



# 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*

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

17TH 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.

## Hospitality and Listening

The Gospel's reading of this Sunday continues from Luke's famous story of the good Samaritan with the same theme of service in love of God and service in love of neighbour.

The Gospel tells us Jesus came to a village where he was welcomed by Martha and Mary. The two sisters welcomed him with open arms but in two different ways. Martha was busy preparing things as a gesture of hospitality that involves serving Jesus to honour him as a guest, while Mary welcomed Jesus by her full attention to the visitor. Mary sits at Jesus' feet and listens to his word. Mary's intention was to make Jesus feel at home and listen to a guest. Martha was not happy, and she raised her concern to Jesus by saying, "Lord do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please, tell her to help me." But Jesus says to her, "Martha, Martha, you worry and anxious about so many things, and yet few are needed. Mary has chosen the better part, it is not to be taken from her."

The Gospel's message is twofold: First, we need to understand the Gospel in the light of hospitality, which is one of the works of mercy creating the condition of welcoming, openness, inclusiveness, and respectfulness for all individuals. This is truly our human and Christian virtue, but we feel individualistic to share with our neighbours. We are not positioned to practice hospitality. What about those who are lonely, homeless, marginalised and the sick.

The second part of the message is to listen. Mary has led us perfectly to listen to Jesus. We need to understand that our human love begins at home, and it begins by listening. The more we listen, the more love grows, the more we understand each other. This is the teaching of Jesus Christ. But we are always anxious and worried about many things. We are not in a position to listen to the Word of God. We have become busy with life that we no longer have time to slow down and quietly listen to God, and even to our neighbours. And so, the question is, do we take time to listen to one another and to God?

Therefore, the Gospel calls us to make two different kinds of services to the Kingdom of God, that is, physical serving and contemplative listening. The true story of Martha and Mary makes us to move forward with the Kingdom of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Deacon John Cinya.*

### 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](http://www.mqofblacktown.org.au) **Email:** [admin@mqofblacktown.org.au](mailto:admin@mqofblacktown.org.au)

#### Parish Team:

**Parish Priest:** Fr. Regie Lavilla, MSP.

**Assistant Priest:** Fr. Chadi Ibrahim, SDB.

**Deacon:** John Cinya **Seminarian:** Tom Green

**Finance Officer:** Sarah Damole **Email:** [accounts@mqofblacktown.org.au](mailto:accounts@mqofblacktown.org.au)

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

**Email:** [admin@mqofblacktown.org.au](mailto:admin@mqofblacktown.org.au)

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

**Email:** [sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au](mailto: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 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Ps 53:6,8

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

### FIRST READING: GEN 18:1-10

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 14:2-5. R. V.1

(R.) The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

### SECOND READING: COL 1:24-28

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: See Lk 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance. Alleluia!

### GOSPEL: Lk 10:38-42

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Ps 110:4-5

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

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## Daily Readings

- Monday 18 July: Mi 6:1-4. 6-8; Mt 12:38-42.
- Tuesday 19 July: Mi 7:14-15. 18-20 ; Mt 12:46-50.
- Wednesday 20 July: Jer 1:1. 4-10; Mt 13:1-9.
- Thursday 21 July: Jer 2:1-3. 7-8. 12-13; Mt 13:10-17.
- Friday 22 July: Sg 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-2. 11-18.
- Saturday 23 July: Jer 7:1-11; Mt 13:24-30.
- Sunday 17 July: Gen 18:20-32; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13.



## FEAST DAYS

- Wednesday, 20th July:** SAINT APOLLINARIS, BISHOP AND MARTYR .
- Thursday 21st July:** SAINT LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI, PRIEST AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH.
- Friday 22nd July:** SAINT MARY MAGDALENE
- Saturday 23rd July:** ST BRIDGET, RELIGIOUS & SATURDAY MASS OF THE

### 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.

# 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

### III. The Eucharist in the Economy of Salvation

The signs of bread and wine

**1333** At the heart of the Eucharistic celebration are the bread and wine that, by the words of Christ and the invocation of the Holy Spirit, become Christ's Body and Blood. Faithful to the Lord's command the Church continues to do, in his memory and until his glorious return, what he did on the eve of his Passion: "He took bread...." "He took the cup filled with wine...." the signs of bread and wine become, in a way surpassing understanding, the Body and Blood of Christ; they continue also to signify the goodness of creation. Thus in the Offertory we give thanks to the Creator for bread and wine,<sup>152</sup> fruit of the "work of human hands," but above all as "fruit of the earth" and "of the vine" - gifts of the Creator. the Church sees in the gesture of the king-priest Melchizedek, who "brought out bread and wine," a prefiguring of her own offering.<sup>153</sup>

**1334** In the Old Covenant bread and wine were offered in sacrifice among the first fruits of the earth as a sign of grateful acknowledgment to the Creator. But they also received a new significance in the context of the Exodus: the unleavened bread that Israel eats every year at Passover commemorates the haste of the departure that liberated them from Egypt; the remembrance of the manna in the desert will always recall to Israel that it lives by the bread of the Word of God;<sup>154</sup> their daily bread is the fruit of the promised land, the pledge of God's faithfulness to his promises. The "cup of blessing"<sup>155</sup> at the end of the Jewish Passover meal adds to the festive joy of wine an eschatological dimension: the messianic expectation of the rebuilding of Jerusalem. When Jesus instituted the Eucharist, he gave a new and definitive meaning to the blessing of the bread and the cup.

**1335** The miracles of the multiplication of the loaves, when the Lord says the blessing, breaks and distributes the loaves through his disciples to feed the multitude, prefigure the superabundance of this unique bread of his Eucharist.<sup>156</sup> The sign of water turned into wine at Cana already announces the Hour of Jesus' glorification. It makes manifest the fulfillment of the wedding feast in the Father's kingdom, where the faithful will drink the new wine that has become the Blood of Christ.<sup>157</sup>

**1336** The first announcement of the Eucharist divided the disciples, just as the announcement of the Passion scandalized them: "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?"<sup>158</sup> The Eucharist and the Cross are stumbling blocks. It is the same mystery and it never ceases to be an occasion of division. "Will you also go away?":<sup>159</sup> The Lord's question echoes through the ages, as a loving invitation to discover that only he has "the words of eternal life"<sup>160</sup> and that to receive in faith the gift of his Eucharist is to receive the Lord himself.

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

### RECENTLY DECEASED

Arthur Cadelina, Paul Farrugia, William Epino

### DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

Dionisio Kibir, Marlene Baldacchino, Charlie Azzopardi, Maria Azzopardi

### 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.



# 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 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



### 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.

### JUSTICE OF THE PEACE SERVICES

*Justice of the Peace*



### JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Mary, Queen of the Family Parish  
Parish Office - 51-59 Allawah Street, Blacktown

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

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

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

Witness Affidavits  
Witness Statutory Declarations  
Certify Original Copies

**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



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 Parish name;
3. Select "Mary Queen of the Family" and press "Next";
4. Enter your Name and your Email address to register a new account and press "Sign Up";
5. Download the FORMED app on your phone and "Sign In" using your email address in step 4;
6. Browse, Watch, Listen, Read, and Study - to form your catholic conscience.

### SUNDAY FLOCK



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"You are anxious and worried about many things."

### Sheepish Questions:

Which earthly "duties" get in the way of my spiritual life? Which ones enhance it?

## 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 be on Saturday 6th August 2022. - St. Patrick's Church.

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:  
Eliannah Lewis & George Murphy

## 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.**

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Gerald "Ged" Oblea our Sacramental Coordinator on the details below:

Email: [sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au](mailto:sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au)

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



Serve God's people,  
Join the Sacramental Team!

## 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 receiving 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, or talk to one of our priests.

## 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:

"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. However, 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.**

Please register your interest by **Friday 29th July 2022.**

## 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](mailto: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](http://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: Noemi Romero, 0475 798 770 (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](mailto:Blake@mqofblacktown.org.au)

Meeting Time and Venue: Every Sunday from 4pm – 6:30pm at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church.

# YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS CORNER

GET INVOLVED

## MQOF YOUTH GROUPS



### 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 [YOUTH@MQOFBLACKTOWN.ORG.AU](mailto: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  
1st Friday of the Month

#### Young Adults

Young Adults Group  
COMING SOON  
Watch this Space!



@mqofyouth



@mqof\_youth



MQOF Youth

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ~ WINTER APPEAL



Next weekend our parish will be supporting the St. Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. Domestic violence is the leading cause of homelessness for women and children. Your support this Winter will help provide emergency accommodation, financial support, as well as material assistance to help families like Leah and Charlotte start again. All donations over \$2 are tax-deductible. Please take a giving envelope with you today. At next weekend Masses a third collection will be taken for this appeal. Thank

you for your on going support and generosity.

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



## CATHOLIC CARE SOLO PARENT SERVICES

**ANNULMENT INFORMATION WEBINAR** - Each year the Tribunal of the Catholic Church, Diocese of Parramatta and Catholic Care WSBM Solo Parent Services present an Information Webinar to help people understand the process of Annulments in the Catholic Church. Questions are answered in detail on all aspects of the Annulment process. The event will be held online via Zoom. Date: Wednesday 3rd August 2022 Time: 7pm -9pm. Registration is Essential: For further details and to register, please call the Tribunal office on PH: 8838 3480 or email [tribunal@parracatholic.org](mailto:tribunal@parracatholic.org)

**Bereavement Support Program** at St. Bernadette's Parish Castle Hill Commencing 11th August. Catholic Care is commencing a 7 session Bereavement Support Program for men and women whose spouse or partner have died. Each week a different topic will be presented on how grief impacts lives after the death of a spouse or partner. It will be held on Thursdays over 7 weeks from 10am – 12pm. For further information and Registration: Contact Rita Chater at Catholic care on 8843 2500 or [rita.chater@ccss.org.au](mailto:rita.chater@ccss.org.au)

## 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



## A REMINDER ~ FROM SOCIAL JUSTICE TEAM

A gentle reminder from the social justice group who are requesting Parishioners to please continue to bring in cans and bottles for recycling. ONLY CANS AND BOTTLES THAT HAVE 10 cents printed on them. Please place these in containers in the foyer of the church. Thank you for your support.

## ST.PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL - 2023



### 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

<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](mailto:stpatsblacktown@parra.catholic.edu.au)

## PATRICIAN BROTHERS - 2023



PATRICIAN BROTHERS' COLLEGE, BLACKTOWN

## ENROL NOW

YEAR 7 2023/2024

Click the link below to express your interest.

[EXPRESSION OF INTEREST](#)

P: 8811 0300 W: [www.patsblacktown.catholic.edu.au](http://www.patsblacktown.catholic.edu.au)

E: [patricianbros@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:patricianbros@parra.catholic.edu.au)

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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 **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.

### PARISH LITURGICAL FORMATION ~ POSTPONED

Please note that the liturgical formation sessions that were planned to take place on the 16th and 23rd of July have been postponed until further notice. New dates for these sessions will be communicated in due course. Thank you once again for your unwavering support and prayers.

### 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 - Monday 10th & 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.**

### 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](mailto:marriage@parracatholic.org)

## 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 your 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](mailto:accounts@mqofblacktown.org.au).

For more information or clarification, please feel free to call the parish Finance Office or email [accounts@mqofblacktown.org.au](mailto:accounts@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 15th of July 2022, donations received is **\$34,720.49**. 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:

1. Scan the QR code to donate or logon to the following link (<https://www.mqofblacktown.org/make-a-donation-or-payment>) Please type 'Raise the Roof' or just 'Roof' in the description field when making the donation.
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:

- 1) **\$100 dining voucher to be used at Club Blacktown ( Drawn on 29/05/22 after 10am Mass) The winner was Colin & Dorothy Morris.**
- 2) **\$100 dining voucher to be used at Blacktown Workers Club (Drawn on 07/07/22) The winner was Boy & Malou Gatchalian.**
- 3) **\$100 Coles/Myer Gift Card (To be drawn on 31/07/22 after 10am Mass)**

We acknowledge and sincerely thank our generous sponsors for their support.

## MONTHLY RAFFLES

### an Initiative of our MQOF Piety Shop Ministry for the upkeep expenses of St Michael's & St Patrick's Churches

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.

## 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](http://www.mqofblacktown.org.au/donations).

You can also send your offerings/donations thru bank transfer:

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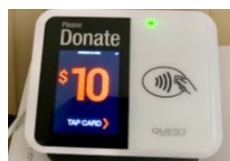
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If you encounter any issues signing up, please email Sarah at [accounts@mqofblacktown.org.au](mailto:accounts@mqofblacktown.org.au). Thank you so much for your continued support of our parish. We are grateful!



## 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 foyer and on our parish website or contact the parish office on 9622 1125.

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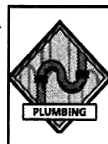
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