



31st May 2017

Dear Members of the St Ignatius' College Riverview Community,

The peace of Christ!

It is with some sadness and a great sense of gratitude that we advise the Riverview Community that Fr Ross Jones will conclude his term as Rector of the College at the end of 2017.

Fr Ross commenced as Rector at the College in Term 2, 2011 and has made significant contributions to every aspect of College life during this time. The role of Rector is primarily one of stewardship, to be the custodian and animator of the Jesuit tradition in the College. Fr Ross has fulfilled this role with immense dedication and commitment. He has had a marked influence at the senior leadership level with both the College Executive and Council. As one of the Province's key Ignatian educators, he has not only had an impact on those students in his own classes, but has provided much direction on the practical application of the Ignatian Pedagogical Paradigm for all staff. As a priest, Fr Ross has been a critical figure in ensuring the sacramental life of the College community is well provided for and has accompanied many staff, students, parents and alumni on their own spiritual journey. Fr Ross' preaching and writing, together with his provocation of the *magis* over the last six years, will leave an enduring legacy at Riverview.

From the 1st January, 2018, Fr Ross returns to the position of Rector at Saint Aloysius' College, succeeding Fr Peter Hosking who will assume the position of Rector at Saint Ignatius' College Adelaide.

We are pleased to announce that **Fr Ross' successor will be Fr Jack McLain**. Fr Jack is well known to the Riverview community. He came to Riverview in 2013 as part-time Chaplain at the College whilst assisting the works of The Cardoner Project, and then moved to being full-time chaplain in 2014. Fr Jack brings with him a breadth of experience from our Australian schools, having worked at Saint Aloysius' College, and served as Rector of Saint Ignatius' College, Adelaide. We warmly welcome Fr Jack to this role of Rector and look forward to the distinctive contribution he will make to the school community in this new capacity.

Please join us in praying for God's continued blessings on Fr Ross in his final year at the College, and on Fr Jack as he prepares to take up this role. In commending them to your prayers, I thank you for your ongoing support for the St Ignatius' community.

With every blessing in the Lord,

Fr. Brian F. McCoy SJ

Provincial

Mr John Wilcox

Chair of Saint Ignatius' College Council