

*St. Mary MacKillop
Church
Keilor Downs*



*St. Paul's
Church
Kealba*

PARISH OF ST MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year C - 11th & 12th May, 2019

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday – and it prompts us to reflect on Jesus' care, assurance and protection.

In today's brief Gospel, Jesus is passing on a very powerful but simple message to us.

At the same time, not only does this particular Gospel speaks about Jesus, it also speaks to us and about us. It is assuring us that we were given to Jesus by His Father, and no one will take us from His Father.

We belong to Him, we follow Him, and we will never be lost to Him, for Jesus said 'They will never be lost, no one will ever steal them from Me.'

Will we hear the voice of the Good Shepherd and continue to follow Him?



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

Entrance Antiphon:

The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

1st Reading:

Apostles 13:14,43-52
Psalms 99:1-3,5

Responsorial Psalm:

We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

2nd Reading:

Apocalypse 7:9,14-17

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

Gospel:

John 10:27-30

Before Communion:

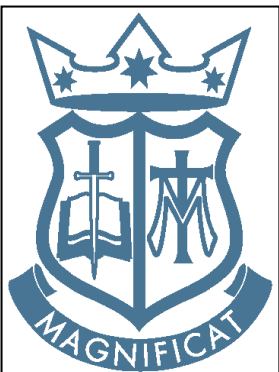
Lord, restore us by these Easter mysteries. May the continuing work of our Redeemer bring us eternal joy.

Communion Antiphon:

The Good Shepherd is risen! He who laid down his life for his sheep, who died for his flock, he is risen, alleluia.

After Communion:

Father, eternal shepherd, watch over the flock redeemed by the blood of Christ and lead us to the promised land.

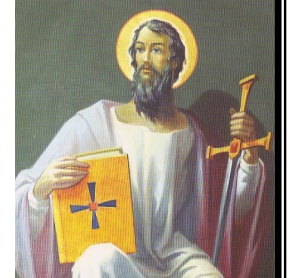


**ST. MARY
MACKILLOP**

*'Do all you can to
work on in unity.'*

ST. PAUL

*'The Lamb who is at the
throne will be their
shepherd and will lead
them to springs of living
water.'*



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RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

The issue of Religious Freedom is a very important one facing Australia's religious institutions. We believe it is our right to freely teach and educate families on God's word given to us in sacred scripture that is recorded in the Bible without fear of prosecution. Our teachings at Church and at our primary schools may be impacted by proposed legislation from various political parties. One of our parishioners wrote to various members of our Federal Parliament, including the Prime Minister expressing concerns with a proposed Bill seeking various amendments to the Commonwealth Sex Discrimination Act. If this Bill is passed at a future point in time, it could have the potential to censor what can be taught in religious bodies and dictate how these bodies teach their faiths. The Prime Minister, Scott Morrison wrote back and provided a detailed explanation about religious freedom and the consequences of future amendments to the Law. This response from the Prime Minister is available at back of the Church. Please take a copy and familiarise yourself with its contents and the issues facing our Church, particularly at a time when Australia will be voting for a New Federal Parliament on 18 May 2019.

POSITION VACANT

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish is currently seeking a Co-ordinator for their Outside School Hours Care Program in Keilor Downs for a period of 9 months. This is an opportunity to work in an exciting and safe environment and also develop engaged activities for primary school aged children.

St. Mary of the Assumption Outside School Hours Care offers a morning and afternoon care program, Mondays to Fridays during the school term. It is a moderate sized service with consistent assistants every morning and afternoon. The service has excellent routines in place and a supportive school community. The children and their families enjoy being involved in a wide range of activities indoors and outdoors

Duties will include:

Leading a team of Assistants
Ensuring the children are safe and engaged
Developing strong relationships with the school community
Managing day to day administration duties
Reporting to Key Responsible Person and Director
Creating a program that meets National Quality Framework requirements
Maintaining positive experiences and activities for children attending our service

Requirements are as follows:

Diploma in Childcare/ Certificate IV
Knowledge of National Laws and Regulations
Employee Working with Children Check
Police Check
Current and valid First Aid, Anaphylaxis and Asthma certificates
Availability Monday to Friday between the hours of 7:00am - 9:00am and 2:00pm-6:00am

To apply please forward applications to Mary Zambara email address: maryz@spkealba.catholic.edu.au

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



In Remembrance...

Recently Deceased:

Mary Wood



Anniversaries:

Joseph & Josephine Portelli, Marie Said, John & Maria Xerri, Lawrence De Brincat, Nicole Borg, Nicholas Attard, John & Geswalda Borg, Angelo Rapa, Melita Borg, Emmanuel Pule, Tony & Ganna Portelli, Josephine Muscat, Anna Dzidzic Maria Borg, Lora Livori, Carmen Bonavia, Marie Grierson, Muriel & Cherie Guest, Noreen Fraser, Grace Ciantar, Francis & John Grech, Zvonko Sestan, Gemma & Michael Imbroil, Michael & George Englezakis, Dorothy Muscat, Marie Grierson, Muriel & Cherie Guest, Noreen Fraser, Grace Ciantar, Dorothy Muscat, Carmela Scicluna, Connie Zammit, Valda Siggins, Falzon Family, Mifsud Family, Giovanna Vella, Mgr. Salvatore Sammut, David Johnstone, Peter Grixti, Teresa Anchade.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY, KEILOR DOWNS CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Members of the SVDP Society are committed to helping men, women and families to break their cycle of poverty and disadvantage by responding to their calls for emergency aid. Home visitations are the core work of the society, and are carried out by local conferences. In addition to visitations, the Keilor Downs Conference is also involved in fundraising, participation in the annual Winter Appeal and Christmas Hamper Appeal.

Parish Movie Night

The movie 'The Case for Christ' is based on the true life story of Lee Strobel. Lee is a well known investigative journalist working in the USA. He married a devoted Christian woman and tensions arise with his wife due to his own non-belief. So he uses his own investigative skills and talents to chase down the biggest story of all time, the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ in an attempt to disprove the Christian faith of his wife. The results are unexpected and life changing.

Time: Saturday the 8th of June 2019 at 6.30pm (after the 5.00pm mass)

Venue: St Mary MacKillop Primary School Multi-Purpose Room

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

Limit: 100 Parishioners

There will be Tea & Coffee and Light Refreshments served before 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.

LIVING THE CHRISTIAN LIFE VICTORIOUSLY PROGRAM

Join us this 3rd week of the program. The topic is "Spiritual Warfare". The speaker will be Fr Paul Chandler. We all know we face many challenges and battles that affect our faith. Come and learn valuable ways to overcome these challenges through prayer and knowledge of our faith. Jesus has won the victory, and has taught us how to be victorious ourselves. The meeting will be in the school area behind the parish office at St. Mary MacKillop. The talk will commence at 8pm, through to 9pm, Thursday, 16th May. Enquiries: Christina 0431 955 975.

Please note the next meeting of the [SVDP Keilor Downs Conference](#) is this coming Monday May 13th, 7pm, at the St Mary of the Assumption Parish Centre.

Divine Mercy Prayer Group at St Paul's Church

Samoan Divine Mercy Prayer Group: Every Sunday 12pm-4pm. Also English Divine Mercy Prayer Group on every 4th Sunday of the month From 2.30pm - 4.00pm (includes Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, Chaplet, Rosary, Praise and Worship followed by Fellowship). Please call Deacon David on 0451240713 (Samoan Service Enquiries), Rita D'Souza (0435956226) and Angela D'Souza (0413605420) (for English Service 4th Sunday's).

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

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, 15th May

Topic—**Forgiveness**
DVD Seminar—Fr Elias Vella

7pm Rosary, 7.30pm Praise & Worship followed by seminar. Concludes at 9pm with fellowship.

Prayer ministry also available.

For more information call Julie 0400 837 825

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 May

7.30pm Prayer and Praise
8.00pm 3rd Session of 'Living the Christian Life Victoriously'

Topic: 'Spiritual Warfare'

Speaker: Fr. Paul Chandler
All Welcome

Meet in school area behind office

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 18TH & 19TH MAY

SAT 18TH MAY 6.30PM

R Maurice Hammett
Special Ministers
L. Tabone.

SUN 19TH MAY 10AM

R Jean Falcoa
Special Ministers
J. Mamo, M. Zahra.

St Mary MacKillop Cleaning

FRIDAY 17th MAY

Mary Formosa
Margo Harley
Pauline Portelli
Mary Xuereb

Counting Team

COUNTING TEAM NO. 3:

Sheila Grixti
Michael Medved
Kathy Lindsay
John Kiomall
Susan Sammut

ST. MARY MACKILLOP ROSTER WEEKEND 18TH & 19TH MAY

SAT 18TH MAY 5PM

R Marietta Dykum
Special Ministers
Michael Vytilingam,
Hank Bader, Joe Camilleri.

SUN 19TH MAY 9AM

R Joe Falvo
Special Ministers
Wayne Harrison, Mickie Cavka,
Hilda D'Souza.

SUN 19TH MAY 11AM

R Tara Sciberras
Special Ministers
Jade Ngo, Marisa Barberi,
Carmen LaBruna.

SUN 19TH MAY 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

ST PAUL'S MUSIC GROUP

To be advised

Feast Days

Monday, 13th May

Our Lady of Fatima

Tuesday, 14th May

St. Matthias

Saturday, 18th May

St. John I

Monday, 13th May

10.30am Prayer Group
7.00pm St Vincent de Paul

Tuesday, 14th May

7.00pm Eucharistic Adoration
- St. Mary MacKillop

Wednesday, 15th May

7.00pm Legion of Mary
7.30pm St. Paul's Prayer Grp

Thursday, 16th May

10.30am St Mary MacKillop
Morning Prayer Grp

7.30pm St Mary MacKillop
Evening Prayer Grp

Friday, 17th May

4.45pm Children & Youth
of Mary

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Entrance:

Hail, Redeemer, King Divine!
Priest and lamb the Lord of time
King, whose reign shall never cease
Prince of everlasting peace

Refrain:

Angels, saints and nations sing:
"Praise be Jesus Christ our King,
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea;
King of Love on Calvary."

King whose name creation thrills,
Rule our minds, our hearts, our wills,
Till in peace each nation rings
With your praises, King of Kings. **Refrain**

Responsorial Psalm:

We are His people,
The sheep of the flock.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep and mine know me.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Offertory:

The Lord is my shepherd
And I want to follow
Wherever he leads me,
Wherever he goes
Over the mountains,
The waters and byways,
Valleys and highways,
He's waiting for me.

Refrain:

I want to go to meet him there
To lay myself down in his love

The Lord is my shepherd
And I want to follow
Wherever he leads me,
Wherever he goes

And while on the journey to where we are
going
He promised to be there to help us along
And over the mountains we'll walk on together
To know all the wonders he's given to me.
Refrain.

Communion:

I love you Lord, my Shepherd King
I shall not be in want for anything.
In you I've found this truth profound;
Your grace and mercy always follow me.

Refrain:

Be exalted, O my God,
For the greatness of your love,
For your love that passes understanding,
You are worthy, you are worthy,
you are worthy over all.

I love you Lord, you're leading me
In paths of quietness and confidence.
In you I stand,
Kept by your hand;
I know forever you will be with me.

In Fatima's cove on the thirteenth of May;
the Virgin Maria appeared at mid-day.

Refrain: Ave, Ave, Ave Maria! Ave, Ave, Ave
Maria!

The Virgin Maria surrounded by light;
God's Mother is ours for she gives us this
sight. **Refrain**

The world was then suffering from war,
plague, and strife,
and Portugal mourned for her great loss of
life. **Refrain**

To three shepherd children the Virgin then
spoke
a message so hopeful, with peace for all folk.
Refrain

With sweet Mother's pleading, she asked us to
pray,
do penance, be modest, the Rosary each day.
Refrain

All Portugal heard what God's Mother did say,
converted it sings of that Queen to this day.
Refrain

We all must remember Our Lady's request,
do all that she asks for, obey her bequests.
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.

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