

*St. Mary MacKillop
Church
Keilor Downs*



*St. Paul's
Church
Kealba*

PARISH OF ST MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year A, 20th & 21st May, 2017.



Jesus said to his disciples, 'If you love Me, you will keep My commandments, and I shall ask My Father and He will give you another Advocate.'

It is hard for most of us, to have the integrity to keep our own word and promises faithfully.

Yet Jesus promised us that he would not leave us orphans, He would not abandon us. Jesus then takes this one step further, in that He asks his Father for an Advocate for us, someone to intercede to His Father on our behalf.

That Advocate is the Holy Spirit, who lives with us and in us, all the days of our lives.

Jesus promised us an indwelling God, to strengthen and guide us, and a God that will dwell in us when we love, believe, and keep His word.

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	9.30am
Saturday	5:00pm
Sunday	9:00am
	11:00am
	5:30pm
Reconciliation	
Saturday	4pm—4.50pm

Entrance Antiphon:

Speak out with a voice of joy; let it be heard to the ends of the earth: The Lord has set his people free, alleluia.

1st Reading:

Acts 8:5-8,14-17
Psalms 65:1-7,16,20

Responsorial Psalm:

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

2nd Reading:

1 Peter 3:15-18

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel:

John 14:15-21

Before Communion:

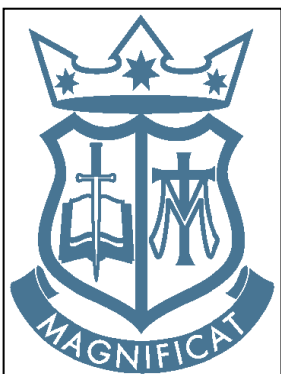
Lord, accept our prayers and offerings. Make us worthy of your sacraments of love by granting us your forgiveness.

Communion Antiphon:

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord. The Father will send you the Holy Spirit, to be with you for ever, alleluia.

After Communion:

Almighty and ever-living Lord, you restored us to life by raising Christ from death. Strengthen us by this Easter sacrament; may we feel its saving power in our daily life.

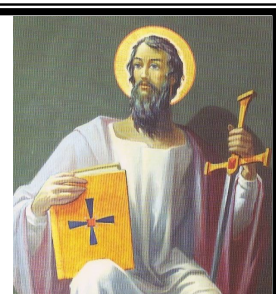


**ST. MARY
MACKILLOP**

'Pray that prosperity may not elate, nor adversity ever shake your courage and generosity in the service of God.'

ST. PAUL

'In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.'



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

Faith Development: Ms Althea D'Souza - St Mary MacKillop, Tuesday & Wednesday,
Mr Joseph Zahra—St Paul's

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

The Melbourne Catholic Archbishop's Charitable Fund will be conducting an Appeal in parishes to support the vital work of Catholic Chaplains in our community on Sunday 21 May.

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*

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

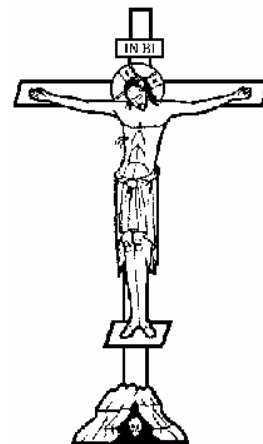
Donations will go towards supporting Chaplains who work with:

- 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...

Anniversaries:

Ana Kolic,
Philip Kechenovich,
Nicholas Zammit,
Tarcisio Vella,
Marchella Laberto,
Antonio Zaraffa,
Dorothy Nuciforo,
Luz Labrador,
Carolina Labrador,
Sabino Garcia,
Francis & Maria
Sultana, Lorraine
Brooks, Frances & John Grech.



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

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 new website.

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



Catholic
Regional College
North Keilor

Enrolment Key
Dates
Year 7, 2019

Wednesday, 24 May 2017

Applications Open
Twilight Tour 5.30–6.30pm
* For bookings please phone 9361 5900

Enrolment Information Session 7pm (College Hall)

*Parents only session. Bookings not required.

Friday, 25 August 2017

Year 7, 2019 Applications close

Friday, 13 October 2017

Year 7, 2019 First Round Offers posted

Friday, 27 October 2017

Final date for acceptance of 1st Round offers.

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



DIVINE MERCY PRAISE & WORSHIP

Please come along bring a friend and join us for our **Divine Mercy Praise and Worship** on Sunday 28 May at St. Paul's Church at 3pm. The talk will be on—Are you Hearing from God by Louiza Romanic.

I know this may come as a shock to you, even those who have followed the Lord and heard His voice for many years, but God is actually speaking to each of us non-stop, all the time. He speaks to us in many different ways. The problem is, we are not always listening for His voice all the time.



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, 24th May
Join us for a DVD Seminar "The Gift"
Topic—**Living in the 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, 25th May
7.30pm Prayer and Praise
8.00pm Teaching by Bishop Joe Grech, CD
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 27TH & 28TH MAY

SAT 27TH MAY 6.30PM
R Doris Agius
Special Ministers
M. Long, Q. Diaz.

SUN 28TH MAY 10AM
R Hip Falcoa
Special Ministers
F. Afuic, S. Scerri.

St Mary MacKillop Cleaning

FRIDAY 26TH MAY
Mary Formosa
Margo Harley
Pauline Portelli
Mary Xuereb

Counting Team

COUNTING TEAM NO. 7
Joe Sammut
John Fenech
Josephine Lowe
John Dykun
Liz Di'Cianni

ST. MARY MACKILLOP ROSTER WEEKEND 27TH & 28TH MAY

SAT 27TH MAY 5PM
R Marcella Fandino
Special Ministers
Zbig Piorowski, Marcella Fandino, Victor Sammut.

SUN 28TH MAY 9AM
R Geraldine Vytilingham
Special Ministers
Kathy Lindsay, Armando Bianco, Hilda D'Souza.

SUN 28TH MAY 11AM
R Marie Osa
Special Ministers
Ray Caruana, Justin Wejak, Doris Briffa.

SUN 28TH MAY 5.30PM
R Julie Cassar
Special Ministers
Julie Cassar, Frank Lee, Georgina Sant.

Music Group Rehearsals

This Week in the Parish

ST MARY MACKILLOP GROUP
Monday 22nd May—7pm
ST PAUL'S MUSIC GROUP
To be advised

Monday, 22nd May
10.30am Prayer Group
7.00pm Samoan Prayer Group - St. Paul's Church

Tuesday, 23rd May
7.00pm Eucharistic Adoration - St. Mary MacKillop

Wednesday, 24th May
7.00pm Legion of Mary

Thursday, 25th May
10.30am St Mary MacKillop Morning Prayer Grp
7.30pm St Mary MacKillop Evening Prayer Grp

Friday, 26th May
4.45pm Children of Mary

Feast Days

Monday, 22nd May
St. Rita of Cascia
Wednesday, 24th May
Our Lady Help of Christians
Thursday, 25th May
St. Bede the Venerable
St. Gregory VII
St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi
Friday, 26th May
St. Philip Neri
Saturday, 27th May
St. Augustine of Canterbury

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Entrance:

Praise the Lord! You heav'ns, adore him;
Praise him, angels, in the height;
Sun and moon, rejoice before him;
Praise him, all you stars and light.
Praise the Lord! For he has spoken;
Worlds his mighty voice obeyed;
Laws which never shall be broken
For their guidance he has made.

Praise the Lord! For he is glorious;
Never shall his promise fail;
God has made his saints victorious;
Sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation!
Hosts on high, his pow'r proclaim;
Heav'n and earth, and all creation
Praise and glorify his name.

Worship, honour, glory, blessing,
Lord, we offer as our gift.
Young and old, you praise expressing,
Our glad songs to you we lift.
All the saints in heav'n adore you,
We would join their glad acclaim;
As your angels serve before you,
So on earth we praise your name.

Responsorial Psalm:

All the earth proclaim the Lord
Sing your praise to God.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words;

And my Father will love them and we will come
to them.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Offertory:

Refrain:

I will never forget you my people
I have carved you on the palm of my hand
I will never forget you
I will not leave you orphaned
I will never forget my own.

Does a mother forget her baby?
Or a woman the child within her womb?
Yet even if these forget,
Yes, even if these forget,
I will never forget my own. Refrain.

Communion:

There is a redeemer,
Jesus, God's own son,
Precious lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy one.

Refrain:

Thank you, O Our Father,
For giving us your Son,
And leaving your Spirit 'til
your work on earth is done.

Jesus my redeemer,
Name above all names,
Precious lamb of God, Messiah,
O for sinners slain. Refrain.

When I stand in glory,
I will see his face,
And there I'll serve my king forever,
In that holy place.

Refrain:

Thank you, O Our Father,
For giving us your Son,
And leaving your Spirit 'til
your work on earth is done.
And leaving your Spirit 'til
your work on earth is done.

Recessional:






Lord, the light of your love is shining,
In the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me.

Chorus:

Shine, Jesus, shine,
Fill this land with the Father's glory;
Blaze, Spirit, blaze,
Set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
Flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth your word,
Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
From the shadows into your radiance;
By the blood I may enter your brightness,
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness,
Shine on me, shine on me.

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