



School Vision 2011 - 2014

As a school within the Archdiocese of Sydney, we are inspired by the Archdiocesan Vision for Schools as we strive to make Sacred Heart a school which:

- ✚ Is founded on the person of Jesus Christ and enlivened by the Gospel.
- ✚ Highlights the relevance of our faith to life and contemporary culture.
- ✚ Is embedded within a community of believers, and shares in the evangelising mission of the church.
- ✚ Is committed to the development of the whole person.

Our Vision for Sacred Heart 2011 – 2014, Planting Seeds For Tomorrow, is captured in our logo, depicting the tree with branches highlighting our school values of Faith, Generosity and Courage. We seek to 'plant' the 'seeds' of these values early within our children and nurture their growth consistently so that, like the branches of the tree, these values will grow strong and sustain our children throughout their lives, making them persons of Faith, Generosity and Courage.

The Parish Vision is graphically depicted by the symbol which was inspired by St Paul's letter to the Colossians Chapter 1, Verse 24:

"At present I rejoice when I suffer for you: I complete in my own flesh what is lacking in the suffering of Christ for the sake of His body which is the Church." (Community Bible Translation.)

In the symbol, the hand which completes the Cross (the symbol of Christ's suffering) is reaching up in prayer and out in care.

The Parish Vision

With the power of the Holy Spirit to witness to the presence of Jesus through faith, prayer and service.

Our Shared Vision

- ✚ Our Parish & School are in the service of families.
- ✚ We are to be aware of our community and its different need and welcome and support all members of our community.
- ✚ As a faith community we are to assist both parents and children in their faith development.
- ✚ At the same time we are to challenge our families and communities to live by the Gospel values.
- ✚ School and parish staff assist faith development by modelling it.
- ✚ Faith is developed by handing traditions - knowledge, liturgies, behaviour.
- ✚ Liturgies and other expressions of faith celebrate life as the children are experiencing it.
- ✚ To care for children and families with special needs is most important.
- ✚ We must also encourage and affirm healthy families.