

Building for the Future



We are privileged at Trinity to have academic strength combined with an exceptionally high standard of Visual and Performing Arts. This standard is achieved by the hard work and dedication of students and staff. In 2008 Trinity was acknowledged as the first school ever to win nine shields at the Catholic Performing Arts Festival as well as receiving the Zenith Award for the best Secondary School, a phenomenal testament to our skills. Now as we move into the future we will also have a building worthy of these students and staff.



The Trinity Cultural Centre comprises four levels incorporating state of the art facilities for Performing and Visual Arts, whilst also providing some administrative space. The ground floor foyer will accommodate a Gallery for display of student artwork and the close proximity of Junior and Senior Arts departments will create a positive environment for team collaboration.

Performing Arts students will have the advantage of an arena for rehearsals and small productions. Provision of space has been made for a Music Library and storage of musical equipment. A walkway linking the Cultural Centre to Gibney Hall will facilitate easy access to the stage for large productions.

The move of Year 7 classes to the Middle School in 2009 has placed pressure on classroom space at the College and although restructuring has created some room to accommodate students, a number of demountable classrooms will be needed. When completed the new building will ease the pressure for classroom space at the College and the demountable buildings will be relocated to Camp Kelly in Dwellingup.

Building will start during the 2008 Christmas holidays when the piling will commence. This will allow the most disruptive elements to be carried out while students are away from the College. Attention has been paid to the environment and bitumen recovered from the hand ball court area will be recycled as road base for the new entry road at the Waterford Playing Fields. All work will be completed by August 2010.



At present the new building does not have an official name and we invite you to be part of this building project by submitting your naming suggestions. For your interest a list of existing Trinity building names has been included on this page.

What Facilities Will the New Building Provide?

Ground Floor

- Art Gallery
- Junior and Senior Art Classrooms
- Art Staff Office
- Kiln Room
- Meeting Room
- VET Office
- Careers Office
- Head of Middle School Office
- Head of Senior School Office
- Music Tutorial Rooms
- Campus Ministry

Ground Floor Area Gibney Hall

- Props Store
- Costume Store
- Pipes and Drums Room
- Rock Band Rehearsal Room

First Floor

- Performance space
- Music Library and Reception
- Director of Music Office
- Music tutorial rooms
- Ramp to Gibney Hall
- Rehearsal Room
- Walkway to B Block

Second Floor

- Junior and Senior School Music Tutorial Areas
- Percussion Room and Storage Area
- Rehearsal Room
- General Storage Area
- Walkway to B Block

Third Floor

- Conference Room
- Staff Facilities
- Two Lifts

The history of Trinity College dates back to the founding of Christian Brothers' College Perth in 1894. Over this significant period of time, many have made outstanding contributions to the development of the College. Some of these individuals and their contributions are commemorated through the naming of buildings and grounds of the Trinity College Campus.



NAMED BUILDING AND GROUNDS

1. Gibney Hall (1962)

Gibney Hall is the assembly hall of the College and was part of the original set of buildings at the East Perth site in 1962. The name commemorates Bishop Matthew Gibney and his massive contribution to Catholic education in WA. Bishop Gibney became the third Catholic Bishop of the Swan River Colony in 1886. He was able to gain the agreement of the Provincial of the Brothers in Australia, Brother Ambrose Treacy, to send Brothers to open two schools in 1894. When CBC transferred to the East Perth site in 1962, the Brothers wished to honour the person who asked them to come to Perth. This they were able to do by naming the new assembly, Gibney Hall.

1A. Upstairs is the **JP Kenny Lecture Theatre** commemorating the Kenny family who were great supporters of Trinity in the early days of the College.

2. JA Kelly Senior School (1970)

This building, containing Senior School classrooms and the **MP Nunan Lecture Theatre**, was opened in 1970. It is named after Brother JA Kelly, who served as Principal from 1960-65 and 1978-84. Brother Kelly was instrumental in the move from CBC Perth to Trinity College, East Perth, negotiating with the government for the prime piece of real estate. He was ahead of his time in his insistence on building a round chapel. He was appointed Principal for a second time in 1978 and undertook an extensive building and redevelopment programme. He was instrumental in building Trinity College up to become one of Perth's leading boys' schools. Brother Kelly was awarded OAM for services to education in Queen's Birthday Honours List 1997.

2A. The **MP Nunan Lecture Theatre (1970)** in the JA Kelly Senior School is named for Brother MP Nunan, the second Headmaster of CBC Perth from 1897-1908 and then for two further terms, 1912-1918 and 1920-1921. Among his achievements was his participation in the establishment of the Secondary Schools Association in 1905, later to become the Public School's Association (PSA).

2B. On the rooftop of JA Kelly Senior School sits **The Brockwell Observatory**. This state of the art facility, opened in 2001, contains the first remotely operated robotic telescope at an Australian school. It is named after Mr Maurice Brockwell, an esteemed old boy of the College (Class of 1965). Maurice Brockwell and his brother Chris (Class of 1967) have been long time supporters of the College. Among other things, Maurice chaired the Centenary Reunion of 1994 and was Chairman of the Capital Fundraising Committee in 1999, which raised \$1.3 million towards the building of the Treacy Technology Centre. After his untimely death, the observatory was named in his honour in May 2001.

3. PL Duffy Library (1979)

Brother Patrick Leo Duffy is remembered as one of the great CBC Headmasters. When the boarders moved from CBC Perth to Aquinas College at the end of 1937, Brother Duffy was left to make the most of school life for the day students that remained. His influence was such that the College recovered quickly and in fact went from strength to strength in his time as Headmaster (1938-1941). His significant contribution was recognized with the naming of the new library in 1979.

4. Foley Centre (1992)

In March 1992 the gymnasium complex, named the Foley Centre, was officially opened. The name commemorates Archbishop William Foley; one of CBC's best known and best loved Old Boys. After his school days and ordination he continued his close contact with the Brothers. He was appointed Bishop of Geraldton and then Archbishop of Perth. His vision led ultimately to the establishment of the University of Notre Dame in Fremantle. He died at the early age of 58 and the Foley Centre was opened by his brother Maurice Foley, also a CBC Old Boy.

5. Treacy Technology Centre (2000)

The naming of the centre commemorates the contribution of Brother Ambrose Treacy. He arrived in Australia from Ireland in 1868 to help establish the Christian Brothers in Australia. His fundraising efforts to enable the Christian Brothers to establish schools were considerable and in 1893 he met with Bishop Gibney to discuss the establishment of schools in Perth. Bishop Gibney and Brother Treacy are considered to be co-founders of CBC Perth. The naming of the Technology Centre in his honour on 29 October 2000, acknowledges his role as co-founder.

5A. Within the Treacy Centre is located the **Mary Rice Centre (2000)**, named to honour Mary Rice, the daughter of Edmund Rice. This facility offers education support for students of the College. In the foyer of the Treacy Centre is a stained glass window showing Edmund and Mary donated by the Lalor family for the opening in October, 2000.

6. Curtis Aquatic Centre (2004)

The naming of the College's Aquatic Centre recognizes the enormous contribution of Mr Anthony (Tony) Curtis, the first lay Principal of Trinity College who served from 1994 until 2003. It replaced the College's original pool, completed in 1972 which had been plagued by subsidence problems. The new, state of the art Curtis Aquatic Centre was officially opened on 17 November 2004.

7. Centenary Park/Centenary Fence (1994)

(2001). These projects were commenced in 1994 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Christian Brothers College, Perth. Centenary Park was developed as a central grassed area between the main classroom block and the Foley Centre, largely due to the energy and vision of the late Mr Murray McKenna, Dean of Studies. The park is overlooked by a statue of Blessed

Edmund Ignatius Rice. A plaque mounted on a small pillar commemorating the Centenary stands on the raised walkway on the perimeter of the park.

7A. The Centenary Fence was built to replicate the fence and gates of the original Christian Brothers' College, Perth on St George's Terrace and the project was led by members of the Trinity community.

8. Mann Oval (1962) (named in 1996)

The Trinity College oval underwent a major upgrade in 1996 after being prone for many years to flooding. After being raised by nearly a metre, with a new turf wicket and new

couch lawn, the oval was named JV Mann Oval. Brother Mann was a very popular Deputy Headmaster of Trinity and had been instrumental in the construction of the original pool in 1972.

9. John Messer Rowing Shed (*named 1968*)

The John Messer Rowing Shed is named for Mr John ("Jack") Messer, a Trinity parent and former Kings Cup Oarsman, who was appointed the first Trinity Rowing Coach in 1968. He coached Trinity crews for more than twenty years in an honorary capacity, and became a legend of Trinity Rowing. His contribution as coach and mentor was instrumental in the outstanding success of the Trinity Rowing Club.

10. McCabe Court (1994)

As part of the planning for the Treacy Technology Centre, some additional land for the College was negotiated with the City of Perth. Part of this land formed an extension of the Rowing Club's riverside outdoor facility. The paved area outside the John Messer Rowing Shed amongst the pines is a practical and attractive area often utilised to host social events in summer. The name of this area commemorates Brother Mark McCabe, Trinity's influential Rowing Master from 1983-1991.

11. Waterford Playing Fields (1968)

In December 1965 the Provincial Council granted 40 acres of the Clontarf land to Trinity College for use as sport fields. A committee of fathers was assembled to oversee the development of the new playing fields and a number of parents provided funds for the project.

11A T. G. Megaw Pavilion (1969)

During 1969 work continued at the playing fields at Manning with the construction of a pavilion and change rooms. This facility was named the T. G. Megaw Pavilion after Mr Tim Megaw who had co-ordinated and undertaken much of the work and supplied materials to establish the reticulation & drainage system.

11B. Collopy Oval (Football) and Robertson Oval (Hockey)

The main oval was named Collopy Oval in recognition of the services of Br AD Collopy who had been a member of staff since 1946 (Headmaster of CBC Perth from 1954 to 1959). **Robertson Oval** was named after Mr Peter Robertson, a long serving member of the Trinity College staff.

12. Camp Kelly, Dwellingup (1985)

Camp Kelly is 160km from Trinity College and is used by the College for many of its camps. Camp Kelly is named for Br JA Kelly

12A. Two accommodation blocks were officially opened on Sunday, 30 May 1985. The new accommodation blocks were named **Horgan and Dillon** (Mr Brian Dillon, Class of 1956 Chairman of the Building Committee and Mr Denis Horgan, Class of 1957). Both men were significant contributors facilitating the acquisition of the land by the College and to the early development of Camp Kelly.

12B. The small playing field at Camp Kelly is also named **Collopy Oval** after Br Collopy

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