction this year, with the Principals invited to join them for a day and a half for a facilitated exploration of the future of the Diocese through Open Space Technology. Sr Jan Barnett, a Josephite Sister from Sydney, led the group through a series of self-selected small discussions and prioritising exercises to end up with four areas for action with very concrete and specific goals.

The groups putting forward these challenges were charged with moving them forward and taking responsibility for their future implementation. The four areas covered concern for the resources of the Diocese, being active in matters of social justice, having a clear vision for the Diocese and formation in the faith. On the second day, the Priests and Pastoral Associates considered matters concerned with Professional Standards, World Youth Day, progress on the replacement for the current Cathedral and a Bishop’s Consultative Council on Education in the Diocese.

After the Mass of the Oils on the Wednesday evening, all joined the Bishop for a celebratory dinner at which three priests were honoured for their service to the church - Fr Dan O’Donovan (50 years), Fr Mark Connolly (40 years) and Fr Bernard Amah (20 years).

Overall, this was a very productive gathering and one that we all hope will make significant and lasting contributions to the future life of the Diocese.
Media Watch

New Centre for Indigenous Studies completes first research project

The new Centre for Indigenous Studies at the Broome Campus of Notre Dame University recently completed its study into the impact of alcohol restrictions currently in place in Fitzroy Crossing.

The research, conducted on behalf of the Western Australian Drug and Alcohol Office, was the first undertaken by the Centre since it was established late last year and involved a two year evaluation of alcohol and drug prevention programs in Fitzroy Crossing.

Director of the Centre for Indigenous Studies, Associate Professor Lyn Henderson-Yates, said the first phase of the research focussed on evaluating the impact of the current liquor restrictions on the sale of take-away packaged liquor exceeding 2.7 per cent in Fitzroy Crossing.

The stories of the people, gathered alongside statistical information provided by the WA Alcohol and Drug Office, provided the basis for the final report, which was provided to the Director of Liquor Licensing for his consideration and decision regarding liquor restrictions in Fitzroy Crossing.

Assoc. Professor Henderson-Yates said it was exciting to have the Centre for Indigenous Studies established on the Broome Campus. “Hopefully we can create new partnerships through our work and in doing so help to initiate positive outcomes for Indigenous people,” she said.

Rural Health Club established by nursing students

The North West region now has a rural health club to promote health and careers in the health industry, thanks to the hard work and determination of three University of Notre Dame Australia nursing students.

The successful application comes less than a year after then second year Broome Campus nursing students, Kristie Ballagh, Clare Kennedy and Jerry Moore, were awarded scholarships by the National Rural Health Network (NRHN) to attend the National Rural Health Alliance (NRHA) Conference in Albury. Their experiences during the trip encouraged them to form a club of their own.

Founding member Jerry Moore said the club was confirmed by the Department of Health and Ageing as the 24th Australian Rural Health Club in February after more than a year working on the project.

Bomb attacks in Pakistan injure Caritas staff

Two deadly bomb blasts in Pakistan’s eastern city of Lahore have left Caritas staff injured and offices significantly damaged.

One of the bombs destroyed an office of the federal police, which is opposite a Catholic Church compound that includes Caritas offices, the Bishop’s office, a convent and a school.

Four Caritas staff were seriously injured in the attack. A school girl and a security guard in the compound have been killed and many school children have been injured. There has been significant damage to many of the buildings.

Jack de Groot, Chief Executive Officer of Caritas Australia said, “Our partners at Caritas Pakistan are committed to building peace in their nation. It is particularly tragic that they are now affected by these acts of violence, actions that hamper the support and assistance they provide to those in need. We express our solidarity with the people of Pakistan affected by this violence. We know the suffering Pakistan has endured due to the impact of natural disasters such as the widespread flooding last year. “We join with those in our international Caritas family in urging for an end to this violence in Pakistan. Peace is essential for development programs to continue in their work assisting the poorest communities in Pakistan to improve their livelihoods,” Mr de Groot said.
Victory for WKFA in Derby
By Matthew Matsumoto (Year 10)

The WKFA Junior Team defeated Derby District High School in a close game in Derby in early March.

On arrival we were welcomed by the school and did a warm up in the hot conditions. The game was then played in a good spirit. We had fourteen Year 8 boys in the team and they well and truly matched the older and taller Derby side and ran out victors 7-4-46 to 4-6-30. Derby got within one point in the last quarter but the superior fitness of the Academy boys helped them kick four quick goals to retain the lead. (All of those early morning training sessions paid off.)

Derby were great hosts and the whole school came to watch the high standard game. Kaszeim Bin Sali one of the Year 8 boys, won a medal for a dazzling four quarters performance and Robert Spry Wiggan was awarded a medal for a solid game in defence. Other good players were Matty Matsumoto, Jack Martin, Wayne Edgar, Wesley Karadada and Jeff Fong.

On the way home we visited Willare Roadhouse to have lunch and a rest. The game was a lot of fun and we were happy to win our first game of the year.

West Kimberley Football Academy

emergency relief in crisis situations
Centacare Kimberley provides emergency relief to families and individuals in crisis situations and conducts the Employment Support Program for long term unemployed persons. These Federally funded initiatives serve the community of Broome and the Kimberley.

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Saint News

St Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr
Feast day - April 28

St Peter Chanel was born in 1803 at Clet in the diocese of Belley, France. His intelligence and simple piety brought him to the attention of the local priest, Father Trompier, who saw to his elementary education. Entering the diocesan Seminary, Peter won the affection and the esteem of both students and professors. However, his mind was set on missionary work; so, in 1831, he joined the newly formed Society of Mary (Marists) which concentrated on missionary work at home and abroad.

In 1836, the Society was given the New Hebrides in the Pacific as a field for evangelization, and the jubilant St Peter was appointed Superior of a little band of missionaries sent to proclaim the Faith to its inhabitants. On reaching their destination, the band split up and St Peter went to the Island of Futuna accompanied by a laybrother and an English layman, Thomas Boog. They were at first well received by the pagans and their king Niuiliki who had only recently forbidden canabalism. However, the king’s jealousy and fear were aroused when the missionaries learned the language and gained the people’s confidence; he realized the adoption of the Christian Faith would lead to the abolition of some of the prerogatives he enjoyed as both high priest and sovereign.

Finally, when his own son expressed a desire to be baptized, the king’s hatred erupted and he dispatched a group of his warriors to set upon the saintly head of the missionaries. Thus, on April 28, 1841, three years after his arrival, St Peter was seized and clubbed to death by those he had come to save. His death brought his work to completion - within five months the entire island was converted to Christianity.

His body was taken back to France and Rome via New Zealand and Australia. While in Australia it rested at Villa Maria, Hunter’s Hill Sydney for two weeks.

St Peter Chanel has been chosen as one of ten Patrons of World Youth Day 2008.
**Benedict XVI Tells Youth: See You in Sydney!**

Asks for Prayers That July Event Will Bring Renewal

*VATICAN CITY, MARCH 16, 2008 (Zenit.org).*

Benedict XVI is asking prayers for young people, so that this year’s World Youth Day in Sydney might be a time of “deep and lasting spiritual renewal.”

The Pope made this appeal in English today after he prayed the midday Angelus with thousands gathered in St Peter’s Square. He celebrated Palm Sunday Mass and the diocesan-level Youth Day this morning, offering a special greeting to the young people gathered in the square.

“I address [my greeting] in a special way to young people,” the Holy Father said, “who come from many countries of the world on the occasion of the World Youth Day, which the beloved Servant of God John Paul II wanted to link with Palm Sunday. In this moment my thoughts turn to Sydney, in Australia, where the preparations are under way for the great meeting that I will have with the young people of the whole world from July 15 to 20 of this year.

“I thank the Italian Bishops’ Conference, Cardinal Pell, the Archbishop of Sydney, and his collaborators in particular, for all the work that they are doing with such commitment. I am also grateful to the Australian federal and state officials for the generous support offered to this important initiative. See you in Sydney!”

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For more information: Contact Erica Bernard at the Kimberley World Youth Day Office - Ph: 08 9192 1060 or Mob: 0427 970 028
**WYD08 KIMBERLEY PILGRIMS**

**Time for Parishes to Prepare**

One hundred and seventeen Kimberley pilgrims have enrolled to attend the World Youth Day pilgrimage in Sydney this July.

Along with half a million other young pilgrims Kimberley youth will celebrate this international event that is held every 3 years. The last WYD pilgrimage was in Cologne in southern Germany and the Kimberley Diocese of Broome was represented by a group of eighteen from all over the region.

This time the pilgrimage is to Sydney, Australia’s exciting harbourside city, and the Kimberley will be well represented by an enthusiastic group drawn from every Parish in the Diocese. It is important to remember that the pilgrims represent more than themselves. They represent their parishes and the Diocese of Broome.

Since this is not merely a holiday but a pilgrimage, it is essential that the preparation of the pilgrims emphasizes that point. It is necessary that every pilgrim be well prepared by Parish personnel. The pilgrimage preparation needs to be physical and spiritual and involve as many people from the Parish as possible.

Apart from representing their Parish each Pilgrim will attend the WYD event with a commitment to pray for their Parish and the people who will not be going to Sydney.

The Kimberley Group will be staying at St Anthony’s School in Clovelly Parish in the Eastern Suburbs of Sydney. We will be sleeping on the floor of the school. Mattresses will be provided.

St Anthony’s Principal, Anne Sullivan, has been very welcoming to the pilgrim group as has the Parish Priest, Fr George Connolly. “We are looking forward to being able to assist the Kimberley Group and make their time here as comfortable as possible” said Anne, who heads the 150 pupil School.

Pilgrims gather 2008... just 79 days to go!
The Pope will travel on this boat over Sydney Harbour.

A water taxi near the Opera House Sydney.

Clovelly Ocean Pool.

Principal Anne Sullivan (L) and Fr George Connolly, Parish Priest, at St Anthony’s School, Clovelly where our pilgrims will camp.

Pilgrims gather 2008... just 79 days to go!
Pilgrims

Physical Preparation

Walking...Walking...Walking....There is a lot of walking to be done over the time of this pilgrimage.

Are you ready for it?

Pilgrims

Spiritual Preparation

Suggestions:
- Attend Mass regularly.
- Read from the bible on your own or as a group.
- Pray the rosary.
- Use the Kimberley prayer book to help you pray.
- Attend the pilgrimage Parish Holy Hour.
- Meet with other Parish pilgrims regularly.

Parishes

Organize special prayer times for pilgrims and others
Hold bible reading sessions for pilgrims and others
Organize a weekend of prayer for pilgrims
Keep parishioners informed through the Parish bulletin
Hold a rosary in the Parish for the pilgrims
Hold a rosary in the Parish for the pilgrims
Have a picnic or barbecue for pilgrims.

Involving as many as possible.
Collect warm clothes for pilgrims

Parish Priest, Fr George Connolly, at St Anthony’s Church, Clovelly where our group will stay.

Pilgrims

Remember - travel light:
- A small bag
- Warm clothes
- Good walking shoes

Pilgrims gather 2008... just 79 days to go!
School News

BEAGLE BAY

Father Dan celebrates

Some of the Year 6 and 7 students of Sacred Heart School Beagle Bay gathered with Father Dan O’Donovan for a photo to mark the celebration of his 50th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood.

Homework Centre

Over the last two years students at Sacred Heart School in Beagle Bay have been given homework to get parents more involved in their child’s learning. Feedback was received that home was not quiet enough and had too many distractions. In late 2007 the school applied for a homework centre under the Parent School Partnership Initiative (PSPI). Mr. William Hunter, one of the ATAs, coordinates the centre with help from Miss Tracey Dann and Mr Tristan Sarah. To date we have had just a few students come in but the numbers are building.

BROOME

Easter Reflection

By Jennifer Cambridge

St. Mary’s College, Broome, gathered on 18 March to participate in a moving reflection on the last few days of Jesus’ life. The dance and drama students presented a narrative play, which included the characterisation of Mary to portray the anguish that any mother would be feeling under the harrowing circumstances of watching their only child suffer through his torture and crucifixion. The students included several dances to enhance the emotive mood of the event and to embrace the meaning of the spoken words.

Easter Celebrations at Gibb River

Gibb River is in the ranges country; a beautiful settlement 450kms north of Derby.

Paul Cox gets help with his homework from Mr William. Photo: T. Sarah.

Dimitilla Piosi of Year 12 portrays Mary at the foot of the cross. Photo: D Kelly.

Bishop Christopher Saunders receives the gifts from (L to R) Rebecce Wungundin, May Jorda, Aiden Nyandi and Daniel Wungundin at Wanalirri Catholic School.
KUNUNURRA

Protecting the Ord

Students from Years 6 and 7 at St Joseph’s School in Kununurra were given a fantastic opportunity last month to learn about the need of caring for one of the East Kimberley’s most important assets – the Ord River Catchment.

Various presenters put on eye-catching visual displays, gave educational talks and provided hands-on activities to stimulate the children’s minds and open them to the wonders of the Ord and the need for its protection.

MULAN

Holy Week

Students at John Pujajangka-Piyirn School, Mulan, took part in daily reflections during Easter Week involving the students in all aspects of Jesus’ last days.
School News

BILLILUNA

Jnr Dennis graduates

Congratulations to Jnr Dennis Chunjella (Sambo) who graduated from Year 10 Bethal College Albany in December 2007. Jnr Dennis is a past student of Kururrungku CEC in Billiluna, east Kimberley.

Fun Day for Caritas

On February 15th all the students from Kururrungku CEC, in Billiluna, and their families participated in a Fun Day to raise money for Caritas. It was a very successful day and raised over $1000.

The students participated in a variety of games such as a wheelbarrow race. There were tattoos and face panting, cake stalls, popcorn and a raffle with the major prize being a television generously donated by Cheryl and Gerry at the store.

Milky Water arrives

The flood waters from the Northern Territory have arrived in Billiluna, east Kimberley. This means the “milky water”, which is great for swimming and fishing, has flooded Sturt Creek. There is not as much water as in previous years, but enough for families to enjoy for a couple of weeks. Coral May Nungoray holds Shaynaia Samuel following their swim in the milky water at Sturt Creek Billiluna.

Parish News

WARMUN

Preparations underway for World Youth Day Pilgrimage

As time draws closer for the WYD pilgrimage the women from Warmun and Frog Hollow gave their time on a recent Sunday to further preparation for their participation in the Pilgrimage. They attended sessions that helped them articulate their understanding of their faith as Catholics and how the rituals of the sacraments are inculturated.

From left, Leanne Mosquito, Nancy Daylight, Marika Mung and Rosemary Daylight with Sr Alma Cabassi rsj in front, enjoyed becoming familiar with the WYD theme song saying they felt their “spirit rise” and prayed they would be strong through the power of the Holy Spirit.

KUNUNURRA

Fr Patrick de Silva, Parish Priest of Kununurra, washes the feet of two young parishioners of St Vincent Pallotti Parish, Sandie-Anne Gerrard and Alex Bidwee at the Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday night. Fr Patrick is assisted by Pastoral Associate Sr Robyn McNamara rsj, at right. Photo: A Fyfe.
On the 6th Sunday of Easter, the Gospel tells us that the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Truth, is with each one of us. With the Spirit’s help, we can live God’s loving Commandments, showing our love for God who loves us so much. Finally, at that wonderful moment, when we meet God face to face in heaven, we will see him in all his loving glory.

Jesus wants you to be with him in heaven. He showed you the sure way to walk your path to him. Today, you heard him tell you something very important to do. To find out what it was, do each of the 3 Steps. Good luck!

**STEP 1:** Do you have a favourite word? Join the dots. Find Jesus’ special word.

**STEP 2:** What a word! Always, you should try to think, say, and do: LOVE! What colour do you think of when you hear LOVE? Colour your word with the colour.

**STEP 3:** Does the colour make you happy? With other happy colours, fill in around the word.

Jesus loves you just as much as he loves his heavenly Father. His love within you helps you to live God’s love.

- Inside the Scroll, write a Love Letter to Jesus, telling him how much you love him.
- Also, tell him how you will show special love this week.

Find and circle each of the following words:

- Commandment
- Father
- Truth
- orphan
- Jesus
- understand
- Spirit
- word
- Easter
- Alleluia
- Advocate
- live
- keep
- love
- show
- know
- world
- John

Mother’s Day is soon, a day when we say, ‘Thank You!’ for all her work and love day after day.

1. Inside the circle, draw your mother’s face.
2. In each box, print a word that tells what a great Mum you have, e.g. kind.
3. Below, write what it is most of all that you like to do with her:

Did you know an early explorer, thinking he had discovered Australia, called it: “Australia del Espiritu Santo” (South Land of the Holy Spirit)? Lately, throughout Australia, the presence of the Spirit of Truth was witnessed in an important event. What was the event and how do you feel about it?
The Journey of the World Youth Day Cross and Icon of Our Lady

**Important Facts**

- The WYD Cross and Icon are the most significant tangible symbols of World Youth Day.
- Pope John Paul II gave the Cross to the youth of the world in 1984 to be carried as a symbol of Christ's love for humanity.
- The WYD Cross is accompanied by the Icon Of Our Lady, a copy of the ancient painting of Salus Populi Romani (Protectress of the Roman People).
- Pope John Paul II gave the Icon of Our Lady as a second gift to young people in 2003 to accompany the Cross.
- The Cross is 3.8m high and 1.75m wide, weighing some 40 kilograms and is made of fir wood.
- The Icon is 118cm high and 79cm wide, weighing some 15 kilograms.
- The Cross and Icon is accompanied in Australia by an Aboriginal message stick inviting Indigenous Australians to become World Youth Day pilgrims.

The World Youth Day Cross and Icon will journey through the Diocese of Broome

19 – 27 JUNE, 2008

**Wednesday 18 June**
Handover ceremony at Port Hedland

**Thursday 19 June**
La Grange-Bidyadanga Parish (lunch).
Arrival in Broome (approx. 6pm)

**Friday 20 June**
St Mary's College, Broome (morning celebration). Cathedral (evening celebrations).

**Saturday 21 June**
Darwin (afternoon/ evening celebrations)

**Sunday 22 June**
Derby – morning Mass, depart Derby (approx. 10.30am) for Halls Creek arriving at (approx. 3pm)

**Monday 23 June**
Warlawurrurl Catholic School, Halls Creek (morning celebrations) Depart for Balgo

**Tuesday 24 June**
Balgo – travel via Mulan to Billiluna

**Wednesday 25 June**
Warman

**Thursday 26 June**
Wyndham/Kununurra

Accompanying the World Youth Day Cross and Icon of Our Lady will be a Message Stick

At the suggestion of the WYD08 Indigenous Advisory Committee a Message Stick will accompany the World Youth Day Cross and Icon during their year-long pilgrimage around Australia. The Message Stick is from the Aboriginal Catholic communities of Sydney to the indigenous youth of Australia. The purpose of the WYD08 Message Stick is to invite Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth to attend World Youth Day in Sydney.

For more information visit www.wyd2008.org

“**You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you; and you will be my witnesses.”** Acts 1:8

Please keep in your prayers, Bishop Saunders and the 116 Kimberley World Youth Day Pilgrims who will travel to Sydney in July. We pray that they and the other young people from all around the world will be conscious of the powerful presence of the Holy Spirit during this time in Sydney.

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Pilgrims gather 2008... just 79 days to go!
Students at John Piyirn Putjunjanka School in Mulan, East Kimberley, held a Teddy Bears Picnic to celebrate their good work in class. Miss Emily and Terrence Boxer show off their teddy bears. 

Photo: P Cowan.

Bishop Christopher Saunders (right) recently met with Bishop Eugene Hurley of Darwin and Jenny Macklin, MP, Minister for Family, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

Photo: Diocese of Darwin.

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Celebrating 110 years of Priestly service between them are, from left, Fr Bernard Amah (20 years) and Fr Dan O’Donovan (50 years) of Beagle Bay, and Fr Mark Connolly CSSp (40 years) of Wyndham. Photo: P Cowan. 12.03.2008

Jacob and Mayble, of St Joseph’s School in Kununurra, get up close to a python recently when they heard all about caring for the environment and the Ord River Catchment. Photo: A Fyfe.

Pre Primary celebrate Easter at Holy Rosary Derby. ‘Jesus is Alive – He is Risen’. Photo: CAS, 20.03.2008

Bishop Christopher Saunders prays over the Oil of the Sick during the Mass of the Chrism in Our Lady Queen of Peace Cathedral, Broome. Photo: P Cowan. 12.03.2008