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Mary, Queen of the Family Parish

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

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

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

10TH JULY 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)

6.00pm 2nd Sat Vigil - Filipino Mass (St Michael'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.

Dear Parishioners,

The Gospel of Today does not need a lot of explanation. Jesus answering to the anxious man, "who is my neighbour"? gave us the new meaning of The Golden Rule, of "Love your neighbour as yourself" (Luke 10:27) which is not just a Christian thing. Every conceivable religion and culture in the world have the Golden Rule in one form or another. Let us look to a sampling:

Judaism: "What is hateful to you, do not to your fellow man. That is the law: all the rest is commentary." (Talmud, Shabbat 31a).

Islam: "No one of you is a believer until he desires for his brother that which he desires for himself." (Muhammad, 40 Hadith of an-Nawawi 13).

Hinduism: "This is the sum of duty: do naught unto others which would cause you pain if done to you." (Mahabharata 5:1517).

Buddhism: "Hurt not others in ways that you yourself would find hurtful." (Udana-Varga, 5:18). Confucianism: "Do not unto others what you would not have them do unto you." (Analects, 15:23).

If the Golden Rule was so well-known in ancient cultures, why then did Jesus spend so much time teaching it as if it was a new thing? It is because Jesus taught a completely new understanding of the commandment. The Golden Rule is understood differently in different religions and cultures. And the key to its understanding lies in the question that the lawyer asks Jesus in today's gospel, "Who is my neighbour?" (v. 29). Who is my neighbour that I have an obligation to love?

The new thing in Jesus' teaching of neighbourly love is his insistence that all humanity is one big neighbourhood. Thus he broke down the walls of division and the borders of prejudice and suspicion that humans have erected between "us" and "them." To bring home this point he tells the story of the Good Samaritan. This man regarded as Enemy Number One by the Jewish establishment simply because he is a Samaritan, is the one who finally proves himself to be neighbour to the Jewish man in need. Thus, to the question "Who is my neighbour" Jesus' answer is: Anyone and everyone without exception.

Living in Australia in a Multi-ethnic society with different cultures, religions, and denominations, are we ready to apply the Golden Rule of Jesus with its new meaning, LOVING everyone and anyone despite the multiple differences we have?

Have a beautiful & blessed Sunday!

Fr. Chadi Ibrahim, SDB.

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, Fr. Elie Nakhoul, MLM.
Deacon: John Cinya Seminarian: Tom Green
Finance Officer: Sarah Damole Email: accounts@mqofblacktown.org.au

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

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Parish Schools:

St Michael's Primary:

https://www.stmichaelsblacktown.catholic.edu.au P · 8869 6200

St Patrick's Primary: : 8869 6000

https://www.stpatsblacktown.catholic.edu.au

Nagle College:

https://www.nagleblacktown.catholic.edu.au

P: 8887 4507

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 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Cf. Ps 16:15

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

FIRST READING: DT 30:10-14

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 68:14. 17. 30-31. 33-34. 36-37. R.

SEE V.33

(R.) Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

SECOND READING: COL 1:15-20

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: See Jn 6:63. 68

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

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GOSPEL: Lk 10:25-37

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same yourself.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Cf. Ps 83:4-5

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

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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 ONE THE SACRAMENTS OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION Article 3 THE SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST

II. What is This Sacrament Called?

10 July 2022

1330 The memorial of the Lord's Passion and Resurrection. The Holy Sacrifice, because it makes present the one sacrifice of Christ the Saviour and includes the Church's offering. the terms holy sacrifice of the Mass, "sacrifice of praise," spiritual sacrifice, pure and holy sacrifice are also used, 148 since it completes and surpasses sacrifices of the Old Covenant. The Holy and Divine Liturgy, because the Church's whole liturgy finds its center and most intense expression in the celebration of this sacrament; in the same sense we also call its celebration the Sacred Mysteries. We speak of the Most Blessed Sacrament because it is the Sacrament of sacraments. the Eucharistic species reserved in the tabernacle are designated by this same name.

1331 Holy Communion, because by this sacrament we unite ourselves to Christ, who makes us sharers in his Body and Blood to form a single body. 149 We also call it: the holy things (ta hagia; sancta) 150 - the first meaning of the phrase "communion of saints" in the Apostles' Creed - the bread of angels, bread from heaven, medicine of immortality, 151 viaticum....

FEAST DAYS

Monday, 11th July: SAINT BENEDICT, ABBOT.







Wednesday, 13th July: SAINT HENRY.

Friday 15th July: SAINT BONAVENTURE, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH.

Saturday 9th July: OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL & SATURDAY MASS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.



PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

RECENTLY DECEASED

Andrelina Cayanan, Lydia Nedina, Justin Smith

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

Juliana Alindogan Glena, Andrew Lobo, John & Grace Santos-Ocampo, Charlie Azzopardi, Cresencia Mafakay, Filipa Camat

IN MEMORIAM

Erlina Villanueva Sario

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

SICK

Trevor Anthony, Joan Clout; Lourdes Domingo; Ernie Merjudio.

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

Daily Readings

Monday 11 July: Is 1:10-17; Mt 10:34-11:1. Tuesday 12 July: Is 7:1-9; Mt 11:20-24.

Wednesday 13 July: Is 10:5-7. 13-16; Mt 10:1-7; Mt 11:25-2.

Thursday 14 July: Is 26:7-9. 12. 16-19; Mt 11:28-30. Friday 15 July: Is 38:1-6. 21-22. 7-8; Mt 12:1-8.

Saturday 16 July: Mi 2:1-5; Mt 12:14-21.

Sunday 17 July: Gen 18:1-10; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42.

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.



·Welcome to the Famil

We are a welcoming parish... you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and 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 Team

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



WORSHIP ~ Practice the right forms of Worship. WORD ~ Increase the Biblical literacy in the Parish.



WALL ~ Building our community.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE SERVICES





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Tuesday - 10am to 11am & 3pm to 4pm

Thursday - 10am to 11am & 3pm to 4pm

Friday - 10am to 11am & 3pm to 4pm

FREE SERVICE

COVID-19 UPDATE

As we head into winter it's the little things we do that will make a big difference and help keep us all COVID safe, like:

- Keeping up to date with our COVID-19 and flu vaccinations
- Staying home if we're feeling unwell
- Wearing a mask in crowded places

Getting together where there's plenty of fresh air

We thank you for playing your part in keeping our community safe.

FORMED

Get the NETFLIX of the Catholic Faith - FORMED

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Now free for our Parishioners

Follow the steps below to get access



- 1. Scan the QR code to go to the FORMED website;
- 2. In the Parish search field type "2148" to find our
- Select "Mary Queen of the Family" and press "Next";
- Enter your Name and your Email address to register a new account and press "Sign Up";
- 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.

SUNDAY FLOCK



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"This command that I enjoin on you today... is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts."

Sheepish Question:

How do I define—and carry out—love for my neighbor?

THE SACRAMENTS & MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES



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 6th August 2022. - St. Patrick's Church. For more information please logon to our website:

https://mgofblacktown.org.au/sacraments/#baptism

With joyful hearts, we welcome our newly Baptised to our parish community: Hunter Debono & Amaiah Spice

SACRAMENTAL PROCESS 2022

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

SACRAMENTAL PROCESS REGISTRATION CLOSURE DATES:

Reconciliation process for Year 3 - 6: 18th September 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) **Email:** sacraments@mgofblacktown.org.au

Ph: 02 9622 1125 - option 4 Mobile: 0422 724 008



Join the Sacramental Team! For more information please



RCIA PROCESS

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process in which adults become full, participating members of the Catholic Church. Participants, known as catechumens go through a process of studying the Gospel, nurturing their relationship with God, becoming familiar with the Catholic teachings and practices, professing their faith in Jesus and the Church, and the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation. If you know anyone who would like to go through the process, and know Jesus Christ more, please contact the parish office on 9622 1125.

ADULT CONFIRMATIONS 2022

The Office for Worship will host a Catechesis and Formation Day for those candidates interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. This will be on Saturday 20th August, 9.30am - 2.00pm at the Bede Heather Centre (formerly known as the Institute For Mission) in the Downstairs Hall, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown 2148 (off Flushcombe Road).

A light lunch will be provided on the day. It is recommended that all sponsors attend the catechesis. A contribution of \$25 is suggested from the candidates to assist in the overall task of preparing the candidates for the sacrament. They may bring this on the Catechesis Day.

The directive concerning Confirmation names is as follows:

Please register your interest by Friday 29th July 2022.

"Confirmation names should be those of recognised saints. If the given name of the candidate is a saint's name, there is no need to choose another. Ho ever, if the given name is not a saint's name, then a saint's name should be chosen."

Each candidate must have a sponsor who is fully initiated in the Sacraments, is over sixteen years of age and is aware of the responsibility needed for this role. For more information please contact Ged our sacramental coordinator. Date of confirmation will be Thursday 1st September, 2022 at 7.30pm.

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



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

LEGION OF MARY ST MICHAEL'S



bookings) Meeting Time and Venue: Every Thursday, 5:00pm - 7:00pm at Sid Mosley Centre, St Michael's Church.

Contact: Noemi Romero, 0475 798 770 (for statue

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@mgofblacktown.org.au Meeting Time and Venue: Every Sunday from 4pm -6:30pm at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS CORNER

The FaithFeed Conversations Event: 15 July

Looking for an event to engage those in their mid 20s-40s in life and faith conversation? On the evening of Friday 15 July. The FaithFeed is on as a diocese-wide networking opportunity, offering an organic initial connection for this age group to your



parish community. Invite those in their mid 20s-40s to register and find out more by signing up via: https://fb.me/e/1PAVFKal7 or emailing met@parracatholic.org

GET INVOLVED

MQOF YOUTH GROU



BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER

All who have made their 1st Eucharist



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 you 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 YOUTH@MQOFBLACKTOWN.ORG.AU OR ON 9622 1125.

MQOF YOUTH MINISTRY



YOUTH GROUPS



Children's Liturgy

Primary (Ages 5-11) Sunday: 9:30am & 10am

MQOF Youth

Junior Teens (Ages 12-15) Watch this Space!

Senior Teens (Ages 16-19) Friday: 6:30-8:30pm Friday: 6:30-8:30pm 1st Friday of the Month

Young Adults

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JEAN & BETTY'S BUS TRIP

To: Camden Valley Inn

When: 12th July 2022 – Christmas in July

Cost: \$80.00 per person

Included: Morning Tea, 2 Course meal, a

Welcome Drink and Show

Depart: St Patrick's 8:30am

Greystanes 9am





To book, please call Jean on 9920 3401

MARY'S PANTRY

Sharing Hope... Doing it Tough!

Drop in for free emergency groceries Mondays to Fridays 10.00a.m. to 01:00p.m. 51-59 Allawah Street, Blacktown (St. Patrick's Catholic Church) An initiative of the MQOF Parish



HOUSE OF WELCOME



We ask the generosity of the parish community to donate to the House of Welcome. Items required are as follows: Instant Noodles (Chicken); Black Tea; Sweet Biscuits; Tins of Tuna; Sweet Corn (Not Creamed); Diced Tomato Tins (Ring Pull); Tins of Fruit and Honey or Jam We appreciate your generosity. Please place your donations in the boxes provided. Thank you.

ST.PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL - 2023

St Patrick's Primary School

Are you looking for a primary school to enrol your child? We are now taking enrolments for Kindergarten 2023. We would love to meet you and take you for a

tour of our beautiful school.

Please call our school office to arrange a tour.

Don't Miss Out!



Download an enrolment application form from our school website Follow us on https://www.facebook.com/stpatsprimaryblacktown

St Patrick's Primary school

PATRICIAN BROTHERS - 2023





YEAR 7 2023/2024

Click the link below to express your interest. **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

P: 8811 0300 W: www.patsblacktown.catholic. E: patricianbros@parra.catholic.edu.au

Fine young men striving for personal excellence centred in faith

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

MQOF PARISH GOLF DAY

ANOTHER RAISE THE ROOF INITIATIVE



SAVE THE DATE

MQOF PARISH GOLF DAY

When: 14th October 2022.

Where: Stone Cutters Ridge Golf Club

Cost: \$600 - Sponsor a Hole & team of 4 OR \$470 for a

team of 4

Help: We need Sponsors or Prizes or Parishioners to solicit

teams

Action: Express your interest by 31/7/2022 only 144 slots

available

Phone: The Parish Office on 9622 1125.

MARRIAGE SEMINAR

2022 Faith in Marriage Seminar: 12 August

Guest speaker Robert Haddad will discuss "Living marriage, living faith, ideas to inspire your children" at the Faith in Marriage Seminar hosted by the Diocese of Parramatta's MET - Marriage team. The seminar will be held on Friday 12 August at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown, from 7.30pm. The event is free, but booking is required. Free parking is available in the lower ground car park and on neighbouring streets. Please register your attendance to (02) 8838 3460 or marriage@parracatholic.org

SAVE THE DATE ~ PARISH LITURGICAL FORMATION

For all current and prospective Ministers of the Word, Ministers of Holy Communion and Welcomers/ Ushers, the Liturgy Team invites you to attend a Parish Liturgical Formation Course on Saturday, 16th July. With guest speakers, opportunities for practice and fellowship, these courses are not to be missed.

For all current and prospective Ministers at the Altar (Acolyte) and Altar Servers, we invite you to save the date on Saturday, 23rd July for both introductory and intensive courses on the Liturgy and Worship. If you have any questions/clarification, please call the Parish Office on 9622 1125.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION COURSES

Parramatta Diocese Office for Worship Liturgical Ministry Formation September – November '22

The Office for Worship is conducting Liturgical Formation Courses at no cost from September 2022. We encourage those wishing to join a Liturgical Ministry to complete these sets of courses. As well, this is a great refresher for experienced ministers. Physical forms can be collected at the Parish Office.

- Introduction to Liturgical Ministry Monday 5th September 2022 (Compulsory)
- Ministry of the Word Monday 12th & 19th September 2022.
- Extraordinary Ministers of Communion Monday10th & 17th October 2022
- Communion to the Sick & Dying Monday 24th October 2022.
- Ministers at the Altar—Monday 31st Oct & 7th Nov 2022.

Please contact the Parish Office for further details. Endorsement and Signature of Parish Priest required before submitting application form to the office for worship.

END OF FINANCIAL YEAR & PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM

THE ENVELOPES ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION AT THE CHURCH FOYER

FOR EXISTING DONORS -

We are so grateful for your financial support to the Parish, as your regular and frequent contributions makes for sustaining its life. As the new financial year starting, kindly note of the following:

- New Set of Planned Giving Envelopes are now available for collection in the Church foyer, near St Joseph's statue in St Patrick's and at the back of the church in St Michael's, from 17/06/22 or visit the Parish Office during week days.
- Receipts for the PLANNED GIVING ONLY if you need receipts, please write you name down on the clipboards which are in the foyers or at the back of the Church. Receipts will be available on the second weekend of July. They will be in the foyers or at the back of the Church and will be left for pick up until the FIRST WEEKEND IN AUGUST. Please note Planned Giving IS NOT TAX DEDUCTIBLE.
- Caritas and Catholic Foundation receipts will automatically be issued to you (if you have indicated).

FOR NEW DONORS -

If you are a new parishioner or an existing one and you would like to participate in the 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 planned giving collection or email the completed form to accounts@mqofblacktown.org.au.

For more information or clarification, please feel free to call the parish Finance Office or email acounts@mqofblacktown.org.au. Thank you.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

RAISE THE ROOF APPEAL - NEW ROOF FOR ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

Store your riches in Heaven, help us RAISE THE ROOF of St Patrick's Church.

As of the 7th of July 2022, donations received is \$34,230.49. We thank the parishioners who have shared their treasure to our Raise the Roof Appeal. We are praying that more will respond generously to our appeal because it's only through your continued support that we can make the roof of the House of our God rebuild!

Our roof project is composed of the preparation, construction, and completion phase. The St Pat's roof is to be properly rebuilt to provide a safe and lasting haven for all parishioners and visitors. The preparation phase is a bit slow as we faced hurdles in securing the original roof plan of the church. We are working closely with our volunteers who have building, structural and architectural backgrounds to draft repair

recommendations, draw new roof plans and prepare project cost estimates, etc. So, at this point, we still have no idea as to what we are facing, with regards to options, costs, and complexities. However, we made the call to kick off our 'Raise the Roof' campaign a few weeks ago, to at least get things started. But, at the same time, we know that, realistically, this is going to involve years of financial support and commitment from us all. We are also in communication with the Diocese and, when more is known, will work with them to determine other funding options, how they might assist us. We will also commit to consulting you, our fellow parishioners, in the meantime, we ask for your generosity and prayers and, thank you for your ongoing support. It is much appreciated.



If you have any questions or, if you can assist or support us in any way, due to your expertise or background, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office on 9622 1125.

HOW TO DONATE:

- Scan the QR code to donate or logon to the following link (https://www.mgofblacktown.org/make-a-donation-or-payment)
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- 2. Fill in the red 'Raise the Roof' donation form we have placed at the doors of each church authorising us to debit your Credit card or bank account and then, drop this into the collection bags or to the parish office; or
- 3. Simply place your cash donation in an envelope marked 'Raise the Roof' together with your name and contact details and drop this into collection bags or to the parish office.
- 4. Set up a new Planned Giving or increase your current one via Credit Card or Direct Debit from bank account (this form is available in the foyer)

As a simple token of gratitude, we will place the names of our donors into the draw to win the following:

- \$100 dining voucher to be used at Club Blacktown (Drawn on 29/05/22 after 10am Mass) The winner was Colin & Dorothy Morris.
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MONTHLY RAFFLES

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Due to unforeseen circumstances no raffle tickets were sold during June. For the July Raffle the prize is a Soda Stream machine kindly donated to us by Harvey Norman and four \$25 vouchers totalling \$100.00 donated by Club Blacktown.

Tickets will be selling for \$2 each or 3 tickets for \$5.00. Tickets for the raffle will be at the entrances of both churches. As we are short of volunteers the selling of tickets is not manned. Instead, tickets, pens, and two containers one to drop the tickets with your names and phone number in and the other for the donations for the tickets. If paying by card, ask at the Piety Store.

The raffle will be drawn during the first week of August 2022. Winner will be contacted by phone and winning number published in the bulletin. Names will be withheld unless winner is ok with name being published.

Your support is greatly appreciated, and we thank you in advance and with great anticipation.

Volunteers to man the selling of tickets before and after masses are very welcomed, as well as those who would like to take away with them some tickets to sell to friends. If interested, please ask for further information at the Piety Store or call Charles Sant on 0410 662 591.

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If you encounter any issues signing up, please email Sarah at

accounts@mqofblacktown.org.au. Thank you so much for your continued support

of our parish. We are grateful!

OTHER WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE ON LINE



You can also support the parish by using our Tap & Go Machine. 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.

Planned Giving (Direct Debit or Credit Card) is also an option if you wish to do cashless donation to the parish, forms are available in the fover and on our parish website or contact the parish office on 9622 1125.

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