



Weekly Bulletin

Mary, Queen of the Family Parish

St. Michael's Church - 58 Orwell Street, South Blacktown. & St. Patrick's Church - 51-59 Allawah Street, Blacktown.

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

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

27TH JUNE 2021

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Mary Queen of the Family (MQOF) parish strives to live as a faithful and committed Catholic community, continuing to deepen in understanding the Sacred Tradition and Sacred Scripture of the Catholic Church and to grow as missionary disciples of Jesus Christ, evangelising and responding to the needs of the family in the Blacktown community and beyond.

LITURGY TIMES

Weekday Masses

St Michael's: 8am Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri
7.30pm Wed only

St Patrick's: 9am Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Sat and
7.30pm Fri only.

Sunday Masses

5.30pm Sat Vigil (St Patrick's)
7.00am Sun (St Patrick's)
8.00am Sun (St Michael's)
9.30am Sun (St Michael's)
10.00am Sun (St Patrick's)
11.00am 4th Sun - Filipino Mass
(St Michael's)
2:00pm - Sudanese Mass (St Patrick's)
1.00pm - Syro-Malabar Mass (St Michael's)
5.30pm Sun (St Patrick's)
6.00pm Sun (St Michael's)

RECONCILIATION

St Michael's: Wed 6:30pm-7:20pm

St Patrick's: Fri 6:30pm-7:20pm &
Sat 9:30am-10:30am

HOLY HOUR

St Michael's: Wed 6:30pm-7:30pm

St Patrick's: Fri 6:30pm-7:30pm

Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals & Anointing of the Sick
by appointment.

Jesus heals and restores

The reality of suffering and death puzzles everyone. It can be confusing and disorientating. This is probably one of the most difficult problems that empirical science could not fully explain. Many of us become resigned and hopeless in the face of this truth. It is only in the light of God's revelation that we can truly make sense of it. In the Sacred Scriptures, God speaks and gives us a glimpse into the mystery of creation and redemption, the fall and salvation.

Christian faith helps us face suffering and death squarely as we turn our gaze to the one who gives it meaning and conquered death, our Lord Jesus Christ. We can hope in the Son of God who has come to us, assumed the human body and experience all that we have except sin. His earthly presence then drew people to have faith in him as they were healed and restored back to life. But let us understand that what Jesus did and taught were not ultimately meant stripping temporarily physical suffering and death. He is pointing to something we probably don't think all the time or not at all, that is, eternal life. He is the one who can bring us to the fullness of life even as we struggle with suffering and death in our earthly pilgrimage.

We have two powerful witnesses of faith in Jesus in our Gospel this Sunday, Jairus and the woman with haemorrhage. The woman stood out in the midst of a crowd who were pressing on to touch Jesus. But why is it that not everyone is healed? This is a very important insight because Mark deliberately shows us that she touched Jesus with faith, with supernatural trust. Jesus perceived that "power had gone out from him." In turn the woman has been touched by Jesus and heard his encouraging words, "Daughter, your faith had made you well; go in peace and be healed of your disease."

Today Jesus continues his mission of healing and restoring our wounded and broken humanity. He constantly dispenses his graces in the sacraments, so that when we receive it with supernatural faith, with proper disposition and deep trust, we in turn can be touched by his healing power not only physically but more so spiritually, and thus set our hearts to him, experience his mercy and love and find the fullness of life in him.

Fr Regie Lavilla MSP

Parish Directory

St. Michael's Church - 58 Orwell Street, South Blacktown &
St. Patrick's Church - 51-59 Allawah Street Blacktown.

Parish Office: At St. Patrick's Church. Office Hours: Mon-Fri: 9am-4pm
Telephone: 02 9622 1125 A/H: 02 8705 0830.
Website: www.mqofblacktown.org.au Email: admin@mqofblacktown.org.au

Parish Team:

Priests: Fr. Regie Lavilla, MSP (Moderator), Fr John Paul Escarlan & Fr Jack Green.

Deacon: John Cina

Finance Officer: Sarah Damole Email: accounts@mqofblacktown.org.au

Secretaries: Ann Hart (Wed-Fri) & Ged Oblea (Mon & Tues) Email: admin@mqofblacktown.org.au

Sacramental Coordinator: Gerald "Ged" Oblea. Mobile: 0422 724 008

Email: sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au

Parish Assistant: Kaitlyn Vergano Catechist Coordinator: Sandra Baker

Youth Minister: Blake Bano

Parish Pastoral Council: Chair: Cecil Fernandes; Asst Chair: Ruth Miranda; Secretary: Eva Cheetley
Members: Nathan Fernandes, Sidney Lazum, Phi Nguyen, Jude Miranda, Joseph Azzi, Ashley Azzi, Harlane Petersen, Fr. Regie Lavilla, Fr John Paul Escarlan, Fr Jack Green, Deacon John Cina.

Parish Schools:

St Michael's Primary:
P : 8869 6200 <https://www.stmichaelsblacktown.catholic.edu.au>

St Patrick's Primary:
P : 8869 6000 <https://www.stpatsblacktown.catholic.edu.au>

Nagle College:
P : 8887 4507 <https://www.nagleblacktown.catholic.edu.au>

Patrician Brothers College:
P : 8811 0300 <https://www.patsblacktown.nsw.edu.au>

Catholic Early Learning Centre (St Michael's) :
P : 8814 8406 <https://www.ceclcblacktownstn.catholic.edu.au>

Nursing Homes:

Opal Nursing Home (37 Kildare Rd, Blacktown NSW 2148) P : 9852 9600
Mulluana Retirement Village (61 Bungaribee Rd, Blacktown NSW 2148) P : 8822 2100
Catholic Healthcare St Hedwig Village Blacktown (140 Reservoir Rd, Blacktown 2148) P: 8822 9920

THE LITURGY THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME B

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Ps 46:2

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of Joy!

FIRST READING: WIS 1:13-15; 2:23-24

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. V.2

(R.) I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

SECOND READING: 2 COR 8 : 7. 9. 13-15

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 2 Tim 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mk 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.

Now there was a woman who had suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under various doctors, she had spent all she had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse. She had heard about Jesus, and she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his cloak. 'If I can touch even his clothes,' she had told herself 'I will be well again.' And the source of the bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was cured of her complaint. Immediately aware that power had gone out from him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing round you and yet you say, "Who touched me?"' But he continued to look all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came forward, frightened and trembling because she knew what had happened to her, and she fell at his feet and told him the whole truth. 'My daughter,' he said 'your faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free from your complaint.'

While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Cf. Ps 102:1

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

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Daily Readings

Monday 28th June: Gen 18:16-33; Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday 29th June: Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tim 4:6-8; Mt 16:13-19.

Wednesday 30th June: Gen 21:5, 8-20; Mt 8:28-34.

Thursday 1st July: Gen 22:1-19; Mt 9:1-8.

Friday 2nd July: Gen 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67; Mt 9:9-13.

Saturday 3rd July: Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29.

Sunday 4th July: Ezek 2:2-5; 2 Cor 12:7. 10; Mk 6:1-6.



CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

SECTION TWO I. THE CREEDS

CHAPTER TWO I BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST, THE ONLY SON OF GOD

Article 3 "HE WAS CONCEIVED BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, AND WAS BORN OF THE VIRGIN MARY"

Paragraph 3. THE MYSTERIES OF CHRIST'S LIFE

CHARACTERISTICS COMMON TO JESUS' MYSTERIES

516 Christ's whole earthly life—his words and deeds, his silences and sufferings, indeed his manner of being and speaking—is Revelation of the Father. Jesus can say: "Whoever has seen me has seen the Father," and the Father can say: "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"¹⁷⁷ Because our Lord became man in order to do his Father's will, even the least characteristics of his mysteries manifest "God's love . . . Among us."¹⁷⁸

517 Christ's whole life is a mystery of *redemption*. Redemption comes to us above all through the blood of his cross,¹⁷⁹ but this mystery is at work throughout Christ's entire life:

- already in his Incarnation through which by becoming poor he enriches us with his poverty;¹⁸⁰
- in his hidden life which by his submission atones for our disobedience;¹⁸¹
- in his word which purifies its hearers;¹⁸²
- in his healings and exorcisms by which "he took our infirmities and bore our diseases";¹⁸³
- and in his Resurrection by which he justifies us.¹⁸⁴

518 Christ's whole life is a mystery of recapitulation. All Jesus did, said, and suffered had for its aim restoring fallen man to his original vocation:

When Christ became incarnate and was made man, he recapitulated in himself the long history of mankind and procured for us a "short cut" to salvation, so that what we had lost in Adam, that is, being in the image and likeness of God we might recover in Christ Jesus.¹⁸⁵ For this reason Christ experienced all the stages of life, thereby giving communion with God to all men.¹⁸⁶

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Phoebe & Peter D'Souza,

RECENTLY DECEASED

Hilarion "Larry" Aldaba, Frank Cefai, Ricardo Sergio.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

Cornelius Samuel Rajayah, Mr Teremoana Inaina, Thomas Paul DeSouza, Wadia & Joseph Ghaleb

SICK

Tony Clarke, Robert Vesey, Joan Clout, Laurie Grima, B.J. Nelson, Flamur Bano, Angela Mikhael, Ike Lutaos

PASTORAL CARE FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Our clergy and pastoral care ministers bring the sacraments of Eucharist, reconciliation, and anointing of the sick to members who are unable to participate because of illness or aging. For more information and to arrange receiving of the sacraments, please contact the Parish Office on 9622 1125.



Welcome to the Family...



We are a welcoming parish... you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected by the Catholic Community of Mary, Queen of the Family. If you are not an active member of this Community, consider partaking in what we have to offer. We serve the Community through outreach, education, social activities, sacramental preparation, youth and comfort to the sick and mourning. In addition to our spiritual and outreach organisations, perchance you have an interest in joining one of our many liturgical ministries such as: Minister of Holy Communion,

Reader/Commentator, Welcomer, Collectors, Minister of DVP/Power Point, Catechists etc. Volunteers are formally registered by filling out a *Join a Ministry* form that is then entered into the parish data system (*information supplied remains confidential*). These forms are available from the parish office or in the church foyer.

PARISH GROUPS

BIBLE STUDY GROUP



Contact: Richard Desa, richarddesa@bigpond.com
Meeting Time and Venue: Every Thursday, 7:30pm to 9:00 pm at Sid Mosley Centre, St Michael's Church.

HOLY FAMILY FELLOWSHIP PRAYER GROUP



Contact: Charles Hyson, 0412 631 602, www.holyfamilyfellowship.com
Meeting Time and Venue: Every 2nd Saturday 6:30pm-9:30pm at Sid Mosley Centre, St Michael's Church.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP



Contact: Tony Fernando, 0434 828 297
Meeting Time and Venue: Mondays & Tuesdays, 7:00pm-8:00pm at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church

JOSEPHITE COMPANIONS



Contact: Antoinette Mangion, 0414 735 943
Meeting Time and Venue: Every 3rd Monday of the month, 10:00 am at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church

LEGION OF MARY ST MICHAEL'S



Contact: Max Rosario 0490 137 533 (for statue bookings)
Meeting Time and Venue: Every Friday, 5:30pm – 7:30pm at Sid Mosley Centre, St Michael's Church.

LEGION OF MARY ST PATRICK'S



Contact: Maurice Bru 0419 626 583 (for statue bookings)
Meeting Time and Venue: Every Monday, 7:30pm at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church. Juniors meet every Friday at 4:30pm.

MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS



Contact: Max Rosario, 0490 137 533
Meeting Time and Venue: Monday 9:30am-10:30am at Sid Mosley Centre, St Michael's Church. All are welcome!

MQOF SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP



Contact: Jude Besterwith, 0435 588 309
Meeting Time and Venue: 2nd Sunday of every month, 12pm—2pm at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church

ROSARY GROUP



Contact: Diane Zerafa, 0403 554 566
Meeting Time and Venue: Every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday after the 8am Mass, at St Michael's church.

TEHILLAH PRAYER GROUP



Contact: Ash & Rozario Fernando, 0416 861 976 or 0412 195 916
Meeting Time and Venue: Every 2nd & 4th Saturday (school term) between 2pm & 4pm at the MPA, St Patrick's Church.

TRUE LIFE IN GOD PRAYER GROUP



Contact: Diane Zerafa, 0403 554 566
Meeting Time and Venue: 3:00pm every second Saturday of the month at St Michael's Church

YOUTH MINISTRY



Contact: Blake Bano
Blake@mqofblacktown.org.au
Meeting Time and Venue: Every 4th Sunday at 7:00 pm (after the 5:30pm Mass) at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church.

COVID-19 SAFETY GUIDELINES



With the announcement restrictions commencing Wednesday 22nd June 2021, we are now limited by the 4 square metre rule. We can now accommodate 250 at St Patrick's and 90 at St Michael's churches.

Wearing of face masks at places of worship is mandatory, indoors and where physical distancing is not possible.

Observe 1.5 metre social distancing at all times. There will be no choirs and congregational singing is not permitted at places of worship.

CONTACT TRACING:

Because NSW Government still requires contact tracing, we are implementing three ways to do this:

- Sign-in using the **QR Code** displayed near the entrance doors.
- **Mass Attendance Slips** MUST be completed by each household per mass. Slips are available in the foyer.
- **Online booking** via Calendly. To register, go to: <https://mqofblacktown.org.au>, registration will close midnight of every Friday.

To maximise the use of our liturgical space, please observe the following:

1. Families and those living under one household sit together.
 2. Proceed to end of row if vacant.
 3. Leave 3 chairs empty between you and another household.
- The elderly, those with health conditions, flulike symptoms and low-immune system are still advised to stay at home. Catholics from Parramatta Diocese are still dispensed from their Sunday Mass obligation until further notice.
 - You are required to **sanitise your hands on arrival at the church and disinfect your chair** after the Mass. Sanitizer and wipes are provided at the church foyers.

We sincerely thank you for understanding, and for playing your part in keeping our community safe.

PLEASE CHECK IN BEFORE ENTERING OUR PREMISES



We're helping keep our community COVID safe by recording contact details. It's easy to check in:

- 1 Scan QR Code with your smartphone camera or QR reader.
- 2 Follow the prompts on the Service NSW app or on the Service NSW webform.
- 3 Show a volunteer that you've signed in. We respect your privacy.



This QR Code is for Mary Queen of the Family Blacktown, located at 51- 59 Alawah Street, Blacktown

THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Parents wishing to have their children baptised are to contact the parish office prior to attending a Baptism workshop. The next workshop will take place on Saturday 3rd July at 2.00pm at St. Patrick's Church.

For more information please logon to our website:

SACRAMENTAL PROCESS 2021

Below are our Sacrament dates for 2021. Enrolment forms for each of the sacraments and preparation dates are available on the website and the enrolment closure dates are also provided below.

First Reconciliation

(Enrolment closes on 1st October 2021)

Dates: *Thursday 4th and Tuesday 9th November 2021 at St. Patrick's Church*



Confirmation

(Enrolment closes on 12th July 2021)

Dates: *Sunday 22nd August & Saturday 28th August 2021 at St. Patrick's Church.*



If you have any questions, please call Gerald "Ged" Oblea, (Sacramental Coordinator) at the Parish Office on 9622 1125 or 0422 724 008 or email : sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au

ADULT CONFIRMATION 2021

The Office for Worship will host a Catechesis and Formation Day for those candidates interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year.

This will be on Saturday 21st August, 9.30am– 2.00pm at IFM (Institute For Mission) in the Downstairs Hall, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown 2148 (off Flushcombe Road). A light lunch will be provided on the day. It is recommended that all sponsors attend the catechesis.

A contribution of \$25 is suggested from the candidates to assist in the overall task of preparing the candidates for the sacrament. They may bring this on the Catechesis day.

If you have any questions or to register to participate in this process, please call Gerald "Ged" Oblea, (Sacramental Coordinator) at the Parish Office on 9622 1125 or 0422 724 008 or email : sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au Registrations close 30th July 2021.

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**
BE PART OF THE SACRAMENTAL TEAM

The Parish is looking for volunteers to be part of our sacramental team to assist in the planning and facilitating of our parish sacramental process.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT
Gerald "Ged" Oblea
(Parish Sacramental Coordinator)
0422 724 008 or ged@mqofblacktown.org.au

Sacramental Process for High School Students 2021

Our Parish will be conducting the sacramental process for high school students over eight weeks in Term 3.

(Commencing on the 22nd July 2021).

Preparation sessions will take place at St. Patrick's Church on Thursday afternoon from 4.30pm. This process is for high school students who wish to receive any of the following sacraments: Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation.



For more information contact our sacramental coordinator: Gerald "Ged" Oblea - sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au or 0422 724 008

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

MQOF YOUTH MINISTRY

COME JOIN US!

“JOIN US!! Do you have Children in Primary school, High school or just finished school? Interested or curious about what the youth has in-store for you or your children? SAY YES! Sign-up sheets are now outside the church doors, please fill in your details and we will get in touch soon!”

- Parish Youth Council

STAY WITH US



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RETREAT 2021

JULY 2-4 // \$100 PP // AGES 18-35

✉ REGISTER @ CATHOLICYOUTHARRAMATTA.ORG

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THE SUNDAY FLOCK



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“Do not be afraid; just have faith.”

Sheepish Question:

Is there something that I've been afraid to ask of Jesus?

Finish the story of Jesus and the little girl by adding the missing words and pictures

A crowd of people came to see Jesus as he stood on the shore of Lake Galilee.



Draw Jesus standing on the shore

A man named Jairus knelt at Jesus' feet and said, "My _____ is about to die! Please come and _____ her and she will be well again."



Fill in the missing words

_____ went with Jairus, but along the way some men came and said, "Jairus, your daughter has _____."



Fill in the missing words

Jesus said to Jairus, "Don't worry. Just have faith!"

Draw Jesus talking to Jairus

When they got to the _____ they saw people crying. Jesus said, "Why are you _____? She is not dead, she is only _____."

Fill in the missing words

Jesus took the girl by the hand and said, "Little girl, get up!". Then she got up and started to walk around.

Draw Jesus and the little girl

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

BIBLE TIMELINE

Our Bible timeline formation program is on a break and will recommence on Tuesday 13 July in the Sid Mosley Centre.

All welcome to attend.

CLERGY SUPPORT FOUNDATION DONATIONS

It is not too late to make a tax-deductible donation to the clergy support foundation of the diocese of Parramatta, which supports retired priests in the diocese.

Please make donations via credit card at <https://parracatholic.org/csf> or Transfer directly to **BSB: 067950 Account No: 00001691 Name CSF No 1** with names as reference and send email to csf@parracatholic.org with your details for receipt to be sent.

LATEST APPOINTMENTS

Most Rev Vincent Long OFM Conv, Bishop of Parramatta, has confirmed these appointments in the Diocese of Parramatta:

Rev Reginaldo Lavilla MSP – Parish Priest of Mary, Queen of the Family Parish, Blacktown from 9 August 2021 and Chaplain to the Filipino Community from 1 May 2021.

Rev John Paul Escarlan – Assistant Priest at Mary, Queen of the Family Parish, Blacktown from 9 August 2021.

Rev Jack Green – study leave at the University of Oxford, UK from 9 August 2021.

Rev Chadi Ibrahim SDB – Assistant Priest at Mary, Queen of the Family Parish, Blacktown from 9 August 2021.

ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!

AN HOUR WITH JESUS

Be still, and know that I am God Psalm 46:10

Here at MQOF is an opportunity to be with Jesus and commit with regular meeting with Him.

ARE YOU AVAILABLE?

Our Adoration Chapel's opening hours are:

10am to 4pm Monday to Friday, and 10am to 5pm Saturday and Sunday.

Parramatta Diocese Office for Worship-Liturgical Ministry Formation, August– October 2021

The Parramatta Diocese, Office for Worship, Blacktown is offering Liturgical Ministry Formation courses, at no cost, from 7 - 9pm on the following dates:

- Introduction to Liturgical Ministry - 2nd August (Compulsory)
- Safe Ministry Training - 9th August.
- Ministry of the Word - 16th & 23rd August.
- Extraordinary Ministers of Communion - 30th August & 6th September
- Communion to the Sick & Dying - 13th September.
- Senior Servers & Acolytes - 11th & 18th October.

Please contact the Parish Office for further details.



The Catechist Ministry

WANTED: CATECHIST REWARD: PERSONAL

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED



The Catechist Ministry spreads the Good News to over 700 State School Primary and High School students each week.

As some of our Catechists have retired, we desperately need volunteers to **teach** one of the 7 classes now vacant.

Classes are for ½ hour each week.

All lessons are prepared for you and training is also provided. Please help us continue this vital work.

All interested people can contact Sandra via the Parish Office.

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Now free for our Parishioners

Follow the steps below to get access



1. Scan the QR code - to go to the FORMED website;
2. In the Parish search field - type "2148" - to find our Parish name;
3. Select "Mary Queen of the Family" and press "Next";
4. Enter your Name and your Email address to register a new account and press "Sign Up";
5. Download the FORMED app on your phone and "Sign In" using your email address in step 4;
6. Browse, Watch, Listen, Read, and Study - to form your catholic conscience.

FLOWER MINISTRY

Please support our MQOF Ministry Fundraising Raffle

When: Sale of tickets before and after Mass starting from 12 June at St Patrick's and from 13 June at St Michael's.

Prize: 2 Gift Baskets worth more than \$100 each.

Raffle Draw: St Michael's on 4th July after the 9:30 am Mass, together with **bake sale** (with free tea & coffee)

St Patrick's on 4th July after the 10:00 am Mass, together with **bake sale** (with free tea & coffee)

Ticket prices: one for \$2.00 and 3 for \$5.00

Purpose of the raffle: To raise funds for the Flower Ministry in sustaining the continuous supply of fresh flowers to adorn the altars in both churches.

Donations are welcome. Thank you.



Jean's & Betty's Bus Trip

On Tuesday 13th July we are going to Palm Beach for a small cruise.

Following the cruise have lunch at the RSL Club and shopping at Essentials Shop.

Cost \$70.00 per person, includes morning tea and lunch.

Departing St Patrick's 8:00am

Departing OLQP Greystanes 8:30am

To book please contact Jean on 9920 3401 or 0425 251 754



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

MQOF PARISH - PLANNED GIVING CAMPAIGN 2021

MQOF ANNUAL PLANNED GIVING CAMPAIGN POSTPONED

Dear fellow parishioners,

The Planned Giving Campaign that was to take place at all Masses this weekend has been postponed due to COVID restrictions in place, limiting Mass attendance numbers.

We're planning to reschedule the campaign to sometime in the next few weeks and look forward to your positive response.

In the meantime, please take care and keep safe.

God Bless, Michael Zerafa, Chairperson, MQOF Finance Committee, On behalf of the Clergy Team

END OF FINANCIAL YEAR & PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

FOR REGULAR DONORS

We thank you for your financial support to our Parish, your regular and frequent contributions support us in our mission and nourish the parishioners.

New Set of Planned Giving Envelopes are now available for collection in the foyers of both churches. If your envelopes are not in the box please let us know by placing your name, address and envelope number on the registration form provided and we will get them to you as soon as possible.

Receipts for the PLANNED GIVING ONLY – if you need receipts, please write your name down on the clipboards which are in the foyers of our Churches. Receipts will be available on the second weekend of July. It will be kept in the foyers up until the first weekend in August. Please note that Planned Giving IS **NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE**.

Caritas and Catholic Foundation - receipts will automatically be issued to you (if you have indicated to do so). Otherwise, please register your name on the form provided at the foyer if you need one.

FOR NEW DONORS

If you would like to participate in the Regular Planned Giving Program, please complete your details on the form supplied at the back of the church and return it to the Parish Office or put in the collection bucket or email the completed form to accounts@mqofblacktown.org.au.

PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

Setting up a one-time or recurring donation/Planned Giving is quick and easy. Just go to: www.mqofblacktown.org.au/donations. You can also send your offerings/donations thru bank transfer:

FIRST COLLECTION: For the Diocesan Clergy

Account Name: Diocesan Clergy
Bank: CBA BSB: 067 950 Account Number: 0000 4265
Reference: Parish Name

SECOND COLLECTION: For the Parish

Account Name: Blacktown Catholic Church
Bank: CBA BSB: 067 950 Account Number: 0000 0677
Reference: Donor's name

If you encounter any issues signing up, please email Sarah at accounts@mqofblacktown.org.au.

Thank you so much for your continued support of our parish.
We are grateful!



TAP & GO MACHINE



The passing of collection plates by parishioners along the pews is now a thing of the past as most dioceses and churches have already decided to stop using it to help stop the spread of the virus.

The machine is set at \$10, to donate more than \$10 simply tap your credit card as many times as you like. It also accepts Apple Pay, Google Pay and Pay Wave. All contributions go to the maintenance and development of the Parish as does the second collection at weekend Masses.

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