

*St. Mary MacKillop
Church
Keilor Downs*



*St. Paul's
Church
Kealba*

PARISH OF ST MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A, 2nd & 3rd September, 2017.



In last week's Gospel, Jesus named Peter the rock on which the Church would be built. Today's Gospel, that rock has become a stumbling block in Jesus' path!

Peter is very disturbed by the predictions of Jesus' suffering. He says: 'Heavens preserve you, Lord – this must not happen to you.'

Peter's lack of understanding of what the mission of Jesus has to fulfil.

Peter fails to see that the Cross is part of Jesus' mission and that Discipleship will also involve the Cross.

Taking up our cross is what we have to do to follow Christ.

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:

Listen Lord, and answer me.
Save your servant who trusts
in you. I call to you all day long,
have mercy on me, O Lord.

1st Reading:

Isaiah 22:19-23
Psalms 137:1-3,6,8

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, your love is eternal; do
not forsake the work of your
hands.

2nd Reading:

Romans 11:33-36

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
You are Peter, the rock on
which I will build my Church;
the gates of hell will not hold
out against it.
Alleluia!

Gospel:

Matthew 16:13-20

Before Communion:

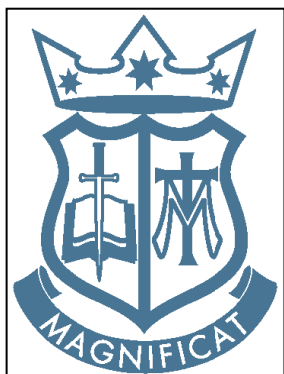
Merciful God, the perfect
sacrifice of Jesus Christ made
us your people. In your love,
grant peace and unity to your
Church.

Communion Antiphon:

Lord, the earth is filled with
your gift from heaven; man
grows bread from earth, and
wine to cheer his heart.

After Communion:

Lord, may this eucharist
increase within us the healing
power of your love. May it
guide and direct our efforts to
please you in all things.

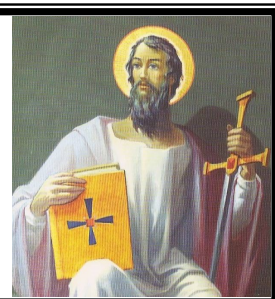


**ST. MARY
MACKILLOP**

*'Live in charity
and peace.'*

ST. PAUL

*'From him,
through him, and in
him are all things.'*



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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**50th ANNIVERSARY CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL
JUBILEE EVENT AT ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH**



From country to city, over 40 parishes are experiencing a surge of faith. The current of grace continues to pour new life into Catholics, other Christian denominations and on-lookers as the Jubilee Cross travels our State. Join us in October for our special event.

Program coming soon.

Enquiries: Christina 0431 955 975.

INVITATION TO ATTEND THE

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD OF DEACON TOAN NGUYEN

All parishioners from St Mary of the Assumption are invited to attend the Ordination of our Deacon Toan Nguyen to the priesthood on Saturday the 9th of September at 10.00am at St Patrick's Cathedral.

He will celebrate his First Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Mary MacKillop Church the next day, Sunday September 10th at 9.00 a.m. There will be morning tea for all parishioners and other guests in the Hall after Mass. If you are able to help with this, or wish to bring a plate along for the morning, could you kindly contact the Office and leave your name, either by phone on 9364 0440 or via email at reception@stma.com.au. We look forward to welcoming Deacon Nguyen's parents who are coming from Vietnam as well as many other friends. We pray for Deacon Nguyen at this time as he makes his final preparations for this great event.

Why do we say 'Amen' when we receive Communion?

'Amen' is a prayerful way of affirming our religious convictions. When we say 'Amen' as we receive communion we affirm our belief in the great mystery of the Eucharist. St Augustine had a great way of looking at it. He suggested that when we receive the host we should say a double amen. 'Amen' (Yes!) I believe this to be not just a piece of bread but the body of Christ. And 'Amen' (Yes!) I believe this to be not just a bunch of people but the body of Christ, a faith family called to a life of loving unity (a communion).

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CLEANERS URGENTLY NEEDED



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.

**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.

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

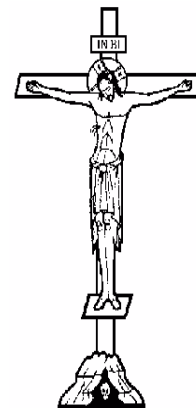
For more information contact Tara: 0434 636 719



In Remembrance...

Anniversaries:

Joseph Portelli,
John Xerri,
Gregorio Barrese,
Domenico Menegol,
Muriel & George DeCotta,
Frederick Highland,
Reno Spiteri,
George Xerri,
Farrugia Family,
Pace Family,
Buttigieg Family,
Anthony D'Rosario,
Eric D'Rosario, Peter Mascarenhas, Taupau Petelo, Manuel Rodrigues, Romeo Camilleri, Joseph Falzon, Joseph Mifsud, Tony Tanti, Michael & George Englezakis, Michael Imbroll, John & Geswalda Borg, Laurence DeBrincat, Nicolas Attard, Angelo Rapa, Remigio Scicluna, Joseph Zammit, Regenal Zammit, Aileen & Cyril, Ivor La Fontaine, Aldroy D'Souza, Massu Micallef, Joseph Refalo.



We pray for all those who are sick especially, Yolanda, Peter, Denise, Imalda, Ray and Barbara.



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FEAST OF OUR LADY OF VICTORIES

The Xaghra Association of Australia Inc. are celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Victories on Friday 8th September at The Maltese Cultural Centre, 27 Talmage Street, Albion at 7pm. Everyone is welcome to Attend.

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.

CHOIR PRACTICE



MONDAY 4TH of SEPTEMBER at 7pm - for all singers/musicians singing for Deacon Tuan's first mass on Sept.10th 9am mass. All remaining choir members, please attend from 7.45pm on the same evening.



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

MONDAY 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, 6th September
Topic:- **The Life of Moses**
Speaker:- Adrian Commadeur
7pm Rosary, Praise & Worship followed by teaching. Concludes at 9pm with fellowship. Prayer ministry also available. All Welcome.
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, 7th September
7.30pm Prayer & Praise
8.00pm DVD on Prayer from "Strength to Strength"
CaFE Series David Payne followed by supper
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 9TH & 10TH SEPT

SAT 9TH SEPTEMBER 6.30PM
R Doris Agius
Special Ministers
Q. Diaz, D. Agius.

SUN 10TH SEPTEMBER 10AM
R Hip Falcoa
Special Ministers
S. Scerri, J. Mamo.

St Mary MacKillop Cleaning

FRIDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER

Rita Haig
Herwin Allen
Millie Monteiro

Counting Team

COUNTING TEAM NO. 1:

Ray Basile
Robert Stoppa
Mickie Cavka
James Barberi
Wanda Peplow

ST. MARY MACKILLOP ROSTER WEEKEND 9TH & 10TH SEPT

SAT 9TH SEPTEMBER 5PM
R Zbig Piorowski
Special Ministers
Zbig Piorowski, Laurie Xerri, Michael Vytillingam.

SUN 10TH SEPTEMBER 9AM
R Christina Santalucia
Special Ministers
Mim Caruso, Hilda D'Souza, Wayne Harrison.

SUN 10TH SEPTEMBER 11AM
R Althea D'Souza
Special Ministers
Ray Caruana, Carmen LaBruna
Joe Camenzuli.

SUN 10TH SEPT 5.30PM
R Brian Lobo
Special Ministers
Frank Lee, Georgina Sant, Kimberley D'Cruz.

Music Group Rehearsals

ST MARY MACKILLOP GROUP
Monday 4th September—7pm
ST PAUL'S MUSIC GROUP
To be advised

Feast Days

Friday, 8th September
The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday, 9th September
St. Peter Claver



This Week in the Parish

Monday, 4th September
10.30am Prayer Group
7.00pm Samoan Prayer Group - St. Paul's Church

Tuesday, 5th September
7.00pm Eucharistic Adoration - St. Mary MacKillop

Wednesday, 6th September
7.00pm Legion of Mary
7.00pm St. Paul's Prayer Grp

Thursday, 7th September
10.30am St Mary MacKillop Morning Prayer Grp
7.30pm St Mary MacKillop Evening Prayer Grp

Friday, 8th September
4.45pm Children of Mary

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY

Entrance:

Come! Live in the light!
Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
We are called to be light for the kingdom,
To live in the freedom of the city of God!

Refrain:

We are called to act with justice,
We are called to love tenderly,
We are called to serve one another;
To walk humbly with God!

Come! Open your heart!
Show your mercy to all those in fear!
We are called to be hope for the hopeless
So all hatred and blindness will be no more!

Refrain

Responsorial Psalm:

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

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
Glory to God who does wondrous things
Let all the people God's praises now sing,
All of creation in splendour shall ring: Alleluia.
Alleluia alleluia, alleluia.

Offertory:

To do your will, is my desire,
To live in you, Lord is my life.
To spread your love, through all the earth,
To find in you, the joy of life.

All of my days, I sing your praise,
Through all my nights, you are my life.
You will shine forth, through all my years,
And joyously will bring me home.

I search this world so restlessly,
Seeking a home from hate and strife.
I found in you, the strength to see,
The meaning of this troubled life.

And so my God, I give to you,
These raining words these restless rhymes,
And take my life as a tribute of,
Your endless love for humankind.

Communion:

O let all who thirst,
let them come to the water.
And let all who have nothing,
let them come to the Lord:
without money, without price.
Why should you pay the price,
except for the Lord?

And let all who seek,
let them come to the water.
And let all who have nothing,
let them come to the Lord:
without money, without strife.
Why should you spend your life,
except for the Lord?

And let all who toil,
let them come to the water.
And let all who are weary,
let them come to the Lord:
all who labour, without rest.

How can your soul find rest,
except for the Lord?

And let all the poor,
let them come to the water,
Bring the ones who are laden,
bring them all to the Lord:
bring the children without might.
Easy the load and light:
come to the Lord.

Recessional:




Awake from your slumber!
Arise from your sleep!
A new day is dawning
for all those who weep.
The people in darkness
have seen a great light.
The Lord of our longing
has conquered the night.

Refrain

Let us build the city of God,
May our tears be turned into dancing!
For the Lord, our light and our love,
Has turned the night into day!

We are sons of the morning
we are daughters of day.
The One who has loved us
has brightened our way.
The Lord of all kindness
has called us to be
a light for his people
to set their hearts free. **Refrain**

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