



DECREE

Extinctive Union
(Merger)
of
the Parish of St Patrick, Blacktown
and
the Parish of St Michael, South Blacktown

Having concern for and seeking the good of the faithful in the Parishes of St Patrick, Blacktown and St Michael, South Blacktown, with plans to build a Church of sufficient size for parish and diocesan celebrations in the Blacktown area, having consulted the clergy and the faithful of both parishes, having consulted the diocese more broadly in the lead up to the publication of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan, and having formally consulted the Council of Priests in accordance with Canon 515 §2 on 16 July 2014 and 18 September 2014, I hereby decree that the Parish of St Patrick, Blacktown and the Parish of St Michael, South Blacktown be merged such that the new parish be named:

Mary, Queen of the Family, Blacktown.

The current parish boundaries remain in force except for the current common border between the two parishes which is now extinguished.

The newly titled parish contains two churches which will continue to be known as the Church of St Michael and the Church of St Patrick.

The temporal goods, including assets and liabilities, of the Parishes of St Michael and St Patrick are to become the temporal goods, including assets and liabilities, of the Parish of Mary, Queen of the Family, Blacktown. The records of the two former parishes are to be kept at the central office of the Parish of Mary, Queen of the Family.

This Decree is to be communicated to the clergy and parishioners of the two parishes as soon as possible and is to take effect from 18 September 2014.

Given at Parramatta, NSW on 18 September 2014.

Most Reverend Anthony Fisher OP
Bishop of Parramatta

Antoine Kazzi BCom LLB
Notary