



MARY, QUEEN OF THE FAMILY PARISH, BLACKTOWN

Our Parish Mission Statement

Mary, Queen of the Family Parish is a welcoming, diverse, multicultural, Catholic community. We seek: to live, teach and share the joy of the Gospel; to grow as disciples of Jesus through prayer, witness and action and to respond to the needs of the family in the Blacktown community and beyond.

We acknowledge the Darug people, the traditional custodians on whose land we worship.

Sunday, 7 Jan 2018: The Epiphany of the Lord - Year B

SEEING THE SIGNS

Recently, a friend shared this joke with me:

A man was swimming at the beach and was pulled into the ocean by a rip tide. He started to pray to God, "Lord, come and save me." Not long afterwards a lifeguard arrived, saying, "I've come to help you get back to shore." But the man replied, "Don't worry, God will save me." A fishing boat and a cruise liner passed by, and the captain of each vessel offered to help. But the man declined each time insisting that God would come to his aid. Exhausted, the man in the ocean drowned. He appeared before God and said, "I prayed and prayed, but you didn't save me. Why?" God replied to him, "I sent you two boats and a life guard. What more did you want?"

The narrative of the Epiphany prepares us to expect a big sign from God to help us on our journey. I wish I was half as lucky as the magi to have the Star of Bethlehem to guide me! The signs you and I will look for will not a grand star in the sky, but subtle glimpses of God in our everyday lives. We will be challenged, not to leave behind the comforts of home as the magi did, but to appreciate the precious moments when God reveals Himself to us.

The magi in today's Gospel respond to the Star of Bethlehem with overwhelming joy, moving them to present Jesus with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. The star I have been following has led me towards developing the youth ministry in our parish alongside Aaron Pinto and Chris Gabriel. It's time for me to use my own version of the magi's gifts to empower young people in Blacktown to explore their faith and celebrate their Catholic identity. I certainly don't want to be like the man in the ocean, waiting and failing to see His signs!

On this feast day, let us pray for each other for vigilance and courage - so that, whatever shape or form our star may take, that we are always ready to respond.

*Francesca Tenedora
Chairperson - Parish Pastoral Council*

CONTACT US

PARISH TEAM

Fr Peter Confeggi

Fr Dénes Ledeczi

Fr Luis Herrera

Deacon George Bryan

Lisa Bright

Antoinette Mangion

Jacqueline Castillo-Anchique

Georgia Scott

Aaron Pinto

**Parish Team Meetings each Monday
from 12.30pm - 2.00pm**

St Michael's Church

58 Orwell St

Blacktown

Office Hours:

Sunday 8.30am - 11.30am

St Patrick's Church

51-59 Allawah St,

Blacktown

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LITURGY TIMES

WEEKDAY MASSES

St Michael's

Mass 8:00am Mon, & Fri & 7.30pm Wed

Communion Service 8.00am Tues & Thurs

St Patrick's

Mass 9.00am Tues & Thurs & Sat

Communion Service 9.00am Mon, Wed, Fri

First Friday 7.30pm St Patrick's

SUNDAY MASSES

5.30pm Saturday Vigil (St Patrick's)

7.00am Sunday (St Patrick's)

8.00am Sunday (St Michael's)

9.30am Sunday (St Michael's)

10.00am Sunday (St Patrick's)

12.00pm 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sunday - Syro Malabar Mass

(St Michael's)

11.30 am 4th Sunday - Filipino Mass (St Michael's)

2:00pm Sunday - Sudanese Mass (St Patrick's)

5.30pm Sunday (St Patrick's)

6.00pm Sunday (St Michael's)

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Wednesday 7.00pm—7.25pm (St Michael's)

Saturday 9.30am - 10.25am (St Patrick's)

Anointing of the Sick

First Saturday during 9.00am Mass (St Patrick's)

or by appointment contact Parish Office

HOLY HOUR:

6.30pm - 7.30pm Wednesday @ St Michael's

6.30pm - 7.30pm First Friday @ St Patrick's

Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals

by appointment. Please contact office for details

CONNECT

PARISH SCHOOLS

St Michael's Primary 9622 9910

St Patrick's Primary 9621 4122

Nagle College 8887 4501

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Catholic Early Learning Centre 8814 8406

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YEAR OF MARK - YEAR B

The Epiphany of the Lord

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

FIRST READING: IS 60:1-6

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 71:1-2. 7-8. 10-13, R. SEE V.11

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

SECOND READING: EPH 3:2-3. 5-6

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mt 2:1-12

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' they asked. 'We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.' When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they told him, 'for this is what the prophet wrote: And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah, for out of you will come a leader who will shepherd my people Israel.'

Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

We remember and pray for those who are ill at home or in hospital at this time, may they know the healing presence of Christ



If you would like to include, in the bulletin, the name of a loved one who is ill, please contact the Parish Office on 9622 1125 or email admin@mqofblacktown.org.au.

Names will appear in the bulletin from February.

M 8 Jan: Is 55:1-11 or 1 Jn 5:1-9

T 9 Jan: 1 Sam 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28

W 10 Jan: 1 Sam 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1:29-39

Th 11 Jan: 1 Sam 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45

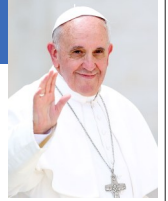
F 12 Jan: 1 Sam 8:4-7, 10-22; Mk 2:1-12

S 13 Jan: 1 Sam 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1; Mk 2:13-17



Frankly Speaking...

"The shepherds and the magi teach us that to meet Jesus it is necessary to be able to raise one's gaze to the heavens."
Pope Francis



If you would like to invest in your parish, please consider making an online donation. Visit www.mqofblacktown.org.au and click on "Donate Now" to make a secure payment to the parish via BPoint.

Pastoral Council Meeting

The next Pastoral Council meeting is to be held on Thursday 18th January 2018 at 7PM. It will be a joint meeting with the Parish Team and Finance Committee to discuss our Parish Vision. If you have any questions or comments please feel free to speak to any member of the PPC.

Franchesca Tenedora
PPC Chairperson
ftenedora@gmail.com

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS DECEMBER/JANUARY

The Parish Office will re-open on 9am, Monday 8th January 2017. For the month of January the parish office opening hours will be from 9am - 12pm. From Monday 29th January, opening hours will be from 9am - 4pm.

The office at St Michael's Church will be closed from Christmas Day and will re-open on Sundays 8.30am - 11.30am on Sunday 4th February 2017.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION COURSES 2018



Would you like to serve our community as a Reader, Minister of Holy Communion, taking Communion to the Sick and Dying or as a Senior Server and/or Acolyte? Now is the time! Formation Courses begin in February at the Institute for Mission. There is no cost for these formation courses. If you would like to take part in this short course please contact Lisa at the parish office for an application form. Email sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au



At Mary, Queen of the Family Parish we WELCOME, GROW and ACT

JOIN THE MQOF WELCOME TEAM

Mary, Queen of the Family Parish would love to welcome all people to each and every mass. Contact Conrad Gabriel via the parish office to be part of the welcome team.



menALIVE is a Catholic Men's Ministry bringing Christ to the heart of all men. The purpose of menALIVE is to bring men together, to renew their faith in God and to encourage them become an active force of renewal in the Church.

Over a drink and a bite, our monthly gatherings are geared to bring men together to unite men in faith, to create an environment where faith is central and social. Meet Christ somewhere, "Between the Pub and Pew"

Join us on **Friday 16th February 2018** at the Sid Mosley Centre, St Michael's Church
Paul Scott 0416 250 591 or
Justin Bear 0488 033 066

BAPTISMS - JANUARY 2017

We welcome these young people into our parish family as they are baptised this month at Mary, Queen of the Family Parish.

Alejandro Guerra
Matthew John Oak
Isaia Pucariello
Cooper Arlo Bargiel
Olivia Leonila Ocampo

*May God Bless you and keep you always.
May you always know the love of God in your lives as you grow in faith and love.*

BIBLE STUDY

Do you wish to deepen a personal relationship with God by reflection and discussion of the Scriptures? Sessions recommence on Thursday 1st February 2018 in the Fr Sid Mosley Meeting Room at St Michael's. Call the Parish Office for more information. All Welcome!



Just released - The FaithFeed's 2018 studio audience events for 2018!
Aged 25-39? Experience a night out where you can engage with or simply listen to live speakers sharing some of their story of life, faith & action in the world!

Registrations for the event dates can be made via: www.tinyurl.com/studioaudience



The three wise men had to search for Jesus. Where are some of the places we can find Jesus in our world today?

Youth Ministry @ MQOF

Friends, families, parents - lend us your ears. MQOF is launching a new-look youth ministry in 2018 for youth aged 12-17, and we want you to be a part of it! First of all, we'd like to invite all parents of youth in this age bracket to come along to an information night about what youth ministry will look like in 2018 and beyond.

When: Tuesday 6th February, 7:30pm

Where: Institute for Mission, 1-5 Marion St Blacktown

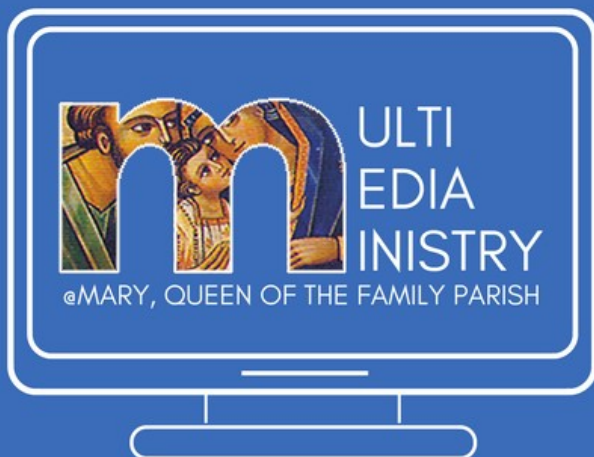
Please direct enquiries and RSVPs to the parish office at admin@mqofblacktown.org.au.
We're looking forward to seeing you there!

Thanks - 2018 Youth Ministry Team

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER

Date and Sunday of the Month	Mass Times	Music Ministry	Commentator	1st Reader	2nd Reader	Acolyte/Adult Servers		
14th January 2nd Sunday of the Month 2nd Sun in Ord Time	Vigil 5.30PM	Perla Billedo	Vanessa Lozada	Peter Curmi	Joyce Aitkins	Paul Garland		
	7.00AM	DVP: Christine	Patricia Regan	Rita McCormick	Pauline Chappius	Anne Wait	Karma Chabchoul	Gerry Meura
	8.00 AM	DVP: Elizabeth	Ian Ward	Terri Sebastian		Max Rosario	Annie Pinto	
	9.30 AM	Murphy Choir	Ian Faulkner	Peter Mondeddu	Pam Faulkner	Ike Lutaos	Ricardo Fortaleza	
	10.00AM	St Cecilia's Choir	Patrick Dako	Judy Bartley	Antoinette Mangion	Maurice Bru	Francine Bru	John Cinya
	5.30PM	VACANT	Louisa Xavier	Kathie Collins	William Ong	Conrad Gabriel	Frank Mangion	
	6.00 PM	C 4 Christ	Franchesca Tenedora	Violeta Bada		Eddie Peters		
21st January 3rd Sunday of the Month Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	Vigil 5.30PM	Perla Billedo	Josephine Miruzzi	Ray Holmes	Kathie Collins	Paul Garland		
	7.00AM	DVP: Christine	Sr Maria Marin	Pat Regan	Jospehine Miruzzi	Bill Callaghan	Karma Chabchoul	Gerry Meura
	8.00 AM	DVP: Blake	Therese Bear	Ron Burgess	Colin Morris	Max Rosario	Ike Lutaos	
	9.30 AM	II Celebrate	Colista Mullholland-Youngman	Nel Nepomuceno	Silvana Murphy	Paul Scott		
	10.00AM	Divine Mercy	Vanessa Lozada	Rosal Andres	Mercy Aquino	Peter Baker	Maurice Bru	Francine Bru
	5.30PM	VACANT	John Kurmann	Crystal Degollacion	Emmy Milan	John Solivet	Frank Mangion	
	6.00 PM	VACANT	Donna Uvero	Ruth Marie Lee		Beato Pudadera		
28th January 4th Sunday of the Month Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Vigil 5.30PM	Divine Mercy	Paul Ryan	Joyce Aitkins	Peter Curmi	Paul Garland	Zaldy Pamintuan	
	7.00AM	DVP: Tony	Josephine Miruzzi	Nancy Dias	Rita McCormick	Anne Wait	Bill Callaghan	Gerry Meura
	8.00 AM	DVP: Michael	Ian Ward	Colin Morris		Max Rosario		
	9.30 AM	Murphy	Ian Ward	Peter Mondeddu	Eva Cheetley	Beato Pudadera		
	10.00AM	II Celebrate	Evelyn Balagtas	Michael Hiriwo	Stella Nwosu	John Cinya	Maurice Bru	Francine Bru
	5.30PM	VACANT	Louisa Xavier	Linda Hogan	Franchesca Tenedora	Conrad Gabriel	Frank Mangion	
	6.00 PM	Christi Fideles Servant Community Choir	Susan Santos	Violeta Bada	Evelyn Pelez	Eddie Peters		
4th February 1st Sunday of the Month Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Vigil 5.30PM	Shepherd's Choir	Giselle Saba	Josephine Miruzzi	Cecilia Ducut	Paul Garland	Zaldy Pamintuan	
	7.00AM	DVP: Tony	Christine Nalzaro	Jane Abela	Sr Maria Marin	Karma Chabchoul	Bill Callaghan	Gerry Meura
	8.00 AM	DVP: Blake	Michael Zerafa	Diane Zerafa	Ron Burgess	Annie Pinto	Max Rosario	
	9.30 AM	II Celebrate	Colista Mullholland-Youngman	Nel Nepomuceno	Maree Mahony	Paul Scott	Ricardo Fortaleza	
	10.00AM	Unceasing Praise	Mercy Aquino	Evelyn Balagtas	Deavelyn Besterwitch	Jude Miranda	Maurice Bru	Francine Bru
	5.30PM	Youth Band	Kathie Collins	Emmy Milan	John Kurmann	John Solivet	Conrad Gabriel	
	6.00 PM	VACANT	Pam Faulkner	Susan Santos	Evelyn Pelaez	Ian Faulkner	Frank Mangion	
11th February 2nd Sunday of the Month Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Vigil 5.30PM	Lord's Choir	Vanessa Lozada	Peter Curmi	Joyce Aitkins	Paul Garland		
	7.00AM	DVP: Christine	Patricia Regan	Rita McCormick	Pauline Chappius	Anne Wait	Bill Callaghan	Gerry Meura
	8.00 AM	DVP: Michael	Terri Sebastian	Diane Zerafa	Kathryn Wright	Max Rosario	Ricardo Fortaleza	
	9.30 AM	Murphy Choir	Therese Bear	Pam Faulkner	Kristy Scott	Ian Faulkner	Natalia Gabriel	
	10.00AM	St Cecilia's Choir	Perla Billedo	Judy Bartley	Stella Nwosu	Maurice Bru	Francine Bru	Peter Baker
	5.30PM	Youth Band	William Ong	Franchesca Tenedora	Crystal Degollacion	Frank Mangion	Steve Degollacion	
	6.00 PM	C 4 Christ	Violeta Bada	Nelda Gopez	Ruth Marie Lee	Eddie Peters	Zaldy Pamintuan	

JOIN OUR MULTI-MEDIA MINISTRY



Contact the Parish Office if you would like to be part of growing our use of technology at MQOF.



Continuing the conversation about review and supervision of our ministries, we will be hosting reflection sessions 3 times in the new year:

21st February 10:00am; **or** 23rd February 7:30pm
26th June 7:30pm; **or** 27th June 10:00am
20th November 7:30pm; **or** 21st November 10am

These sessions will be an opportunity for you to share your experiences of ministry, be motivated and learn from others. Mark these dates in your diary and send your RSVP to the Parish Office by phone on 9622 1125 or via email at admin@mqofblacktown.org.au

Let's become better together!

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER

Date and Sunday of the Month	Mass Times	Ministers of Communion										Altar Servers (Senior & Junior)		
		Theresa Azzopardi	Dorothy Angyalfi	Michael Hall	Rose Spiteri	Peter Munro	Ashleigh Tabusares	Matthew Saba	Ashleigh Tabusares	Matthew Saba	Thomas Perry	Lucy Perry		
14th January 2nd Sunday of the Month 2nd Sun in Ord Time	Vigil 5.30PM	Vicky Sultana	Dorothy Angyalfi	Michael Hall	Rose Spiteri	Peter Munro	Ashleigh Tabusares	Matthew Saba	Ashleigh Tabusares	Matthew Saba	Thomas Perry	Lucy Perry		
	7.00AM	Andrea Fraser	Pacita Villaver	Patricia Regan	Karma Chabchoul		Alexis Rossi	Joshua Pinto	Joshua Pinto	Jav Calingao	Jenille Calingao			
	8.00 AM	Vicky Sammut	Aureen Murtoo				Joshua Sammt	Geoffrey Fancisco	Geoffrey Fancisco					
	9.30 AM	Mary Mondeddu	Nancy Shami	Patrick Dako	Maria Jimenez	Michael Hirivo	Louise Sergio	Josep Sergio	Viviana Abusalah	Norbert Dirchi				
	10.00AM	Pauline Borg	Crystal Degollacion	Veronica Xavier			Cryste Degollacion	Oscar Degollacion	Oscar Degollacion					
	5.30PM	Ruth Marie Lee					Ronash Alves	Adam D'Sa	Angelize Estili					
21st January 3rd Sunday of the Month Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	Vigil 5.30PM	Angela John	Giselle Saba	Michael Hall	Rose Spiteri	Peter Munro	Ashleigh Tabusares	Matthew Saba	Ashleigh Tabusares	Matthew Saba	Thomas Perry	Lucy Perry		
	7.00AM	Andrea Fraser	Pacita Villaver	Patricia Regan	Karma Chabchoul		Alexis Rossi	Jav Calingao	Jav Calingao	Jenille Calingao				
	8.00 AM	Phyllis Portelli	Nancy Shami				Mitchell Eckersley	Natasha Luiz	Natasha Luiz					
	9.30 AM	Mary Mondeddu	Nancy Shami	Maria Jimenez	Tony Cuciardi	Guy Vella	Joanna Fernando	Joseph Sergio	Louise Sergio	Jonathan Miranda	Rovick Guerrero			
	10.00AM	Mercy Aquino	Anna Dazon	Louisa Xavier			James Solivet	C.J Singen	Patrick Supan					
	5.30PM	Veronica Xavier	Gemma Borg				Princess Torralba	Adam Torralba						
28th January 4th Sunday of the Month Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Vigil 5.30PM	Theresa Azzopardi	Michael Hall	Rose Spiteri	Peter Munro	Cecilia Ducut	Ashleigh Tabusares	Matthew Saba	Ashleigh Tabusares	Matthew Saba				
	7.00AM	Angela John	Pacita Villaver	Patricia Regan	Karma Chabchoul		Alexis Rossi	Joshua Pinto	Joshua Pinto					
	8.00 AM	Diane Zerafa	Vicky Sammut				Samantha Cheeley	Natasha Luiz	Geoffrey Fancisco					
	9.30 AM	Peter Mondeddu	Nancy Shami	Rosal Andres	Maria Jimenez	Louisa Xavier	Stephanie Nwosu	Emmanuel Nwosu	Rames Abu Ganaba	Ranye Abu Ganaba	Anton Arshilo			
	10.00AM	Guy Vella	Aleli Canonizado	Louisa Xavier			Cryste Degollacion	Oscar Degollacion	Thomas Hogan	Maxwell Hogan				
	5.30PM	Veronica Xavier	Gemma Borg				Ronash Alves	Adam D'Sa	Angelize Estili					
4th February 1st Sunday of the Month Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Vigil 5.30PM	Theresa Azzopardi	Dorothy Angyalfi	Michael Hall	Rose Spiteri	Peter Munro	Ashleigh Tabusares	Matthew Saba	Ashleigh Tabusares	Matthew Saba	Thomas Perry			
	7.00AM	Angela John	Pacita Villaver				Alexis Rossi	Jav Calingao	Jenille Calingao					
	8.00 AM	Colin Maxwell	Carmen Borg				Samantha Cheeley	Mitchell Eckersley	Joshua Sammt	Geoffrey Fancisco				
	9.30 AM	Geny Cleary	Silvana Murphy	Ruth Miranda	Rosal Andres	Lynn Domingo	Kirk Acido	Patrick Supan	Shane Almeida	Sancio Almeida	Jonah Sua			
	10.00AM	Maria Verrier	Patrick Dako	Len Cruz			James Solivet	Jonah Sua						
	5.30PM	Pauline Borg	Gemma Borg				Princess Torralba	Adam Torralba						
11th February 2nd Sunday of the Month Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Vigil 5.30PM	Theresa Azzopardi	Rose Spiteri	Peter Munro	Michael Hall	Dorothy Angyalfi	Ashleigh Tabusares	Matthew Saba	Ashleigh Tabusares	Matthew Saba	Adam Cruz			
	7.00AM	Angela John	Pacita Villaver				Alexis Rossi	Jav Calingao	Jenille Calingao					
	8.00 AM	Phyllis Portelli	Carmen Borg				Natasha Luiz	Joshua Pinto	Joshua Pinto					
	9.30 AM	Maria Verrier	Nancy Shami	Lynn Domingo	Guy Vella	Michael Hirivo	Louise Sergio	Josep Sergio	Viviana Abusalah	Norbert Dirchi				
	10.00AM	Aleli Canonizado	Rosal Andres	Crystal Degollacion			Cryste Degollacion	Oscar Degollacion	Oscar Degollacion					
	5.30PM	Gemma Borg	Louisa Xavier				Ronash Alves	Adam D'Sa						

Please arrive at least 15 minutes before your rostered Mass. If you are unable to meet your commitment, please organise a replacement or contact the parish office on 9622 1125 or admin@mqofblacktown.org.au



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JOURNEY OF FAITH TO ITALY & MALTA

27th August – 18th September 2018

With Fr Luis Herrera
and Lisa Bright

Our Christian Faith is so rich in spirituality and in history. We invite you to journey with us through Rome, Assisi and Malta to experience these places that have contributed to the history of the Church and witness to our expression of faith. See these amazing places, with their stories of saints and people gone before us and the expression of devotion through magnificent art and architecture. The group will be spending the majority of the pilgrimage in Malta – a place of rich Catholic tradition and for many people, a place of strong family history and heritage. This journey will be a wonderful opportunity to be witness to that heritage in the light of faith - to grow your faith and share your faith - learning from the past to continue to bring Christ's message into the future.

Join this amazing 20 days of pilgrimage experience through Italy and Malta.

Lisa Bright lbright@mqofblacktown.org.au or
Olive Tree Travel / Katrina Maggs
T: +61 3 8488 9696 or 1300 55 08 30
katrina@olivetreetravel.com.au
www.olivetreetravel.com.au

Consider this pilgrimage to Italy and Malta sharing so much beauty and history of Italy and Malta. Join Fr Luis and Lisa on this wonderful experience!

Contact the Parish Office for an itinerary or to find out more information.

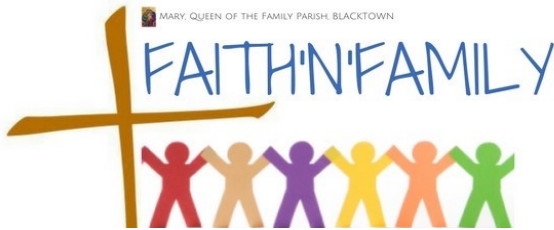
HEALING MASS

You all are invited to the healing mass on 29th January 2018 at 7pm at St Michael's Church, Orwell St Blacktown. It will be celebrated by Fr Joseph Edattu VC from the Divine Retreat Centre, UK.

JOIN THE MQOF SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP TO WELCOME, GROW AND ACT.

Make a Difference in your community.

The Social Justice Group meets on the 2nd Sunday of each month (Feb—Dec) at 11.30am in the Parish Office. CONTACT KATHIE ON 0414 194 052 or the PARISH OFFICE 9622 1125.



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HOLIDAY EXPERIENCE

23rd, 24th, 25th JANUARY 2018 : 9am - 3pm
For children aged 5-12 years old : St Patrick's Church

What is a Faith'n'Family Holiday Experience?

Who said our Faith can't be fun? The Faith'n'Family holiday experience is a 3 day program, from 9am - 3pm on the 23rd, 24th, 25th January 2018. Over these 3 days we will meet new people, have some fun and grow deeper in our friendship with Jesus. Please note that the 3 days is one complete program.

Who can attend?

The holiday experience is for children aged 5-12 years old.

How can I register?

The cost for the 3 day experience is \$30. Morning tea and lunch are included each day. You will need to register for the program. You can do so by completing the Expression of Interest Form below and sending it to sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au or dropping it into the parish office. (Please note the office is closed from the 23rd—8th January)

I am interested in volunteering.

If you would like to volunteer for the holiday experience, you will need to have a Working With Children Check. Call Lisa at the office if you are interested in helping out in any of the following areas - hospitality team, welcome team or program team.

What if I have more questions?

Please send your questions to sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au or call the parish office on 9622 1125.

I would like to register my child for the Faith'n'Family Holiday Experience.

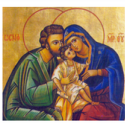
Child's Name: _____ Age: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Parent's Contact Email: _____

Parent's Contact Phone: _____

Please return to sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au or at the parish office.



MARY, QUEEN OF THE FAMILY
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Are you new to our parish? WELCOME!

We would love to get to know you!

Help us extend a personal welcome to you ...

- ➔ Drop into the parish office and meet our Parish Team
- ➔ Fill out the welcome form and place it in the letterbox
- ➔ Send us an email to admin@mqofblacktown.org.au

*It's great to have you here as part of our Parish Community.
We'll see you soon!!*



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Welcome Information Form

complete this form and place it in the parish letterbox

NAME

ADDRESS.....

EMAIL.....

PHONE #

THANK YOU!

Someone from the Parish team will be in touch soon.

FAMILY GROUPS

An extended family experience within the community open to everyone with a focus on people caring for, loving and accepting each other.

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Reflective Ministry-Component 1 is offered in the first half of the year in 2018 and has 12 gatherings reflecting on foundations on:

- ♣ Spirituality
- ♣ Theology and
- ♣ Practical People Skilling

Reflective Ministry-Component 2 is offered in the second half of the year in 2018 and has 12 gatherings reflecting on foundations on:

- ♣ Scripture
- ♣ Servant Leadership and
- ♣ God's Invitation to Mission

OPTIONS:

- DO COMPONENT 1 ONLY - OR -
- DO BOTH 1 AND 2 CONSECUTIVELY - OR -
- DO 1 NOW AND 2 ANOTHER YEAR

COMPONENT 1 STARTS 17 FEB 2018.
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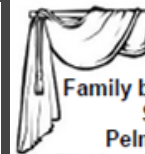
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