



~*~ Fete Day...This Saturday! ~*~

The Melbourne Cup has been run and won and Oasis' Gallagher brothers have headed north, clearing the path for Melbourne's premiere event.

A fusion of fun, celebration, community pride, fundraising and sugar – the 2025 St John's Parish Community Fete.

We need you to be here now, in presence and in small service to our schools and parish.

Many people are unaware that Oasis' hit song 'Don't look back in anger' was written about a particularly diligent St John's Fete volunteer named Sally.

This paved the way for the iconic chorus line:

"So, Sally can't wait, she helps at the fete, instead of walking on by."

Be like Sally and play a valuable role in this community institution. Details on how you can help appear below.

Wanted: Wonderful helpers

It's a sad and simple fact that 290 doesn't go into 92 ... but that's how many shifts we have to fill (290) to make the day happen, and the amount of shifts we currently have filled (92). So, please help us solve this equation, by going to the end of this newsletter and putting your name forward for a role on the day.



Shake and Bake

You're a great baker, you know it, your family knows it, now it's time for the wider community to get a taste for it. If you've got an offering for the cake stall, please reach out to Cakes Stall Coordinator Natalie or email fete@stjohnsfete.or.au

Deliver your goods on Friday ... plus the ingredients listed.

Don't be choco-late

We need donations for the world-famous Lob-a-choc stall by **Wednesday (November 12)**. For every one you donate, your child is likely to come home with three or more on Saturday, so the return-on-investment, just like the sugar content, is high.



Lovely Lollie Ladies

Are also in need of donations for another sugar fix stall. We are asking each family to donate a bag of lollies to be used for this stall. These can be left at the St James and St Johns school offices by **Thursday 13 November**. Once again on Saturday, the return-on-investment, just like the sugar content, will be high.



SATURDAY 15th NOVEMBER

Silent Auctions and LIVE Auctions!

The Silent Auction is returning again this year, thanks to the continued generosity of our local businesses. Their support allows us to present a fantastic array of prizes for you to bid on. Explore the showcased items conveniently located next to JJ's Cafe. There are incredible items up for grabs, including the acclaimed Dispin's Dinner, School Fees and lots more. Don't miss out on the chance to purchase these fantastic offerings!

Auctions are now open and close at **4.00pm** on **Saturday 15th November**.

<https://www.32auctions.com/stjohnsfete2025>

Green guide

Please contact **Aidan** on **0431 499 625** or email aidananddiana@optusnet.com.au to organise the pick-up of donations, which will take place on **Friday 14 November**.

Plants and pots can also be delivered to St John's from 11am on **Friday 15th**



Ride Wristbands

Purchase your Wristbands before Fete Day and Save! **\$40 pre-fete** or **\$45** from Friday 14th November and on Fete Day. Use the TRY BOOKING website to pay on-line, then collect your wristbands from the school office - bring your E-ticket as proof of purchase. Wristbands can be collected from the offices from **Wednesday 12 November**, or from the RIDE TICKET STALL on **Saturday 15th November**.

Alternatively, you can purchase individual ride tickets between \$5 and \$10 on Fete day. <https://www.trybooking.com/DHIXO>



EFTPOS available, excluding Lob-a-choc

A reminder, we will have EFTPOS machines available, but when it comes to Lob-a-Choc, cash is still king because it's too easy to land a credit card on a block of chocolate.

We need you

To play a valuable part in helping to support this wonderful community event and raise money for the parish and the education of our most important assets, please sign up to volunteer and play a vital part in the running of this 70-plus year local institution.

Click on below link and look for link that says "Fete Volunteer Sign-up Links".

<https://tinyurl.com/43sb56db>

DATES TO REMEMBER

14th November: CAKE DROP OFF at Cake Stall (from 1pm)

14th November: PLANT drop off at Plant Stall (from 11am)

14th November: 9am – 9pm – Set up

15th November: 4.30pm – 6.30pm – Pack up

16th November: Post Fete 9am – 1pm. - Pack up