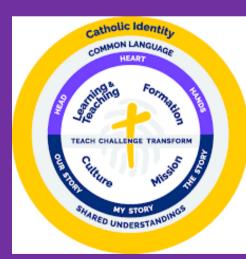


# **BENEDICTINE CHARISM**

SAINT BENEDICT "Listen with the ear of our hearts"

> SISTERS OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

PARABLE OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN (LK10:25-37)



## In alignment with the BCE Catholic Identity Framework, Catholic Identity at Good Samaritan Catholic College is firmly grounded in 3 pillars:

1. Parable of The Good Samaritan (LK10:25)

2. Sisters of the Good Samaritan

3. Rule of Benedict - 'to listen with the ear of our hearts' (Prologue 1 RB)

### Parable of The Good Samaritan (LK10:25)

- Our approach draws on the insights of the story of the Good Samaritan; a restored world through love and attention as the preeminent law, to 'cross the road', to bring about the reign of God.
- Religious literacy and faith formation aspire and challenge our students to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ and become literate in the Catholic and broader Christian tradition so that they might participate critically and authentically in faith contexts and wider society.
- to question what happens when we choose not to 'cross the road.'

#### Sisters of the Good Samaritan

- When Archbishop John Bede Polding founded the Sisters of the Good Samaritan in 1857, he chose this name because he firmly believed that their work was about being neighbour to the poor and destitute women and children of Sydney. He wrote that "the name indicates the scope, since the Religious are called to imitate the charity of the Samaritan."
- Inspired by the ministries of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan, we encourage our students to put their faith into action by participating in homeless and disability outreach services, compassionate fundraising and connection and experience.

### Anchored in the Rule of Benedict

- 'to listen with the ear of our hearts' (Prologue 1 RB) and live out the Benedictine charism of witness, dialogue and engagement