

*St. Mary MacKillop  
Church  
Keilor Downs*



*St. Paul's  
Church  
Kealba*

**PARISH OF ST MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION**

**THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Year A - 4th & 5th November, 2017

**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



'Pride comes before a fall'

And this is exactly what Jesus was saying when He was addressing the people and Disciples in today's Gospel. Jesus was referring to the pride of the Scribes and Pharisees, but the same could be said today.

If we have done well in our employment, in our temporal affairs, do we attribute our success to our own skill and hard work, or do we thank God for the opportunities He gave to us and not to others? We owe everything we have to God and we should use all the gifts He has given us for His honour and glory and for that purpose only.

**Entrance Antiphon:**

Do not abandon me, Lord. My God, do not go away from me! Hurry to help me, Lord, my Saviour.

**1st Reading:**

Malachi 1:14—2:2,8-10  
Psalms 130

**Responsorial Psalm:**

In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

**2nd Reading:**

1 Thessalonians 2:7-9,13

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
You have one Father, your Father in heaven; you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel:**

Matthew 23:1-12

**Before Communion:**

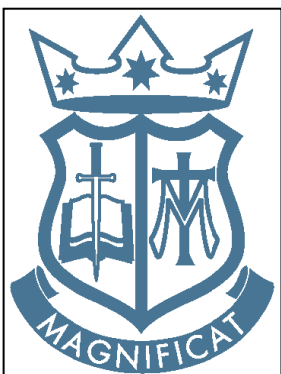
God of mercy, may we offer a pure sacrifice for the forgiveness of our sins.

**Communion Antiphon:**

Lord, you will show me the path of life and fill me with joy in your presence.

**After Communion:**

Lord, you give us new hope in this eucharist. May the power of your love continue its saving work among us and bring us to the joy you promise.



**ST. MARY  
MACKILLOP**

*'Beware of self mixing up with the work of God, fear your own judgements.'*

**ST. PAUL**

*'We were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our lives as well.'*



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

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Mr Joseph Zahra—St Paul's

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## THE "GIFT" PROGRAM

We continue the DVD Series with the topic of  
**"Unwrapping God's Gift".**

This program has changed people's  
lives world-wide,  
come along even though we are half  
way through, you will still be blessed.

Thursday, 9th November, 7.30pm  
With prayer and praise, then talk at 8.00pm.  
Finish at 9.00pm.  
Inquiries: Christina 0431 955 975

# In Remembrance...

## Recently Deceased:

Grace Sculli, Lordes Bertie, Alfred Bezzina.

## Anniversaries:

Joseph & Josephine Portelli, Ganni & Maria Xerri, Valda Siggins, Paul Bonnici, Maria Attard, Joseph Attard, Frederick Highland, Isabel & Eugene D'Silva Bestie, Roland & Jeffrey Rozario, Morris, Rita, David & Caroline Kess, Mary & Max Lazasio, Richard & Lilly, Rita Hendricks, Cyril & Aileen Williams, Wallace & Rita Brett, Teresa Rozario, Doris, Timothy, Ivy & Victor Highland, William, Patrick & Colin Highland, Maureen, Lancy, Romeo & Nick Fernandez, Daisy, Noel, Marie, Kevin & Brian Lazarus, Simon & Maryanne Peters, Russel D'Yaz, Jerry Highland, Frank Pace, Familji Catania, Zahra, Anthony Vella, Cutajar family, Muscat Family, Ghall L-Erwieh Kollha Spec, L-Abandunati, Joseph & Antonia Sultana, Andrew Peters, Dawk Li Mietu Bit-Terroismi, John & Julie Sant, Censina, Joseph & Leli Mifsud, Nivu Ifopo, Kellinu Zammit, Sylvan DeBrincat, Ninu u I-Fam Portelli, Michael, Charlie & Pauline Mangion, Joe, Sam, Joseph Mario, Cathine Saliba, Grezzju Mercieca, Evangelia & Johann Jakofcich, Francesco Santalucia Snr., Clemenzia Bianculli, Phillip Buttigieg, Paul & Rita Fiteni, John & Franceska Attard, Sam Cilia, Anthony Attard, John & Geswalda Borg, Lawrence DeBrincat, Nicolas Attard, Angelo Rapa, Carmen Tomkinson, Charles & Mary Bellotti, John, Mary & Lewis Darmanin, Lora Attard, Carmena Zammit, Charles & Tona Azzopardi, Slava & Yosip Valkovic, Maria Falzon, Karmala Falzon, Philip Kechenovich, All the Kechenovich Family, All the Skenderovich family, Paul & Dorothy D'Souza, Violet Hackerdon, Christine Roberts, Creos Roman, Carmen Cruz, Daniel Jimenez, Joseph & Censima Agius, Paul & Emily Calleja, Thomas, Edith, Joe, Mary, William, Marie, Gerald Pamela Grierson, Alice & Donald Wallace, Mildred & Milford Greig, Mabel & George Butt, Noreen & Harold Fraser, Elaine Latima, George, Roy, Terence Hornblow, Esme, Tom, Glen Maple, Alban, Edith, Hubert & Rose Barwell, Mabel & Joe Gionsalves, Anthony, Muriel & Ronald Guest, Wayne Rebeiro, Oscar Borgonha, Cynthia Rasin, Hyacinth Fernz, Margaret Melder, Mary Fernandez, Careen & Joseph Penza, Penzat & Spiteri Families, Trish Perry, Romeo & Mary Camilleri, Nicholas & Michael Meilak, Antoinetta & Lorenzo Falzon, Ersila & Antonio Portelli, Giuseppe & Salvina Darmanin, Natalino & Caterina Darmanin, Domenico & Concetta Albanese, Antonio & Caterina Santoro, All Souls, Leoluca & Caterina Prestia, Domenico & Caterina Defina, Nicola Deluca, Marcus, Miral, John & Leticia, Salvina Borg, John Borg, Michael Portelli, Paula Portelli, Helen Aquilina, Mark & Marte Pukaj, Mark & Kate Marky, Marte & Pashke and all the family members who have died, Kol, Elizabeth and Tom Marky, Gjon, Prene and Kristian Toplamaj, Charles Spiteri & family members, Charles & Doris Mamo, Joseph, Paul, Mary Mercieca & Family members, Joe Spiteri, Joe Deguara, Joe, Agnes, Augustine & Pauline Mercieca, Geta Spiteri, Sammy, & Gaetana Zappulla, Carmela & Mario Di Domenico, Gabriel & Katerina Cachia, Noah Zovko, Freddy Borg, Joe Cutajar, Carmen Abela, Maria Cutajar, Joe Haber, Charlie Vella, Josephine & Peter Paul Mercieca, Portelli Family, Joseph Fsadni, Dalzotto Family, Connie & Grezju Attard, Emilie Grech, Antonia Carbone, Carmen & Paul Pace, John & Mary Xuereb, Jerry Attard, Luke Evans, Joseph Buttigieg, George & Guza Farrugia, Tony, Zakry, John & Carmen Pace, Lorry Gallea, Justin & Natalie Camilleri, Johnny & Daphne Suaras, Edmond & Sharon Pereira, Giovanni Di Sisto, Genoveffo & Meladino Prazioso, Rose & Carmello Portelli, Dominic, George and Josephine Hursey, Nina, Tony & Carmen Tanti, Lusia Rodrigues, Antonio Martinico, Martinico Family, Olive & Robert Ridler, Dias Family, Ridler Family, Liebenhals, Leicester Family.

We pray for all those who are sick, especially Mimma, Frank & Ray.

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

~ We need MORE help ~

If you are available to help with these vital  
ministries please contact the Parish Office on  
9364 0440.

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

## EYES THAT SEE

Tracy is a teacher in a state school. She is showing me a photograph of her class of 12 year olds. 'This one's my favourite,' she says fondly, pointing to a lively looking girl on the edge of the group. My thoughts immediately fill with stereotypes. Teacher's pet? Top of the class? Best behaved student? Most likely to succeed?

As Tracy's next comment makes clear, it is 'none of the above'. 'No one likes her much. Dreadful behavioural problems. She manages to alienate just about every student or teacher she meets. There are many problems at home. Yet she's a beautiful child. I just love her!' Tell me why she's beautiful, I say. Tracy's eyes sparkle. 'I can just see what's in her,' she says. 'There's so much goodness and potential. She's sharp as a tack. She's got a great singing voice. She's got so many talents that have never been encouraged. It's hard to explain, but I can just **see** who she **really** is. And when I affirm her I can see her trying to respond.' Tracy has that rare gift of a 'God's eye view' of people. She notices all the goodness that the rest of us miss, our view obscured by a grey film of hurt, cynicism and lack of hope. It just goes to show: when our own view is healed, we can be a healing presence to others. I thank God that this little girl has Tracy as her teacher. (TP) Lord, heal us, that we may see the world through your eyes of love.

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## 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



**Please note:-** There will be NO Wednesday Prayer Group at St. Paul's on Wednesday, 8th November.

## 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.

## 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.



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.

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## 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**  
**St Paul's Choir: Hung 0402 171 733**

## PRAYER GROUPS

### MONDAY MORNING

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

Join us in praying the **Divine Mercy Chaplet** 10am-10.30am

### TUESDAY EVENING

#### SAMOAN DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

Samoan Divine Mercy Prayer Group - at St Pauls Church every Tuesday at 6pm and the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month at 3pm. Info: Deacon David 0451240713

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

#### ST PAUL'S CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

There will be **NO PRAYER MEETING** this

**Wednesday, 8th November**

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, 9th November**

7.30pm Praise & Worship  
 8pm 3rd session - **THE GIFT**  
 Topic: **Unwrapping God's Gift**  
 Followed by supper.

ALL VERY WELCOME.

Enquiries:  
 Christina 0431 955 975

### LEGION OF MARY

Wednesday 7.00pm in the Parish Meeting Room  
 All Welcome

## 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?"*



### ST. PAUL'S ROSTER WEEKEND 11TH & 12TH NOV

**SAT 11TH NOV 6.30PM**  
 R Greg Moore  
**Special Ministers**  
 J. Tabone.

**SUN 12TH NOV 10AM**  
 R Sharon Grass  
**Special Ministers**  
 S. Scerri, C. Pirotta.

### St Mary MacKillop Cleaning

**FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER**  
 Mary Formosa  
 Margo Harley  
 Pauline Portelli  
 Mary Xuereb

### Counting Team

**COUNTING TEAM NO. 3:**  
 Sheila Grixti  
 Michael Medved  
 Kathy Lindsay  
 John Kiomall

### ST. MARY MACKILLOP ROSTER WEEKEND 11TH & 12TH NOV

**SAT 11TH NOVEMBER 5PM**  
 R Marcella Fandino  
**Special Ministers**  
 Quintus Diaz, Mario Camilleri, Marcella Fandino.

**SUN 12TH NOVEMBER 9AM**  
 R Hilda D'Souza  
**Special Ministers**  
 Mim Caruso, Mickie Cavka, Armando Bianco.

**SUN 12TH NOVEMBER 11AM**  
 R Mark Royal  
**Special Ministers**  
 Maria DaSilva, Carmen LaBruna, Teresa Taverna.

**SUN 12TH NOV 5.30PM**  
 R Kerry Tieppo  
**Special Ministers**  
 Kimberley D'Cruz, Frank Lee, Georgina Sant.

### Music Group Rehearsals

### This Week in the Parish ....

**ST MARY MACKILLOP GROUP**  
 To be advised

**Monday, 6th November**  
 10.30am Prayer Group

**ST PAUL'S MUSIC GROUP**  
 To be advised

**Tuesday, 7th November**  
 7.00pm Eucharistic Adoration  
 - St. Mary MacKillop  
 6.00pm Samoan Prayer Group  
 - St. Paul's Church

### Feast Days

**Thursday, 9th November**  
 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

**Wednesday, 8th November**  
 7.00pm Legion of Mary  
 7.00pm St. Paul's Prayer Grp

**Friday, 10th November**  
 St. Leo the Great

**Thursday, 9th November**  
 10.30am St Mary MacKillop Morning Prayer Grp  
 7.30pm St Mary MacKillop Evening Prayer Grp

**Saturday, 11th November**  
 St. Martin of Tours

**Friday, 10th November**  
 4.45pm Children of Mary

# THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY

## Entrance:

I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry,  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
My hand will save.  
I, who make the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

## Chorus:

Here I am, Lord, is it I Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me,  
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain,  
I have wept for love of them,  
They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
Give them hearts for love alone,  
I will speak my word to them,  
Whom shall I send?

## Responsorial Psalm:

For you, O Lord, my soul in stillness waits,  
truly my hope is in you.

## Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia  
Father we praise you as Lord  
All of the earth gives you worship  
For your majesty  
Fills the heavens, fills the earth. Alleluia...

## Offertory:

Will you let me be your servant,  
Let me be as Christ to you;  
Pray that I may have the grace to  
Let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,  
We are travellers on the road;  
We are here to help each other  
Walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ light for you  
In the night time of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you.  
Speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping  
When you laugh I'll laugh with you.  
I will share your joy and sorrow  
'Til we've seen this journey through.

## Communion:

Blest are they, the poor in spirit,  
theirs is the kingdom of God.  
Blest are they, full of sorrow,  
they shall be consoled.

## Refrain:

Rejoice and be glad!  
Blessed are you, holy are you!  
Rejoice and be glad!  
Yours is the kingdom of God.

Blest are they, the lowly ones,  
they shall inherit the earth.  
Blest are they who hunger and thirst  
they shall have their fill. Refrain

Blest are they who show mercy,  
mercy shall be theirs.  
Blest are they the pure in heart,  
they shall see God! Refrain

Blest are they who seek peace,  
they are the children of God.  
Blest are they who suffer in faith,  
the glory of God is theirs. Refrain

Blest are you who suffer hate,  
all because of me.  
Rejoice and be glad for yours is the kingdom;  
shine for all to see. Refrain

## Recessional:

You are salt for the earth, O people;  
Salt for the Kingdom of God!  
Share the flavour of life, O people;  
Life in the Kingdom of God!





## Refrain:

Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,  
Bring forth the Kingdom of peace;  
Bring forth the Kingdom of justice,  
Bring forth the city of God!

You are a light on the hill, O people;  
Light for the city of God!  
Shine so holy and bright, O people;  
Shine for the Kingdom of God! Refrain

You are a seed of the Word, O people;  
Bring forth the Kingdom of God!  
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,  
Grow in the Kingdom of God! Refrain

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