



FROM THE ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN

Some say that football is THE beautiful game. Well, Brazilian footballer Pele was the first, to be exact. But feeling the buzz and thrill of anticipation around our city, I think has everyone is quite excited and looking forward to what is yet to come, the 2023 Womens FIFA World Cup here on home soil, especially having the amazing opportunity to host South Korea World Cup squad here at Thomas Hassall and where games will be played all around our country and many nations will be brought together as one.

But what are we really to look forward to? Is there something bigger and better than a World Cup where we welcome the whole world to our shores?

Well, as Paul writes to the church in Corinth in his second letter, he reminds them of the reconciliation we can only find in Christ. In verse 18, he says 'so we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.'

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.' John 3:16-17.

It is only by God's grace and through Jesus' death and resurrection, that we have eternity to look forward to with Him. As we look forward to what is to come this term, with the Women's World Cup and cheering on the Matildas with the green and gold, be encouraged to look and set your eyes upon Jesus in what he offers at the cross!

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