

*St. Mary MacKillop  
Church  
Keilor Downs*



*St. Paul's  
Church  
Kealba*

**PARISH OF ST MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION**

**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Year B - 20th & 21st October, 2018

**MASS TIMES**

<u>St Paul's</u>	
Wednesday	9.30am
Thursday	9.30am
Saturday	5:00 pm (Latin)
	6:30 pm
Sunday	8:00am (Maltese)
	10:00am
Reconciliation	
Saturday	6:00pm
<u>St Mary MacKillop</u>	
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



Over the past few weeks, the Gospel has made reference to Jesus telling his disciples of his approaching passion and death. Today's Gospel again gives James and John another warning of Jesus' impending suffering and death.

Do they really understand the cost of discipleship? Their question to Jesus would seem that they have still not fully grasped what it means to follow Jesus.

*"Can you drink the cup that I must drink? These words are as true today as they were when Jesus spoke them.*

**Entrance Antiphon:**

I call upon you, God, for you will answer me; bend your ear and hear my prayer. Guard me as the pupil of your eye; hide me in the shade of your wings.

**1st Reading:**

Isaiah 53:10-11  
Psalms 32:4-5,18-20,22

**Responsorial Psalm:**

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

**2nd Reading:**

Hebrews 4:14-16

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel:**

Mark 10:35-45

**Before Communion:**

Lord God, may the gifts we offer bring us your love and

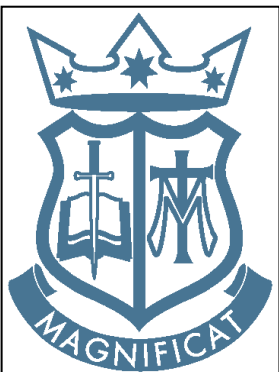
forgiveness and give us freedom to serve you with our lives.

**Communion Antiphon:**

See how the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, on those who hope in his love, that he may rescue them from death and feed them in time of famine.

**After Communion:**

Lord, may this eucharist help us to remain faithful. May it teach us the way to eternal life

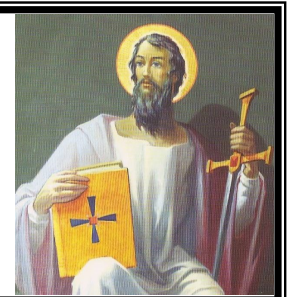


**ST. MARY  
MACKILLOP**

*'Never let any reasoning come between you and obedience.'*

**ST. PAUL**

*'Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.'*



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

The 'Safe Schools' program has been operating in Victoria for some time now. It was marketed as an 'Anti bullying' program. However, it has been well recognised that it has nothing to do with bullying but rather sexualisation and gender identity issues. The Safe schools program is compulsory in all Victorian High schools and optional at the Primary school level. The Victorian Labor Government has publicly stated that this program will be compulsory at all levels in Government schools after the next State Election on 24 November 2018.

A question that is often asked is, does the Victorian Schools program really teach that your children may not be a boy or a girl? The Victorian Education Department Safe Schools website publishes a Guide to making schools safe and inclusive, see

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/programs/health/safeschoolsguide.docx>

The Guide states 'it is important to challenge our thinking beyond binary constructs of male and female' and 'gender identity does not necessarily relate to the sex a person is assigned at birth' (pg 14)

The Guide further states "Gender isn't quite as simple as whether you're male or female... it's up to the individual to describe what gender identity fits them best". (pg34)

The Year 11-12 Curriculum states the following:

"The need to disrupt the presumption that man and women are the only gender categories available"; and

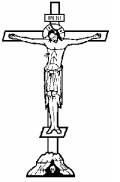
"Those who self-identify with multiple genders and may move fluidly between being a boy or a girl" (pg 70 of Resilience, Rights & Respectful Relationships: Level 11-12)

The Victorian Opposition Liberal Party has a stated Public Policy to scrap the 'Safe Schools' program from all Victorian Government Schools.

## In Remembrance...

### Recently Deceased:

Steve Curcic & Elizabeth Falzon



### Anniversaries:

Joseph & Josephine Portelli,  
Francesco Foti, Marcus Miral, Connie & Grezju Attard, Ciro Estposito, Anna Estposito, Vittorio Estposito, Salvino Buzzinga, Emanuel Cassar, Harold & Albert Levett, Josephine & Jessie Hursey, Joe Fsadni, Anna Maria, Angela Pranjic Noreen Fraser, Tom & Glen Maple, Denzil Horn, Ante Curcic, Angela, Ilija, Ana & Mico Curcic, Antonia Carbone, Jozo Curcic, Ljuba, Mate & Nada Curcic, Philomena Rego, Claudius Andrade, Gerry Mascarenhas, Rosaria Zammit, Nikola Ljubic, Josipa Antolos, Antonia Carbone, Dulcie, Laonard, Ian & Kenneth Murphy, Luiza & Luis Rodrigues, Elaine Latina, Leone Bilotta, Robert & Lena Adams.

## GUESS WHO'S TURNING 60?

The Parish is having a surprise party for our own Monsignor Portelli.

You are all invited to attend for a drink and food.

When: After the 5.30pm Mass

At: St Mary MacKillop

On: Sunday 21st October

Where: Multi-Purpose Room  
at St Mary MacKillop Primary School

It's a surprise so keep it quiet!



## CHOIR PRACTICE

Will be held on

Monday 22nd of October at 7pm

At St. Mary MacKillop Church



## 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 9364 0440.

**St Paul's Divine Mercy Prayer Group**  
 Sunday 28 October 2018 and every Fourth Sunday of the Month at 2.30pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 3.00pm Chaplet, Rosary, Praise & Worship  
 Talk by Louiza Romanic - "Jesus Calls Us to Heal and be Healed". Concludes with Fellowship.  
 Info: Rita - 0435 956 226/Angela - 0413 605 420

**THURSDAY, 1ST NOVEMBER, 8.00PM**  
 Fr. Paul Chandler will give a talk on  
**Topic: Freedom or Slavery – What has Christ won for us?**  
*All Welcome to attend, it will be held in school area behind parish office at St. Mary MacKillop.*

**CATHOLIC MISSION SPECIAL COLLECTION**  
 There will be a special collection at all Masses this weekend for the Catholic Mission.

**CLEANERS REQUIRED**  
 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.

**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 22nd October–7pm  
**ST PAUL'S MUSIC GROUP**  
 To be advised

**Feast Days**  
**Wednesday, 24th October**  
 Universal Children's Day  
**Friday, 26th October**  
 World Teachers Day  
 Day for Daniel

**This Week in the Parish ....**  
**Monday, 22nd October**  
 10.30am Prayer Group  
**Tuesday, 23rd October**  
 7.00pm Eucharistic Adoration - St. Mary MacKillop  
**Wednesday, 24th October**  
 7.00pm Legion of Mary  
 7.00pm St. Paul's Prayer Grp  
**Thursday, 25th October**  
 10.30am St Mary MacKillop Morning Prayer Grp  
 7.30pm St Mary MacKillop Evening Prayer Grp  
**Friday, 26th October**  
 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**  
**Wednesday, 24th October**  
 Topic: **Where are you now?**  
 Guest Speaker: **Christine Grech**

7pm Rosary, Praise & Worship, Teaching. 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, 25th October**  
 7.30pm Prayer & Praise  
 8.00pm Life of St. John Paul II and Q & A  
 Speaker: Andrew Sciberras  
 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 OCT**

**SAT 27TH OCTOBER 6.30PM**  
 R Doris Agius  
**Special Ministers**  
 L. Tabone.

**SUN 28TH OCTOBER 10AM**  
 R Jean Falcoa  
**Special Ministers**  
 M. Zahra, C. Pirotta.

**St Mary MacKillop Cleaning**

**FRIDAY 26TH OCTOBER**  
 Rita Haig  
 Herwin Allen  
 Millie Monteiro

**Counting Team**

**COUNTING TEAM NO. 2:**  
 Joseph Barcellona  
 Marita Tobin  
 Mary Muscat  
 Faye Colcao

**ST. MARY MACKILLOP ROSTER WEEKEND 27TH & 28TH OCT**

**SAT 27TH OCTOBER 5PM**  
 R Joe Sammut  
**Special Ministers**  
 Quintus Diaz, Joe Camilleri, Hank Bader.

**SUN 28TH OCTOBER 9AM**  
 R Rosa Huerta  
**Special Ministers**  
 Kathy Lindsay, Regina Duggan, Wayne Harrison.

**SUN 28TH OCTOBER 11AM**  
 R Tara Sciberras  
**Special Ministers**  
 Joe Camenzuli, Justin Wejak, Doris Briffa.

**SUN 28TH OCTOBER 5.30PM**  
 R Brian Lobo  
**Special Ministers**  
 Kimberley D'Cruz, Keith Rodigo, Georgina Sant.



# TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY

**Entrance:**

**Refrain:**  
Unless a grain of wheat shall fall  
Upon the ground and die,  
It remains but a single grain with no life.

If we have died with him then we shall live with him;  
If we hold firm we shall reign with him. **Refrain**

If anyone serves me then they must follow me;  
Wherever I am my servants will be. **Refrain**

Make your home in me as I make mine in you;  
Those who remain in me bear much fruit. **Refrain**

If you remain in me and my word lives in you;  
Then you will be my disciples. **Refrain**

**Responsorial Psalm:**

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

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
The Son of man came to serve  
And to give his life as a ransom to all.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Offertory:**

What do you want of me, Lord?  
Where do you want me to serve you?  
Where can I sing your praises?  
I am your song.

**Refrain**

Jesus, Jesus, you are the Lord.  
Jesus, Jesus, you are the way.

I hear you call my name, Lord,

and I am moved within me.  
Your Spirit stirs my deepest self.  
Sing your songs in me.

**Refrain**  
Jesus, Jesus, you are my Lord.  
Jesus, Jesus, you are the way.

Above, below, and around me.  
Before, behind and all through me,  
your Spirit burns deep within me.  
Fire my life with your love.

**Refrain:**  
Jesus, Jesus, be the warmth of my heart.  
Jesus, Jesus, you are the way.

**Communion:**

**Antiphon:**  
Whatsoever you do to the least of my people,  
That you do unto me.

When I was hungry you gave me to eat,  
When I was thirsty you gave me to drink.  
Now enter into the home of my father. **Antiphon**

When I was homeless and strange in this land,  
Searching for kindness, you held out your hand.  
Now enter into the home of my father. **Antiphon**

When in a prison you bothered to heed,  
When on a sick bed you cared for my need.  
Now enter into the home of my father. **Antiphon**

When I was weary you helped me find rest,  
When I was anxious you calmed all my fears.  
Now enter into the home of my father. **Antiphon**

When I was aged you bothered to smile,  
When I was restless you listened and cared.  
Now enter into the home of my father. **Antiphon**

When I was laughed at, you stood by my side,  
When I was happy you shared in my joy.  
Now enter into the home of my father. **Antiphon**

Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing:  
You reign now in splendour with Jesus our King.

**Refrain**  
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria.  
Ave, Ave, Ave Maria.

Predestined for Christ by eternal decree,  
God will you both virgin and mother to be. **Refrain**

To you by an angel, the Lord God made known  
The grace of the Spirit, the gift of the Son. **Refrain**

Most blest of all women, you heard and believed,  
Most blest in the fruit of your womb then conceived.  
**Refrain**

**Recessional:**








Go now you are sent forth  
To live what you proclaim;  
To show the world you follow Christ  
In fact not just in name.

Go now, you are sent forth  
To walk this troubled earth,  
To share your faith with other men,  
And prove your real worth.

Go now, you are sent forth  
As God's ambassador;  
By serving Him in those we meet,  
We love him more and more.

Go now, you are sent forth,  
And Christ goes with you, too;  
Today you help his Kingdom come,  
In everything you do.

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