From The Principal

Tabloid television provides a steady diet of stories about people living at the margins. We have the opportunity to sit in our living rooms and shake our heads at the cavalcade of the less fortunate paraded before us. Such shows often rate well, in part I think, because the allow us to feel good about ourselves. Most of us are employed, literate, not welfare or substance dependent and generally reasonably well off.

Recently however I watched the SBS documentary ‘Struggle Street’. The participants in the program were pretty much the same type of people who regularly feature in the tabloid shows; unemployed and perhaps unemployable, drug addicted, victims of generational unemployment and generational poverty. The series portrayed the human dimension of the characters, something that we seldom see.

It was really sad and quite confronting to see a loving mother doing her best with a husband unable to work and suffering dementia and children with mental illness and addiction issues. One wonders what opportunities lay ahead for her grandchildren.

Other characters included the indigenous man homeless and disconnected from family, and the addict born with a methadone dependency seeking drugs as the impending birth of her third child looms. How these people came to be the way they were portrayed one could only speculate.

We know that children are born into poverty and dysfunctional families through no fault of their own. The show made me wonder how you or I would have ended up had we been born into similar circumstances. I also reflected that the poor in Africa easily attract pity and generosity but somehow the poor in Australia often attract the resentment and contempt of the comparably well off.

No doubt the problem is complex and likewise the solution. It certainly involves education and support for the young people.

Making judgments about others is a dangerous undertaking, particularly if we remember the gospel message “Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven”. Luke 6:37 or more recently “there but for the grace of God go I”, attributed to John Bradford, a 16th century Protestant martyr.

Next week is National Reconciliation week. Reconciliation with the indigenous community is an important part of our social justice agenda and a critical part of our commitment to the EREA touchstone of Justice and Solidarity.

On Tuesday the College will join with communities across the nation in recognizing National Sorry Day and we will gather for Mass on Friday with this as a focus.

Congratulations to all students and families for your support of Edmund Rice Day which saw $75,000 raised to support the Br Beausang community at Embulbul in Kenya.

At this time I also ask your prayerful support for all in the Catholic Community of Ballarat, particularly the victims of sexual abuse, as submissions are made to the Royal Commission sittings in that city.

Best Wishes
Tony Paatsch

SBOCA Business Breakfast

The speaker for the fourth of SBOCA’s Business Breakfasts will be well respected lawyer, lecturer and author Mr John Sharkey AM. With a particular focus on construction and engineering law, John is one of the countries leading experts in his field and has co-authored of two books on the subject as well as lectured at the University of Melbourne since 1969. John has received many accolades in his time including being made a member of the Order of Australia for services to the law and vocational education in 2006 and was the inaugural recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award as part of the Icon Awards of the national publication Lawyers’ Weekly in 2010.

DETAILS
Date: Wednesday June 3
Time: 7AM (for 7:30AM start) - 8:30AM
Venue: The Moonee Ponds Club, 622 Mt Alexander Road, Moonee Ponds
Cost: $10 for a full breakfast
RSVP: By May 29
http://www.trybooking.com/133429
Do you know what Francis Leach, The Madden Brothers, Geoffrey Eames, Andrew Morello, Stefan Romaniw and Mark Rose all have in common? Besides all being Old Boys of St Bernard’s, they are joining together to entertain you on this very special night! Broadcaster, Journalist, Writer and mad fan of The Clash, Francis is a man in love with ideas. Passionate about people, sport, music, popular culture and great writing, he connects with audiences around the world.

Master of Ceremonies, Francis Leach

Joining Francis throughout the night on stage:

- **Geoffrey Eames ’62** is a former Supreme Court Judge and Chief Justice of Nauru. Geoffrey was awarded the 2014 Law Council of Australia President’s Medal in recognition of his longstanding commitment to making a difference in the law and in particular in its application to the Australian indigenous community.

- **Stefan Romaniw OAM ’73** holds the position of Executive Director of Community Languages Australia. He has served terms as Chairperson of the Victorian Multicultural Commission (VMC) under both governments and was the Chairman of the Australia Day Committee (Victoria) this year.

- **Professor Mark Rose ’73** - 2015 Hall of Fame inductee. Mark is currently the Executive Director Indigenous Strategy at La Trobe University and longtime educator specialising in indigenous affairs.

- **Simon ’75 and Justin ’78 Madden**. Between these 2 favourite sons of SBC, they played 710 VFL/AFL, achieved 4 premierships and numerous Best and Fairest awards and All Australian honours. A formidable duo not to be missed.

- **Andrew Morello ’03**. We all know Andrew the highly successful businessman and Inaugural winner of *The Apprentice Australia*. Andrew is Head of Business Development at Mark Bouris’ publicly listed Yellow Brick Road Wealth Management.

- **Luigi Lucente ’05** - musician, singer, writer and actor, most recently seen in *The Rocky Horror Show* and *Pippin*. Luigi has one of the finest voices SBC has ever produced and will give us an example of his talents on the night.

Later in the evening one of Australia’s best party bands ‘The Baker Boys’ will keep the dancefloor rocking with their famous mix of funk, rock, jazz, Top 40, soul swing, 70’s, 80’s and 90’s

**So join us in a night of celebrations**

**When:** Friday 19 June 2015  
**Where:** The Atrium, Flemington Racecourse  
**Time:** from 6.45pm  
**Cost:** $150/head or table of 10 for $1400 including canapés, three courses, beverages, entertainment and memento  
**Bookings:** [www.trybooking.com/118562](http://www.trybooking.com/118562)  
**Enquiries:** Bernie Cronin or Cameron Evans on development@sbc.vic.edu.au
Year 10 Examinations
Semester 1 exams for Year 10 students will be on Friday June 12 - Thursday June 18.
The timetable for Year 10 exams will be e-mailed to students and will be available from the Year 10 notice board. Most Year 10 Exams will be held in the Gym and will commence with 15 minutes reading time. Please note carefully the dates and times, as misreading the timetable is not accepted as an excuse for missing an exam.

All students must attend their scheduled exams in their full school uniform and arrive no later than 30 minutes prior to their exam. From June 12 to June 18, there are no scheduled classes for Year 10 students, so students are expected at school only for their timetabled exams. Friday June 19 is a report-writing day for staff and therefore no classes for students.

Mr Nikolas Brudenell & Mr Michael Torpey should have already been notified of any exam clashes.

Work Experience
With the exception of Agere, students who have already completed a placement in their holidays, or have organised a placement for Term 2 or 3 holidays, Work Experience for all Year 10 students commences on Monday June 22 and concludes on Friday June 26. Work placements should already be organized. Please see our Careers Practitioner, Mr David Rosel, immediately if you have not organized a placement.

Semester 2 Classes
Semester 2 subjects will officially start on Monday July 13, after the school holiday period.

Year 11 Examinations
Semester one exams for all Year 11 students will be on Tuesday June 9 - Tuesday June 16.
The timetable for the Year 11 exams will be e-mailed to students and will be available from the Year 11 notice board. Most Year 11 Exams will be held in the Gym and will commence with 15 minutes reading time. Please note carefully the dates and times, as misreading the timetable is not accepted as an excuse for missing an exam.

All students must attend their scheduled exams in their full school uniform and arrive no later than 30 minutes prior to their exam. From June 9 to June 16, there are no scheduled classes for Year 11 students, so students are expected at school only for their timetabled exams.

Ms Rita Oakley & Mr Brendan Tollit should have already been notified of any exam clashes.

GAT
The GAT for all students undertaking a Unit 3 & 4 subject will be held on Wednesday June 10, commencing at 10.00am in the College Gym. Please arrive by 9.00am and report to the assembly area outside the gym.

Semester 2 Classes
VCE Unit 2 subjects will officially start on Wednesday June 17. Friday June 19 is a report-writing day for staff and therefore no classes for students.

Year 12 SACs/Revision Sessions
A number of Semester one SACs/Revision Sessions for Year 12 students will be on Tuesday June 9 - Friday June 12.
The timetable for the Year these sessions will be available from the Year 12 notice board. Please note carefully the dates and times, as misreading the timetable is not accepted as an excuse for missing a SAC.

All students must attend their scheduled SACs in their full school uniform and arrive no later than 30 minutes prior to their assessment. From June 10 to June 13, there are no scheduled classes for Year 12 students, so students are expected at school only for their timetabled SACs/Revision Sessions.

Mr Shaun Lancashire & Mr Nick Smith should have already been notified of any SAC clashes.

GAT
The GAT for all students undertaking a Unit 3 & 4 subject will be held on Wednesday June 10, commencing at 10.00am in the College Gym. Please arrive by 9.00am and report to the assembly area outside the gym.

Semester 2 Classes
VCE Unit 4 subjects will officially start on Monday June 15. Friday June 19 is a report-writing day for staff and therefore no classes for students.

Edmund Rice Pathways
The Edmund Rice Pathways students will be on extended work placement during the exam period. Please ensure that correct documentation has been signed and completed prior to entering a work-site. Please see our Careers Practitioner, Mr David Rosel, immediately if you have not organized a placement.

Paul Shannon, Deputy Principal – Clairvaux
From the Deputy Principal – The Strand

This Sunday is Pentecost Sunday. Below are 7 things you should know about this important day on our liturgical calendar:

- Pentecost Sunday marks the day when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles.
- Pentecost Sunday occurs 50 days after Easter.
- Pentecost comes 10 days after the Ascension of Jesus Christ.
- Pentecost is also known as "the birthday of the Church".
- Jews also celebrate Pentecost, but not for the same reason as Christians. The celebration by Jews of Pentecost is to observe God giving the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai 50 days after the Exodus. The Pentecost in Jewish tradition takes place 50 days after Passover.
- In church, Pentecost is usually represented with the colour red, which symbolizes the fire of the Holy Spirit.

(Source: http://www.christianpost.com)

Reconciliation Week

Reconciliation week is celebrated each year between May 27 and June 3. We are planning to acknowledge the important events of the week with some awareness raising with our boys with musicians and activities that will culminate in the celebration of the Eucharist in our College gymnasium next Friday, 29 May from 9.50am.

There are three key dates that are central to the reconciliation theme:

- May 26 is National Sorry Day. This day provides Australians with the opportunity to come together and share the steps towards healing for the Stolen Generation, their families and communities.
- May 27 marks the anniversary of the 1967 referendum in which more than 90% of Australians voted to remove clauses from the Australian Constitution which discriminated against Indigenous Australians. This change in our constitution enabled Indigenous people to be included in the census, and gave federal parliament the power to make laws in relation to Indigenous people.
- June 3 marks the anniversary of the High Court’s judgment in the 1992 Mabo case. The decision recognised the Native Title rights of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the original inhabitants of the continent and overturned the myth of terra nullius – the belief that the continent was an empty, un-owned land before the arrival of Europeans in 1788.

Yet we still do not have any official recognition of our indigenous people in our constitution. Please acknowledge your support for official recognition of our indigenous people in our constitution by visiting www.recognise.org.au.

Year 8 Mother-Son Evening

On Monday, 11 May approximately 120 mothers and their sons gathered in the gymnasium for our fourth Year 8 Mother-Son Evening. The night enabled mothers and sons to engage in conversation about the challenges that lay ahead for our young men as they negotiate the ‘bridge to manhood’.

Bill Jennings from ‘Tim and Space’ facilitated the evening and we thank Bill for providing us with the opportunity to share this experience with our families. We would also like to acknowledge the twenty mothers of Year 9 – 12 students who facilitated the group discussions. Also to Joel Comito (School Captain), Liam Healy, Jett Fogarty, Daniel Pham and Daniel Grech, who represented our student body on the evening.

Edmund Rice Day

$75,000 was raised on Edmund Rice Day on May 5 for Project Kenya. This is an amazing effort. Thank you to all families for their incredible support of this great cause.

Below is a list of boys who raised $200 or more. It is a substantial list. Once again, for the third year in a row, Blake Pereira was the highest fundraiser in the College. We would like to thank the Pereira family for their incredible support of the Edmund Rice Foundation. In the three years that Blake has been a St Bernard’s boy he alone has raised in excess of $11,400. An amazing effort!

Whilst I acknowledge the great work by our top fundraisers I am well aware of the collective generosity of all of the families. We are very blessed to be part of the most generous school in the Edmund Rice world network.

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Damian McKee, Deputy Principal – The Strand
Important Dates
Year 7 Immunisations – Round 2
A reminder to parents that Immunisations for Year 7’s will take place on Monday 25 May in O’Brien Hall beginning at 9:30 am. If you have any questions or queries please contact Moonee Valley City Council on Ph: 9243 9189.

Craig Osborne, Director of Organisation

Ladies Auxiliary News
As you are aware the Annual Ladies Lunch was postponed to support the 75th Gala Dinner in 2015 so I invite all members to attend this wonderful celebration. The Annual Ladies Lunch is slated to return on 1st June 2016. If you have previously enjoyed the Ladies Lunch in June you may wish to consider gathering a group of friends and attending the 75th Gala Dinner on the 19th June. For more information please refer to the SBC website or go directly to www.trybooking.com/118652 to book your group.

Jenny Goring, Ladies Auxiliary President

75th Anniversary Montage
The Library is putting together a display to celebrate the 75th birthday of the College. We are wanting to create a montage of faces over the last 75 years (old and new) and are looking for photos of uncles, dads and brothers who attended St Bernard’s College. Please HELP us by sending in a photo for our display. Email a copy to knorton@sbc.vic.edu.au

Kerry Norton, Librarian

Year 8 Japanese Immersion Day
On the 20th of April ten students of Year 8 Japanese made the short journey to the Essendon Baptist Church to participate in an immersion workshop run by the Japanese Language Teachers Association Victoria. The day was designed for Year 8 students from schools around the region with the purpose of enhancing their understanding of Japanese culture as well as their Japanese language skills. The theme of the day was “Obento”; a Japanese style lunch box that contains small compartments with nutritionally balanced foods. Students played games to learn new food-related vocabulary and by the end of the day were able to design and promote their own Obento box in Japanese. The students enjoyed the interactive focus of the day and felt their Japanese language skills had improved immensely from the experience.

Sarah Brens

Congratulations…
…to Mark Smith who won 2015 Griffith University Josephine Ulrick Literature Prize for his short story titled ‘Manyuk’. Judges of the prizes commented “Against the backdrop of the approaching wet season in Darwin, a young woman separated from her country, her language and her family tries to stay connected to her culture against the wishes of her husband. The judges found the story to be very well crafted, with the accumulation of minor, but significant, detail hinting at more than what is otherwise said. This story shows a writer displaying great restraint, with the result being a story that demands to be re-read, and which grows with each reading.”

Well done Mark!

…to our magnificent golf team who won the A Division of the School Teams Championship for the third time at Metropolitan Golf Club with 75 stableford points. Team members Jack Chrystie (40 points) Tristan Britt (35 points) and Ted Donoghue played outstanding golf to take out the title for the third time since 2010.

The best two stableford score are used for the school teams score. Both Chrystie and Britt were also named in the SSV 17 and Under Squad to represent Victoria at the National Championships to be held in Canberra from 9-15 of August. Maribyrnong College Team #2 finished in second place 73 points and Haileybury College Team #1 finished in third place with 71 points.
Collegians of Old
This year St Bernard’s College celebrates 75 years contribution to education and the community. The Old Collegians Association has initiated a very personal tribute to this with the ‘Collegians of Old’ Youtube video series. Every fortnight a new member of the SBC community will be featured so go to www.sbc.vic.edu.au/sbc75/interviews to see this wonderful piece of St Bernard’s history. The third of our featured Collegians of Old is Mr Michael Perrett.

Bernie Cronin, Director of Development

Careers News

FOCUS ON UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE - Arts 20 May, Agriculture 21 May, Commerce 26 May, Environments 27 May, Science 2 June, Law 4 June, Engineering 11 June, IT 11 June, Music 24 June, and VCA 25 June (most 6.30-8.30pm). Register at: www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/events. FOLIO PREPARATION COURSES – RMIT’s portfolio preparation courses are intensive practical courses held in the school holidays. They are designed to help students seeking entry to art, design and architecture courses to produce their best portfolio of work, as well as an overview of the industry and selection procedures. Upcoming courses: adobe illustrator and photoshop for fashion, Adobe InDesign for fashion, design jobs, portfolio preparation in 3D product design, graphic design, interior decoration, photography and in visual merchandising. Information: 9925 8111 or www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au/page/high_school_students.

VICTORIA UNIVERSITY (VU) – BE YOU AT VU – VU offers certificates, diplomas and degrees, mainly at the Footscray Park Campus. Year 10 and 11 students can find out about VU by attending Be You at VU. Take part in course and career specific workshops with current students and staff, and explore your passions, interests and career options. Meet representatives from each discipline area. When: 10am – 3pm, 8 July; Register and obtain more information: www.vu.edu.au/be-you-at-vu.

DEFENCE FORCE RECRUITING – If you are interested in a career in the Australian Defence Force and not sure where to start, Defence Force Recruiting has a new Job Finder Tool on the website – www.defencejobs.gov.au. This is a fully responsive and interactive tool that will suggest roles to you based on your personality. Check it out.

KEEPER/VET FOR A DAY – This program is running again in the June/July holiday break. Are you an aspiring zookeeper? Find out what it takes to care for an array of animals at Healesville Sanctuary and Werribee Open Range Zoo. Who: Years 7-12; When: Healesville – 30 June, 1, 7 and 8 July; Werribee – 30 June, 2, 6 and 8 July. Do you want to be a vet? Meet veterinary staff at Healesville – 1, 2, 8 & 9 July; Info: www.zoo.org.au/education/careers-programs; Bookings: 1300 966 784.

St Monica’s Parish Newsletter
The St Monica’s Parish, Moonee Ponds, Newsletter/Parish Magazine is getting a reboot so we are seeking the assistance of some tech-savy young people to either design a logo for the newsletter or perhaps even come up with a template design for us to work with. If you could be of any assistance in this area please contact the editorial team – Joanne Barrett 0419117399: joanne_barrett@bigpond.com or Jacqueline Le Grand-Condello 0439558309: jlegrandcondello@bigpond.com

David Rosel, Careers Practitioner

Fr Anthony Feeney, St Monica’s Parish
M102 Essendon to Tottenham Water Main Renewal Project

**Full weekend closure of Rosehill Road Saturday 30 May to Sunday 31 May 2015. Local traffic will be able to exit via Rosehill Road but only in one direction (Hoffmans Road or Milleara Road).**

**For further information, now and over the closure weekend, call 1800 635 517.**

Rosehill Road between Hoffmans Road and Rachelle Road will be closed to traffic in both directions on Saturday 30 May and Sunday 31 May to safely and quickly undertake construction works to upgrade the water main as part of the M102 Essendon to Tottenham Water Main.

We are undertaking works over a weekend to minimise the impacts on through traffic and the local schools.

**I live off Rosehill Road, how will the road closure impact me?**
Residents who live in local streets off Rosehill Road will still be able to exit via Rosehill Road but only in one direction. Residents who live east of Rose Avenue will only be able to turn towards Hoffmans Road. Residents who live west of Nicholas Court will only be able to turn towards Milleara Road. To access your property you will need to follow the detours around Rosehill Road.

**Changed traffic conditions**
Traffic management including detours will be in place during our works. Please observe all traffic signage including reduced speeds and detour directions. The maps included in this bulletin show the road closure location and detour routes.

East bound traffic will be closed from Hoffmans Road and detoured via Hoffmans Road and Buckley Street.
The Keilor St-Bernard's Athletic Club.

In 1965 Ron Stobaus and brother Peter Faulkiner formed the St Bernard's athletic club with the intent of developing an athletics environment at the college.

The club borrowed money which was used in the development of the ovals near Steele creek and for the provision of throwing rings and jump pits which have long since been buried under the Buckley Street earthworks and the many changes to the ovals.

The club joined Victorian Amateur Athletics Association and has been a prominent competitor in the winter cross country and the summer track and field seasons ever since.

The St Bernard's athletic club was instrumental in the creation of the Keilor Little Athletics centre and the Keilor Heights women's athletic club. With the merging of the Victorian Amateur Athletics Association and the Women's Amateur Athletics Association to form Athletics Victoria St Bernard's merged with Keilor Heights to form the Keilor St Bernard's Athletic club (KSB).

The club has grown and over recent years has averaged around 155 members, male, female, young and old with all levels of ability. Our membership comes from across the north west of Melbourne and areas such as Gisborne, Sunbury and Macedon.

The club trains at the college and on the paths and hills along side the Maribynong river and also at the Keilor Park Athletics track.

This is the club's fiftieth year and a celebratory dinner is planned for October the 16th.

The club would like to hear from anyone who has been a member of the club over the years. We are looking for anecdotes, war stories and historical documents or photographs.

If you can help or would like details on the fiftieth year celebratory dinner please email the following:

Ron Stobaus: rstobaus@bigpond.com. Ian Upton: ian.upton@iinet.net.au.

If you would like information on the club try the website www.ksbaths.org.au or the 'facebook' page 'www.facebook.com/ksbaths'.