



St Ambrose College visit to Sierra Leone

5 teachers and 12 pupils from St. Ambrose College, Manchester visited the West Africa District on the 26th October 2010. The group had time to visit some of their assisted schools in Bo bringing a lot of school materials and light equipment to help with the schools work. St. Ambrose has been of great help to these schools in terms of financially supporting some of the school projects.



The last day before their departure was spent in our newly opened St. Ambrose Academy in Allen town – Freetown. The group spent time interacting with the children in class and talking with the staff on some future development for the school. Of course, they were quite impressed with the school set up.

West Africa District Newsletter

Aboriginal Catholic Ministry

As co-ordinator of the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry (ACM) in Melbourne I write to request your support by forwarding our information to REC's in your school networks. The ACM has worked hard to promote Aboriginal identity within the Catholic family for over 20 years and the suggestions we offer to schools are a gentle daily reminder that the rich culture of our Ancestors is still strong alive today in Australia!!!!!!!!!!

I invite you all to reflect on the words of strong proud Wiradjuri man: " My invitation to everyone is that in your everyday power, in your work place, with your regular authority, with your everyday resources, turn your mind occasionally to what you can do, for the benefit of all Aboriginal peoples"

Professor Michael McDaniel, Wiradjuri man and a member of the Kalari Clan taken from his speech at the launch of Allen Arthur Robinson's Reconciliation Action Plan 18 August 2009.

I thank you for taking the time to read my email and I hope we receive your support.

Thank you

Vicki Clark

Looking for something that reflects Aboriginal Spirituality

The Aboriginal Catholic Ministry has a range of items to help create a sacred place on campus and within the hearts of students. The items we offer are practical suggestions for you to consider in establishing a sacred place that embraces the rich culture of our Ancestors and the living evidence that Aboriginal culture is still strong alive here in Australia.

ABORIGINAL CROSSES



ITEM No 1

Each cross is individually hand painted with traditional Aboriginal symbols to mark a Man of High Degree. Comes in a variety of colours. No two crosses are the same.

Size 32cm/21cm
\$35.00 each



ITEM No 2

A true expression of the artist celebration of her journey of the two ways, Aboriginal way and the church way. The artist uses contemporary and traditional symbols. Also comes in a variety of colours. No two crosses are the same

Size 32cm/21cm
\$50.00 each

LARGE ABORIGINAL CROSSES

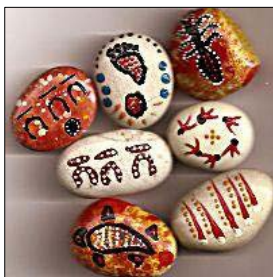


ITEM No 3

The artist uses contemporary and traditional symbols. Select a design from the above item 1 or item 2 designs. Also comes in a variety of colours. No two crosses are the same.

Size 90cm/55cm
\$250.00 each

JOURNEY STONES



ITEM NO 4

As part of a retreat experience gift the students with a Journey Stone each to carry and may the reflection and stone become the daily prayer.

(Reflection A)

Searching

May the traditional people of this land
Give you the spiritual nourishment you are searching.
Take the time to listen
to the ancient songs
that have been sung.
And may the Spirits of Our Ancestors
always watch over you and keep you safe. ©

(Reflection B)

Journey Blessing

As you journey on this ancient land,
travel gently on Our Mother Earth
with respect and care.
Hold the Spirit of the Sacred campfire
always in your heart and
may the Spirits of Our Ancestors
always watch over you and keep you safe.©

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Item 1 QTY.....

Item 2 QTY.....

Item 3 QTY.....

Item 4 QTY.....

Reflection A B (please circle)

Personalize message on the back of reflection card.

SAMPLE ONLY

"You are a special gift to May blessings be upon you, as you begin your spiritual journey this year." 2011

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Oceania Leadership Team

The members of the Oceania Leadership Team will take a day of reflection at Tugun next Monday 31 January before beginning the first of their monthly meetings the following week (Monday 7 February). The Directors are meeting at the Province Centre today and tomorrow to plan for 2011. Brother Bernie Gartland, the Acting Director of Networking, Communications and Development is still on the sick list. Our thoughts and prayers go with him as he makes his steady way along the road to full recover.

Oceania Updates

Please send any information or news items for Oceania Updates to the Province Publications Coordinator, Brother Nev Thornton, Email: ntthornton@edmundrice.org

I am particularly interested in receiving any good quality images of people, places, sights and faces throughout Oceania.



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