



## WELCOME

### FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Members,

After our celebratory year in 2010, it was considered a good idea to have a quieter year in 2011 with time to concentrate on the works of JAN.

With the dramatic events of the floods and cyclones we have all been affected in some way. The natural disasters around the world have made us aware of our fragility and vulnerability and our dependence on God. We have been witnesses to the courage and endurance of peoples round the world and their resilient response to events.

Whatever the differences among peoples, at these times we are one in the bond of our common humanity. The generous response in meeting the needs of others reminds us of Mary MacKillop's charism. JAN made a donation to Good Grief for flood assistance.

One of our spiritual undertakings in JAN has been a Prayer outreach. Along with the Sisters we are often called upon to pray for others. As well as praying for those affected by the natural disasters and wars there are many who are also facing other challenges such as ill-health, loss of loved ones or lifestyle, relationship issues, loss of property and conflict situations.

Sometimes people are so overcome by trauma or grief that they are unable to pray for themselves. In these cases, we pray not only for them, but in their stead as we would prepare a meal or give other services.

We may become worried that we will forget someone but God knows who these people are and has no need for us to burn-out or become anxious. Intercession means entering into the prayer of Jesus, who intercedes for us already. We hand over our requests so they are incorporated into his prayer and the prayers of one another.

It was lovely to catch up with people at the St Joseph's Day Celebrations at Nundah.

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*"With a Josephite Heart we can build a better world together"*  
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Thanks to the Sisters for their invitation and hospitality which was not marred by the showery weather.

Our next get-together is at MacKwood Life Centre on Sunday, 10 April. This is another opportunity to share with others who live the MacKillop charism within the context of their membership of JAN.

May we remember that God holds us in the palm of his hand.

With a Josephite Heart.

Eileen Sullivan

## SAINT MARY MACKILLOP'S WORDS OF WISDOM

*"When I could not see my way, God kept my heart full of trust" 1874*

## PRAYER TIME

In our prayers we especially remember: Liz Links, Faye Walsh, Carmel Jeffers, Elizabeth Wilczek and Thanksgiving prayer for Greg Carroll's progress.

## HOLY LAND – Feb 2011

*Rev John Scarrott (JAN Chaplain)*

Recently, I was privileged to spend eight nights in the Holy Land on a pilgrimage organised for 29 priests from around Australia.

We began in Jordan, just north of the Dead Sea at a place on the Jordan River where Jesus is said to have been baptised by John the Baptist. We then travelled into Israel and spent the next three days around the Sea of Galilee which is only 21 kilometres long and 7 kilometres across at its widest point.

There were many highlights but some stood out. The Mass celebrated on the Mount of the Beatitudes where Jesus preached his first Sermon on the Mount was particularly moving.

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The Church built by the Franciscans is octagonal in shape for the Eight Beatitudes. The property is surrounded by eucalypts and banana and mango plantations.

Another highlight was the Eucharist celebrated on the Sea of Galilee. The temperature was in the low 20's C, and this time the sea was perfectly calm.

Jerusalem was filled with many memorable moments, from the 5am Stations of the Cross along the Via Dolorosa to the 6.30am Mass in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre to the Mass and night time Vigil in the Garden of Olives around the rock where Jesus sweated blood and seeing olive trees, some 1000 years old and one possibly 2000 years old from the time of Jesus.

It will take me ages to assimilate all the experiences of walking in the footsteps of Jesus.



*Eight Beatitudes Church      Garden of Olives*

## ST JOSEPH'S DAY AT NUNDAH

As per Eileen's message above, it was great to see a large number of JAN members at St Joseph's Day on 19 March.

Mass was held at 11:00am and was followed by a shared lunch. There were Sisters of St Joseph, Board Members, Associates, Friends and JAN members present.

Like Joseph may we be guided by God's word, live with courage and humility and have confidence in our good God

Below are some photos taken by our Vice President, Monica O'Rourke.



*Joan Mason, Faye Walsh & Shirley O'Ryan      Margaret Scarrott & Joan Mason*

## SILVER CIRCLE FUNDRAISER

Winners of Silver Circle Series 012 were:

Week 1 – Carolyn Wylie  
Week 2 – Guido DeGlas  
Week 3 – Liam Sullivan  
Week 4 – Karen Mulcahy  
Week 5 – Shirley O'Ryan  
Week 6 – Margaret Scarrott  
Week 7 – Joan Young & Zilla Willmen  
Week 8 – Lachlan Richards  
Week 9 – Number Vacant  
Week 10 –  
1st prize (\$300) – Sr Patricia Goffey  
2nd prize (\$200) – Sr Ann Hanrahan  
3rd prize (\$100) – Francene Van Cleemput

Our Congratulations are extended to all winners.

If any JAN members or friends wish to join Series 013, we would invite them to contact:

Brian Sullivan on 3863 0447  
Shirley O'Ryan on 3353 1502  
Guido DeGlas on 0428 272 553

## DATE CLAIMERS

- Sunday 10 April – 11:00am to 2:00pm. Shared lunch and companionship. MacKwood Life, 8 Dutton St, Dutton Park. All JAN members, families & friends welcome.
- JAN Qld Inc Retreat – Friday 29 April to Sunday 1 May. Maryhaven, 2 Fernlea Ave, Scarborough
- Mary MacKillop Memorial Lecture – Date & details TBA.
- Sunday 7 August – Mary MacKillop feastday. Most likely at Nundah. Details TBA.
- Sunday 9 October – Josephite Heart Day. MacKwood Life, 8 Dutton Street, Dutton Park. 11:00am start. Bring lunch to share. Ritual and welcome of new members after lunch.
- Sunday 16 October – Anniversary of Canonisation. Details TBA.
- Sunday 6 November – JAN Qld Inc Annual General Meeting. MacKwood Life, 8 Dutton St, Dutton Park. Shared lunch 12:00pm followed by AGM at 1:00pm. If unable to attend, please submit Proxy.
- Friday 25 November – Norman Hotel – 7:00pm – Christmas gathering for Committee and JAN Members.