

“We are in the country of the Awabakal peoples. We respectfully acknowledge their elders, celebrating their continuing culture and the living memory of their ancestors.”

The story of Jesus’ Resurrection as recorded in St Luke’s Gospel (24: 1-12). This reading will be proclaimed at Mass on Easter Saturday Evening.

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.



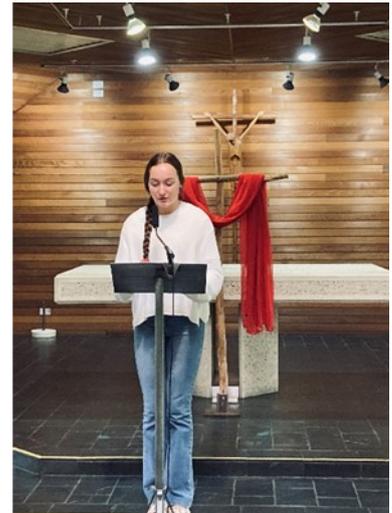
St Paul

Pray for Us.

This year Easter is celebrated on the middle weekend of the holidays. On Wednesday, we gathered as a community to celebrate our Easter Liturgy. The Easter celebrations are the high point of the Churches Calendar. In preparation for Easter, Christians throughout Lent have been on a journey of personal reflection, which leads to an optimistic, or a hope-filled future with Jesus as our guiding light.

Way of the Cross

Last Sunday, Mr Doyle and Mrs Stewart accompanied several students to the Diocesan Way of the Cross at St Joseph's Kilabean Bay. The Way of the Cross is the re-enactment of the Jesus' passion and death with those gathered asked to listen to and reflect upon 14 different stories which depict the events of Holy Week. Students of St Paul's re-enacted two of the Stations of the Cross.



Project Compassion

Last week, there were several activities at recess and lunch where funds were raised for Caritas as part of the College's Project Compassion activities. Funds raised during Project Compassion this year are being directed to support the people of Ukraine as they continue to face challenges associated with the conflict involving Russia. It was wonderful to see the student's showing initiative with some of the activities as well as staff and students interacting in ways that have not been possible during the pandemic.

Information Evening

On Monday evening around 100 families gathered in the Hall to begin the planning for Year 6 students as they prepare to commence High School. Mrs Shipman provided an overview of the Pastoral Care approaches of the College as well as sporting and leadership opportunities for students to engage with. Mrs Carter outlined St Paul's Teaching and Learning initiatives along with programs available for the students in the Creative and Performing Arts. I provided an overview of the College's future and how the school works in partnership with families to enable all students to achieve to their potential.

It was wonderful to be able to involve students in the evening as hosts, greeters, musicians, and part of a Student Interview Panel.

As the enrolment period is open for 2023, families are asked to contact the College if they have any questions or if they require assistance with the enrolment process.

Pupil Free Day

As was communicated last week, **Tuesday, 26 April, 2022 will be a Pupil Free Day**. All staff, teaching and support will be attending compulsory Child Protection Training facilitated by the Office of Safeguarding.

Staff participating in the training are satisfying the requirements of the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations. Staff will be equipped with further knowledge and skills for keeping children and young people safe.

The school office will be closed on this day.

Holiday Wishes

As the end of Term 1 draws to a close, I wish all members of the community a holy and happy Easter and a relaxing and restful holiday with family and friends.

On a personal note, I would like to thank all members of the St Paul's community for the warm welcome that I have received since the start of the year, the school has a real community feel where people are quickly accepted.

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