

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, 9 Jun 2019: Pentecost Sunday - Year C

THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE CHURCH

'Receive the Holy Spirit'. With these simple words, Jesus gave to the Church the greatest Gift, and we see in today's great feast this Gift in action as he does something for the disciples that is incredibly important. The first reading relates how the disciples were shut in a room when suddenly this Gift breaks in upon them. And this Gift, the Holy Spirit, gives them the power to preach in all languages. And despite the many and varied languages, they all preached together about the marvels of God. The Holy Spirit unites the disciples in proclaiming the one Lord and Saviour of the world: Jesus Christ. This informs St. Paul: 'There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all...' (Eph. 4:4-6).

This Gift of the Holy Spirit and the unity he brings about in us is a real treasure. For we live in a world marked by division; we see it perpetually in the news, where one journalist slams those on the 'left' and the next journalist slams those on the 'right'; but we even see it in the Church where people fall into labelling each other as if the Church were warring political parties with some following 'progressives' and others 'conservatives'.

The Gift of the Holy Spirit today reminds us that we are not warring political parties who vie for dominance, we are not politicians with policies of our own devising. Instead, we are the children of God, one family, united in the one Spirit and one faith, called to preach that one and same faith in Jesus Christ. That is what we profess in the creed every Sunday: 'I believe in *one*, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.' Today, on this birth of the Church, let us praise and thank God for this great Gift: the unity brought about by the Holy Spirit. Let us also join Christ in praying for the unity of the Church: 'Father, may they be one in us, as you are in me and I am in you, so that the world may believe it was you who sent me.' (Jn. 17:21). This gift of our unity in the Holy Spirit can be a great sign of hope to our very divided world. Let us, by God's Gift, be that sign of hope. Fr Jack

CONTACT US

PARISH TEAM

Moderator: Fr Regie Lavilla Priest: Fr John Paul Escarlan Fr Jack Green Priest: Deacon: John Cinya Finance Officer: Sarah Cañete

Pastoral Care Coordinator: Antoinette Mangion Parish Assistant: Christina Rodricks Parish Assistant: Cate Gabriel Parish Assistant: Kaitlyn Vergano Parish Assistant: Todd Pieters

The Parish Office is closed each day between 12.30pm-1pm

St Patrick's Church

A/H: 9621 3146

Parish Team Meetings each Wednesday from 10.00 - 11.00am

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LITURGY TIMES

WEEKDAY MASSES

St Michael's: 8am Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri Wednesday 8.30am & 7.30pm St Patrick's: 9am Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Sat 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 11.00am 4th Sunday - Filipino Mass (St Michael's) 2:00pm - Sudanese Mass (St Patrick's) 3.30pm - Syro Malabar Mass (St Michael'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 Friday @ St Patrick's

Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals

by appointment. Please contact office for details

CONNECT

PARISH SCHOOLS

St Michael's Primary 8869 6200 St Patrick's Primary 8869 6000 Nagle College 8887 4501 Patrician Brothers College 88110300 Catholic Early Learning Centre 8814 8406 (St Michael's)

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YEAR OF LUKE - YEAR C Pentecost Sunday

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Wis 1:7
The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things

understands what is said, alleluia.

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 103:1. 24. 29-31. 34. R. v.30

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. **Second Reading:** 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit; fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

Gospel: Jn 20:19-23

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Acts 2:4,11 They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Anniversaries: Anthony Spiteri , Mary, John, Joseph Binh Chanh Lam, Maria Thuc Trinh Dang



Special Intentions: Josephine Nakhoul, Beryl Kathleen Boidin, Alex Scollard, Salvador Alcoseba, Betty Vella, Lily Rita Rajaratnam

We remember and pray for those who are ill at home or in hospital at this time: Paul Clemson, Raymonde Clair, Baby Sophie Debono, Katarina Gjumbir, Shane McKechnie, Dayne-Taylor Riew, Helen Sumera, Joseph Nakhoul, Cecile Clair, Steven Griffin, Doreen Stanslaus, Dalton Gunnulson, Mary Key

If you would like to include in the bulletin the name of a loved one who is ill or you are going into hospital and would like to be anointed, please contact the Parish Office on 9622 1125 or email admin@mqofblacktown.org.au. You may also write your mass intention on the envelopes provided, indicating the time and date that you would like your intention to be offered.

Deepest Sympathy

We offer our deepest sympathy for the family of Rita Marie Morgan, who passed away on Monday 3rd June. The funeral will be at St Michael's

Church on the 14th June at 10am.

May Rita be welcomed into God's loving Kingdom.

Vinnies Pantry

Can you help by donating the following food items to the Vinnies pantry?

Pasta Sauce, Spreads (Jams, Honey), Soup, Tinned Tuna, Pasta. Biscuits.

Your donation can be left in the baskets at the church doors. Thank you!

Daily Readings

M 10 Jun: Gen 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Jn 19:25-34

T 11 Jun: Acts 11:21-26, 13:1-3; (Mt 10:7-13)

W 12 Jun: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Mt 5:17-19

Th 13 Jun: 2 Cor 3:15 – 4:1, 3-6; Mt 5:20-26

F 14 Jun: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 5:27-32

S 15 Jun: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Mt 5:33-37

S 16 Jun: Prov 8:22-31; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

Frankly Speaking...

"Do not be afraid of holiness, do not be afraid to aim high, to be loved and purified by God, do not be afraid to let yourself be guided by the Holy Spirit."



Pope Francis



Family Group Meeting

Attention: previous, current and prospective members of MOOF family groups

It is our wish to bring together, once again, all members of family groups in the MQOF parish or anyone else interested. This includes the 2 current family groups, Many Blessings and Harmony, as well as other family groups that ceased operating during the period of the amalgamation of St Michael's and St Patrick's Parishes. We hope to be able to embrace each other as Christian brothers and sisters.

The event will be held at the Blacktown Showgrounds from 11:30 onwards on 23rd June. It is an occasion to meet informally, share stories and experiences of our lives and the impacts and challenges of living our faith. Please bring some food or drink to share, while the kids can run amok.

For further details please contact Ivan on 0414208449.

PRAYER: ADORATION: PRAISE & WORSHIP
TESTIMONY: FELLOWSHIP

3RD FRIDAY DEVOTION

21 June 2019 6:30 PM St Patrick's Church Mary, Queen of the Family Parish, Blacktown

TEXT RSVP TO FRANCHESCA ON 0432 417 883 BY FRIDAY 14.06.19

HOSTED BY MQOF YOUTH



Social Justice cans and plastic bottles collection

There will be boxes in the foyers for those who want to bring in their cans and plastic bottles. The Social Justice group will recycle them and the funds will help to provide for those who are doing it tough in our community.



Piety Store

Come and have a look at the MQOF Piety Store after Mass! We have many beautiful gifts available for purchase.



Adult Confirmation

Are you ready to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation?

Adult Confirmation will take place on the 10th September at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Preparations for the Sacrament will begin on the 31st of August at the Institute for Mission (IFM). If you are interested and wish to find out more details, please contact the Parish Office on 9622 1125.

Dear Parishioners

We are in need of volunteers either in St Michael's or St Patrick's Church who would like to share their time and talents for the following:

Church and Building Maintenance Gardening and Grounds Maintenance Electrical Maintenance Church Cleaning- St Patrick's Church

The Volunteer sign-up forms are available at the foyers of our Churches.

May we grow in our love and service for God and his people!



GROWING IN MINISTRY

Ministers are invited to attend one session for Growing In Ministry.

Join us on either:

25 June 7:30pm or 26 June 10:00am

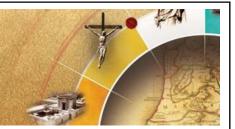
Both sessions will be held in the Cardinal Clancy Room at St Patrick's Church.

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

GROWIN



UNLOCKING MYSTERY BIBLE



Bible Study At MQOF

Start date: 22nd of July End date: 9th of September

Time: Mondays 7 - 8:30pm

Location: St Patrick's Church

Flyers with more information are available at the Church foyers. Please feel free to take one with you.

For any enquiries, please contact the Parish Office on 9622 1125 or admin@mqofblacktown.org.au



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