If you had to design salvation...

Chances are that you would not give a crucial role to a young woman, a very young woman. But God did. Some would even describe Mary as not much more than a girl when she agreed to become the mother of Jesus. In her society she would have been regarded as unimportant. Young – she should just do as she was told. Female – her judgment was fundamentally untrustworthy. Uneducated – what would she know about the Law of God? That’s how her society would have judged her. But God didn’t see it that way at all. Treating her with the utmost respect, he asked her to become the mother of Jesus. He trusted her judgment in being able to make such a decision. He knew that a heart filled with faith and love is the surest way to appreciate how his grace works in our world.

If we are feeling small, unimportant, lacking in influence, we should take heart from what God did in Mary. We are not asked to bring Jesus physically to birth in our world, but we each have a role to play in bringing about salvation. God is offering us the opportunity to be channels of grace and love in our families and communities. So what if the world doesn’t see what amazing things our love can do. God does. Let us turn to Mary and ask her for a share in her trust, her wisdom and her generosity...and receive her help in bringing Jesus’ love to birth.

Loving God, you show the utmost respect to me when you invite me to share in your work of salvation in our world. Let me be open, generous and creative as Mary was in her mothering of Jesus. I ask this in his name, confident that you will hear me.

May God bless and keep you all.

Mary MacKillop 16.5.1873

Dates For Your Diary

- May 26th: Grade 3 Camp
- May 27th: Grade 3 Camp
- May 28th: Grade 3 Camp
  - Huon & Channel Cross Country
- June 6th: Archbishop Julian visits
- June 11th: P & F Meeting
- June 23rd: School Photo Day

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Dear Parents/Carers

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NEW STUDENTS – WELCOME
This week we welcome Jesse and Mailea Leary to Sacred Heart. Jesse will be in Kinder and Mailea in Grade 2. We wish the children and their family well for a bright and happy future at our school.

ARCHBISHOP JULIAN VISIT
On Friday, 6th June, Archbishop Julian will visit Sacred Heart with Fr Greg Barker. This will not be an official school visit. The Archbishop will be coming to meet the children who are being confirmed in the Parish that evening.

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY – 23rd JUNE
Our School Photo Day will take place on Monday, 23rd June. Class and individual photos will be taken on this day. Photo pack order forms will be sent home as soon as they arrive.

PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION NEWS
Last week we had another very successful P&F and Fair meeting with about fifteen parents coming along.

- The Easter Raffle raised $1050. What a fantastic result!
- The Mothers’ Day Gift Stall raised $192 as well as providing our children with an opportunity to buy gifts for their mums.
- The P&F received a $300 donation from the Southgate Bookshop at Dover! How wonderful it is to receive this community support!
- We discussed plans for our School Playground and Environment.
- The P&F approved the purchase of new cupboard doors and some new utensils for our Canteen.
- The P&F is also hoping to support the purchase of new reading resources for our students.
- Some good discussion took place about the Breakfast Club. The P&F are going to write to some food companies seeking donations.
- Fair preparation is well underway and the Fair Committee are currently finalising stalls.
- Our next meeting is on Wednesday, 11th June at 1.30pm. All welcome.

Have a great week!

Luch Brighella
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KINDER ENROLMENTS 2015
A reminder to all families that we are now accepting enrolments for our Kindergarten class for 2015. If you have not already done so, please contact the School office and an application package will be sent out to you.
Kinder enrolment interviews have now commenced. Over the last two years, our Kindergarten places have filled up very quickly, so don’t leave your applications too late.

Sacraments Preparation
On Friday children from across the Parish came together for their final Sacraments Preparation Day. The children worked with Fr Greg and teachers from Sacred Heart and St James to prepare for their First Eucharist and Confirmation. The children will be confirmed by the new Archbishop, Julian Porteous on Friday 6th June at 7.00pm at St Mary of the Cross Huon Valley Catholic Community Church. Everyone is welcome to attend.
Our Campsite

Formation of a new space

The campsite is an ongoing project that aims to connect contemporary Aboriginal life with traditional practices of Tasmanian Aboriginal people. If you visit the campsite you will notice a bark hut, a windbreak, and a midden. Central to this is the heart of the campsite, which is the fire pit. It is hoped that the campsite will be expanded to examine more of traditional life including another hut. One of the huts will be left as a frame so that people can see how it is constructed. The recent high winds proved the integrity of the huts construction, which left them untouched. Further development will be undertaken so if there is any area of culture you think should be represented in this area please contact Luch Brighella. All ideas are welcome. It is hoped that this site will be used extensively and if you are interested in using the site for a function again contact Luch Brighella.

Get Involved

We Need You
Aboriginal culture respects its elders within its community. The elders keep and transmit knowledge down to the young people. If there is a way that you think you want to contribute to the teaching...
of our young people please let us know.

**Voices of the south**

The "Voices of the South" project, that records contemporary Aboriginal stories is running at Sacred Heart and wants your stories. Think of family stories that you would want others to hear. The camera that has been bought for the project can record sound, video and still photos so please we would love to hear from you.

**P.L.P (personal learning plans)**

These plans are still being done and need to be finalized before the end of term 2. Mr Grey can be contacted to book a time. This process is about setting a personal goal that is based on your child’s strengths and interests. Some students have looked a pottery or sport coaching.

**N.A.T.S.I.C.C**

Get online and check out the National Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander catholic Council website. Some great info and links.

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**Gumnuts to Buttons**

Gumnuts to Buttons is a visual and interactive simulation activity aimed at helping people understand and have empathy for Aboriginal peoples' history. The activity is designed to introduce participants to new knowledge and awareness of important events and occurrences in Tasmanian history. These sessions run for about 2 hours and at times can be quite confronting but very educational and worthwhile.

It is hoped that sessions will be conducted with families of sacred Heart.

If you are interested in participating in one of these sessions could you contact Stuart Grey at stuart.grey@catholic.tas.edu.au
FREE CIRCUS SKILLS WORKSHOP

ROLL UP, ROLL UP!
The circus is in town
Try your hand at the wonderful world of circus:
- juggling
- hula hooping
- you might even build a human pyramid.

Six-week program for 5-12 year olds starts Wednesday 14 May 2014,
9:30am - 12:30pm at Dover District High School. Participants must be accompanied by an adult.

No experience with cameras or computers necessary
9.30am - 12.30pm, Wednesday 21 May
Huon LINC, Skinner Drive
Bring a camera if you have one (a limited number will be available for use). A USB device will be provided so you can take your photos home.

Places are limited and bookings are required.
For more information or to make a booking, contact Child Care Links on 6264 0333 or email ccl@huonvalley.tas.gov.au

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FREE PHOTOGRAPHY SESSION
learn how to photograph your child at play...

session includes:
- camera basics
- angles, light and colour
- editing
- exhibition of photos

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Tassie’s T12
Neil Patterson
Spinal Cord Injury

Sun 16 June
@ Huonville PCYC
on Wilmot Road
11.00 am to 4.00 pm

Neil ‘Tassie’ Patterson became a Paraplegic in 2011 at the age of 24 years old. Help us get ‘Tassie’ and his boat ‘Rocky’ to the IFDA World Sailing Championships in Canada in August 2014. This is the next step for Neil on his way to Paralympics.

COME AND MEET PEPPER PIG & MR LEGGO MAN

Art & Crafts – Food- Plants – Local Produce – Games for Kids- Entrainment
Local Business – Big Raffles to be Win

Sausage Sizzle with MKR’s
and 7HO FM’s Own
Mick Newell.
Mick is donating his LAST
MKR apron to be Raffled.

And LOTS MORE !!!

FAMILY FEST

Rock to the Band
The Dirty Weekenders

Family Day- Come see what is out there to enjoy a healthy and active lifestyle for all ages, & all areas of fitness and abilities.