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Week 10 Term 3 Friday 17th September - We made it



HOPE THROUGH GRATITUDE

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Opening video - "We Made it"

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Brother Steve Hogan will begin our service by lighting the candles of De La Salle Ashfield and Oakhill College

**Leader :** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All:** Amen.

**Leader :** Let us remember we are in the presence of God

**Opening Prayer :** Donna Findlay (OAKHILL Head of Senior School)

Heavenly Father, our day-to-day routines are so busy. So much so that we sometimes forget to stop to thank you for all that is good in our life. Our blessings are many and our hearts are filled with gratefulness for the gift of living, for the ability to love and be loved, for the lessons we have learnt during this term.

**Opening Prayer :** Ramon Garcia (DLSA Stage 6 Leader of Wellbeing)

Sometimes life is very hard, and it's a struggle to keep our heads above water. Things that seem challenging, unfair, or difficult often hurt. Let us remember that we are growing and learning. In the silence of our souls we thank you, for the community we have, for the support we feel from the people around us. The challenges will make way for success.

**All:** Amen



## Teach us to be grateful - Bible reflections for gratitude

### Cooper Adaimy

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not treat prophecies with contempt but test them all; hold on to what is good, reject every kind of evil

*Pause*

### Ella Harris

"And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

*Pause*

### Charlie Walsh

"Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

*Pause*

### Xander Diomampo

"I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me."

### Elio Valastro

"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

*Pause*

### Sara Houseman

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

*Pause*

### Steven Violaris

"Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!"

*Pause*

### Matthew Royle

"For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day.

*Pause*

**Gospel Reading - Fr Stephen Wayoyi**

**Leader:**        **The Lord be with you.**

**ALL:**            **And with your spirit.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

*John 1:1-5*

**All: Glory to you, O Lord +**

In the beginning was the Word; the Word was with God and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning and through him all things came into being. Without him not one thing came into being. What came into life with him was life. And the life was the light of all people. That light shines in the darkness, and the darkness could not overcome it.

Let us rejoice in the Lord

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Gospel Reflection - Br Pat**



## Teach us to be grateful

**Leader** As we celebrate our wider community, we celebrate the end of a difficult term and concentrate on the wins rather than the losses. The response is : Teach us to be grateful.

**Reader** **Liam Milton-White**

Let me see the care that I have for my family as a sign of your compassion within me.

**All** **Teach us to be grateful**

**Reader** **Aaron Camba**

Let me see the generosity of our staff as a sign of your love

**All** **Teach us to be grateful**

**Reader** **Gabby Papallo**

Let me see my sadness over the virus as a sign of your sorrow for those who suffer.

**All** **Teach us to be grateful**

**Reader** **Ali Smith**

Let me see the empty classrooms and corridors make way for a time of joy when we are back on campus

**All** **Teach us to be grateful**

**Reader** **Cassandra Joye**

Let me see the change in normality as a way to resilience

**All** **Teach us to be grateful**

**Reader** **Edison Karam**

Let me see the distance between friends as family make way for a time of celebration together

**All** **Teach us to be grateful**

**Reader** **Joshua Vaz**

Let me see my time in Term 3 as a success and a job well done

**All** **Teach us to be grateful**

**AT THIS TIME IF PEOPLE ONLINE WOULD LIKE TO LIKE TO VERBALISE PERSONAL PRAYER INTENTIONS - UNMUTE AND IN YOUR OWN TIME PLEASE SHARE. ALTERNATIVELY PRAYERS CAN BE SHARED IN WRITING USING THE CHAT FUNCTION.**

**Leader**

**All** **Amen.**



## Final Prayer - Brother Steve Hogan

We thank you Lord, for this term.

For the challenges, the successes,

And the mistakes from which we have learnt.

This term has been difficult in so many ways, but today we celebrate the success of getting to the end.

Let us always be reminded that hope is found in the most difficult of times through gratitude, kindness and love.

Our final video is a special video, a unique Australian Blessing. We have much to be grateful for living in Australia.

May we relish in the goodness this great land brings, the unity that this pandemic has brought and the moving forward knowing there are better times ahead.

**All: Amen**

**Leader :** St John Baptist De La Salle

**All:** Pray for us

**Leader:** Live Jesus in our Hearts

**All:** Forever

## Concluding Video

[THE BLESSING AUSTRALIA - Churches UNITE to sing The Blessing over Australia-\(1080p\).mp4](#)

