

*St. Mary MacKillop  
Church  
Keilor Downs*



*St. Paul's  
Church  
Kealba*

**PARISH OF ST MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION**

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Year B - 11th & 12th August, 2018

**MASS TIMES**

<b>St Paul's</b>	
Wednesday	9.30am
Thursday	9.30am
<b>Saturday</b>	
	5:00 pm (Latin)
	6:30 pm
<b>Sunday</b>	
	8:00am (Maltese)
	10:00am
<b>Reconciliation</b>	
Saturday	6:00pm
<b>St Mary MacKillop</b>	
Monday	9.30am
Tuesday	9.30am
7.00pm—8.00pm	Holy Hour
Friday	9.30am
<b>Saturday</b>	
	5:00pm
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00am
	11:00am
	5:30pm
<b>Reconciliation</b>	
Saturday	4pm—4.50pm



In this week's Gospel, we hear again those important words, 'I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE.' However Jesus goes on to tell the crowd that he 'has come down from heaven.' This revelation confuses the people, because they know Jesus as the son of Joseph, a local, not one from heaven.

With such a great gift offered, the bread from heaven, we would think that the crowd would put their problems of believing aside, and receive the gift anyway.

Unlike the crowd who simply didn't understand, we are able to believe, because Jesus has gone before us and taught us that death leads to life.

**Entrance Antiphon:**

Lord, be true to your covenant, forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Rise up, O God, and defend your cause; do not ignore the shouts of your enemies.

**1st Reading:**

1 Kings 19:4-8  
Psalms 33:2-9

**Responsorial Psalm:**

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

**2nd Reading:**

Ephesians 4:30 — 5:2

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel:**

John 6:41-51

**Before Communion:**

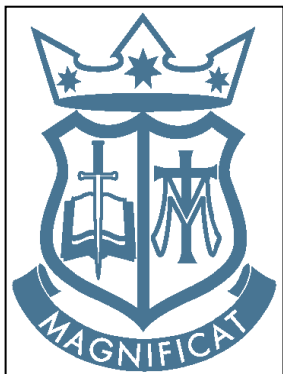
God of power, giver of the gifts we bring, accept the offering of our Church and make it the sacrament of our salvation.

**Communion Antiphon:**

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem; he feeds you with the finest wheat.

**After Communion:**

Lord, may the eucharist you give us bring us to salvation and keep us faithful to the light of your truth.

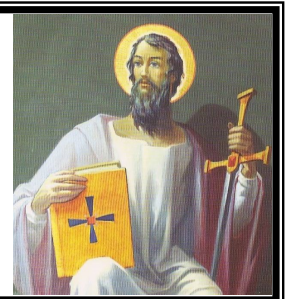


**ST. MARY  
MACKILLOP**

*'May St Joseph obtain many graces for us all, and chief among these a great love for our Vocation ~ a grateful love.'*

**ST. PAUL**

*'Walk in love, just as Christ.'*



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**Faith Development:** Mr Joseph Zahra—St Paul's    **Sacramental Program Coordinator:** Andrew Sciberras—St. Mary MacKillop  
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### Fellowship after Mass

The Parish would like to trial having some fellowship with a coffee, tea and snacks after weekend masses. We have selected some dates over the next few months. Here are the following dates:

After the 7.30pm mass on Wednesday the 15<sup>th</sup> of August 2018 (Feast of the Assumption)

After the 11.00am mass on Sunday the 30<sup>th</sup> of September 2018 (Mass of Blessings)

After the 5.30pm mass on Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup> of October 2018; and

After the 5.00pm mass on Saturday the 10<sup>th</sup> of November 2018.

The Parish will assist in running these as a trial basis to see the level of interest by parishioners and the number of volunteers who assist. As a consequence, we are going to need volunteers to assist at these dedicated times. If you would like to assist after one of these masses, please write down your name on the forms located at the back of the Church. If you would like to take a leadership role at a particular mass next year, just let us know at the Parish Office.

If there is anyone from St Pauls that would be interested in running these events, please either contact Doris Agius 03 93674126 or the Parish Office.

## In Remembrance...

### Recently Deceased:

Grace Ciantar & Victoria Colby

### Anniversaries:

Fr Victor Bonello,

Carmen Mercieca,

Rose Basic, Elizabeth Yencndev,

Tania Rosario, Maria, Publius, Moses & Rose

Galea, Dorothy & Paul Muscat, Constantio &

Theresa Mifsud, Salvatore Paino, Maria Stefani,

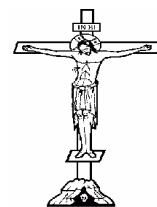
Connie & Grezju Vella, Charles Calleja, Mary

Bittoria Bertoncini, Lloyd & Hyacinth, Neville

Pereira, Clarence & Thelma Gomezez, Josefina

Salon.

*We pray for all those who are sick, especially  
Giovanna.*



### PARISH FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT



Given the success of the screening of the film 'The War Room' in May, your Parish at St Mary of the Assumption will be holding another movie night for all parishioners. On this occasion we will be screening the recent released movie 'Paul Apostle of Christ'. The movie is about Paul (Saul), who goes from the most infamous persecutor of Christians to Christ's most influential Apostle. The movie is set in Paul's last days in a dark and bleak prison cell awaiting execution by Emperor Nero. His friend and physician Luke risks his life when he ventures into Rome to visit him. This film is rated M which contains content of a moderate impact and recommended for teenagers aged 15 years and over.

**Time:** Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> of August 2018 at 6.15pm (after the 5.00pm mass)

**Venue:** St Mary MacKillop Primary School Theatre

**Attendance Fee:** \$2.00 donation to cover licence fees

**Limit:** 100 Parishioners

**There will be Tea & Coffee and Light Refreshments before and after the screening**

We ask that apart from water, no food or drink is to be consumed during the movie.

If you and your family would like to attend please write down your details on the form located at the back of St Mary MacKillop and St Pauls Churches.

### FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

**Wednesday 15th August**

9.30a.m.—Mass at St. Paul's Church

12 noon—Mass at St. Mary MacKillop Church

7.30p.m.—Mass at St. Mary MacKillop Church

Please note the next meeting of the SVDP Keilor Downs Conference is this coming Monday February 13th, at 7pm at the St Mary of the Assumption Parish Centre.

## CHILDREN & YOUTH OF MARY

When: Every Friday during the School Term

Time: 4:45-6pm

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

**All Primary and Secondary School aged children are welcome**

**Pray the Rosary**

**Enjoy Games and Activities**

**Learn about the Catholic Faith**

For more information contact Andrew and

Tara Sciberras: 0403 100 733



### Parish Thanksgiving Program

All funds raised from your Thanksgiving Offerings go towards the running of the Parish of St Mary of the Assumption. This includes both St Mary MacKillop Church in Keilor Downs and St Pauls Church in Kealba. Funds raised from Thanksgiving Offerings are vital for the Parish and enable the Parish to plan and to commit to projects in the future. The Parish would not be able to operate without these funds. Some expenses that are funded by these Offerings are as follows:

- ♦ Paying off the Parish debt;
- ♦ Meet the operating costs of the Parish (including parish salaries, insurance, energy expenses, telecommunications and other administrative expenses);
- ♦ Various property expenses;
- ♦ Maintenance of both of our Churches; and
- ♦ The supporting of charitable organisations including St Vincent's de Paul Society.

For those in our parish Community who currently contribute to our Thanksgiving Program, we would like to say thank you very much. However, if you are not a current contributor and would like to participate in the Program to ensure the current and future security of our Parish, please contact one of our administration staff at the Parish Office between 9.00am and 1.30pm on weekdays. Or alternatively, Thanksgiving forms can be downloaded from our Parish Website located at

<http://www.stmaryoftheassumption.org.au> and click on 'Our Church and Ministries'.

If you have any questions with respect to the Parish Thanksgiving Program please don't hesitate to contact either Monsignor Charles Portelli or one of our Parish Administration staff on 03 93640440.

### St Paul's Divine Mercy Prayer Group

Sunday 26 August and every Fourth Sunday of the Month. 2.30pm—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 3.00pm—Chaplet Rosary, Praise & Worship. Talk by Charlie Gatt - Topic: Healing our Relationship with God Concludes with Fellowship. Info: Rita 0435 956 226/Angela 0431 605 420





With joy our Parish is pleased to announce that we will commence a course for **non-Catholics** to take the journey to join the Catholic Church. Referred to as the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**, the course will be run by Andrew and Tara Sciberras and held weekly on **Monday evenings from 7:00pm-8:45pm**. A participants book, tea, coffee, hot chocolate and biscuits will be provided and there is no cost for attending the course. We will commence on **Monday, 6 August at 7:00pm** and will run it out of the **Parish Office Building opposite St Mary MacKillop Church**. It is intended that those who successfully complete the RCIA course will be fully incorporated into the Catholic Church before Christmas this year.

Please feel free to pass this information on to any **non-Catholic adults** who you believe may be interested in becoming a Christian Catholic. All questions about the Church and the faith are welcome during the course.

To register your intention to attend or if you have any questions, please contact Andrew Sciberras on **0403 100 733**.

### CAN YOU HELP THE POOR?

Dear parishioners, on the weekend of 11th/12th August, at all 4 masses at St. Mary MacKillop, we will have a Raffle, proceeds of which will help abandoned mothers and children in the Philippines. Your generosity in the past has been **WONDERFUL**. Please support us again, as **YOU** are making a **HUGE** difference in their lives, **thank you**. For information on other ways you can help, please contact Christina on 0431 955 975.

### 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**

### 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?"*



### Music Group Rehearsals

**ST MARY MACKILLOP GROUP**  
 Monday 13th August-7pm

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

### Feast Days

**Tuesday, 14th August**  
 St. Maximilian Kolbe

**Wednesday, 15th August**  
 Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



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

**Monday, 13th August**  
 10.30am Prayer Group

**Tuesday, 14th August**  
 7.00pm Eucharistic Adoration  
 - St. Mary MacKillop

**Wednesday, 15th August**  
 7.00pm Legion of Mary  
 7.00pm St. Paul's Prayer Grp

**Thursday, 16th August**  
 10.30am St Mary MacKillop Morning Prayer Grp  
 7.30pm St Mary MacKillop Evening Prayer Grp

**Friday, 17th August**  
 4.45pm Children & Youth of Mary

## 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

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

#### ST PAUL'S CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Join us this week read together and share discussion on Holy Scripture.

**Wednesday, 15th August**

7pm Rosary, Praise & Worship,  
 Scripture share  
 Concludes at 9pm  
 with fellowship.  
 Prayer ministry also available.

For more information  
 call Doris: 9367 4126

### SUNDAY AFTERNOON

#### SAMOAN DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

Samoan Divine Mercy Prayer Group - at St Pauls Church every Sunday at 12pm-4pm.  
 Info: Deacon David 0451240713

### 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, 16th August**

7.30pm Prayer & Praise  
 8.00pm Seminar Talk  
 Topic: Jesus is Lord  
 Speaker: Paula Cassar

All VERY Welcome

Enquiries:

Christina 0431 955 975

### LEGION OF MARY

Wednesday 7.00pm in the Parish Meeting Room  
 All Welcome

### ST. PAUL'S ROSTER WEEKEND 18TH & 19TH AUGUST

**SAT 18TH AUGUST 6.30PM**  
 R Greg Moore  
**Special Ministers**  
 D. Agius.

**SUN 19TH AUGUST 10AM**  
 R Sharon Grass  
**Special Ministers**  
 F. Mamo, F. Afuic.

### St Mary MacKillop Cleaning

### FRIDAY 17TH AUGUST

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 18TH & 19TH AUGUST

**SAT 18TH AUGUST 5PM**  
 R Marcella Fandino  
**Special Ministers**  
 Hank Bader, Kathy Lindsay,  
 Zbig Piorkowski.

**SUN 19TH AUGUST 9AM**  
 R Mary Portelli  
**Special Ministers**  
 Joe Falvo, Marlene Brink,  
 Hilda D'Souza.

**SUN 19TH AUGUST 11AM**  
 R Marisa Barberi  
**Special Ministers**  
 Ray Caruana, Rosa Grabovac,  
 Marisa Barberi.

**SUN 19TH AUGUST 5.30PM**  
 R Claire Calleja  
**Special Ministers**  
 Frank Lee, Marcia Schwegler,  
 Georgina Sant.

# NINETEENTH SUNDAY

**Entrance:**

Refrain

Church of God, Chosen people,  
Sing your praise to God.  
He has called you out of darkness  
into his marvellous light.

Come, people of God, with joyful song,  
Praise God the Father of all.  
Baptised in Christ,  
Reborn in him,  
Our hearts are filled with joy.  
He cleanses our sin,  
Renewing our lives. Refrain

The church is built with living stones  
With Christ as cornerstone.  
In him we trust who makes us one,  
Uniting us in love.  
We build on the rock of faith in Christ.  
Refrain

**Responsorial Psalm:**

Taste and see the goodness of God  
Happy are those who love him  
Taste and see the goodness of God  
Taste and see.

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
I am the living bread from heaven says the  
Lord;  
Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Offertory:**

Refrain

Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
Come to me and never be hungry.  
Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
Trust in me and you will not thirst.

I am the bread of life,  
The true bread sent from the Father.  
Refrain

Your ancestors ate manna in the desert,  
But this is the bread come down from  
heaven. Refrain

Anyone who eats this bread,  
Will live forever. 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 Father  
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.  
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

I am the Resurrection,  
I am the Life,  
If you believe in me, even though you die,  
You shall live forever. Refrain

**Recessional:**








Take the word of God with you as you go.  
Take the seeds of God's word and make  
them grow. Refrain.

Refrain:

Go in peace to serve the world,  
in peace to serve the world.  
Take the love of God,  
the love of God with you as you go.

Take the peace of God with you as you go.  
Take the seeds of God's peace and make  
them grow. Refrain.

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