



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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT ~ YEAR C.

27TH MARCH 2022.

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)
7.15pm 1st Sun (St Michael's) - Arabic Mass

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.

Rejoicing in the mercy of God

The fourth Sunday of Lent is called Laetare Sunday. The Church invites us to rejoice in the middle of our Lenten observances in view of the great mystery of Easter, the ultimate victory of God over sin and death in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus. The parable of Jesus about the lost son who went back to his father after living a miserable life and of being separated from him (Luke 15:1-3, 11-32), gives us a vivid example that turning towards God who is not just waiting for us but also taking all the initiative to draw us to himself, is a cause of rejoicing. In the preceding two parables of Jesus (Luke 15:1-10- the lost sheep and the lost coin), he clearly emphasized that "there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine persons who need no repentance."

This parable of Jesus about the lost son, or the commonly called the prodigal son and the bountiful mercy of the father, likewise, gives us a picture of what sin brings to us: it separates us from God and others, it brings sufferings to our lives, and it also gives us a sense that we are unclean, that we are not worthy. But all these effects of sin can be reversed when we come to our senses (contrite) and realized how merciful God is, and in repenting or turning towards him (especially in the sacrament of confession/reconciliation) we are received back into the arms of God who is always ready to forgive and bestows the grace of healing, peace, and reconciliation.

The story of God's people in the Sacred Scriptures, including us in our times, reflects this powerful parable of Jesus in the metaphor of being dead and alive (death and resurrection), of being lost and found (exile and return). "It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found" (Luke 15:32). The Israelites understood that being exiled is connected to their experience of sin and rebellion against God. We too, can be spiritually exiled in our persistence to turn away from God. But like the prodigal/lost son, we can turn towards him and begin anew, living in the life of the Spirit (spiritual resurrection: CCC 1468) May this Lent be for us a grace to experience more fully the mercy of God.

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 Priest: Fr. Chadi Ibrahim, SDB.

Deacon: John Cinya

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

Secretaries: Ann Hart (Wed-Fri) & Gerald "Ged" Oblea

Email: admin@mqofblacktown.org.au

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

Email: sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au

Catechist Coordinator: Sandra Baker

Youth Minister & Liturgy Coordinator: Blake Bano

Parish Pastoral Council: **Chair:** Cecil Fernandes; **Asst Chair:** Beato Pudadera; **Secretary:** Eva Cheetley
Members: Sidney Lazum, Jude Miranda, Ekhlis Ambili, Harlane Petersen, Fr. Regie Lavilla, 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 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Cf. Is 66:10-11

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

FIRST READING: JOS 5:9-12

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 33:2-7. R. V.9

(R.) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING: 2 COR 5:17-21

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Lk 15:18

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
I will rise and go to my Father and tell him:
Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.
Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: Lk 15:1-3. 11-32

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them: 'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

"When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father. "While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women – you kill the calf we had been fattening."

'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it is only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found."

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Lk 15: 32

You must rejoice, my son, for your brother was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.

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CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

PART TWO: THE CELEBRATION OF THE CHRISTIAN MYSTERY SECTION TWO THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH CHAPTER TWO THE SACRAMENTS OF HEALING

Article 4

II. Why a Sacrament of Reconciliation after Baptism?

1425 "YOU were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God."⁹ One must appreciate the magnitude of the gift God has given us in the sacraments of Christian initiation in order to grasp the degree to which sin is excluded for him who has "put on Christ."¹⁰ But the apostle John also says: "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us."¹¹ and the Lord himself taught us to pray: "Forgive us our trespasses,"¹² linking our forgiveness of one another's offenses to the forgiveness of our sins that God will grant us.

1426 Conversion to Christ, the new birth of Baptism, the gift of the Holy Spirit and the Body and Blood of Christ received as food have made us "holy and without blemish," just as the Church herself, the Bride of Christ, is "holy and without blemish."¹³ Nevertheless the new life received in Christian initiation has not abolished the frailty and weakness of human nature, nor the inclination to sin that tradition calls concupiscence, which remains in the baptized such that with the help of the grace of Christ they may prove themselves in the struggle of Christian life.¹⁴ This is the struggle of conversion directed toward holiness and eternal life to which the Lord never ceases to call us.¹⁵

DAILY READINGS

Monday, 28th Mar: Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54.

Tuesday, 29th Mar: Ez 47:1-9. 12; Jn 5:1-3. 5-16.

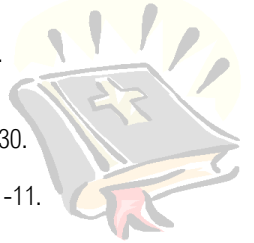
Wednesday, 30th Mar: Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30.

Thursday, 31st Mar: Ex 32:7-14 ; Jn 5:31-47.

Friday, 1st Apr: Wis 2:1, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2. 10. 25-30.

Saturday, 2nd Apr: Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-52.

Sunday, 3rd Apr: Is 43:16-21; Phil 3:8-14 , Jn 8:1-11.



FEAST DAYS

Saturday, 2nd April: SAINT FRANCIS OF PAOLA, HERMIT.



Please Note: As this Memorial of Saint Francis of Paola is within Lent, this Mass of the Saint would not normally be celebrated unless the saint is of a higher status (Patron of Country, Diocese or Organisation).

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

RECENTLY DECEASED

Joseph Anthony Dias, Maria Bugeja, Sam de Silva,
Doreen de Silva, Joan Atukorale, Brandt Phoebeas,
Mavis Solomons; Aleyamma Joseph.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

Romanos Zouki; Ivan Mendonca.

SICK

Joan Clout; Lourdes Domingo, Laurie Grima,
D.J. Nelson, Angela Mikhael, Shane Sandot,
Bianca Mikhael, Maria Simunovic.

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

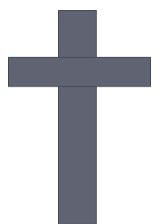


Welcome to the Family...



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. ~ *The Parish*

MARY QUEEN OF THE FAMILY ~ PARISH MISSION



Grow as missionary disciples of Jesus Christ



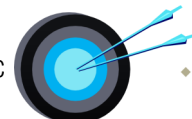
Deepen our understanding of the Sacred Tradition & Scriptures of the Catholic Church



Strive to live as a faithful & committed Catholic community



Evangelise and respond to the needs of the family in the Blacktown community and beyond



OBJECTIVES TO MEET OUR MISSION AT MARY QUEEN OF THE FAMILY PARISH



→ WORSHIP →

Practice the right forms of Worship

Worship Come to know Christ He
will reveal your identity to you



WORD →

Increase the Biblical literacy in the Parish

God's Story of Salvation We come to
know our Role in the story



WALL

Building our community - form our
consciences through Catechesis –
protecting our core.
We want to protect what we have been given -
together

Prayer for Peace and Justice in Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
who change the hardened heart
and break the power of violence,
we entrust the people of Ukraine to
you.

Protect them in this time of mortal
peril;
let them know not death but life,
not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all;
we are brothers and sisters.

Give us the strength
to live that truth in love,
choosing peace not war.
Through Christ our Lord.

UPDATED COVID-19 ADVICE

MASKS - will no longer be mandatory. However, masks are still strongly encouraged where you cannot maintain a safe distance from others.

SINGING - both the choir and congregation can sing.

SOCIAL GATHERINGS - are now permitted.

NSW QR CODE AND RECORD KEEPING - check-in using the NSW QR Code and record keeping for attendees is no longer required.

DENSITY LIMITS - no more density limits.

Self-isolation rules

There are changes to self-isolation rules that affect household contacts. If a household contact tests positive to COVID-19, you and the COVID-positive person must self-isolate for 7 days. Have a test as soon as possible and again on day 6. If all tests are negative, you can leave isolation after 7 days. You don't need to repeat self-isolation if another person in your household tests positive in the 14 days after you finish self-isolating. If another person in your household tests positive for COVID-19 more than 14 days after you've self-isolated, you'll have to self-isolate again for 7 days.

Updated COVID-19 testing advice

If you're at higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19, NSW Health recommends you get a PCR (nose and throat swab) test at a testing clinic when required, as they are most accurate.

There are treatments available that can only be prescribed in the early stages of infection, you just need to see your doctor.

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

THE SACRAMENTS & MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Baptism

Parents wishing to have their children baptised are to contact the parish office prior to attending a Baptism workshop. The next workshop will on Saturday 2nd April 2022. For more information please logon to our website: <https://mqofblacktown.org.au/sacraments/#baptism>

With joyful hearts, we welcome our newly Baptised to our parish community:
Courtney Seen & Athaliah Ines

SACRAMENTAL PROCESS 2022



The sacramental program dates and online registration forms for 2022 are available on our parish website <https://mqofblacktown.org.au/sacraments/>

SACRAMENTAL PROCESS REGISTRATION CLOSURE DATES:

Reconciliation process for Year 3 - 6: **18th September 2022.**

First Eucharist Process: **2nd May 2022.**

Confirmation Process: **26th June 2022.**

High School Process: **3rd April 2022.**

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 Mobile: 0422 724 008



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 or after office hours number 02 8705 0830.



PARISH GROUPS

BIBLE STUDY GROUP



Contact: Richard Desa, richarddesa@bigpond.com
Meeting Time and Venue: Every Thursday, 7:30pm 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 Thursday, 5:00pm – 7:00pm 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.

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

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS CORNER

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.



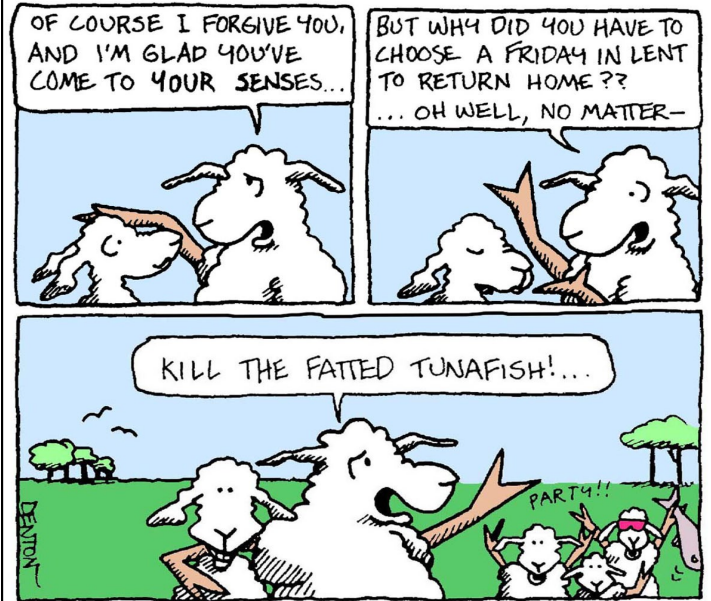
GIVE MINISTRY A GO

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 MQOFYOUTH@GMAIL.COM OR ON 9622 1125.

THE SUNDAY FLOCK



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"Let us celebrate...he was lost, and has been found."

Sheepish Question:

This Lent how will I truly celebrate God's mercy?

SAVE THE DATES



Youth Stations of the Cross
Friday 8th April 2022

The Way of the Cross
Friday 15th April 2022

Treetops Adventure (High Ropes)
Saturday 23rd April 2022

Pilgrimage to St. Mary MacKillop
Saturday 9th July 2022



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MQOF Youth

JEAN & BETTY'S BUS TRIP

Tuesday 29 March 2022 Nepean Bell

Cost \$85.00 includes Morning Tea, Lunch and Museum (Weather permitting)
More details to follow

Please contact Jean on 9920 3401
or 0425 251 754



MARY'S PANTRY

Sharing Hope... Doing it Tough!
Drop in for free emergency groceries
Mondays to Fridays 10a.m. to 01:00p.m.

51-59 Allawah Street, Blacktown NSW
(St. Patrick's Catholic Church)

An initiative of the MQOF Parish Social Justice Group



HOPE ~ PREVENTING EUTHANASIA

Please take a moment to sign this ePetition to the NSW Parliament, asking them to reject euthanasia and assisted suicide laws for NSW. Share with all your friends and family and ask them to do the same!

Sign here:

<https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/lc/pages/epetition-details.aspx?q=apWMTQo6WVdu1NOOVqOtYA==>



NSW, sign the
Parliamentary ePetition
TO REJECT EUTHANASIA

HOPE

TreeTops Adventure Park

HIGH ROPES

An exhilarating adventure that will test you mentally and physically. With over 100 aerial obstacles to explore per park, you'll move onwards and upwards on a self-guided tour through the Australian bush, whilst tackling activities suspended 2 to 25 metres high!

Registration closes on Friday 1st April 2022
<https://forms.gle/uq6M6XwVirwRPTgcA>

Scan for more information!



<https://forms.gle/uq6M6XwVirwRPTgcA>

- When: Saturday 23rd April
- Time: 9am-4pm
- Register your EO! today!

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

PARISH LENTEN RECOLLECTION



MARY,
QUEEN OF THE
FAMILY
PARISH, BLACKTOWN

Parish Lenten Recollection 2022

INVITING ALL PARISHIONERS FOR OUR LENTEN RECOLLECTION

WHAT: THE 7 LAST DAYS OF JESUS BY DR BRANT PITRE

WHERE: ST PATRICK'S CHURCH

WHEN: SATURDAY 2ND APRIL 10AM - 1.30PM

FACILITATED BY RICHARD & MARINA DESA

REGISTER NOW:

[HTTPS://WWW.MQOFBLACKTOWN.ORG/PARISHLENTENRECOLLECTION2022](https://www.mqofblacktown.org/parishlentenrecollection2022)



STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Join us in Praying the Stations of the Cross every Friday this Lent at 6:30pm on 18, 25 March, 1 April & 8 April 2022

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



Join Mary, Queen of the Family Parish for

Holy Week

Palm Sunday - 10th April 2022

Holy Mass at St. Patrick's Church - 7am, 10am & 5:30pm

Holy Mass at St. Michael's Church - 8am, 9:30am & 6pm

Holy Thursday - 14th April 2022

Lauds (Morning Prayer) at St. Patrick's Church - 9am

Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Patrick's Church - 7:30pm

Compline (Night Prayer) at St. Patrick's Church - 10pm

Good Friday - 15th April 2022

The Way of the Cross at School Grounds - 10am

Passion of the Lord at St. Michael's Church - 3pm

Passion of the Lord at St. Patrick's Church - 3pm

Holy Saturday - 16th April 2022

Lauds (Morning Prayer) at St. Patrick's Church - 9am

Easter Vigil Mass at St. Patrick's Church - 7:30pm

Easter Sunday - 17th April 2022

Holy Mass at St. Patrick's Church - 7am, 10am & 5:30pm

Holy Mass at St. Michael's Church - 8am, 9:30am & 6pm

For more information, be sure to check our website or contact the Parish Office
www.mqofblacktown.org.au or (02) 9622 1125

The Parish Needs YOUR Ministry & Service

Register for Holy Week!

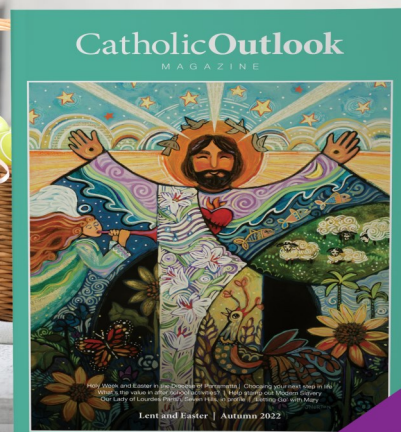
The parish is in need of Liturgical Ministers to offer their time and talents for our Holy Week celebrations



Scan the QR code on the screen to register!



CATHOLIC OUTLOOK



catholicoutlook.org/magazine

LENT & EASTER EDITION
OUT NOW!

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

BISHOP'S GOOD SAMARITAN APPEAL

Love your neighbours as God loves you

And support those who are isolated or have nowhere to turn



“Your compassionate gift will enable Catholic Care to provide welcoming places for everyone in our community to come for support, information, acceptance, or to connect with others and feel loved.

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv, Bishop of Parramatta



Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal
yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal



CARITAS ~ PROJECT COMPASSION



Fourth Sunday of Lent
26 & 27 March



Rosalie 44, is an ex-combatant who lives with her husband and seven children in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Forced to join the army when she was just 15-years-old, Rosalie experienced significant trauma and hardship during her years in the military. After she was demobilised from the army, Rosalie, like other ex-combatants, was left to fend for herself in the community.

With your generous support and through our local partners, Rosalie was able to connect with other members of her community and participate in business skills training to help her to reintegrate into society.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help women like Rosalie to succeed in the future, providing hope **For All Future Generations**.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations**. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

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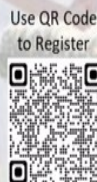
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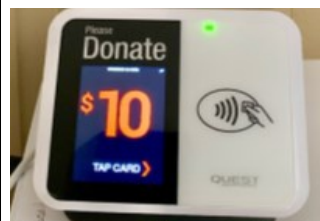
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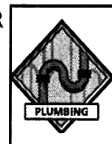
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