

# PALLOTTINE FAMILY (UAC) NEWSLETTER JUNE 2014



#### PAINTBOX FOR THE FUTURE

Those of us who are old enough will remember the Berger paint advertisement, "Keeps on keeping on." Possibly some of us have found this slogan helpful in many ways over our lifetime. We have other pieces of advice for ourselves and others, saying the same thing but expressed differently, e.g. "You have to move on", "Get on with it", "Leave the past to the past and live today".

The Church in these lengthy Sundays of Ordinary time is also saying the same thing,

"Keep on keeping on". Persistence, perseverance, faithfulness, all combine to lead us together through the liturgy towards worship, inspiration, generosity and peace. Don't look back, don't stray, don't fret, just keep on.

Berger paints used to add an invitation to intending painters with their greeting, "Welcome to a world of colour". Does the liturgy colour your world? Is the Eucharist the highlight of our

days? Do we need a new paintbox or new tools to uplift our being and action as Christ's

people? What new or renewed colour can we use?

Bergers told us as well, "You can paint over old colour without doing loads of coats".

What good advice! Renewal is not about a complete makeover: it's adding to the base materials for improvement and relative change.

According to Christians, each person's basic design and

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materials are God-given, but maintenance and improvement are collaborative. In our lives then it's good to check with the Maker and plan together for the future. What area(s) of my life need attention? Is there a special 'colour' I'm being asked to use?

Lord of our lives, help us to keep on keeping on. Thank you for different coloured blessings you give.

Grant us a share in Your faithfulness of love That we too may renew the world With all our sisters and brothers Each day, every day praising and Blessing, seeking and finding, On and on. Amen

Pat Heywood



### Congratulations to Father Pat Jackson SAC

who will celebrate the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on 25th July 2014. He warmly welcomes anyone who has shared any part of that journey to be with him---



For the Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, 27th July, 10.30 am, St. Christopher's, 5 Doon Ave, Syndal followed by lunch in the Hennessy Hall. AND / OR

at the Golden Jubilee Dinner on the previous Friday evening, 25th July at the Vogue Ballroom, 399 Blackburn Rd. Burwood East

7pm until 11.30pm
Bookings are essential (\$ 65 per person)
contact Fr. Pat 9 802 8538
Frp.jackson@syndalcatholic. org.au

### **Bernadette** Marie (Bern) **BRADBURY.**

It was with great sadness that we heard of the death of Bernadette Bradbury, much loved daughter of Ron and Sheila (both dec.), cherished sister of Chris, Dean and Glenn, loving mother of Marc and Ruby and wonderful friend to many - as the large number



of mourners, particlarly work colleagues, at her funeral

Bern was born at Cabrini Hospital 19/10/1966 and died 4/5/2014 after a long journey with illness. Bern always saw the positive side to everything and was able to support those around her and put them first all through her life and especially during her illness. Her ability to see the light in the midst of darkness was amazing. She also reiterated that quality was much more important than quantity and that we had better make the most of our time together and get on with it. As she would say: Those roses are there to be smelt, take the time to smell them! Her humanity and caring for others, whilst going through her own difficult time, was humbling. How often do we find that when someone dies, as we think too young, that in reflecting on their lives, we realize how much they influenced us, inspired us and left a reminder of themselves through their spirit? This was certainly the case with Bern! Her strength, optimism and sense of humour in the face of her long illness serve as an inspiration to us all and her spirit will continue to sustain and support us.

### **Vale Betty Spence**

#### THE END OF AN ERA.

With the passing of Betty Spence an era has closed for Pallotti College. Betty and her husband Jim were pioneers, the first lay couple to join the team at Pallotti with Fr Walter Silvester, laying the foundation for many who came after them, working with the priests, brothers and sisters in the vision of Vincent, to provide hospitality and spiritual renewal. Betty was still a treasured part of the family right up to her sudden death and we are all feeling her loss. At Mass today her seat was empty and there was no glass of water required. Her wisdom and experience were invaluable to us as was her caring and loving. Jams and cakes, trifles and casseroles ..... Signs of loving and giving. Many a young volunteer found a new 'grandmother' who listened and gave such sage advice from the wisdom of years. Betty was such a positive, generous and humble woman whose caring spread far and wide throughout the local area and into Melbourne where she worked as Parish housekeeper for Kew for many years. But through it all she proudly considered herself a member of the Pallottine family, living out the vision of a lifetime: bringing the love of God to the world around her through the life she lived. What an inspiration for us all. Rest in peace, Betty. We will miss you.

### **Emeritus Professor Barbara Ann Haves OAM**

2.6.1941 - 17.3.2014

Barbara arrived in Melbourne from Queensland in 1966 to join the Mariana Community and after a formation period was Consecrated on Easter Monday 1970. She



embraced the changes bought about as a result of the Second Vatican Council and the increased awareness of the role of the laity. Changes to liturgy, particularly the introduction of liturgical dancing were a joy and delight for her.

Trained as a nurse in Sydney, Barbara was passionate about nursing and as a pioneer in nursing and nursing education she influenced many young nurses in the development of their careers. Following studies in America, in 1989 she was appointed as Foundation Professor of Nursing at James Cook University. Townsville. North Queensland. Over many years she worked tirelessly to engage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders in the Nursing Sciences, promoting and facilitating their growth and development. She was awarded an Order of Australia Medal, became a Distinguished Life Fellow of the Australian College of Nursing and an Emeritus Professor.

After a short illness Barbara entered Eternal Life on St Patrick's Day. Family, friends and members of the Mariana Community traveled to Townsville for her Funeral Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral. Many of her former students and nursing colleagues were present, sharing stories, experiences and cherished memories.

On 12 April a Memorial Mass was offered for Barbara with the Pallottine Community, Kew. This was an opportunity for family, local friends and colleagues to celebrate her Consecrated life as a member of Mariana Community and her commitment for more than fifty years to nurse education and Nursing Sciences.

Father Eugene San SAC, preached the homily at Barbara's Funeral Mass in Townsville and summed up her life with the following words:

"Barbara could be likened to a finely cut diamond. There were many sides to Barbara, a woman of surprises, her gifts seemed inexhaustible; all of us saw different sides to the mystery, the giftedness and wonder that was the finely cut diamond - Emeritus Professor Barbara Ann Hayes. OAM"

### Thank you and rest in peace, Corry **Schelling**

For the people who team members of Pallotti College ---or visitors to the College ----in the late 70s and the 80s , Corry Schelling, who passed away on the 20th March, will be well remembered. She and her husband Bert were such faithful and hardworking 'part time' team members.

Money was scarce in those days and Corry's help was invaluable as she cut and sewed quilts for all the single beds in the Taggert and Nissl wing. No mean feat! She also made curtains for the conference centre and do all kinds of other sewing jobs and, for that matter, to give a hand wherever that was needed. Her happy nature and cheerful smile were infectious.

Thank you, Corry. Rest in the arms of your God. We pray for Bert as he continues his journey without his Barb Shea. help mate.

### Rest in peace, also, Norma Negri

Norma was another loyal and generous friend who gave of her time and her skills as a member of the Pallottine family. In her case, it was as a long serving member of the team which produced the Newsletter and we were so grateful for Norma's professional skills which the rest of us didn't have—and which we needed so much. We used to enjoy hearing about the trips to the pokies---then 'across the border' in New South Wales with her friend, and another member of the newsletter team Phyllis O' Sullivan, and the parishioners of St. Joseph's, West Brunswick where they were the faithful sacristans. After Phyllis' death, Norma needed to live in care and she spent the last 8 years of her life being lovingly looked after at the Little Sisters of the Poor another St. Joseph's. The beautiful chapel there was the venue for her funeral Mass, a simple and beautiful celebration of her life.

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#### HELLOS, GOOD-BYES, HAPPENINGS FROM PALLOTTI COLLEGE

As we rush towards the middle of the year (where has it gone?), it is time to reflect on the year to date. It has been such a busy time that it is no wonder it has stolen up on us!

Our generous team, long term and short term, have coped wonderfully and we are speeding towards the break having hosted a number of new groups as well as many familiar faces! Many happy hellos to friends, new and old. Among all the business, we have had the privilege of hosting two UAC weekends lead by Lorraine McCarthy which have been very well received by those who attended. We have also had the inaugural local men's group weekend - also a great time.

During this time of happy comings, we have also

said some sad good-byes to long term friends who have passed away to their eternal reward: Bernadette Bradbury, Betty Spence, Corrie Schelling, Ben Vanderhaar .... We hope we can count on their blessings from above. May they all rest in peace. Among all the work at 'home', the team have still found time to be active in the local community: our two German Volunteers through our Pallottine connections, Nik and Oskar, are now active members of the Millgrove Soccer team. Two draws and three good wins have been features so far! It is great that they play in the christian competition and with many of the local families we know. The regular good food day continues as does other community work and support (wood, food, connections and support for the SES / CFA). Lindsay continues our connections and outreach in 'the big smoke' in wonderful ways.



### ST VINCENT PALLOTTI **SCHOLARSHIP FOR LAY MINISTRY**

At the moment there are still two rounds of awards for this UAC annual grant, one closing on 30th April and the other on 31st October.

At a recent Committee Meeting two grants were made for round one this year:

- 1. an award of \$2600 to a Youth Ministry Leader to take secondary and tertiary students to visit and work with disadvantaged youth in rural areas;
- 2. a grant of \$500 to a Youth Leader to engage in Bible studies relevant to her ministry.

We are disadvantaged by lack of funds and the now prolonged low interest rates don't help us.

All donations are welcome to keep this outreach going for the spread of the Gospel and Pallotti's vision. Details re donations can be had from Fr Ray Hevern, of the Rossmoyne Pallottine Community in Perth on ray.h@pallottine.org.au

Thanks for all support to date,

Pat Heywood on behalf of the Committee.

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### WALTER SILVESTER MEMORIAL LECTURE 2014

As previously announced through these pages of the Pallottine Family Newsletter, this year's Walter Silvester Memorial Lecture will be held at the Australian Catholic University on Tuesday evening 28th October, in the Christ lecture theatre at 6.30pm. Refreshments are served beforehand from 5.45 to 6.15 pm.

The committee needs your cooperation for these lectures and I'd like to remind all our UAC family and friends of the need to make a booking. Actually bookings are for catering purposes, but it is disappointing for us if we under-cater for a bigger group than has booked. In the last two years we have tried to cope with 'non-bookers' but you would make it so much easier for everyone if you simply phoned up or emailed to let us know you're coming – and we'll have a good old cuppa waiting for you!

Of course if you're not sure of your schedules just come, you know you're welcome.

This year's address will be delivered by Dr. Gemma Cruz, a prominent lay theologian from the University, whose topic will be, "One Bread, One Body, One People? Migration and Mission"

Once more I urge you to put the day and date in your diary and please remember to book. There will be more news about bookings in the next Newsletter as well as in personal invitations and advertisements.

Thank you

Pat Heywood, on behalf of the committee.

### **Gather and Share 2014**

talking together about faith and life



4pm – 7pm

bring a plate of food to share

Sunday June 29<sup>th</sup>

Holy Spirit Parish House 120 Oban Road, North Ringwood

**Sunday October 26<sup>th</sup>** 

"Love: the Heart of Communion" Holy Child Parish 227 Blair St. Dallas

keep these dates free & join us for food and great conversation!

Cheryl 9416 7138

### Golden Aniversary With Joy We Pray to Yo Our God.

On Easter Monday this year, the Mariana Community joyfully celebrated the occasion of Veronica Maloney's 50 years of consecrated life. To celebrate this wonderful milestone the Community and Ronnie's immediate family gathered at the Shrine in Kew for an 11.30 Eucharist of Thanksgiving. Mass was concelebrated by Fr. Eugene San SAC, Fr Kevin Maloney Ronnie's nephew, and Fr. Mario Zammit, Parish Administrator of St John's Heidelberg, Ronnie's Parish Fifty Years earlier, Ronnie had made her first consecration at this Shrine. From there Ronnie has lived a life of love as a teacher, a secretary, a community member, a family member, a friend, a parish worker and a hospital volunteer to name a few of the many aspects of Ronnie's life. In the introduction and Welcome Cheryl Sullivan, Co-ordinator of Mariana, spoke of Ronnie's

consecration at this Shrine. From there Ronnie has lived a life of love as a teacher, a secretary, a community member, a family member, a friend, a parish worker and a hospital volunteer to name a few of the many aspects of Ronnie's life. In the introduction and Welcome Cheryl Sullivan, Co-ordinator of Mariana, spoke of Ronnie's generosity and selflessness, which has brought joy to the many lives she has touched. After the Eucharist the celebrations continued in the Pallotti room over lunch and the cutting of the cake. A slide show showing Ronnie's story from her family background until the present time was the source of reminiscing and story telling, as well as a few laughs. A day well celebrated. Congratulations Ronnie.

Mary Whiting Mariana



#### **MONEY MATTERS**

Yes, the sub is still \$15!

Thanks to those who support the cost of this publication by sending contributions - in whatever form - or handing one to me when we meet.

I always keep pen and paper at the ready to aid my memory

For your convenience you pay directly into our bank account - CBA (06) 3 142 1010 4176.

As is quite usual we receive a bank statement only quarterly, so it could be that your deposit takes awhile to reach our records. Our apologies if you see an unjustified 'sub due'.

### 2014 Aboriginal Scholarship Presentation

This year marked the 13th year of grants to aboriginal post-secondary students. The presentation was held once again in the Pallotti Social Centre and under the gaze of our Pallotti icon – and of a portrait of late Fr John Luemmen sac. Balgo artwork, which forms the background of the certificate which each of the students receive, was displayed.

The principle, from which interest acrues to fund the grants, increased in the past year by \$121,566 the great majority of which was from proceeds following the sale of St Joseph's farm at Tardun [Jan'y 2013]. Notably also the local Riverton parish has generously supported the Trust with a \$10,000 cheque across each of the last 3 years.

This year's batch of students numbered just 10, of which 7 could be present. Their subjects covered nursing [2], medicine and surgery [2], science [4], law and arts, indigenous community management. They attend four WA universities – UWA, Notre Dame Australia, Curtin, Murdoch and, for the first time, a student was funded to do an internet degree with Charles Sturt University.

The guest speaker, as was the case last year, was a former student of the Pallottine Centre itself, Norman Brahim, who is currently the Aboriginal Secondary Scholarships Officer from the WA Catholic Education centre. He reinforced the value of a tertiary qualification and cited the progress of numerous former students from the centre currently employed in significant roles across many fields.

The afternoon concluded with the customary hospitality generously supplied by local UAC people and parishioners.





### **Congratulations John Nagle**

The prestigious WA Volunteer of the Year Awards recognises the outstanding contributions of Western Australian volunteers. The Awards are a chance to say a very public "thank you" for the extraordinary work done by our volunteers. Outcare is pleased and proud to inform you that at the Award Ceremony held on 15 May, John Nagle was announced 2014 WA Volunteer of the Year. The Award is an acknowledgment of the enormous contribution John has made to offender rehabilitation. Over the 13 years of volunteer service with Outcare, John has worked on the Outcare Board and has conducted weekly visits to prisons and in so doing has provided personal and practical support to offenders young and old. With his keen interest in football, John has often used sport as a pathway to reducing reoffending. Key to John's success is his firm belief that everyone deserves a second chance as he deals with offenders and exoffenders with respect and honesty.



John accepting his Award

The Award was presented by His Excellency The Governor of Western Australia Malcolm McCusker and Tonya McCusker representing Award Partner The McCusker Charitable Foundation. Attending the presentation was Johns family, Outcare's CEO Amanda Wheeler and President Deirdre Davies Manager Administration Marion Pearson. Johns acceptance speech was so powerful that the room gave him a standing ovation, something that had never happened before at the Awards before.

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feel like you're 'all at sea'?
or 'up a creek without a paddle'?
or struggling with 'paddling your own canoe'?

Retreat Weekend for women! Give yourself a weekend to rest, relax, & reflect on...

### Navigating the High Seas of Life with God

Using the image of ourselves as a boat, this weekend encourages us to explore the vessel we are voyaging in.

What anchors us? What cargo are we carrying? What are our navigation tools?

Based on the book "At Sea with God" by Margaret Silf,

this weekend is an opportunity for women to reflect, to rest and to recover a sense of their own spirituality, which can often be hidden in the midst of the busyness and bustle of everyday life.

The weekend program includes quiet time, scripture, guided reflection, and discussion.

Facilitator: Lorraine McCarthy

<u>Date:</u> Friday August 29<sup>th</sup>, 8pm to Sunday August 31<sup>st</sup>, 3pm **Venue:** Pallotti College, McNamara's Rd. Millgrove.

Cost: \$170 - includes 3 meals Saturday and 2 meals Sunday & accommodation in private room, with

shared bathroom facilities

For more information and bookings contact Lorraine on 0402 217123 or lorraine613@bigpond.com

All welcome - please join us!



God is calling YOU to a unique purpose in life! How can you discover what that purpose is?

...come to the

### Called and Gifted Workshop

Pallotti taught that each of us has been called and gifted to fulfill a unique vocation.

Discerning your gifts can be a major clue in discovering God's plan for your life, as well as your role in God's work in the world.



Discerning your charisms can help you make better decisions, simplify your life and better appreciate the people around you.

### Friday June 13<sup>th</sup>, 7.30 – 9pm & Saturday June 14<sup>th</sup>, 9.30am – 4.30pm

Where: St Christopher's Parish, 5 Doon Ave, Syndal.

**Cost:** \$50 - includes a book covering the inventory and initial discernment information, plus Morning/afternoon teas &Saturday lunch.

### Don't miss the opportunity to participate in this unique experience!

For bookings or for a brochure with further information about the program. contact Lorraine on 0402 217123 or lorraine613@bigpond.com

### 32 in a happy, holy, singing and praying bus ti to the Holy Land.!!!

Thanks to Fr. Pat Jackson for a colourful description of this wonderful occasion. Alas, it is too long to print in full so there will be a follow up and, even then, I was glad when he agreed to my abridging it. Hence it appears in the first person.

The pilgrimage to Jordan, Israel and Palestine was a dream realized. It was organized Scenic travel and Syndal



parishioners, led by fantastic guides and excellent drivers and most of all, a time of love and care and fun. We were struck by the many miles Jesus and the disciples walked—while we used buses. It was planned to offer a mix of history and culture, archaeology and scripture and lead to an ever present awareness of Jesus. From our guides we learned both sides of the tensions—from the Golan Heights to border crossings and aware of the planned visit of Pope Francis, we joined him in praying constantly for peace.

We first arrived at Amman, capital of Jordan, home



to thousands of Palestinian refugees and travelled on to Madaba where we saw a 6th century map of the Holy Land in the Orthodox of St. George. Then on to the UNESCO heritage site of Petra, an ancient Nabatean city carved out of rock and a key post on the silk road linking China, Indian and the trade cities of the Mediterranean. The many buildings carved out of the mountain included churches and a monastery which was only reached by climbing several hundred steps.

For our meal that night we had a taste of Bedouin hospitality in the desert camp where Lawrence of Arabia was filmed, and, travelling on the back of jeeps we experienced desert sands. Then on to Mt. Nebo which made a deep impression on us when we recalled it was from this vantage point that Moses saw the Promised



Land. Our next stop was to Aqaba (by camel) to 'meet' Abraham, to hear the recounting of his journey from Ur and then into Israel at Eilat for some nomadic hospitality. Then another adventure—a visit to Masada, Herod's great



fortress, by cable car. This was the place of the last stand of 960 Zealots—men, women and children, who, in 73AD killed themselves rather than fall into the hands of 10,000 Roman soldiers. As we reached our next stop, Jericho, to visit the Mount of Temptation, we were excited to me met



by a truly biblical scene—two flocks of sheep being led through the shepherds through the town. NEXT STOP, NEXT TIME BETHLEHEM!



## UAC NATIONAL CONGRESS 2015



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Under the Southern Cross



Keep these dates free!

### Pallotti College, Millgrove 1st to 3rd May

Preceded by Retreat April 29th - May 1st &

Pallottine 'Camino" April 25th - 27th

Union of the Catholic Apostolate
founded by St Vincent Pallotti as a way of bringing people together for the spreading of faith and love in the world

### About people!

Continuing the celebration of Fr. John Winson's jubilee. Thanks to Wally Sharman for sending these photographs of a wonderful day and best wishes to you, Fr. John, for you sojourn in the West.





**Congratulations** to Frs Benno Rausch, Joe Butscher and Wendolin Lorenz who have reached the milestone of 60 year of profession as Pallottines.

**Back to the West.** Yes, best wishes to Fr. Jude who, after 5 years as parish priest of the Melbourne Parish of Our Lady of the Pines, Donvale, and a well-earned holiday in India, will undertake a three months course of training, preparatory to becoming a hospital chaplain at 'Murdoch'. Our prayers go with you, Fr. Jude.



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