

From the Registrar:

During the two week break, only the second week of the lecture break is a vacation, namely the mid-semester vacation beginning on the 24th of September. The first week, starting on Monday the 17th of September is a study week. Students are expected to make use of the study week to further their readings and assessment work. Lecturers are available for consultation during study week. The library is open both weeks, as usual, to encourage students to make use of this time. Also, the registry is open during the study week Monday to Thursday until 6:00 pm should you need to discuss any relevant administrative matter. When we return from the two-week lecture break, we only have five weeks left in the semester. These weeks will fly past. So please use the upcoming fortnight to revise your learning for the semester to date and to get on top of your assignments.

The whole campus, however, including the Veech Library, is closed on Labour Day 1st of October. For classes that fall on the Mondays, your lecturer may discuss options for a catch-up.

Finally, Dr Rohan Curnow has been working hard to draft the timetables for 2019. We hope that these will be in place before you return from the break. It is quite a complex task balancing the needs of multiple seminaries, houses of formation, permanent diaconate programs, and of our lay students, but it's nearly done.

I hope you all have a very productive Week 7 and a fortnight's *lecture* break.

Jason Israel

Our FR DAVID COFFEY RECEIVES PAPAL HONOUR

Fr David Coffey, a former President and lecturer at the Catholic Institute of Sydney, was recently awarded the *Croce pro Ecclesia et Pontifice* on the occasion of his 60th anniversary of ordination. The citation noted that the presentation of this award "honours more than six decades of his priestly commitment to spreading the Catholic faith, especially as a theologian and professor engaged in the theological formation of students for the priesthood and lay people". He began teaching in 1962, before going to the University of Munich from 1964 and 1966, where he pursued further theological studies under Michael Schmaus and Karl Rahner. From 1976 to 1981 he was President of CIS. In 1995 he moved to the USA to take up the Presidential Chair in Catholic Systematic Theology at Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisc. His major theological interest is Pneumatology and Trinity, and he has published widely in these areas. His first book was *Grace: The Gift of the Holy Spirit*. His major book on the Trinity was *Deus Trinitas*. Among his other books is *The Sacrament of Reconciliation*. All at CIS congratulate Fr Coffey on this honour that recognises his contribution to Theology and to the students at CIS.

**WEEKDAY MASS**

Mass will be celebrated at 12.40pm in the chapel,
Monday to Thursday this week.



From the CISSA President:

Dear Students,

Welcome to Week 7 of the semester and I am sure you are all well into your assessments and I am sure you have had a few marked assessments back. I hope you all got the grades you have all worked towards.

As mentioned 3 weeks ago CISSA's installment in TIN by Councillor Karl Sinclair urging every student to get involved in CISSA and being part of the CISSA Council, as a student at CIS you are all members of CISSA. This year's CISSA Council nomination forms will be around campus this week - Week 7 Monday the 10th of September this semester and the election of new councillors will be confirmed at the CISSA AGM which will be held in Week 10 on Tuesday the 16th of October at 6pm in the student common room.

So lectures will be starting at 6:15pm to accommodate the AGM. Over the next few weeks I and fellow CISSA Councillors will be making visits to lecture rooms at the start of lectures to address lecture classes to drum up awareness and attendance to the CISSA AGM as it is mandatory as it is a legal requirement by government that all universities have student representation.

In the coming weeks the current CISSA Councillors and I will be having meetings to discuss and map out the future of CISSA. I feel for CISSA to work well for you the students of the Catholic Institute of Sydney, we need a strong CISSA Council with more student involvement as Councillors and student input.

I urge all students to take the CISSA Council Nomination Forms seriously. When nominating a student, the nominator must approach the student they have nominated and then the nominated person must sign at the bottom of the nomination form to confirm their nomination.

I hope to see you all on campus over the remaining weeks of the semester. I will be on campus on Monday mornings for a few hours as this is my regular day off from work. I look forward to seeing you all.

Yours in Christ,

Michael Lilley

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

- ◆ Tuesday 18 September 6:30pm - Friends of Veech Library Event:
Dr Jennifer Carpenter on
'*The Medieval Manuscript*'
- ◆ Friday 28 – Sunday 30 September - 11th Biennial Conference
'*Beauty and Tradition*'
- ◆ Saturday 13 October 9am - 2pm - Veech Library Annual Book Sale
Library Car Park
- ◆ Wednesday 14 November 10:30am - Friends of Veech Library Event:
Dr John Luttrell on
'*Cardinal Gilroy*'

Mary Ward Grant 2019

In order to promote the dignity and role of women in church and society, the Mary Ward Grant was established to support specialist or post-graduate study of theology, spirituality and pastoral ministry.

This is a partial grant to assist applicants who have financial need, including those seeking to complete the final year of under-graduate study.

Priority is given to Catholic lay women. Other applications will be given serious consideration.

Grants will be offered at the discretion of the Grant Committee. Each application will be treated confidentially on an individual basis, and no discussion on the outcome will be entered into.

Please Check the notice boards for more information

Applications close: Wednesday 16 October 2018.

Offers of grants will be made in December 2018