



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

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

10TH OCTOBER 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.

Sunday Connection



In today's Gospel, an unnamed man approaches Jesus and inquires about what he must do to inherit eternal life. Jesus replies that one must follow the commandments of the Law of Moses. The man acknowledges that he has observed all of these since his childhood. Jesus then says that only one thing is lacking: he must give his possessions to the poor and follow Jesus. The man leaves in sadness, and Mark tells us that this is because he had many possessions.

The belief in resurrection and eternal life was a relatively recent development in Jewish thought at Jesus' time, and it wasn't shared by everyone. The Pharisees taught that there would be a resurrection from the dead; the Sadducees did not share this belief. Jesus taught that there would be a final judgment for everyone and eternal life (the Kingdom of God) for believers.

Jesus makes two requirements of the wealthy man who approaches him. First, he must give up his possessions. Throughout history, some Christians have taken this literally. Their example witnesses to us a radical commitment to the Gospel of Jesus. Some have read this as a particular requirement directed to this specific individual. Still others have sought to explain the meaning intended by the word possessions as those things that prevent one from following Jesus. Christians have generally understood that at the least, following Jesus requires that believers hold material possessions loosely and remain vigilant against seeking security in accumulating possessions.

The second requirement Jesus makes of this man is the invitation that Jesus extends to all would-be disciples: "follow me." Jesus very much wants this man to be his disciple. We believe that the Christian faith is one in which each believer is in a personal relationship with Jesus. Just as this Gospel tells us that Jesus loves the man and is sad when he departs, so too, Jesus loves us and is saddened when we are unable to follow him.

We see in this Gospel reading another example of Mark's pattern, which shows Jesus offering further elaboration about his message and meaning to his disciples. To his disciples, Jesus laments the challenges faced by those who are rich in following him and entering the Kingdom of God. In reply to the disciples' astonishment at the strictness of the standard that Jesus speaks about today, Jesus reminds his disciples that nothing is impossible with God. Salvation is determined by our ability to rely completely upon God.

Peter replies to Jesus by boasting that the disciples have already given up everything. Jesus acknowledges that those who have given up everything for the sake of the Gospel will be rewarded. This reward begins now, in the new community that one will gain in this life, and will continue in the eternal age to come. Our personal relationship with Jesus is also an invitation to the community of faith, the Church.

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LITURGY TIMES DURING LOCKDOWN VIA LIVE STREAM

Sunday Mass ~ 10.00am

Weekday Masses

Wednesday 6.30pm - Holy Hour with the Saints, followed by Mass.

Friday 9.00am ~ Mass

Connect & Join Mass via the LIVE stream services below:

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

Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAdZ045DPKz06NWI0Urs2G3Q>

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

4th Sunday of the month - Filipino Mass—LIVE streamed. 11.15am. For more information: www.filipinochaplaincy.org.au

RECONCILIATION

By request & appointment please call parish office.

Funerals & Anointing of the Sick by appointment.

Baptisms & Marriages

Postponed until further notice.

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 Cina

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 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.celcblacktownsth.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 TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YR~B

ENTERANCE ANTIPHON: Ps 129:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

FIRST READING: WIS 7:7-11

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 89:12-17. R. V.14

(R.) Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

SECOND READING: HEB 4:12-13

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Mt 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mk 10:17-30

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God! They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Cf. Ps 33:11

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

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PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

Sergio Lintag

IN MEMORIAM

Joseph Azzopardi; Rosario Agnes Tan.

SICK

Joel Uvero; Lourdes Domingo; Robert Vesey, Joan Clout, Laurie Grima, D.J. Nelson, Angela Mikhael, Ike Lutaos.

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

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 2. JESUS DIED CRUCIFIED

II. CHRIST'S REDEMPTIVE DEATH IN GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

"For our sake God made him to be sin"

602 Consequently, St. Peter can formulate the apostolic faith in the divine plan of salvation in this way: "You were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your fathers... with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was destined before the foundation of the world but was made manifest at the end of the times for your sake."⁴⁰² Man's sins, following on original sin, are punishable by death.⁴⁰³ By sending his own Son in the form of a slave, in the form of a fallen humanity, on account of sin, God "made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."⁴⁰⁴

603 Jesus did not experience reprobation as if he himself had sinned.⁴⁰⁵ But in the redeeming love that always united him to the Father, he assumed us in the state of our waywardness of sin, to the point that he could say in our name from the cross: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"⁴⁰⁶ Having thus established him in solidarity with us sinners, God "did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all", so that we might be "reconciled to God by the death of his Son".⁴⁰⁷

DAILY READINGS

Monday 11th October: Rom 1:1-7 ; Lk 11:29-32.

Tuesday 12th October: Rom 1:16-25 ; Heb 4:12 .

Wednesday 13th October: Rom 2:1-11, Lk 11:42-46.

Thursday 14th October: Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54 .

Friday 15th October: Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7 .

Saturday 16th October: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Lk 12:8-12.

Sunday 17th October: Is 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16 ; Mk 10:35-45

FEAST DAYS

SAINT JOHN XXIII, POPE ~ 11th October
SAINT CALLISTUS I, POPE AND MARTYR ~ 14th October

SAINT TERESA OF JESUS, VIRGIN AND
DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH ~ 15th October

SAINT HEDWIG, RELIGIOUS & SAINT MARGARET
MARY ALACOQUE, VIRGIN ~ 16th October



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.

A Prayer

for the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia

Come Holy Spirit, who moved the people
of this land in ages past,
Open our hearts to hear you
and our minds to the message you send.
Breathe your vigour into us, and
launch us into the deep.
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord and
companion on the road,
Amen.

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parracatholic.org/plenary-2021



DIocese of
PARRAMATTA



Plenary Council
of Australia



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 Besterwitch, 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 Sunday from 4pm & 6:30pm at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church.

IMPORTANT COVID~19 UPDATE



Given the recent announcements by the NSW Government of the easing of restrictions between 11 October and 1 December, Bishop Vincent has advised that in order to accommodate all the People of God, he has determined that we should wait until the 80% threshold has been achieved before we reopen our churches as this would then permit all Catholics to attend regardless of vaccination status. The projection is that this is

likely sometime towards the end of October. Once a date has been finalised by the NSW Government as to when 80% fully vaccinated has been achieved an advice to reopen will come from the Chancery.

We have been advised by the Diocese of Parramatta that from Monday 11th October 2021, our two churches can reopen for private prayer.

St. Michael Church's crying room will be opened on a daily basis from 9.00am to 4.00pm for private prayer.

St. Patrick's church is currently undergoing some repairs. Although the adoration chapel will be opened during office hours to give parishioners an opportunity to come to the church for private prayer. Please enter the church through Allawah Street entrance.

If you are planning to visit our churches please ensure the following must be done:

- Sign in using QR code or manually registering your details.
- Face Mask to be worn at all times.
- Please use the cleaning materials available to wipe the areas you have been in contact with before leaving the church.
- Social distancing must be observed at all time.

The Diocese has also advised that the parish office and other facilities (meeting rooms) will continue to be subjected to people's vaccination status at this stage. Due to this, it would be prudent for parishes to continue to delay face to-face meetings, and gatherings until the next stage of the reopening from 1 December 2021.

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.

We thank you for your continued prayers, support, understanding and patience during this time. God Bless and stay 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 Allawah 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 be announced. For more information please logon to our website: <https://mqofblacktown.org.au/sacraments/#baptism>

An important note:

On the advice from the Diocese of Parramatta, in conjunction with the NSW government our church will reopen for religious services again, once the 80% threshold of double dose vaccinations target is achieved in the state of NSW. When the target has been reached, we have been advised that Baptisms can take place again in our churches. As we draw close to achieving the 80% target, we will be contacting families who have booked and or registered their interested in getting their child baptised at our parish to make bookings. Thank you for understanding and patience.

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 2021

For Confirmation & Reconciliation postponed until 2022.

On the advice from the Diocese of Parramatta, in conjunction with the NSW government our church will reopen for religious services again, once the 80% threshold of double dose vaccinations target is achieved in the state of NSW.

Unfortunately, we have been also advised that face to face meetings at the parish are not to take place until Stage 3 of the NSW Government's "Pathway out of the pandemic and lockdowns", which is due to take place from the 1st December 2021. Therefore, we are required to postpone the remaining sacramental programs until next year.

We anticipate that the new sacramental dates for 2022 will be available in early February where you will be invited to register your child into the program once again. Please note our registrations will be moving to an online platform, therefore you will need to resubmit your child's application.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact our sacramental coordinator on the details below:

Gerald "Ged" Oblea

Sacramental Coordinator – Mary Queen of the Family Parish Blacktown.

Email: sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au

Ph: 02 9622 1125 – option 4

Email: 0422 724 008.



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PARISH, BLACKTOWN



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.

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

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

YOUTH CORNER

MQOF YOUTH MINISTRY



Lockdown Events



Wednesday: **Holy Hour with the Saints**
6:30pm - 7:30pm
Led by Fr. Regie MSP PP

Friday: **Rosary to Recovery**
7pm - 7:45pm
Led by MQOF Youth

**Sunday:
1st & 3rd** **Social & Games Night**
6:30pm - 7:30pm
MQOF on CYP Discord

**Sunday:
2nd & 4th** **Youth Bible Study**
6:30pm - 7:30pm
Led by MQOF Youth



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MQOF Youth

GET INVOLVED WITH

MQOF YOUTH



BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER
All who have made their 1st Eucharist
Altar serving is a great way to put your faith into action during the Mass. Share your time and talents with the parish community and make some great friends! Training sessions run regularly throughout the year.



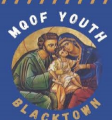
HELP OUT AT CHILDREN'S LITURGY
The Word of God at your level
Breathe life into the weekly Gospel, through prayer, songs and other activities. Have fun and teach other young people about the Word of God with your family and friends.



JOIN THE YOUTH BAND
Musicians and Singers wanted
Your talent in music helps transform the Mass into a welcoming and inviting space. If you play an instrument or sing, come and join the Youth Band and use your talents to jam for Jesus.



VOLUNTEER AT A PARISH EVENT
All hands on deck
All year round the parish organises events not only to celebrate our faith but also to perform acts of service in our community. Generously offer your time and efforts towards one of these events and give our faith a face. All parish events are published in our weekly bulletin.



GIVE MINISTRY A GO
Offer your gifts and talents in service
Our parish ministries are always looking to grow. We can help to link you up with a ministry to use your gifts and talents. Together, we can live life to the full.

FOR MORE INFO ABOUT YOUTH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES CONTACT THE YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM AT MQOIFYOUTH@GMAIL.COM OR ON 9622 1125.

WE ARE WITH YOU!



"I am with you always" Matthew 28:20. The Diocese has launched a new website in response to the mental health crisis impacting our young people.

The website parracatholic.org/withyou contains links and information about services that can help young people whose wellbeing is suffering. Please share widely with young people and their families.

PARISH SCHOOLS ENROLMENTS



PATRICIAN BROTHERS' COLLEGE, BLACKTOWN



ENROL NOW

YEAR 7 2022/2023

Enquiries on 8811 0300

<https://bit.ly/3zS6AhK>

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Fine young men *striving for personal excellence* centred in faith



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Enrolling Now
for
Kindergarten
2022

Download an enrolment application form from our school website
<https://www.stpatsblacktown.catholic.edu.au/Enrol-Now/How-to-enrol>

Follow us on
<https://www.facebook.com/stpatsprimaryblacktown>



St Patrick's Primary school
51-59 Allawah Street
Phone: 02 8869 6000
Email: stpatsblacktown@parra.catholic.edu.au



**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

BUILDING SAFE PARISHES TOGETHER

The Office for Safeguarding is providing an opportunity for all of us to develop our awareness and skills in ensuring our parishes are safe and welcoming places for all. The team are currently offering accompanied online training courses throughout September and October. If you are interested or have any questions about the Safeguarding Training, please email our Safeguarding office at:

safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org or maria.kervin@parracatholic.org

To all the volunteers at Mary Queen of the Family Parish:

As you are aware, all those who work in child-related ministries by law need to undergo safeguarding training. While we had hoped this year to be able to have this training done on site, unfortunately due to the Covid situation this has become impossible. Consequently, we do encourage you, if you have access to a computer, to do the online course. To be enrolled in one of these courses you may go directly to the addresses listed above or contact the parish office and we will be able to help. As a lot of parishioners have been wonderful in accepting the invitation and consequently the previously advertised dates for zoom training are now full.

We have now scheduled some new training dates for the Mandatory Safeguarding Training. Zoom dates for Mandatory Safeguarding Training in November:

Module 1 - Introduction to Safeguarding: Tuesday 9th November at 9.30am or 2.00pm

Module 2 – Understanding Child Abuse and Reportable Conduct: Tuesday 16th November at 9.30am or 2.00pm

Module 3 – Safeguarding Adults at Risk: Tuesday 23rd November at 9.30am or 2.00pm

WORLD MISSION MONTH

For we CANNOT KEEP FROM SPEAKING about what we have SEEN & HEARD ACTS 4:20

In two weeks, Catholic Mission will share with us the powerful story of Churai*, a mother who found her way to the Mother and Babies Home, run by the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok, Thailand, during a desperate time in her life.

The Good Shepherd Sisters' mission is to promote the dignity and human rights of all, especially women and children; but they can only do that with support from people like you.

Please come with an open and generous heart.

*Name and images altered to protect identity



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/thailand



VINNIES ~ GOOD WORKS

The Vinnies Metropolitan Schools and Youth Term 4 2021 Newsletter is available to be downloaded on the following link:

bit.ly/VinniesSchoolYouthNewsTerm42021



The 2021 edition of the Mini Vinnies Formation Program (MVFP) for students in Years 4 – 6 is available for those who wish to undertake Social Justice Formation in their own time.

For more information please go to <https://bit.ly/VinniesMVFP>



Our Parish Feast Day souvenir program is still available to be purchased via our parish office or website:

<https://www.mqofblacktown.org/shop>

Hard copy version \$10.00 & Digital Copy \$7.50. Thank you for your on going prayers and support.

MONTH OF THE ROSARY

As you are aware, October is the month of the Rosary. Before each LIVE streamed Mass during the month of October the Rosary will be recited.

We invite you to join us. On Wednesday evenings we will be postponing our reflections on the lives on the saints.

BREAK OPEN THE WORD 2022

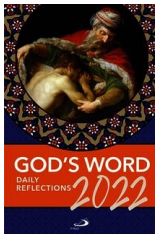


This book is designed for those who proclaim the Scriptures at Sunday Mass. The Readings are given in two translations: the Jerusalem and the NRSV for a comparison. For each Reading and the Psalm, there is a commentary which provides a brief background to the text and assists the reader to proclaim the text well.

A pronunciation guide is included, as well as a new section entitled "The Ministry of Reader". If you would like to order a copy please email or call the parish office. These \$25.00 each.

ETA end of October 2021.

BIBLE DIARY ~ GOD'S WORD 2022



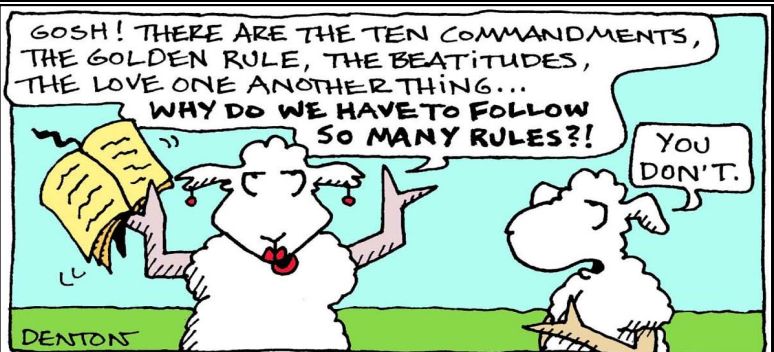
Designed to help you to keep the Word of God close to your heart in your daily life. A companion on the journey to pray, to share, to grow in God's love and be nourished by the Word of God. Includes the Bible readings set down for each day, with a reflection.

God's Word 2022 ~ Daily Reflections brings you:

- * Scripture readings of the day from the Jerusalem Bible
- * Inspiring reflections by eminent Australasian spiritual writers
- * Liturgical information for the day
- * Space to note down important events and personal reflections

Available soon from the parish office or the piety store for \$20.00.

THE SUNDAY FLOCK



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"What must I do to inherit eternal life?"

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JOIN OUR BIBLE STUDY GROUP VIA ZOOM

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Email: admin@mqofblacktown.org.au

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**.

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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.

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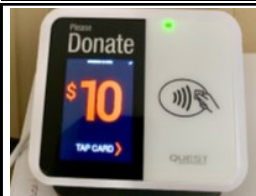
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Thank you so much for your continued support of our parish.
We are grateful!



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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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