

*St. Mary MacKillop
Church
Keilor Downs*



*St. Paul's
Church
Kealba*

PARISH OF ST MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year A, 13th & 14th May, 2017.



Today's Gospel is a flashback to the Last Supper on Holy Thursday night, and because of Christ's passion following His 'Last Super,' we can now understand more of what He said, and meant, when He spoke to the disciples for the last time before his death.

Thomas asked Jesus 'Lord we do not know where You are going, so how do we know the way?'

Jesus replied, 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father, except through Me.'

After His Resurrection, the disciples then began to understand and believed that Jesus was the Son of God, in human nature.

Jesus does not ask of us, anything that He himself has not already done to the fullest. He laid down His life for us, so that we might have a share in that same life.

MASS TIMES

St Paul's	
Wednesday	9.30am
Thursday	9.30am
Saturday	5:00 pm (Latin)
	6:30 pm
Sunday	8:00am (Maltese)
	10:00am
Reconciliation	
Saturday	6:00pm
St Mary MacKillop	
Monday	9.30am
Tuesday	9.30am
7.00pm—8.00pm	Holy Hour
Friday	<u>No Mass</u>
Saturday	5:00pm
Sunday	9:00am
	11:00am
	5:30pm
Reconciliation	
Saturday	4pm—4.50pm

Entrance Antiphon:

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvellous deeds; he has revealed to the nations his saving power, alleluia.

1st Reading:

Acts 6:1-7
Psalms 32:1-2,4-5,18-19

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

2nd Reading:

1 Peter 2:4-9

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me.
Alleluia!

Gospel:

John 14:1-12

Before Communion:

Lord God, by this holy exchange of gifts you share with us your divine life. Grant that everything we do may be directed by the knowledge of

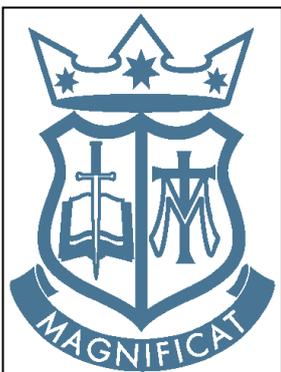
your truth.

Communion Antiphon:

I am the vine and you are the branches, says the Lord; he who lives in me, and I in him, will bear much fruit, alleluia!

After Communion:

Merciful Father, may these mysteries give us new purpose and bring us to a new life in you.

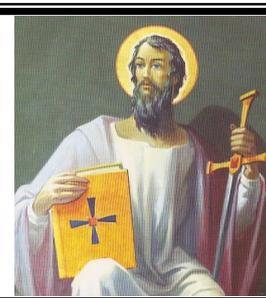


**ST. MARY
MACKILLOP**

*'Refuse nothing
to God's love.'*

ST. PAUL

*'You are a
chosen race,
a royal priesthood.'*



Parish Priest: Rev. Monsignor Charles Portelli **In Residence:** Rev Gerard Johnson

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Give hope by giving generously to Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal 2017, Sunday 21 May.

Next weekend is Chaplaincy Sunday in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. The Melbourne Catholic Archbishop's Charitable Fund will be conducting a special collection in all parishes for the purpose of supporting the vital work of our Catholic Chaplains.

Our dedicated Chaplains in the Youth Justice Centre at Parkville can work under extremely sad circumstances; conducting funerals, memorial services, hospital visits and offering support at court appearances.

*"Press on! Don't let yourselves be robbed of hope.
Understood?" Pope Francis*

You are invited and encouraged to take home the envelopes on the seats this weekend and bring back next week with your considered donation.

The role of the Catholic Chaplain is to walk with people as they seek out new possibilities in their lives and support them as they invite God and others to join them in this journey. They spend much of their time listening to the anxieties, fears, hopes and joys of those they meet. As one Chaplain describes it "What a privilege is the role of the Catholic Chaplain."

To find out more please view the Chaplaincy Sunday webpage www.cam.org.au/chaplaincy.

If you would like further information please contact the Development Office: 9926 5731

Donations will go towards supporting Chaplains who work with:

- Young people in youth justice facilities
- Patients and their families in public hospitals
- People living with HIV/AIDS. Men and women in Prisons
- Seafarers

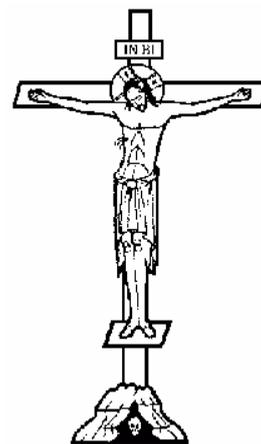
In Remembrance...

Recently Deceased:

Maria Said.

Anniversaries:

Joseph Portelli,
Josephine Portelli,
Lonza Farrugia,
Ana Kolic,
John & Geswalda Borg,
Lawrence De Brincat,
Nicholas Attard,
Anglo Rapa,
Massu Micallef,
Charles Spiteri,
Les Zappelli, William, Patrick & Colin Highland,
Wallace & Rita Brett, Thelma & Clarence
Gomesz, Connie & Grezju Attard, Antonio
Cinalli, Carmela Caruana, Costantina Zammit,
Carmela Scicluna, David Johnstone, Gemma
Imbroll, Amelia Englizakis, Philip Kechenovich,
Aloysious Wallwork, Robert Adams, Ganna &
Tony Portelli, Dorothy Muscat, Nicholas Zammit,
Tarcisio Vella.



*We pray for all those who are sick especially,
Joe, Peter, Yolanda, a lady and for a sick young
man.*

Please Note...

There will be No Morning Mass next
Friday 19th May as both priests will be
attending a retreat.

CLEANERS for St Mary
MacKillop Church **urgently
needed.** If you are available for
approximately 1 hour on a
Friday morning (after Mass) to assist with
the cleaning of the church, please contact
the Parish Office on 9364 0440.
Cleaners will be on a rostered basis. Light
cleaning i.e. dusting, vacuuming and
mopping/buffing only.

**URGENTLY REQUIRED
ST MARY MACKILLOP
COUNTERS,
READERS & SPECIAL MINISTERS**

~ We need MORE help ~

If you are available to help please contact
the Parish Office on 9364 0440.

All Counter, Readers and Special
Ministers will be on a rostered basis.

STATUE OF OUR LADY



If any parishioners
would like to have the
Statue of Our Lady in
their home, please
contact Josephine on
9449 7106.

NEW WEBSITE

We have a brand new
website.



Visit www.stmaryoftheassumption.org.au
for information about our Parish -
St. Mary of the Assumption.

THE LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary is one of the largest apostolic organisations of lay people in the Catholic Church with approximately 10 million active members. Legion of Mary members have been gathering for their weekly meeting at Mary MacKillop for the last 20 years. Then during the week the members are required to do 2 hours of substantial assigned apostolic tasks with a colleague or staff member. Work includes religious education, taking Our Lady's statue home to home, door to door evangelisation, soup kitchen, taking Rosary Home residents shopping.

For further information phone Juneanne 9366 7516.

CHILDREN OF MARY

When: **Friday's** during School Term

Time: **4:45-6pm**

Where: St Mary MacKillop's Parish Office Building (Opposite the Church)

All School aged children are welcome

Come and join us for...

Games

The Rosary

and different weekly activities

For more information contact Tara: 0434 636 719





CAR PARK SAFETY

Parishioners are reminded of the need to drive with the utmost care whilst in the Car Parks, particularly, on school days when students are walking within the car parking areas on their way to

school.

The safety of the students and fellow parishioners must be given priority at all times.



CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir practice will be held on **MONDAY 22ND MAY AT 7PM** at St. Mary MacKillop Church.



PARISH CHOIRS

Parishioners are invited to join the Choirs at all masses to praise the Lord in song. If you would like to be involved in this vital Ministry, please contact :-

St Mary MacKillop Choir:
Rosanna 0425 751 230

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

EVERY TUESDAY 7:00pm—8:00pm
St Mary MacKillop Church

"Will you not stay with me one hour with me?"



PRAYER GROUPS

MONDAY MORNING

Following 9.30am Mass
10am Fellowship
10.30am – 11.30am
Devotions

TUESDAY EVENING

SAMOAN DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP
Samoan Divine Mercy Prayer Group – at St Pauls Church every Monday at 7pm and the 4th Sunday of the month at 3pm.
Info: Deacon David 0451240713

WEDNESDAY EVENING

ST PAUL'S CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP
Wednesday, 17th May
Join us for a DVD Seminar "The Gift"
Topic—**Encountering God's Spirit**
7pm Rosary, Praise & Worship followed by seminar & discussion. Concludes at 9pm with fellowship and supper. Prayer ministry also available. For more information call Doris: 9367 4126

THURSDAY MORNING

ST MARY MACKILLOP MORNING PRAYER GROUP
10.30am - 12pm
Come and join us in Praising our Lord. Hearing the Word of God and praying. Be filled with the Holy Spirit.
(except School Holidays)
Enquiries:
Teresa 0411 233 625

THURSDAY EVENING

ST MARY MACKILLOP EVENING PRAYER GROUP
Thursday, 18th May
7.30pm Prayer and Praise
8.00pm Sunday's Gospel Discussion
All Welcome.
Enquiries:
Christina 0431 955 975

LEGION OF MARY

Wednesday 7.00pm in the Parish Meeting Room
All Welcome

ST. PAUL'S ROSTER WEEKEND 20TH & 21ST MAY

SAT 20TH MAY 6.30PM
R Doris Agius
Special Ministers
D. Agius, Q. Diaz.

SUN 21ST MAY 10AM
R Peter Furniss
Special Ministers
C. Pirota, S. Scerri.

St Mary MacKillop Cleaning

FRIDAY 19TH MAY
Rita Haig
Herwin Allen
Millie Monteiro

Counting Team

COUNTING TEAM NO. 6
Zbig Piorkowski
Lionel Nicholas
Irene Kietner
Yolanda Harris
Rani Ramanathanpulle
Kimberley Stapleton

ST. MARY MACKILLOP ROSTER WEEKEND 20TH & 21ST MAY

SAT 20TH MAY 5PM
R Anne Sargent
Special Ministers
Laurie Xerri, Kathy Lindsay, Joe Camilleri.

SUN 21ST MAY 9AM
R Mim Caruso
Special Ministers
Joe Falvo, Mickie Cavka, Lily Zovko.

SUN 21ST MAY 11AM
R Marisa Barberi
Special Ministers
Marisa Barberi, Helen Sorokowski, Joe Camenzuli.

SUN 21ST MAY 5.30PM
R Claire Calleja
Special Ministers
Kimberley D'Cruz, Frank Lee, Georgina Sant.

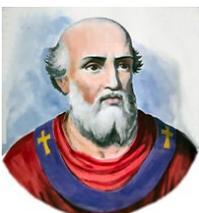
Music Group Rehearsals

ST MARY MACKILLOP GROUP
Monday 22nd May
ST PAUL'S MUSIC GROUP
To be advised

Feast Days

Thursday, 18th May
St. John I

Saturday, 20th May
St. Bernardine of Siena



This Week in the Parish

Monday, 15th May
10.30am Prayer Group
7.00pm Samoan Prayer Group - St. Paul's Church

Tuesday, 16th May
7.00pm Eucharistic Adoration - St. Mary MacKillop

Wednesday, 17th May
7.00pm Legion of Mary

Thursday, 18th May
10.30am St Mary MacKillop Morning Prayer Grp
7.30pm St Mary MacKillop Evening Prayer Grp

Friday, 19th May
4.45pm Children of Mary

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Entrance:

O word of God, in flesh you came
To give God's love a human name;
You formed your holy ones in grace
To give God's love a human face.

Refrain:

O lamp of glory light our way,
Through coming night to endless day.
That we may walk the path they trod,
To reach the city of our God.

O son of God, they sing your name
In words alight with Spirit's flame;
With them, may we, your glory cry
Before the throne of God most high.
Refrain.

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, let your mercy be on us
As we place our trust in you.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
I am the way, the truth and the life, says
the Lord;
No-one comes to the Father except
through me.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Offertory:

Refrain:
God is Light, in whom no darkness lives;
Walk as the people of light.
God is love, in whom no hate can be;
Walk as God's people of love.

Hold in your heart
Spirit's anointing,
Empowered to bless
and to heal with love. Refrain.

Walk in Christ's love
With great thanksgiving,
Choosing to serve
Others in his name. Refrain.

Radiance behold,
Stand in the presence
Of mercy, forgiveness,
the faithfulness of God. Refrain.

Communion:

I am the Bread of life.
You who come to me shall not hunger
And who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me unless the Fa-
ther beckons.

Refrain:

And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up on the last day.

The bread that I will give is my flesh for
the life of the world,
And if you eat of this bread
You shall live forever. Refrain.

Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of
Man
And drink of his blood, and drink of his
blood
You shall not have life within you.
Refrain.

Recessional:

You shall cross the barren desert
But you shall not die of thirst;
You shall wander far in safety
Though you do not know the way;
You shall speak your words in foreign
lands
And all will understand;
You shall see the face of God and live!

Chorus

Be not afraid - I go before you always,
Come, follow me, and I will give you rest

If you pass through raging waters,
In the sea, you shall not drown;
If you walk amid the burning flames,
You shall not be harmed;
If you stand before the pow'r of hell,
And death is at your side,
Know that I am with you through it all!
Chorus

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