



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

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD YEAR C

17TH APRIL 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.

The Risen Lord is our Hope

Happy Easter to everyone! Christ risen from the dead gives us hope. This hope is born as we place our faith in God who is victorious over evil, sin and death. God's power has truly manifested in Christ's resurrection. Brothers and sisters, this is the kind of hope that will sustain us in the battle over suffering and death. St Paul reminds us "to be content to hope that we shall be saved" (Romans 8:24). The foundation of our hope is God. It is He who created us out of love, has redeemed us in love through his Beloved Son, and will save us out of his love. This is the ultimate reason of our faith and our hope that whatever we face at this time- our challenges, fears, the crosses we carry will find its glory in the Risen Lord.

Our Gospel today tells us of the "other disciple, the one Jesus loved" (known to be John who was at the foot of the cross with Mary, the mother of Jesus) saw on the "first day of the week" the tomb that was empty and he believed. John represents every faithful disciple of Jesus, who follows him to Calvary and through the eyes of faith see the living Jesus present in our midst. Faith in the Risen Lord has sustained his disciples throughout the generations to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ to all the corners of the world. It has become the source of strength of every believer in the midst of persecutions. The risen Christ has shown us what we would be in the future as we place our faith in him. Writing to the Corinthians, St Paul said, "If Christ has not been raised then our preaching is useless and your believing it is useless" (1 Corinthians 15:14).

Let us receive the Good News then in faith and trust in God. By its reception, however, we are called to set our hearts to heaven. "Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on the heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth" (Colossians 3:1-2). The works of charity- of helping the poor and the needy, of loving one another are indeed grounded on our vocation to be holy.

Let us listen to the voice of the angel who told the women at the dawn of Christ's resurrection not to be afraid. This has always been the comforting words of Jesus to his disciples and to all of us who believe and trust in Him. Let the radiance of his resurrection dispel the darkness of our hearts, when we are tempted to doubt, to misery and hopelessness. The glory of God shines in the Eucharist and transforms those who are disposed to receive Him. Let us receive Jesus with faith and devotion!

Fr. Regie Lavilla, MSP. PP.

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 Cina **Seminarian:** Tom Green

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 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.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

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Cf. Ps 138:18,5-6

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.
You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.
Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia,
alleluia.

FIRST READING: ACTS 10:34. 37-43

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. V.24

(R) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

SECOND READING: COL 3:1-4

SEQUENCE:

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.

The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; and Christ, the undefiled, hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended: combat strangely ended!

Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.

Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way.

The tomb the Living did enclose; I saw Christ's glory as he rose!

The angels there attesting; shroud with grave-clothes resting.

Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee.

That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.

Victorious king, thy mercy show!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 1 Cor 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Jn 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved. Away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself.

Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: 1 Cor 5:7-8

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; Therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

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Daily Readings

Monday 18th April: Acts 2:14, 22-33 ; Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday 19th April: Acts 2:36-41 ; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday 20th April: Acts 3:1-10 ; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday 21st April: Acts 3:11-26 ; Lk 24:35-48
Friday 22nd April: Acts 4:1-12 ; Jn 21:1-14 ;
Saturday 23rd April: Acts 4:13-21 ; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday 24th April: Acts 4:32-35 ; Rv 1:9-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

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

IV. Interior Penance

1430 Jesus' call to conversion and penance, like that of the prophets before him, does not aim first at outward works, "sackcloth and ashes," fasting and mortification, but at the conversion of the heart, interior conversion. Without this, such penances remain sterile and false; however, interior conversion urges expression in visible signs, gestures and works of penance.²³

1431 Interior repentance is a radical reorientation of our whole life, a return, a conversion to God with all our heart, an end of sin, a turning away from evil, with repugnance toward the evil actions we have committed. At the same time it entails the desire and resolution to change one's life, with hope in God's mercy and trust in the help of his grace. This conversion of heart is accompanied by a salutary pain and sadness which the Fathers called *animi cruciatus* (affliction of spirit) and *compunctio cordis* (repentance of heart).²⁴

1432 The human heart is heavy and hardened. God must give man a new heart.²⁵ Conversion is first of all a work of the grace of God who makes our hearts return to him: "Restore us to thyself, O LORD, that we may be restored!"²⁶ God gives us the strength to begin anew. It is in discovering the greatness of God's love that our heart is shaken by the horror and weight of sin and begins to fear offending God by sin and being separated from him. The human heart is converted by looking upon him whom our sins have pierced.²⁷

Let us fix our eyes on Christ's blood and understand how precious it is to his Father, for, poured out for our salvation it has brought to the whole world the grace of repentance.

PRAYER FOR PEACE & 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. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

Evelyn Marca, Catherine Regacho

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

David Blazejko

IN MEMORIUM

Isidro Martin, Aurora Martin, Gladys Martin, Catalino Bueno,
Junaita Arguil, Arturo Caba, Isabel Bustos, Victor Bustos

SICK

Trevor Anthony, Candida Irugalbandara, 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.

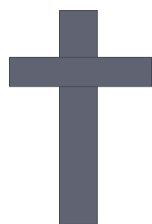


Welcome to the Family...



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. **WORD** ~ Increase the Biblical literacy in the Parish. **WALL** ~ Building our community.

An Easter Prayer

Loving Lord, today we remember the veil of darkness transforming to the brightest light. The most dreadful end becoming the most beautiful beginning.

We remember with trembling hearts the depths of despair fading to reveal hope everlasting. The curse of death defeated by eternal life.

Today we remember with thankfulness your willingness to be pierced for our sins.

We sing with abounding joy of your miraculous rise, from death's tomb to resplendent life.

Thank you for the promise of heaven and your generous invitation of eternal life for all.

Amen.

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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 7th May 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:
Reuben Dulawan and Rhylan Plaza-Herd

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

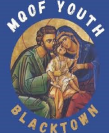
Your talent in music helps transform the Mass into a welcoming and inviting space. If you play an instrument or sing, come and join the Youth Band and use your talents to jam for Jesus.



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.

ST. MICHAEL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL



ST MICHAEL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL BLACKTOWN

Looking to enrol your child for Kindergarten in 2023?

Is your child ready to start Kindy?
Come join us for a School Tour at
St Michael's Blacktown South,
Primary School

Contact us!

02 8869 6200

StMichaelsBlktn@parra.catholic.edu.au



Tour Days:

30th April 10am

24th June 4pm



Please call our school office to organise an enrolment package or download it from our school website:

<https://www.stmichaelsblacktown.catholic.edu.au/>

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==>



SAVE THE DATE



MQOF Youth Ministry

PILGRIMAGE TO ST MARY OF THE CROSS & ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL, SYDNEY

Saturday, 9th July 2022

10am - 3pm

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney
Mary Mackillop Memorial Chapel



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

HAPPY EASTER!

In this season of rebirth, may you feel your faith renewed and your heart made new with the hope Easter brings.



"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the Resurrection of Jesus Christ..." —1: Peter 1: 3

Happy Easter and God Bless!
Mary Queen of the Family Parish Team.

BISHOP VINCENT'S EASTER MESSAGE

Bishop Vincent has released his video message for Easter 2022 to the people of the Diocese of Parramatta. The letter can be watched on YouTube on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6j2ONDyCH1c> or read via <https://catholicoutlook.org/bishop-vincents-easter-message-for-2022/>

SAVE THE DATE

Attention all Parish Volunteers ~ Safe Guarding Training

On Saturday 28th May between 10.30am - 3.30pm, there will be safe guarding training that will be conducted at St. Patrick's church which all parish volunteers are required to attend. Please mark this in your calendars. Further information will be communicated shortly.

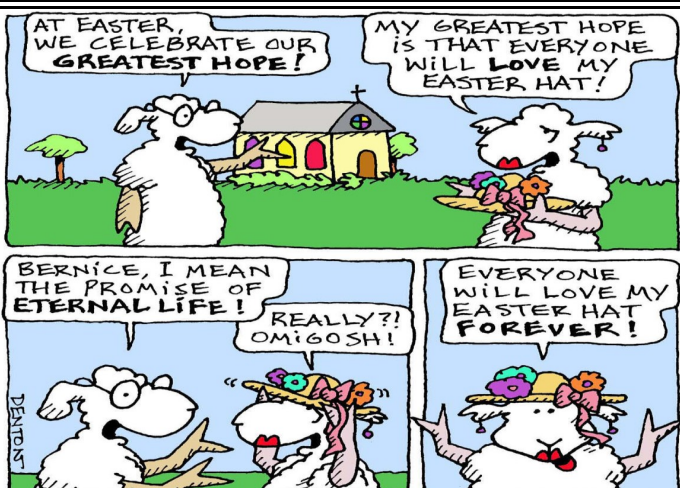
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THE SUNDAY FLOCK



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"Were not our hearts burning within us?"

Sheepish Question:

So what really IS my greatest hope?

A NOTE OF GRATITUDE



On behalf of Fr. Regie, Fr. Chadi and Deacon John, our Parish community we would like to acknowledge the efforts of the Liturgy team for making all the celebrations in the preparation for Holy Week and Easter prayerful, spiritual and for the creative talents in decorating the Church for these ceremonies.

Thank you to all the volunteers who also assisted in the setting up and rearranging of the church during this period. It was really a big team effort!

We are appreciative for the volunteers who made the Palm Crosses and the flower ministry for the arrangements on Easter Sunday.

We also thank the combined choir group for enhancing our liturgies, and the our volunteers for setting up the outdoor sound system.

We appreciate the ministers who volunteered to the scriptures, prayers, our Eucharistic ministers, ministers at the altar and junior servers who assisted our Priest.

For the MQOF Youth Ministry who lead and organised our Stations of the Cross on Good Friday and all the parish groups and individuals who lead the stations of the cross each Friday during Lent.

Finally to our parishioners for attending and participating in our services.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY!

ALL ARE WELCOME WORKSHOP



Pastoral
Formation

ALL ARE WELCOME WORKSHOP



For parish
members & teams
to continue
nurturing cultures
of welcome



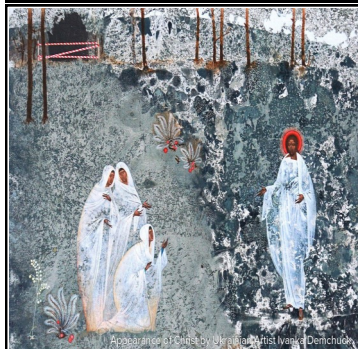
CONNECTION WITH PARISH NEWCOMERS
PRACTICAL SKILLS IN ACCOMPANIMENT
WELCOME - STORYTELLING - OPPORTUNITY
RESOURCES FOR ENHANCING WELCOME



TUESDAY 19 APRIL 2022 10:00AM + (REPEAT) 7PM @ STANHOPE PARISH
FOR MORE INFO EMAIL MET@PARRACATHOLIC.ORG

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

EASTER OFFERING



Easter Offertory

Alleluia! He is Risen!

Your gift supports our parish to share Christ's message of love and salvation with all

GIVE TO OUR PARISH

The spirit of giving and being able to share our blessings is what's important . . .

Any gift, whatever you can give, will nurture the spiritual vitality of our parishes and will ensure that we can continue to provide Christian pastoral care that brings hope and joy to our community.

FLOWER MINISTRY



THE MQOF FLOWER MINISTRY is holding a **MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE** with four great prizes to be won.

Tickets will be on sale on the weekends of 16/17 April, 23/24 April and 30 April/1 May.

The raffle will be drawn following the **CRAFT AND PLANT SALE** on 1 May 2022 to be held after the 8.00 and 9.30 Masses at St Michael's and after the 10.00 Mass at

St Patrick's.

All proceeds will go towards ensuring there are fresh flowers in both our churches throughout the year.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

CARITAS ~ PROJECT COMPASSION



Easter Sunday
17 April



Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!

Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion – past, present and future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations**.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2022 Lenten appeal.



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.

EMERGENCY UKRAINE APPEAL



EMERGENCY Ukraine Appeal

Help provide urgent humanitarian assistance to people in Ukraine.

DONATE TODAY

www.caritas.org.au/ukraine

1800 024 413 toll free



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

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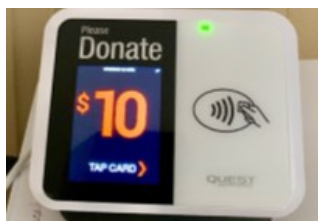
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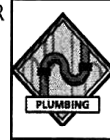
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