

# Paduans' Newsletter

Padua College Old Boys' Assoc. PO Box 111 KEDRON QLD 4031

### **Summer 2011**











### Francis and the Christmas Nativity

From http://.catholicpuzzles.org

### A Prayer for the Intentions of Padua

(The College, its students, past pupils, parents, and teachers)

Lord, fill our hearts with your grace, that we may understand and support young people, as we would like them to understand and support us.

St Anthony of Padua, patron of our School – Pray for us

St Clare of Assisi, model for praising God – Pray for us

St Francis of Assisi, model of Gospel living – Pray for us

Blessed Mary MacKillop, compassionate educator of the poor and disadvantaged – Pray for us

Our Lady Help of Christians, patroness of Australia – Pray for us

Holy God, source of all goodness we place before you the needs of Padua College. May it continue nourishing the spiritual, physical and educational needs of the boys it serves.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

# 2012 Date Claimers

Note the following in your calendars and diaries:

- Sportsmans Dinner June 8
- Race Day November 3 Eagle Farm

# Welcome to the newest Old Boys, the Class of '11. You've now joined thousands of others.

# Old Boys News

### Padua Old Boys Association 2011 - Chairman's Message

Well this year is fast drawing to a close and the Christmas season has arrived on our doorstep.

To the graduating Seniors of 2011, I would like to extend my congratulations and wish you all the very best of success in your future endeavours, whatever they may be. We hope that you will remain active within the greater Paduan community and of course get involved with the Old Boys Association through the various events to be held in 2012.

Once again I would like to thank the Old Boys Committee for their assistance this year but would like to make special mention of Simon Stower, whose efforts over the past many years have been directly attributed to the success of the Old Boys Association. Many of the events would not happen without Simon's assistance. Many thanks should also go again to Chris Fitzpatrick for his effort in co-ordinating the Old Boys newsletter and disseminating information to old boys.

A reminder to continue to keep up to date with Old Boys events on the website <a href="http://www.paduaoldboys.asn.au">http://www.paduaoldboys.asn.au</a> and feel free to send through any Padua related information that you would like to share with other Old Boys in the newsletter by emailing us at <a href="mailto:info@paduaoldboys.asn.au">info@paduaoldboys.asn.au</a>, or <a href="mailto:sskoien@padua.qld.edu.au">sskoien@padua.qld.edu.au</a>.

Thanks again to those who have contributed to the successful events in 2011 and I look forward to seeing you all next year!

All the best to you and your families for Christmas and the New Year.

Clayton Hill Old Boys Chairman

# Old Boys' Weekend

The Paduan Old Boys' Weekend in 2011 saw Fr. Barry Kirby return to lead a smaller but just as much fun group with a couple of new faces. The weekend was held at the Padua Amaroo Outdoor Education Centre at Louis Bazzo Drive, Pomona on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> through to Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2011.

In the spirit of what goes on camp, stays on camp, we cannot release any photos of this year's event but include some photos of last year's event which was lead by Fr Paul Rout, due to Fr Barry's illness.



Right: Preparations for the Outdoor Mass, held under the tree in front of the Dining Hall in the background. The Campus Architect, Peter McCabe  $-2^{nd}$  from right with Fr Paul Rout, himself an Old Boy, in the foreground.

Left: The 'Un-Organising' Committee – Pat Hannan (Seniors 1972) – the world's worst 500 player - with the 'young blokes' from the class of 1973, Rod Garozzo, Greg McLean and Michael Keily trying to talk some sense into him.



## **Race Day**

The Old Boys & Foundation Race Day was a huge success with everyone having a great time.

Tickets sold out in advance this year. Make sure you look out for details and book early next year! (Note the date – 3 November!)















### Joseph Camilleri ('03)

In Joe's words...

Frances Murphy was the College Captain of Mt Alvernia in 2002, and we met through a mutual friend. We started dating in 2004 and were married on September 24 2011 at St Carthage's Catholic Church at Gordon Park. Fran's bridesmaids were her sister Bridget Murphy, a Mt A graduate in 2006, and my sister Claire Camilleri, who graduated from Mt A in 2000. My groomsmen were Kris Forbes and Matt Jordan who graduated from Padua with me in 2003. So it was an all Padua Mt A bridal party even!

We were blessed with fantastic weather on the day and excellent company. We were very thankful to Fr Paul for flying up from Sydney to marry us. We had so many comments about how good he was as a priest, how meaningful and relevant he seemed to make everything and it really meant a lot to us to have him there with us.

Fran is currently a primary school teacher at St Joachim's at Holland Park, and I am an Assistant Manager within the Superannuation Team at KPMG.

### **Daniel Ritchie ('05)**

Having graduated from Australian Catholic University last year, Dan has been teaching Year 7 at St Laurence's College this year.

### Danny Jackson ('05)



On 30 September Danny Jackson became the Australian Irish Dancing Champion for the third time!

Danny also was also the Queensland Irish Dancing Champion this year. With the exception of one year, he has been the Qld Champion since 1996! Yes, that's 15 times!!

Following on his wins this year Danny has decided to retire from competitive dancing.

### **Around the College**

(from the College Bulletins)

### **College Leaders for 2012**

### **Primary**

Primary School Captain Henry Gardiner
Beirne House Leaders Christopher Lancaster Joseph Hughes

Grigg House LeadersFlynn KampMatthew BuckbyMitchell House LeadersJake BrazelRiley BrazelOdoric House LeadersThomas BrandtDaniel Caulfield

### **Secondary**

**College Captain** Liam Picard **College Vice Captain** Abraham Tilbury Jacob Chadburn **Beirne House Leaders** James Briskie Giulian Ferranti **Grigg House Leaders** Nicholas Laube Jacob Dryer **Mitchell House Leaders** Hayden Kent Lewis Wiseman Garrath Ryan **Odoric House Leaders** 

Academic Leader
Community Leader
Co-Curricular Leader
Stephen Chinnery
Lucas Brankovich
Zachary Brankovich

Pastoral Leader Joe O'Toole

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### **Spirit of Assisi Day**

The recent visit of Kathy Kelly and the students from the Islamic College of Brisbane (ICB) were highlights of Padua's observance of Spirit of Assisi Day on Thursday 27 October. The day commemorated the event in Assisi 25 years ago when Pope John II invited the world's religious leaders to pray for peace. Kathy Kelly spoke to a Year 9 and Year 12 class after speaking at the college assembly in the morning. The students from the ICB enjoyed talks prepared by Fr John and Br Matt about Catholics and the Franciscans, participated in an inter-faith prayer service and led the Call to Prayer at the college assembly. All in all it was a wonderful day of sharing who we are and what we are about.

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### **Musicfest Results 2011**

In the last couple of weeks of October some of the FCIP Ensembles have been performing at "Musicfest" producing excellent results.

"Musicfest" is an annual music festival that has been going for 23 years and Ensemble's from all over the state and sometimes inter-state come to perform every year. This year the results were:

- Junior Chamber String Gold Award
- Junior String Orchestra Gold Award
- Junior Concert Band Gold Award
- Intermediate Concert Band Silver Award
- Wind Ensemble Gold Award

Congratulations to all of the students involved and also the teaching staff for their time and dedication towards such an event.

### 2011 Brisbane North School Community Blood Donation Champions

At the beginning of November Ms Kerryn Hamer from the Australian Red Cross Blood Service presented the College Captain with a trophy acknowledging Padua's tremendous success in the number of blood donations made this year. Ms Hamer told the college assembly that over 500 hundred lives have been saved by the donations made by Padua this year. There is even the possibility that Padua may be crowned 2011 State Champions once final donation tallies have been collated. In 2012 the mobile blood van will visit the college three times during the year. All are welcome to donate during those visits. Well done Padua!

### St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hampers

The collection of goods for this year's St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hampers is well underway. Each year the Padua community is generous when it comes to this appeal. It is in these harder economic times that the 'havenots' have even less than before. Each student has been assigned or chosen to bring in a few items from a 'shopping list' of groceries distributed to his class. This is our last charity collection for the year and in the past it has been supported very generously by all Padua's families. Besides the groceries classes are asked if they can provide a small Christmas gift, Christmas cake or something that a family would get a real surprise receiving. The hampers will be presented to the Kedron Parish's St Vincent de Paul Group during our Christmas Liturgy on Friday 25 November.

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### Padua donates to the Cancer Council of Qld



### Where we've come from...

(from The Paduan annual magazines) 1961



**Juvenile Swimming Team Pellegrini Cup Winners** 

Front row: M. Kennedy, P. Parsons (Captain), L. Dittmar

Back row: J. Patfield, J. O'Keefe, B. Parsons

Insert: P. Fletcher

### Fifth Grade A Rugby Union Team Undefeated

Front row: L. Birch, M. Douglas, L. Dittmar (Captain), P. McLean,

P. Maguire

Second row: D. Cherry, D. Clarke, J. O'Keefe (Vice-Captain), R. Thomas,

J. Coates

Back row: P. Perkins, A. Horne, B. Stewart, S. Anning, N. Keenan



### Fifth Grade B Rugby Union Teams Undefeated

Front row: B. Devine, P. Fletcher, P. Dale (Captain), P. Stokes, M. Stevans Second row: L. King, R. Whitlock, C. Gardiner, B. Parsons, D. Grams, L. Mays

Third row: P. Bourke, J. Holmes, R. McQueen, M. Gilbert, D. Evans

Back row: K. Donaldson, J. Martin



### Premiers Padua/Brothers Under 14 Rugby League

Front row: M. Stark, B. McKay, M. Longhurst (Captain), J. Crowdey,

W. Cullinan, F. Ramsden

Second row: A. Flanagan, R. McCafferty, D. Weinert, P. Otago,

Back row: S. Sammartino, P. McMahon, G. Whitton, B. Nolan, P. Ryan



Front row: P. Rout, P. Griffiths, S. Barns, A. Rockett, P. Alcorn, P. Taylor, G. Pyne, M. Kennedy, A. Daley,

P. Woodward, J. Harding

Second row: D. Cunningham, M. Clarke,

G. McMullen, M. Kennedy, K. Chambers, H. Massar,

G. Russell, A. Newman, M. Garry, M. McDonald Third row: P. Pavey, B. Beresford, J. McMahon,

M. Denson, K. Hayden, L. Broad, M. Goode, K. Smith, J. O'Keefe, O. Richards

Fourth row: R. Birrer, J. Magill, R. Stott, A. Yow,

C. Armendola, N. Keenan, G. Eade, K. Rout,

J. Doolan, A. Haddley, J. Vaughan, B. Casey

Back row: J. Broad, P. Gray, P. O'Keefe, L. Mays, T. McDonnell, M. Upton, C. Gardiner, G. Skennerton,

D. Flaherty, T. O'Keefe

Absent: D. Devlin, L. van der Heide





### **U13 Cricket (Premiers)**

Front row: M. Brennan, P. Buckby, D. Murray (Captain), A. Callaghan, B. Kenny

Second row: G. Bardsley, M. Murphy, S. Power, G. Cahill Back row: J. Alroe, P. Lawrence, E. Ward, D. Westwood



Front row: N. Ferguson, P. Lunney, B. Couch, M. Simmond

Second row: M. Sullivan, M. Lewis, B. Cantrell, P. Hannan, D. Simonds Back row: P. Offenhauser, C. Offenhauser, P. Simonds, R. Furner





### The Seconds Premiers

Front row: G. O'Donovan, J Doherty, M. West (Captain), D. Toll, J. Box

Second row: M. Longhurst, P. Offenhauser, N. Macgroarty, G. Endicott, G. Price

Back row: M. Carden, C. Offenhauser, I. Lenihan, P. Hannan

### **U14B Rugby League Premiers**

Front row: A. Haydon, P. O'Shea, J. White, A. Machin (Captain), P. Cashman,

A. Nolan, L. Douglas

Second row: R. Flanagan, G. Hennessy, J. Kemp, P. Lunney, M. Simonds,

G. Johnston

Back row: B. Couch, P. Shay, P. Hart, R. Out





### **U10A Rugby Union Premiers**

Front row: M. O'Donovan, S. Munro, M. Rose, C. Russell (Captain), B. Ingram,

B. Murray, P. Alroe (omitted from original)

Second row: P. Evans, G. Paul, B. Stranks, P. Calligan, D. O'Hara (Vice Captain),

P. Lamprecht

Back row: W. Machin, G. Woods, M. Lonergan, T. Poulton



Seated: B. Adkins, L. Howard, E. Lynch,

E. Stevens, A. Morgan, P. Lewis, D. Stevens

Standing: B. Roth, M. O'Connor, J. Nally, A. Parer,

M. Jowett, P. Fitzpatrick, M.R. Adkins,

S. Pyke, S. Jowett, M. Wray,

A.M. Fitzpatrick, M. Stevens, P. Nally,

D. DeGroot

Absent: P. Skinner, D. Adkins, K. Howard,

M. McShane





It's Academic Team

D. Adkins, A. Howard, H. Cushing, C. Mitchell

# WHY FRANCISCAN EDUCATION?



Mr N. Fauth

Education is dispensed in many and varied forms and in differing qualities throughout Australia. Here at Padua we have a unique form of education—that bound interminably to the Franciscan Spirit. We then, are fortunate to be the recipients of such a system and should therefore not pass it off as just another school, as may easily be done, but look to it as an ideal for our present formative years and later adult life. What is it, this Franciscan education?

Probably the most striking feature of the system that I have observed after several years' association with it, is its genuine concern with people, the raw materials of our society. Pupils at Padua are not just so many children and adolescents to be filled with facts. They are taken to be formed in a definite manly way of life, but with strong emphasis on individuality. For there is not one specific type of person who emerges from Padua; rather there are many high individualistic types who present different aspects of the Christocentric ideal, the basis of the Franciscan Spirit.

While ideals may be held in high regard, the parctical side of life and education is not forgotten. Certainly students are presented in various ways with facts to form a basis on which they can construct their own stores of knowledge: it would be rather pointless for an institution dedicated to education to fail to do so. But method of presentation and approach to subject matter are given in the hope that they will be of benefit not only to the person himself, but also the whole community ultimately; for an all important element of the Franciscan Spirit is sharing.

This brings an awareness of others, a correct proportioning of self interest, and a general benefit to society as a

whole. For the winning of fame by one individual is shared by the whole of the college, just as a mark of shame brought on by one person is felt by the whole college. And in this day and age when the question of discipline is receiving an ininordinate amount of attention, it is interesting to note that the authority structure of the college looks not to see how a student may be punished, but rather how the individual may be helped, guided and rehabilitated for his own good, and the good of the whole community. A wrongdoer is not simply given up as a hopeless case, but rather, ways and means are applied to fit him into his correct place in the group for the harmonious development of all. In other systems he may be expelled and "tossed out", but this is rarely the case at Padua. With an eye to practicality, the Franciscan system demands that the goodness in each and every one of us be found and brought to the fore. By doing this, each person retains his human dignity and is treated as an equal, a fraternal partner in the school and a worthy element of society.

By example it is inculcated into the student body that "it is in giving that we receive". Perhaps it is not so much the material rewards that change hands, but the more abstract qualities of personal regard for others, a lively spirit of awareness, an atmosphere of pleasing conviviality. Any student who should pass through Padua and fail to notice or take on these qualities would indeed be unfortunate, for he would have missed some of the main reasons for attending a Franciscan institution.

Thus equipped, a Padua student can step into his adult life in a manly and well-bred fashion. By keeping before him what he was gained during his student years, he will have a bright guiding light for his married life, his career, and whatever fields of social activity he applies his learning to.

### Old Boys Association by Mr Peter Stark

This Jubilee year of the College has been a most exciting and enjoyable one for the Old Boys' Association. We have seen our school grow from the very humble beginnings of 1956 with Mrs Cameron, Mr Fox and three grades of boys to the large educational complex of today. Many functions were organised and well attended this year and included a tremendous Jubilee Ball at the Guineas Room, social cricket and golf matched (congratulations Ken Power, Senior, on: a) winning the golf day and b) choosing the right partner to help you win) and a Musical Night in the Communications Centre.

Unfortunately, we always seem to miss some people when advertising our functions but this can be remedied by becoming a member of the Association – all members are notified by mail of all social events for the year.

We are now approaching the stage where we can make regular and larger donations to the school each year in both the sporting and academic fields. This is a great pleasure. Hopefully in the future, as we grow with the college, we will find it possible to do much more.



### **Year 9 Soccer Team (Premiers)**

Front row: B. Fox, A. Armstrong, P. Mead, A. Johnson (Captain), T. Spinelli (Vice Captain), D. Lindsay, A. Oberthur

**Back row:** L. Torrisi, R. Sarri, A. Innamorati, J. Clark, Mr Frank Gracias, S. Casson, R. Oswald, R. Herrgott, A. Sommerville

### **U13A Rugby League (Premiers)**

Front row: J. McGuffin, D. Garvey, R. Serle (Captain), R. Kelly (Vice Captain), D. Power, J. Holding

**Second row:** Mr Peter Stark (Coach), B. Maguire, D, Kavanagh, D. Pizzica, P. Dunne, B. Leask, D. Richter, B. Rosenberg, M. O'Hara,

Br Justin Drew ofm (Manager)

Back row: K. Mogg, G. Ryan, P. Doueihi, D. Walters





### Australian Rules A Team (Premiers)

Front row: A. Williams, G. Cleary, C. Greatrex (Captain), P Coxhead (Vice Captain), B. Williams, D. Parker

**Second row:** Br Robert Stewart ofm, J. Brock, M. Latimer, J. Willems, B. Hamlin, A. Liberale, M. Graham, F. Swindells, D. Rose, M. Hooper



**Open A Touch (Metropolitan Champions)** 



**Primary Australian Rules Champions** 



6A Basketball (Premiers)

Front row: L. Guerrini, J. Farmer, M. Ware, L. Grey, D. Williams Second row: Mr Ed Gordon (Coach), H. Honeywill, S. Weeks, M. Morsch,

P. Cowley



First IV Tennis (Premiers)

Mr Brett Harvey (Coach), P. Betts, D. Bryce, A. Lazzarini, E. Loane, D. Culpitt (Captain)



Tennis - Team 1 (Premiers)

Mr Ed Gordon (Coach), J. Farmer, B. Doolan, J. Challinor, R. Harold



Front row: M. Freney, C. Smith, P. Waring (Captain), A. Lazzarini Second row: Mr Jon O'Driscoll (Coach), B. West, T. Sullivan,

M. Coleman Absent: J. Conder





### **U15 Rugby League (Premiers)**

Front row: C. Coombes, J. Neibling, L. Morgan, J. Shillington

(Captain), M. Lazarides, J. Donnelly, D. Gott

Second row: Mr Ben Frazer (Coach), B. Keane (Vice Captain), R. Cosson, M. Tierney, M. McDougall, M. Harrison, L. Dallas

Third row: C. Hall, A. Cahill, S. Warren, D. Wyatt

Absent: T. Fabian



Front row: M.-E. Costello, M. Bathis, C. Nally, K. Porter,

E. Smith, A. Williams, E. Malone, A. Davis

Second row: S. Massingham, E. Robertson, K. Morsch. K. Todhunter, C. Serravalle, P. Robinson, K. Kelly, S. Elms,

S. Smith, J. Winston, S. Mitchell Third row: R. Mitchell, C. Kelly, J. Woodward, R. Lee, M. Green, D. McGrath, D. Gangemi, M. Devlin, T. Dodds,

L. Massingham, D. Bradshaw

Fourth row: T. Hides, P. Sneddon, A. Hall, S, Luk, M. Mewburn, A. Thomas, L. McKenna, C. McDonald, L. Nicolo, P. Haydock, S. Howarth, M. Lazarides Fifth row: C. Martin, W. Lees, G. Cockburn, J. Malone, D. Hitzke, P. Davison, J. Endicott, Mr Chris Dodemont

Absent: P. Skippen, C. Allardyce, D. Hall



# Things Franciscan

### An Introduction to

### FRANCISCAN SPIRITUALITY

### Drawn from the life and writings of St Francis of Assisi

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### Campion Murray OFM

### 43. The crib at Greccio

Closely associated with Francis' love for all the creatures of God is the way he prepared to celebrate the feast of Christmas at Greccio. Francis explained to a man named John, his friend, that he wanted to celebrate the Christmas mass in a way that reproduced as literally as possible the crib in Bethlehem. Francis added that he also wanted to see an ox and an ass standing by the crib. The mass was celebrated with many people attending and rejoicing with the saint who preached the homily.

We are familiar with building and putting a crib at Christmas in every Church but when Francis did this it was something new. For doing this we owe Francis a debt. The feast of Christmas is a feast we celebrate with ease because, as well as its family aspect with the birth of the child Jesus, the crib makes the feast more homely and easier to understand and enjoy.

Francis had his crib built in a cave on the side of the mountain that overlooks Greecio. In itself this was a humble and poor setting for a Christmas Eucharist but it was surely a setting that fitted so well with Francis' meeting with the leper when he experienced the Lord in the poverty of a leper. More than that, Francis who praised God in his Canticle of the Creatures was at ease in a cave with animals. Here he wanted to celebrate the birth of the Lord to whom he had given his life.

### 44. A Salutation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Francis showed that he could think in a new way when he made the crib at Greccio and celebrated Christmas in a way that has captured Christian imagination ever since. He was also original when speaking in praise of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It would be strange if Francis who was marked with the five wounds of Christ did not feel a special reverence for the Lord's Mother. Naturally in the crib at Greccio the Virgin was a centre of attention and devotion.

In his Salutation to Mary, Francis coined a new expression when he called her 'the Virgin made Church'. Francis was not attempting to write a new theology. What he meant by the words 'made Church' is clear in the following words of the Salutation when he calls Mary the Lord's Palace, Tabernacle, Dwelling, Robe, Servant and Mother. Mary was the Palace, Tabernacle, Dwelling and Robe of Christ when He lived in her womb and, since Christ is the Head of the Church, Mary was 'made Church'. But as a Servant of Christ she was a member of the Church and the Mother of the Head of the Church.

Addressing all the holy virtues present in Mary, Francis prays, asking that all these virtues be 'poured into the hearts of the faithful through the grace and enlightenment of the Holy Spirit'. Francis saw Mary as a model and a person 'in whom there was and is all fullness of grace and every good'.



Are you in the process of looking to get some work done? Why not consult the current **FOTH Community Business Directory**? There is a variety in the 76 businesses advertised. Each business has a relationship with Padua, St Anthony's and/or Mt Alvernia. There are a number of Old Boy businesses, which can be searched separately, included.

The FOTH Community Business Directory can be located through the College website, <a href="www.padua.qld.edu.au">www.padua.qld.edu.au</a> or go directly to the FOTH Community Business Directory site, <a href="http://www.fothdirectory.com.au">http://www.fothdirectory.com.au</a>

Opportunity still exists to be a part of the **new FOTH Community Business Directory!** 



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- 2. The College and those associations need the information referred to, in order to keep you informed about those activities. If you do not want that information provided as described, it is necessary that you inform the College.
- 3. As you know, from time to time, the College, and the associations engage in fundraising activities to help the College. The information received from you may be used to make an appeal to you. If you do not agree to this, please advise the College now.
- 4. The College and the associations may publish details about you in their publications. If you do not agree to this, please advise the College now.

The Newsletter is produced a number of times a year.

To make sure that it is interesting and informative there is a need for relevant information to be included. To this end please send along information about yourself and other Old Boys — what you've been up to, where you've bumped into Paduans — and what you would like to see in the Newsletter.

Please forward information, and photos if possible, to Susan Skoien via email, sskoien@padua.qld.edu.au or to the College (address on the front page).

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