



# GAZETTE

## From the Coordinator of Mission

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*As members of the Rosebank College community, we are called to... listen compassionately and respond wisely to others.*

### Project Compassion

We are now into the final week of Lent and the money raised for Project Compassion is approximately \$2,700. It is a pity that the target of \$5,000 has not been met at this stage. However, there may be a late surge, with many fundraising initiatives occurring next week. May the Rosebank community display its generosity and assist those in our society who are in need.

### Worship in the City

This Friday 3 April, a Worship Night will occur at St Mary's Cathedral. Some Rosebank students have attended the Worship Nights in the past and have said that they are very worthwhile because the music is uplifting and there is a variety of people who attend. For further information go to the following website: [www.myspace.com/worshipinthecity](http://www.myspace.com/worshipinthecity)

### Holy Week

Palm Sunday (5 April) marks the start of Holy Week—the most significant time in the year for Christians. Through the special liturgies of Holy Week, Christians recall the Last Supper, the unjust arrest and trial of Jesus and His Crucifixion. It is Christian belief that Jesus' death on the Cross brought salvation to all people. It is therefore appropriate that during Holy Week, we ask ourselves, "From what do I need to be saved?" The answer to that question will vary from person to person. However, the solution is always the same for those who have a faith-filled relationship with Jesus; that is, Jesus is the answer, Jesus shows the way, Jesus saves. Let us spend the days of Holy Week reflecting on the meaning of the life and death of Jesus. Let us invite Jesus into our hearts so that we may be better people and so the world may be a better place. Let us also remember that Good Friday is not where the story of Jesus' life ends.



Rather, the story of Jesus goes beyond Good Friday. It is followed by Christ's Resurrection at Easter. Indeed, Easter is not the end of His story, it is just the beginning.

### Holy Week Prayer Service

Since Holy Week is the holiest time of the year for Christians, it is appropriate that the Rosebank community sets aside some special time for prayer and reflection during this very important week. On Holy Thursday (9 April) the College community will gather in prayer to contemplate the events of the final days of Jesus' earthly life. This prayer service which will start at 10.30am in the New Hall. Parents are welcome.

### World Youth Day and the transfer of the WYD Cross and Icon

On Palm Sunday, the World Youth Day Cross and Icon of the Blessed Virgin Mary are to be transferred to representatives who are organising the 2011 World Youth Day in Madrid, Spain. Check with your local parish to see if there is to be a special event which highlights

this important stage in the preparations for the next World Youth Day or visit the following website for more information:

<http://www.catholicyouthservices.org.au/downloads/WH.pdf>

### The Sacrament of Confirmation

St Mary's Parish at Concord will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday 24 May 2009 during a special Mass, celebrated by Bishop Julian Porteous, starting at 11am. Confirmation is the sacrament in which the Holy Spirit comes to us in a special way to join us more closely to Jesus and his Church and to seal and strengthen us as Christ's witnesses. It is the completion of the process of full initiation into the Catholic Church. If you wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact the Concord Parish Office on 9747 4210 Mon–Fri 9am–2pm. Registration forms will then be able to be sent to you.

**Angelo Gattone**

## Dates for the Diary

6-8 April  
Yr 11 SLR Camp

9 April  
Holy Thursday Liturgy.  
Term 1 concludes.

27 April  
Anzac Day

28 April  
All students return in full winter uniform.

1 May  
CSDA Debating Competition begins

3 May  
Open Day

6 May  
Mothers' Day Mass 7.30pm

8 May  
Yr 12 Careers Excursion  
CSDA competition Round 2

12-14 May  
NAPLAN testing for Years 7 & 9

15 May  
CSDA competition Round 3

21-23 May  
College Musical 'The Wiz'

26 May  
Yr 12 Parent-Teacher Interviews

29 May  
Yr 7 ConnectED excursion &  
Yr 8 Technology Excursion

5 June  
Open Day in lieu - no classes

8 June  
Queen's Birthday holiday

## Newsletter

The newsletter will be distributed on Thursday next week due to Good Friday.

For any enquiries please email: [newsletter@rosebank.nsw.edu.au](mailto:newsletter@rosebank.nsw.edu.au)

## From the Assistant Principal

### Year 12 Parent Teacher Interviews – Change of Date

Please note that the previously scheduled date for the Year 12 mid course Parent-Teacher interviews has been changed. These interviews will now be held on Tuesday 26 May from 4pm.

It is vital that all Year 12 students and their parents/ guardians take part in these significant learning conversations, which will act as a companion to the mid course reports.

Please continue to keep our HSC students in your prayers as they undertake their current assessment block.

### Open Day

Rosebank's annual Open Day will be held on Sunday 3 May from 11 am until 3pm.

One of the most outstanding features of our Open Days is the involvement of our whole community – students, staff and parents. Once again this year all students are asked to be present on Open Day and will be allocated a specific task to do on the day, such as tour guiding, assisting with particular displays, performing or packing up. All parents and friends are also warmly invited to attend, to find out more about the breadth of learning which takes place at Rosebank. You are asked to ensure that this date is kept free to enable the full participation of our College community.

In recognition of the time and effort involved in making Open Day a success, please note that there will be no classes on Friday June 5.

### Parents at School

Parents are kindly reminded that if you visit the College during the day you must go to the General Office or Registrar's desk for your enquiries. This includes occasions when you are collecting your son or daughter from the First Aid Office or for appointments with particular members of staff.

It is important for security reasons that all visitors (including parents) follow this protocol, and your cooperation in this respect is appreciated.

**Miriam Berlage**

## Winning Designer

In the Stage 5 Photography and Digital Media course students have been developing their design skills using Adobe InDesign and Photoshop. When the students were invited to enter a NSW Government design competition they were all set to go. The design brief was to design a coaster that targeted problem gambling. As a class, we brainstormed the issues surrounding problem gambling and how best to communicate these visually and verbally in such small space. Students then utilised their existing skills and further explored the functions of each software application.

With the competition deadline looming students used every available minute in class to tweak their designs. All the designs submitted from Rosebank were creative, visually effective and dealt with a difficult issue in a sophisticated manner. Well done designers!

These designs can be seen on display in the C Block Corridor .

### Congratulations

Congratulations to Sarah Angus whose design was selected as a regional winner. Sarah received an 8GB iPod Touch as a prize. She is now a finalist in the state-wide competition where the selected design will be printed on 100,000 coasters and distributed to hotels and clubs state-wide to help educate people about responsible gambling.



## Music News

On Tuesday evening a select number of students who are learning through the Private Instrumental Program at the College performed at a Music Soiree. It was fantastic to hear the students perform regardless of how long they had been learning as the experience of performing in front of an audience is invaluable. The students who performed were Milia Cavallaro - flute, Claudia Scarfo - piano, Vanessa Tomasello - flute and piano, Erin Trives - voice, Jade Hannaford - piano, Jenny Kim - flute, Mariah Abou Melhem - voice, Andrea Naim - voice, Bianca Sanvido - flute, Angelina Ta - piano, Maria Domine - voice, Luimai Alofi - voice, Andreas Damouras - alto saxophone and Hannah Troy - voice. They performed a variety of repertoire ranging from 'The Addams Family Theme' to the 'Theme from Swan Lake' to the very difficult pieces of Stephen Sondheim 'The Worst Pies in London' and 'Greenfinch and Linnet Bird'. The evenings will occur again in Term 2 on Tuesday 2 June and in Term 3 on Tuesday 8 September with the Soiree beginning at 6pm in the Old Hall. On behalf of the Creative Arts Department I invite anyone wishing to hear beautiful music performed to attend one of the evenings. The students performed with skill and excellence and should be congratulated for their ongoing development as musicians.

Iain Hoy



## Community

### Project Compassion

9C is doing it again...

Easter Hamper worth over \$150!!!

Tickets \$1 or 3 for \$2

Tickets sold @ Palm Court Yard before school, recess and lunch

Not only has 9C raised the most money for the Victorian bushfire appeal, we intend to raise the most for project compassion which will go to support those who are less fortunate than us. What better way to support our faith during the time of Lent.

Lots of people have given up chocolates for Lent but here's your opportunity to make up for it at the end of Lent by winning this huge hamper which will be drawn on the last day of school.

Thank you for your support!



### Peace Eggs

For Sale at the General Office.

The Mater Dei School at Camden is a Good Samaritan School which caters for students with disabilities and special needs. Each year they have a major fundraising appeal for which they sell

delicious Easter eggs. There are two varieties of eggs for sale: a large single egg for \$2.50 and a boxed set of 4 small eggs for \$5. It is appropriate that we offer our support to a fellow school within the Good Samaritan community.

### Open Forum Invitation

*The Personal and the Political. Women in Australian Politics.*

The 2009 open forum night will provide an opportunity for the community to hear guest speaker The Honourable Tanya Plibersek, Minister for the Status of Women talk about her own journey and personal experiences.

The forum will be held on the April 23 at the UWS Parramatta campus, arriving at 5.30pm for a 6pm start.

This forum is a continuation of the series which started in 2008 and will continue to deal with topical and contemporary social issues and aim to bring academia and the Greater Western Sydney Community together.

For more information please go to: [www.uws.edu.au](http://www.uws.edu.au) or email:

### Worship in the City

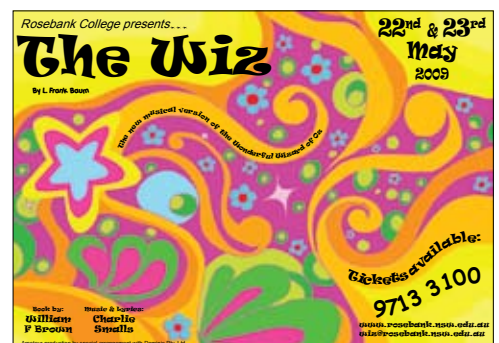
As a follow on from World Youth Day 2008, once a month on a Friday night, from 7pm to 8.30pm, St Mary's Cathedral hosts "Worship in the City."

Worship Nights will be held on: 3 April, 8 May, 12 June, 10 July, 14 August, 11 September, 9 October, 13 November.

For more information go to:

[www.myspace.com/worshipinthecity](http://www.myspace.com/worshipinthecity)

### Talent Show



## Weekly Careers News

See Ms McAloon or log on to [www.careercentral.com.au](http://www.careercentral.com.au)

**Design & Commerce Workshops**  
Raffles College of Design and Commerce offer intensive 5-day workshops at North Sydney for students in Yrs 10-12 interested in a creative design career. 2009 Workshops: 20-24 April; 13-17 July. 2010 Workshops: 11-15 Jan; 18-22 Jan.

**UWS Mid-Year Entry Info Evening**  
Thinking about University study? The Mid-Year Entry Info Evening at the University of Western Sydney on 18 May will provide you with all the information you require to get a 6 month head start on your degree this year! Registrations required.

### ANU Open Day

Open Day at the Australian National University on 29 August will help you discover all the campus has to offer with advice on courses, enrolment and university life. Take a tour or chat to students and staff who will be on hand to offer tips and advice.

### Aviation Camps

Flightcamp VIC is about introducing the fascinating world of aviation to teenagers and nurturing their flying ambitions and dreams, be it for a career in aviation or a satisfying leisure pursuit. 13-17 April; 3-10 July; 28 Sept-2 Oct; 7-11 December.

### USYD Discover Engineering Day

'Discover Engineering' at the University of Sydney on 24 April offers Yr 10 students a fun-filled day of hands on activities that explore the various engineering and information technology streams available for study. Registrations required.

### UMAT Test

UMAT to be held on 29 July Australia-wide is a test assisting with the selection of students into undergraduate medicine, dentistry and health science degree programs at participating universities. Registrations open early April and close 5 June.

### Medical Careers Expo

The AMA (NSW) will hold the NSW Health Medical Careers Exhibition on 4 April for Yr 12 students considering a career in Medicine as well as medical students and junior doctors. Registrations required.

### CSI Workshops at UNSW

CSI:SYDNEY is on again during April and July 2009 and will give high school students aged 15-18 years, a real experience

of crime scene investigation and laboratory activities. 2 day Workshops: 20-21 April; 22-23 April. Bookings required.

### Realise Your Dreams!

Step To The Future is a student-driven initiative designed to encourage, inspire and motivate students 15-18yrs to pursue their future goals. Sydney (4 June) Bookings required.

### Childcare Taster Days

MEGT Institute offers courses in Children's Services, Business, Hospitality and Tourism. Childcare 'Taster Days' in May offer Sydney students in Yrs 9-10 the chance to experience 'a day in the life of a childcare worker'. Bookings required.

### Indigenous Jobs Market

The Indigenous Job Market in Sydney on 5 May brings together employers, jobseekers, Job Network Members, TAFE, Universities, Group Training Organisations and government agencies with the aim of linking Indigenous Australians with jobs and training.

### ALDI Positions

ALDI has 160+ stores nationwide. Retail Assistants, Stock Replenishers + a Trainee Manager are currently sought for positions in regional NSW/ACT. Various closing dates. Apply ONLINE now.

### Maths, Computing & Engineering?

The Faculty of Informatics at the University of Wollongong offers a FREE Enrichment Program of lectures + workshops for students in Yrs 7-12 with an interest in either Mathematics, Computing or Engineering.

### International Science School

Australian students in Yrs 11/12 can apply for a funded place at the International Science School to be held at the University of Sydney from 12-25 July. Indigenous program available. Applications close 3 April.

### Extreme Science Experience Sydney

The Clunies Ross Foundation's (ATSE) Extreme Science Experience on 21 May gives keen students a unique opportunity to interact with Australia's top commercially successful scientists and engineers. Registrations required.

### NAPLAN Preparation Workshops

Alpha Omega Education are conducting workshops for students in years 7 and 9 in preparation for the National Assess-

ment Program Literacy And Numeracy (NAPLAN) exams which will be held on 12 - 14 May throughout Australia. The holiday Workshop, on 15 April at Burwood, requires a \$20 fee for workshop notes, payable on registration. Visit [www.alpha-omega.org.au](http://www.alpha-omega.org.au) for more information.

### Holiday Design Courses

Design Centre Enmore (TAFE NSW) is offering courses in 3D Animation, Introduction to Flash, Digital Imaging and Portfolio Development on 21/22 April. Registrations/Payment required by 8 April.

### Film/TV Careers Day

Metro Screen Sydney offers courses in Film, TV and Digital Media. A Careers Day will be held on 4 April offering group and individual sessions with industry professionals. Find out about courses, freelancing, agents, directing, producing... Bookings required.

### Women in Australian Politics

The school community is invited to attend this open forum on 23 April at the UWS Parramatta campus, starting at 6pm. The community will hear The Honourable Tanya Plibersek, Minister for the Status of Women, talk about her own journey and personal experiences. Contact Dr Sev Ozdowski, UWS, on 9678 7378 or visit [www.uws.edu.au](http://www.uws.edu.au)

### Exchange Information

Student Exchange Australia invites students to attend an information evening in Sydney on Wednesday, April 8 at the Medina Grand Hotel starting at 7:30pm. Students and families have the opportunity to learn about becoming an exchange student and the various scholarship options available. Ring 99970700 or visit [www.studentexchange.org.au](http://www.studentexchange.org.au)

### FREE Pre Apprenticeship Training!

Alliance People Solutions run pre trade courses in NSW/ACT to help you get an apprenticeship, traineeship or employment. Next Courses: Baking, Ultimo (14/4) Book now!

For more information on any of the above notices, please see the Careers Advisor, Ms McAloon, or visit: [www.careercentral.edu.au](http://www.careercentral.edu.au) Parents and teachers can also register online at Career Central. To open an user account, click 'registered' and follow the prompts.