



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

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

15TH AUGUST 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.



Mary, Assumed into Heaven

"Blessed is she who trusted that the Lord's words to her would be fulfilled." Elizabeth, the Virgin Mary's cousin recognizes the greatness of her faith in God and the humble dispositions of her heart. Elizabeth proclaims that Mary is the mother of her Lord.

In this Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary, we have a glimpse of the mystery of God's work revealed in the life of our Blessed Mother who was assumed into heaven body and soul. Chosen by the Father to carry in her womb his Only-Begotten Son, Jesus Christ, she was preserved from the stains of sin. She is indeed full of grace. However, Mary in her freedom, chose to submit completely her whole life and be always faithful to God, followed her Son as a disciple, and so preserved herself from the corruption of sin. God's glory is truly revealed in her. She is the most "blest among all women."

Mary points to us our final destiny, the fullness of communion in heaven with the Holy Trinity and with those who persevere to the end accepting and doing the will of God. We can learn from the FIAT of the Blessed Mother, "Let your will be done to me according to your WORD." She sees herself as God's poor, God's "anawim." By doing so she found herself proclaiming the greatness of the Lord and her spirit rejoices in God's saving act. We know that in the Scriptures, the "anawim" catches the heart and eyes of God. He has a special love for them because they can only rely on Him, trusting in his providence. Let's not forget that this kind of poverty is not solely material, this is really first of all spiritual. Because of our sins, we are all poor in God's eyes and the grace of his mercy is always available for us.

When our hearts open up for God's mercy and we acknowledge our lowliness, we could rejoice in God's greatness. O Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of all, please pray for us! We entrust ourselves in your motherly care and protection, look at us with the eyes of mercy and love and bring us closer to your Son Jesus so that one day we will enjoy the unending bliss with the Holy Trinity, with you and all the angels and saints in heaven!

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:

Parish Priest: Fr. Regie Lavilla, MSP.

Assistant Priests: Fr. John Paul Escarlan & Fr. Chadi Ibrahim, SDB.

Deacon: John Cinya

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

Secretaries: Ann Hart (Wed-Fri) & Gerald "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 & Liturgy Coordinator: 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 Chadi Ibrahim, Deacon John Cinya.

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.celcblacktownstn.catholic.edu.au>

Nursing Homes:

Opal Nursing Home (37 Kildare Rd, Blacktown NSW 2148) P : 9852 9600

Mulluana Retirement Village (61 Bungarribee Rd, Blacktown NSW 2148) P : 8822 2100

Catholic Healthcare St Hedwig Village Blacktown (140 Reservoir Rd, Blacktown 2148) P: 8822 9920

THE LITURGY

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

ENTERANCE ANTIPHON: Cf. Rev 12:1

**A great sign appeared in heaven:
a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon beneath her feet,
and on her head a crown of twelve stars.**

FIRST READING: RV 11:19; 12:1-6, 10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 44:10-12. 16. R. V.10
(R.) **The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.**

SECOND READING: COL 3:12-17

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 1 Cor 15:20-26

Alleluia, alleluia! Mary is taken up to heaven, and the angels of God shout for joy. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Lk 1:39-56

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

And Mary said:

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord
and my spirit exults in God my saviour;
because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid.
Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me blessed,
for the Almighty has done great things for me.

Holy is his name,
and his mercy reaches from age to age for those who fear him.
He has shown the power of his arm,
he has routed the proud of heart.
He has pulled down princes from their thrones and exalted the lowly.

The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent empty away.
He has come to the help of Israel his servant, mindful of his mercy
– according to the promise he made to our ancestors –
of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back home.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Lk 1:48-49

All generations will call me blessed,
for he who is mighty has done great things for me.

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DAILY READINGS

Monday 16th August: Jgs 2:11-19 ; Mt 19:16-22 .
Tuesday 17th August: : Jgs 6:11-24 ; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday 18th August: Jgs 9:6-15 ; Jgs 9:6-15
Thursday 19th August: Jgs 11:29-39 ; Mt 22:1-14
Friday 20th August: Ru 1:1. 3-6. 14-16. 22 ; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday 21st August: Ru 2:1-3. 8-11; 4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday 22nd August: Jos 24:1-2. 15-18; Eph 5:21-32; Jn 6:60-69

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 4 "JESUS CHRIST SUFFERED UNDER PONTIUS PILATE, WAS CRUCIFIED, DIED AND WAS BURIED"

Paragraph 1. JESUS AND ISRAEL

574 From the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, certain Pharisees and partisans of Herod together with priests and scribes agreed together to destroy him.³¹⁷ Because of certain acts of his expelling demons, forgiving sins, healing on the sabbath day, his novel interpretation of the precepts of the Law regarding purity, and his familiarity with tax collectors and public sinners³¹⁸-- some ill-intentioned persons suspected Jesus of demonic possession.³¹⁹ He is accused of blasphemy and false prophecy, religious crimes which the Law punished with death by stoning.³²⁰

575 Many of Jesus' deeds and words constituted a "sign of contradiction",³²¹ but more so for the religious authorities in Jerusalem, whom the Gospel according to John often calls simply "the Jews",³²² than for the ordinary People of God.³²³ To be sure, Christ's relations with the Pharisees were not exclusively polemical. Some Pharisees warn him of the danger he was courting;³²⁴ Jesus praises some of them, like the scribe of Mark 12:34, and dines several times at their homes.³²⁵ Jesus endorses some of the teachings imparted by this religious elite of God's people: the resurrection of the dead,³²⁶ certain forms of piety (almsgiving, fasting and prayer),³²⁷ The custom of addressing God as Father, and the centrality of the commandment to love God and neighbour.³²⁸

576 In the eyes of many in Israel, Jesus seems to be acting against essential institutions of the Chosen People: - submission to the whole of the Law in its written commandments and, for the Pharisees, in the interpretation of oral tradition; - the centrality of the Temple at Jerusalem as the holy place where God's presence dwells in a special way; - faith in the one God whose glory no man can share.

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.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Renato Sergio, Ava Camilleri.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Angelito Bernaldez, Lizabeth Aguas Non, Yolande Francis, Christomer Tiqui, Jemnel Cezar Rey, Goldi Porcz.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

George Spanmon, Joseph Aquilina

SICK

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

Names submitted to Parish for the sick list will be published for 4 weeks at a time.

FEAST DAYS

SAINT STEPHEN OF HUNGARY ~ 16th August

SAINT JOHN EUDES, PRIEST ~ 19th August

SAINT BERNARD, ABBOT AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH ~ 20th August

SAINT PIUS X, POPE ~ 21st August

OUR PARISH FEAST DAY MARY QUEEN OF THE FAMILY ~ 22nd August



MARY, QUEEN OF THE FAMILY
PARISH, BLACKTOWN



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 COMMUNITY



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.

IMPORTANT COVID~19 UPDATE



As announced by the NSW Premier, Gladys Berejiklian, Greater Sydney, the Blue Mountains, Wollongong and Central Coast will extend its lockdown until midnight on Saturday 28th August 2021.

In light of this announcement public Masses, Church buildings are closed and other parish activities / meetings are postponed until further notice.

Dispensation from Mass

The dispensation from Sunday Mass obligation remains in place (Canon 1247, Canons 85 and 87, and Catechism of the Catholic Church 2180-2188). Once the dispensation is lifted it will be communicated to our parishes, agencies and ministries.

**DUE TO COVID-19,
PUBLIC MASSES AND CHURCH
BUILDINGS ARE CLOSED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

**CHURCHES ARE NOT BEING CLOSED.
BUILDINGS ARE BEING CLOSED.
YOU ARE THE CHURCH!
YOU ARE TO REMAIN OPEN.**



DIocese of
PARRAMATTA

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



NSW
GOVERNMENT

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 be announced.

For more information please logon to our website:

<https://mqofblacktown.org.au/sacraments/#baptism>

SACRAMENTAL PROCESS 2021

POSTPONED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

In light of the extended lockdown due to COVID19, the decision has been made to postpone all sacramental programs until further notice.

Once restrictions have eased and things have settled down, we will plan some new dates. This will be communicated to you once this happens.

We apologies for any convenience this may cause.

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

PARISH ONLINE MINISTRY DURING COVID-19

There are an extraordinary amount of initiatives taking place online across the Diocese in a number of parishes. These include games nights, trivia competitions, formation, scripture studies and wellbeing check-ins. If your community is willing to share these opportunities beyond your own Parish, the Mission Enhancement Team (MET Parramatta) would love to hear from you and help connect others who are struggling at this time. Email met@parracatholic.org

THE WELL

Need some inspiration and spiritual encouragement during lockdown? Why not check out The Well? The Diocese's 'on demand' streaming site has a tonne of video and prayer resources for you to explore and engage with during this difficult time. Check it out on www.thewell.org.au

Sacramental Process for High School Students 2021

Due to the current public health orders we have decided to postpone the sacramental process for High School students until further notice.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

We are still taking expressions of interest for the sacramental process for high school students who wish to receive any of the following sacraments: Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation.



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



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

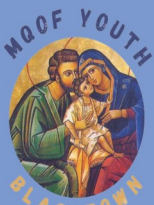
Rosary to Recovery
Every Friday at 7pm | Zoom

MQOF Youth virtually invites you to...
Rosary to Recovery
A parish prayer to end the pandemic

SOCIAL & GAMES NIGHT
1st & 3rd Sunday | Discord



YOUTH BIBLE STUDY
2nd & 4th Sunday | Zoom



MQOF Youth



@mqof_youth



Catholic Youth Parra

PARISH SCHOOLS ENROLMENTS



PATRICIAN BROTHERS' COLLEGE, BLACKTOWN



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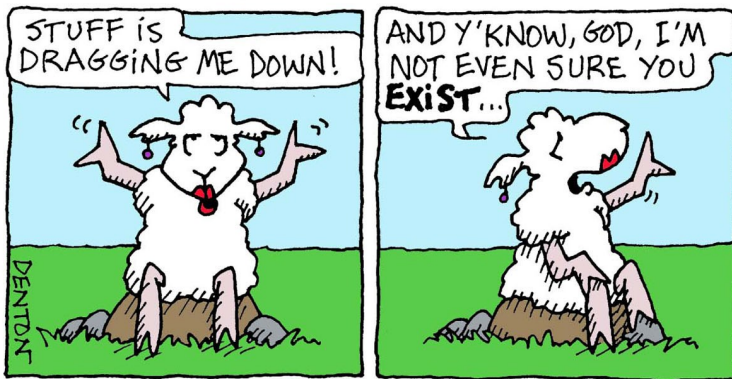
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Enquiries on 8811 0300

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Fine young men striving for personal excellence centred in faith

THE SUNDAY FLOCK



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“Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled.”

Sheepish Question:

How can I better follow Mary's example in speaking—and listening—to God?



St Patrick's Primary School

We would love to meet you and take you for a tour of our beautiful school!

(Virtual Tours only at present)

8869 6000



Follow us on



<https://www.facebook.com/stpatsprimaryblacktown>

St Patrick's Primary school
51-59 Allawah Street
Phone: 02 8869 6000
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ENROLMENTS ARE BEING TAKEN FOR KINDERGARTEN 2022 AT ST MICHAEL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

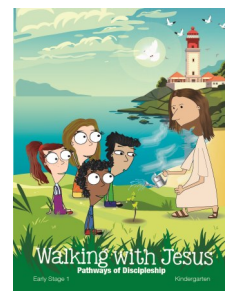
Ring 8869 6200 for information.

Download an enrolment package from our webpage

www.stmichaelsblacktown.catholic.edu.au

SRE LEARNING FROM HOME

Here is a direct link to our “Catholic SRE Learning from Home” materials for parish families:



<https://www.cress.org.au/learning-from-home-sre-lessons/>

New Learning from Home lessons have been uploaded and are available for parents to access across NSW. These include user-friendly Click & Learn PowerPoints and home activity sheets.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

WELCOME FR. CHADI IBRAHIM, SDB.



On behalf of our Parish community we welcome our new assistant priest, Fr. Chadi Ibrahim, SDB.

Fr. Chadi was born in Aleppo, Syria in 1973. He grew up in a catholic family of five members. In his youth he was a member of the Legion of Mary where learned the love of the Mass, and how to pray the Rosary and to love the Virgin Mary. One of the most important people who influenced his faith was his mother. After he finished his technical high school he worked for one year, after which he decided to enter the Salesian Congregation.

During his 10 years of formation he spent it in Egypt where having done his pre-novitiate, in Italy where he studied philosophy, and in the Holy Land where he studied theology. Fr. Chadi undertook missionary work with the Salesians in many countries, including Lebanon, Syria, Egypt, Iraq, Palestine and Italy. He is multilingual, fluent in Arabic, Italian and good English, French and Spanish. Fr. Chadi has also held a number of pastoral responsibilities, including director of an oratory and youth centre, bursar, rector and school principal. In all these roles he has felt that he has made a valuable contribution to the mission of the Church and the Order, with the help of God and the Hand of his mother our beloved Virgin Mary.

LIVE STREAM OF SUNDAY MASS

During the lock down period our parish will LIVE Streaming our Sunday Mass at 10.00am, on the following streaming services.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/blacktowncatholics>

Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCA0ZQ45DKzD6NW1QuCs2G3Q>



Twitch.tv: <https://www.twitch.tv/MQOFBlacktown>



RCIA
Rite of Christian Initiation
of Adults

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic?

Would you like to learn more about your Catholic faith?

Let us walk this Journey with you!

Our Journey Commences

SEPTEMBER

2021

Register Your Interest

Call the Parish Office: 9622 1125
Email: admin@mqofblacktown.org.au

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR AFRICAN COMMUNITY

For African Community FREE ASTRAZENECA COVID-19 Vaccinations At Blacktown in collaboration with the African Community

Date:	Monday 16 August (1st dose), and Monday 13 September (2nd dose)
Time:	From 9 am to 3 pm
Location:	St Patrick's Church, 51-59 Allawah St, Blacktown NSW 2148

Please contact

Abulla Agwa on 0448 056 688, or
Ngatho Mugo (Arabic speaking) on 0427 360 692, or
Daniel Apat (Dinka speaking) on 0419 800 912

for more information

For booking a spot (18 years and above) at the vaccine clinic please call any of the above numbers.

Please carry a photo ID to your appointment.



NO BIBLE TIMELINE THIS WEEK

Due to our Parish Feast day Masses there will be no Bible time line this week. Please join us during our Novena Masses and Feast Day Mass / Celebrations. We will recommence program on 24th August 2021 at 7.00pm.

ONLINE TABLE TALK

FUTURE DREAMING FOR BLACKTOWN LGA

When: 19 August, 7:00pm – 8:15pm

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87590654657>

In the lead-up to this year's local council elections, numerous faith-based and community organisations across Sydney have joined forces to organise such forums. Community Forums give people a chance to engage with councillors that are running for office and jointly ask them to commit to important social and environmental action in the next 5 years.

Join the Online Table Talk on 19 August.

It will be an opportunity to:

- ↳ get connected during lockdown,
- ↳ learn about and discuss the asks that will be put forward to councillors in November,
- ↳ be part of a local movement for more social justice and care for creation.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Get the NETFLIX of the Catholic Faith - FORMED



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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.

PARISH FEAST DAY

Sunday 22nd August 2021

Join us for our Novena Masses daily from 13th to 22nd August 2021 7.00pm except Sunday 15th August, where Rosary and Novena prayers commence at 9.30am followed by Mass at 10.00am

LOG ON TO OUR WEBSITE & CLICK "CONNECT WITH US" TAB ON FRONT PAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION. <https://mqofblacktown.org.au>

BISHOP'S FATHERS DAY APPEAL

Due to the COVID lockdown, the Clergy Support Foundation is postponing the Bishop's Father's Day Appeal in-Parish collection to a later date, when Churches will once again be open. Parramatta Catholic Foundation is assisting us with a mail and online appeal around the beginning of September. Your thoughtful gift to the Appeal will mean so much to our retired priests who have put the care of others before themselves. For more information on the

Clergy Support Foundation's work or to make a kind donation today,

please visit parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal.

Thank you, Clergy Support Foundation Committee

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: 6004 - Donor's Name

SECOND COLLECTION: For the Parish

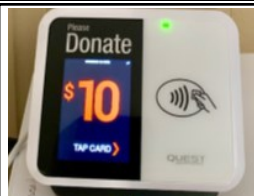
Account Name: Blacktown Catholic Church
Bank: CBA BSB: 067 950 Account Number: 0000 0677
Reference: Donor's name

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

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