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From the President:

This year seems to be coming to a close very quickly. This is the last week of classes, and with no exam week this semester, this week effectively marks the end of the semester. Of course, there is still much to be done, both for those completing assessment tasks and for lecturers who will be busy marking these tasks. I hope that while completing your writing tasks you may also make time to digest the course material you have been working with through the semester and deepen your understanding of it.

For some of our students this semester marks the end of their studies at CIS. I hope that you have been able to achieve your study goals while you have been here. I also hope that the completion of studies gives you the opportunity to step more fully into your vocation or profession. If you are going to put your studies to use in ministry I am sure that you will keep learning as you face new questions. Your studies should have given you the skills to think about things theologically and to interpret new contexts in the light of our theological tradition.

Those who are completing their studies this year will be looking forward to graduation early next year. The date for the 2017 graduation is 1 April. We will look forward to celebrating this event with you, and to welcoming you back to CIS shortly afterwards for the annual Graduates Reception.

As the year draws to a close I would like to thank everyone for their hard work during the year. All of us, together, allow CIS to function well and to go about its mission. The administration staff are always busy in the Registry, the Business Management office, and the Reception area. These tasks are essential. The library staff probably know everyone at CIS better than the rest of us because they engage with library patrons on a regular basis. The library is at the heart of institutions of higher education like ours. The lecturers also contribute in a variety of ways. The most obvious is in their teaching, which involves many hours of preparation. Together they bring years of experience to this role. But they also contribute to the wider academic and ecclesial/social world by their writing and publications, as well as when they give guest lectures to various groups in the church. And then there is the most numerous group at CIS, namely those who are enrolled in courses and study here. Students play an important role in the way their fellow students learn. Learning is never merely an isolated event; it involves interaction with other ideas and other thoughts. Students support each other in the activity of learning.

Enjoy the summer that will be soon with us, and enjoy the liturgical seasons that we will move through over the next few months. For those who are continuing their studies, CIS looks forward to welcoming you back here next year.

Fr Gerard Kelly

REGISTRATIONS

FOR JANUARY 2017 INTENSIVES AND 1st SEMESTER 2017 UNITS

Week 12, Monday 7 - Thursday 10 November, 2016
11.30am – 6.00pm (excluding 1 – 2pm)

WEEKDAY MASS

Mass will be celebrated in the chapel

Tuesday and Wednesday this semester at 12:40pm

Last Mass for the year will be celebrated on Wednesday 9th November 2016

CATHOLIC INSTITUTE OF SYDNEY
MERRY CHRISTMAS

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From the Registrar:

Welcome to the final week of lectures for Semester 2, 2016.

Last week you would have received the CIS Student Evaluation form for units of study undertaken during the semester. These evaluations are processed independently of the lecturer and are a great assistance to the President and the Institute in enhancing the teaching and learning experience. Thank you for your co-operation in filling out these forms.

The tasks ahead in the next few weeks are the completion of assessment and the finalization of academic results.

Lecturers must provide me with their results by Friday 18th November. These processed results are then presented to the CIS Assessment Review Committee on Friday 25th November and are further monitored by the Academic Standards Committee of the Sydney College of Divinity. It is important to remember that results given through the course of a semester are provisional until they are finally approved by the Academic Board of the Sydney College of Divinity on Monday 5th December, 2016. Only after this meeting will results be published. They will be distributed to you by post shortly afterwards.

Provisional grades from Semester 1, 2016 are also processed at this time through the above process. Should the finalization of such provisional grades fail to be communicated to you along with the results of the current semester please don't hesitate to be in touch with me.

For some of you, this current semester may be the last one with us in your program of studies. Should this be the case don't forget to complete a 2017 Graduation Application Form which is from the Registry Shelves. These can be lodged with me at any time until the end of January 2017.

Whether you are completing your studies with us or continuing in 2017, I wish you a rewarding completion to the semester.

With good wishes,

Ms Janelle Craig

TO ALL THE CATHOLIC
INSTITUTE OF SYDNEY
STUDENTS AND FACULTY,

*WISHING YOU ALL A VERY MERRY
CHRISTMAS & A HEALTHY,
PEACEFUL &
HAPPY NEW YEAR.*

FROM ALL THE ADMIN STAFF



CISSA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**DATE: TUESDAY 8th
NOVEMBER**

TIME: 5:30pm

**PLACE : RYAN AUDITORIUM
(ABOVE THE VEECH LIBRARY)**

ALL ARE WELCOME