CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER
Thurs 13th  Regional Athletics
Thurs 13th  2017 Prep Information
Sun 16th      Feast of St Gerard Mass
Thurs          Regional Grand Final for
                Basketball & Volleyball
Thur 20th   School Production at 7pm
Sat 22nd     St Gerard’s Parish
                Diamond Anniversary
                Dinner Dance.

St Gerard’s Primary School
Presents
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When:    Thursday, 20th October, 2016
Time:     7.00pm
Where:   St Gerard’s Parish Hall

How:       Online bookings ONLY

https://www.trybooking.com/NIUD
or
https://www.trybooking.com/234419

Cost:
Adults      $15.00
Children aged 3 – 12        $10.00

Bookings are now open!!!!!

HURRY!   Don’t miss out!

Children participating in the performance do
not require a ticket.

A reminder that all children are to wear their School summer
hats from this week onward.
If your child does not have a hat, please purchase one
immediately from the Uniform Shop on Monday
mornings from 8.30am in the Parish Hall.
Slouch hats are $14.00 and Legionnaires hats are
$11.00

UNIFORM SHOP
Open in the Parish Hall each
Monday from
8.30am—10.00am

School Prayer
God, our Father, as members of
the Parish Community of
St Gerard’s we praise you for
your love.
May we grow stronger in faith
and hope, and may our love for
each other, become deeper in our
daily lives.
Grant this through your Son, and
our brother, Jesus Christ,
AMEN
To the school community,
Chris O’Connell our principal, will continue to be on sick leave until Week 7, we hope to see him back at school before the end of the year. While Chris is on leave I will continue to be Acting Principal and Dorothy Stack will continue to be Acting Deputy Principal. Dorothy will also continue with her classroom role and her Religious Education leader role. We wish Chris all the best and hope he is feeling better soon.

School Building
The weather has not been kind to us with our building project. However the contractors have worked very hard and are in the process of laying the footings and these will be followed by a concrete slab. It will be very exciting when we see the building start to take shape. We thank you again for your patience during this building period.

School Production - Money, Money, Money
I was lucky enough to watch all of the classes preparing and performing for our school production this morning. I am always so thrilled to see the talent we have at St. Gerard’s from both students and teachers.

Tickets are now available on-line.
So please get in early to purchase your tickets.

If you have anything you wish to speak to me about, please feel free to either approach me personally or call the school.

I am usually out in the quadrangle in the morning or in the car park in the afternoon.

With kind regards,

Carol Stewart
Acting Principal

St Gerard Majella Feast Day
Sunday, 16th October, 2016

Father Brendan Arthur cordially invites all students and their families to share in the celebration of Mass dedicated to our Patron Saint on the 60th Anniversary of St Gerard’s Church in North Dandenong.

We will be commencing our Feast Day celebrations with a special Mass conducted by Bishop Elliott at 10.30am. Children are required to wear their FULL SUMMER SCHOOL UNIFORM (NOT THE SPORT UNIFORM)

After the Mass is celebrated there will be a procession of the Blessed Sacrament around the block immediately following the 10.30am Mass.

Lunch will follow the procession in the Parish Hall. (Please BYO a plate of food to share)

It would be wonderful to see all families represented at this 10.30 Mass on Sunday 16th October, 2016
Prep Enrolments for 2017 are now "OPEN"

If you have a child who will be turning 5 years of age on or before 30th April, 2017, they will be eligible to commence Primary School next year.

Please phone Kelli Jacobs for an application or for more information on 9791 7553 or email kjacobs@sgdandenongnth.catholic.edu.au

Silver Bands Tally
3/4 SL  26
3/4 L   28
3/4 C  41
5/6 OV  14
5/6 SR  50

Congratulations everyone!!!!!  Well done!!!

Nazareth College Open Mornings
Nazareth College has a number of Open Mornings scheduled this term.
- Thursday 6 October
- Wednesday 19 October
- Tuesday 8 November

All Open Mornings commence at 9.00am.

Please register your attendance with the College Receptionist on 9795 8100

CITY OF GREATER DANDENONG COUNCIL ELECTIONS
Congratulations to 2 of our parents who are running for Council in the Silverleaf Ward.

Mrs Ronda Tannous and Mr Alfred Tyrone!
Wishing you both the very best of luck !!

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St Gerard’s Parish Diamond Dinner Dance
When:  Sat 22nd October 2016  
7.00pm til 11.30pm
Where: Freccia Azzurra, 784 -796 Springvale Rd, Braeside.
Dress: Ladies – Cocktail dress/gown Men – Lounge suit & tie
Tickets: $55 Per Head Beer, Wine and Soft Drinks included in ticket price.
Featuring Live Music and a Three Course Dinner.

Rachael Blackburn  0413 191 190
Angele Pacifique       0411 578  404
Andrew Vacarro         0404 390  824

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School Hours
8.45am First Bell - Children to Classrooms
11.05am -11.45am - 1st Lunch break
1.50pm - 2.30pm - 2nd Lunch break
3.30pm - Dismissal
Children need to be at school at 8.45am and ready to begin class at 8.50pm

Term Dates
Term 4:
Monday, 4th October to Friday, 16th December


**WEEKLY PRAYER**

**The Heart of Eternal Love**

Heart of Love, Source of all kindness, Teacher of the ways of
goodness: You are hidden in the pockets of daily life, waiting
to be discovered. Heart of Gladness, Joy that sings in our souls,
the Dancer and the Dance: You are Music radiating in our
cherished times of consolation. Heart of Compassion, the
Healing One weeping for a world burdened and bent: You are
the heart we bring to the wounded, worn and weary. Heart of
Comfort, Sheltering Wings of Love, Refuge for sad and lonely
ones: You embrace all who bear loss, gathering their tears with
care.

Heart of all Hearts, the First and Best of all Companions: You
are the Gift hidden in our depths, connecting us with others.

Heart of Understanding, One who gazes upon the imperfect,
the incomplete, the flawed, the weak: You never stop
extending mercy. Heart of Freedom, the Uncontained Spirit
bearing truth, Great Liberator, forever calling to us: You urge
us toward unrestrained trust. Heart of Generosity, Abundance of insight and
hope: Daily you offer us gifts of growth,
leading to continual transformation.

You are waiting always for our return to
this sacred home.