



Weekly Bulletin

Mary, Queen of the Family Parish

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

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

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

11TH SEPTEMBER 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.

The Mercy of God

The ultimate reason for the revelation of God's love and mercy is none other than our salvation. If we believe that this is good news then we open the doors of our hearts to be claimed by God constantly as his beloved children and thus experience returning to him every now and then when we are lost. This is basically what conversion of hearts, conversion to God is all about, that we allow ourselves to be embraced by his unconditional love and unfathomable mercy, that we allow God first of all to seek and find us and we decide to belong to him. There is just a very deep mystery of this mercy of God in this Sunday's Liturgy. The Word of God is truly good news and can instruct, educate and form our affections so we may grow in faith especially to the One sent to us, our Lord Jesus Christ.

But, behind this good news, there might seem to be a difficult truth to accept for many of us today...the reality of sin. Our Christian belief informs us that sin exist, yet the much influence of pragmatic and secular psychology to theology, we are beginning to soften too much our concept of sin probably to the point of believing that this is not true and is only a subjective interpretation of the Church's authority back to pre-Vatican II. Relativism has confused us with what is good and bad, what is right and wrong, because with it, we lost the objective basis from the revelation of God. This is even reinforced by the sins of the Church leaders hurting the faith of so many members of the Catholic Church.

I am not sure with the extent of the impact of the penitential rite in our celebration of the Holy Mass when we say "mea culpa, mea culpa, mea maxima culpa..." and strike our chests. Hopefully, we are not so used to it that it does not anymore awaken any sense of meaning in our Liturgy, more so a sense of sorrow for our sins in thought, word, and deed. This is a pastoral reminder: please be present at the beginning of the Holy Mass so we can receive the grace of forgiveness to prepare ourselves to take, though not worthy, the body of Christ.

The whole point of the parables in the gospel is indeed the good news of a God seeking for us, and in finding us celebrates and rejoices. There is a person in the parable of the prodigal son that reminds us of our tendencies today, the elder son who refused to enter the house of the father, who refused to recognize the love of the father. He missed that great opportunity because he does not see himself having sinned. Precisely, the grace and mercy of God cannot work with the righteous people who think they have no wrong, no sins. This is the biggest hindrance to conversion because first of all conversion demands from us letting go, and surrendering to the one who loves us, who seeks us when we are lost. The sacrament of reconciliation that Jesus left for us in the Church offers us the avenue to express our sins, be sorry for them and begin a new life with Christ who saves and gives his life for us! With the new life in Christ, we become sharers and preachers of the good news to others.

Fr Regie Lavilla MSP

Parish Directory

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

Parish Office: At St. Patrick's Church. **Office Hours:** Mon-Fri: 9am-4pm
Telephone: 02 9622 1125 **A/H:** 02 8705 0830.
Website: www.mqofblacktown.org.au **Email:** admin@mqofblacktown.org.au

Parish Team:

Parish Priest: Fr. Regie Lavilla, MSP.

Assistant Priest: Fr. Chadi Ibrahim, SDB.

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

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

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

Email: admin@mqofblacktown.org.au

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

Email: sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au

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, Ekhlas 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 Bungaribee Rd, Blacktown NSW 2148) P : 8822 2100

Catholic Healthcare St Hedwig Village Blacktown (140 Reservoir Rd, Blacktown 2148) P : 8822 9920



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, or for further information call the Parish Office on 9622 1125.

~ 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.



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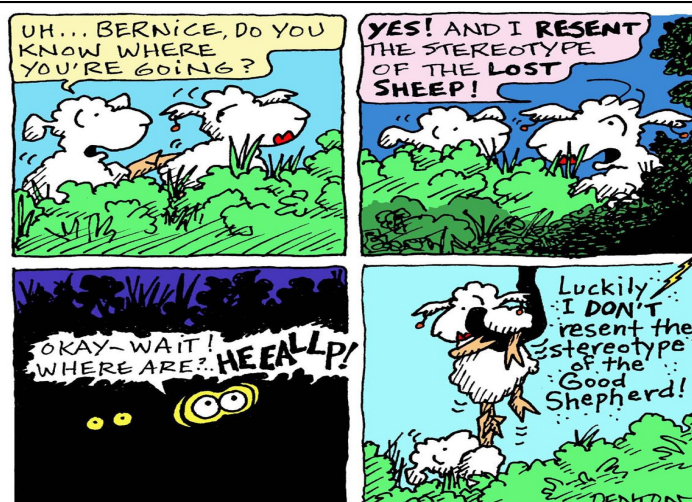


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SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY 2022 PRAYER

Gracious God, you love and care for all of your children, especially the smallest and most vulnerable. We entrust to you the lives of children and adults at risk who have been sexually abused, and whose trust and innocence have been destroyed. Help us to hear their cries of pain and to take responsibility for those whose lives have been broken. Help us to recognise the hurt felt by those wounded by abuse, and the failure to be heard. We pray that with the help of your grace communities and families will find understanding and support, so that now and in the future their wounds may be healed and they may find lasting peace. Let your grace and love fall gently now upon our children and adults at risk, giving them the inner strength, peace and resilience to seek out assistance when required. We ask this prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen

SUNDAY FLOCK



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"Rejoice with me for I have found my lost sheep."

Sheepish Question:

Hmm...how can I be a good shepherd?

THE LITURGY

TWENTY– FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Cf. Sir 36:18

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

FIRST READING: EX 32:7-11. 13-14

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 50:3-4. 12-13. 17. 19. R. LK 15:18

(R.) I will rise and go to my father.

SECOND READING: 1 TM 1:12-17

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia! God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Lk 15:1-10 (Shorter Form)

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," he would say "I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance. 'Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," she would say "I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Cf. Ps 35:8

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

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Daily Readings

Monday 12 September: 1 Cor 11:17-26. 33; Lk 7:1-10.
 Tuesday 13 September: 1 Cor 12:12-14. 27-31; Lk 7:11-17.
 Wednesday 14 September: Nm 21:4-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17.
 Thursday 15 September: Heb 5:7-9; Jn 19:25-27.
 Friday 16 September: 1 Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3.
 Saturday 17 September: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Lk 8:4-15.
 Sunday 18 September: Am 8:4-7; 1 Tm 2:1-8, 12-17; Lk 16:1-13.

FEAST DAYS

Monday, 12th September: THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY.
 Tuesday, 13th September: SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH.
 Wednesday 14th September: THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
 Thursday 15th September: OUR LADY OF SORROWS.
 Friday 16th September: SAINTS CORNELIUS, POPE, AND CYPRIAN, BISHOP, MARTYR.
 Saturday 15th September: SAINT ROBERT BELLARMINE, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH.



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
 V. The Sacramental Sacrifice Thanksgiving, Memorial, Presence

The sacrificial memorial of Christ and of his Body, the Church

1371 The Eucharistic sacrifice is also offered for the faithful departed who "have died in Christ but are not yet wholly purified,"¹⁹¹ so that they may be able to enter into the light and peace of Christ: Put this body anywhere! Don't trouble yourselves about it! I simply ask you to remember me at the Lord's altar wherever you are.¹⁹² Then, we pray [in the anaphora] for the holy fathers and bishops who have fallen asleep, and in general for all who have fallen asleep before us, in the belief that it is a great benefit to the souls on whose behalf the supplication is offered, while the holy and tremendous Victim is present.... By offering to God our supplications for those who have fallen asleep, if they have sinned, we . . . offer Christ sacrificed for the sins of all, and so render favorable, for them and for us, the God who loves man.¹⁹³

1372 St. Augustine admirably summed up this doctrine that moves us to an ever more complete participation in our Redeemer's sacrifice which we celebrate in the Eucharist: This wholly redeemed city, the assembly and society of the saints, is offered to God as a universal sacrifice by the high priest who in the form of a slave went so far as to offer himself for us in his Passion, to make us the Body of so great a head.... Such is the sacrifice of Christians: "we who are many are one Body in Christ" the Church continues to reproduce this sacrifice in the sacrament of the altar so well-known to believers wherein it is evident to them that in what she offers she herself is offered.¹⁹⁴

The presence of Christ by the power of his word and the Holy Spirit

1373 "Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us," is present in many ways to his Church:¹⁹⁵ in his word, in his Church's prayer, "where two or three are gathered in my name,"¹⁹⁶ in the poor, the sick, and the imprisoned,¹⁹⁷ in the sacraments of which he is the author, in the sacrifice of the Mass, and in the person of the minister. But "he is present . . . most especially in the Eucharistic species."¹⁹⁸

1374 The mode of Christ's presence under the Eucharistic species is unique. It raises the Eucharist above all the sacraments as "the perfection of the spiritual life and the end to which all the sacraments tend."¹⁹⁹ In the most blessed sacrament of the Eucharist "the body and blood, together with the soul and divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ and, therefore, the whole Christ is truly, really, and substantially contained."²⁰⁰ This presence is called 'real' - by which is not intended to exclude the other types of presence as if they could not be 'real' too, but because it is presence in the fullest sense: that is to say, it is a substantial presence by which Christ, God and man, makes himself wholly and entirely present.²⁰¹

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

RECENTLY DECEASED

Susan Jane Sherwood.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

Janice Mossfield, Felix Gando, Rosa Lacson,
 Ralph Jonald Paladin, Juanita A. Bueno, Alicia Cercado,
 Rosalina Cirilo Aclao

IN MEMORIUM

Deceased members of the Mossfield Family, Peter Camilleri,
 Joseph Aquilina, Frank Cefai, Raymunda Cornejo Sanchez

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Brenda Simon & Family

SICK

Teresita Alston, Edna Canete, Phoebe Ann Canete; Angela Michael, Maria
 Ceclia Rodrigo Salvador, Trevor Anthony, Joan Clout.

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

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 1st October 2022. - St. Patrick's Church.

For more information please logon to our website:
<https://mqofblacktown.org.au/sacraments/#baptism>

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



Congratulations to our 160 newly Confirmed children last week.

Please pray that our young people, strengthened by the Holy Spirit through the Sacrament of Confirmation, will be true witnesses of Christ to others. May they spread and defend the faith by word and deed.

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: Noemi Romero, 0475 798 770 (for statue bookings)
Meeting Time and Venue: Every Thursday, 5:00pm – 6:30pm at Sid Mosley Centre, St Michael's Church.

LEGION OF MARY ST PATRICK'S



Contact: Maurice Bru 0419 626 583 (for statue bookings)
Meeting Time and Venue: Every Monday, 7:30pm at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church. Juniors meet every Friday at 4:30pm.

MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS



Contact: Max Rosario, 0490 137 533
Meeting Time and Venue: Monday 9:30am-10:30am at Sid Mosley Centre, St Michael's Church. All are welcome!

MQOF SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP



Contact: Jude Besterwitch, 0435 588 309
Meeting Time and Venue: 2nd Sunday of every month, 12pm—2pm at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church

ROSARY GROUP



Contact: Diane Zerafa, 0403 554 566
Meeting Time and Venue: Every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday after the 8am Mass, at St Michael's church.

TEHILLAH COMMUNITY



Contact: Ash & Rozario Fernando, 0416 861 976 or 0412 195 916
Meeting Time and Venue: Every 2nd & 4th Saturday (school term) between 2pm – 4pm at the Cardinal Clancy Room, 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



Sponsorship
EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

**DO YOU WANT TO GO TO WYD?
FIND OUT HOW MQOF CAN HELP**

The Diocese of Parramatta invites young people across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains to join them on its official pilgrimage to the 16th International World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal, in August 2023.

OFFICIAL LAUNCH EVENT:
Thursday 18th August, 2022

WORLD YOUTH DAY
July 21st- August 11th 2023

More information
parrawyd.org

Register your EO! to
youth@mqofblacktown.org.au

ST. PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL



Are you looking for a primary school to enroll your child?

We still have a few places available for Kindergarten 2023. We would love to meet you and take you for a tour of our beautiful school.
DON'T MISS OUT!

Phone: 02 8869 6000

Email: stpatsblacktown@parracatholic.edu.au

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YEAR 7 2023/2024

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

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SAFE GUARDING SUNDAY 2022

Safeguarding Sunday – 11th September 2022 ~ Theme: 'Safe and Supported'
On this Safeguarding Sunday let us make a commitment as volunteers in ministry to show we are keeping our Parish community safe for all children and adults who may be at risk.

As volunteers in Parish Ministry, have each of us completed our Mandatory Safeguarding Training?

If you would like to complete the training independently on our online training platform you can start these modules at any time and complete them at your own pace. **Sign up onto the platform by clicking on this link:**

<https://learning.safeguarding.org.au>

If you have any questions about the Safeguarding Training, please email Maria Kervin, Community Engagement and Education Officer at:

maria.kervin@parracatholic.org

FREE C.P.R TRAINING

The Diocese is participating in a program called FirstCPR that involves education and training in responding to cardiac arrest in the community. This program will allow us to provide CPR accredited training to all parish staff, volunteers and is free of charge.

Participation involves completing a short 5-minute survey and you will receive access to free CPR training materials. You must be 18 years or older to participate. For any questions about this research contact the team on Ph: 0412 369 519 or email: warc.firstcpr@sydney.edu.au



SCAN ME

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES



WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES

"The Diocesan Journey... Walking with Refugees" group of the Diocese of Parramatta invites you to an afternoon of fun, food and friendship. Join us in celebrating the World Day of Migrants & Refugees. All are welcome to this family and kid friendly event!

Sunday 25 September 2022 in Blacktown

2:00pm: Mass with Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv at St Patrick's Church, 51-59 Allawah St

3:30pm – 5:00pm: Afternoon event at All Saints of Africa Centre, 63 Allawah St

(Parking is available at the Church)

RSVP at shorturl.at/ahxyZ



DIocese of PARRAMATTA



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PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

PARISH GOLF DAY



MARY, QUEEN OF THE FAMILY
PARISH, BLACKTOWN

Presents

Raise the Roof!

Golf Day FUNDRAISER

to benefit

St. Patrick's Church ~ Raise the Roof Appeal.

Stonecutters Ridge Golf Club

86 Stonecutters Dr, Colebee NSW 2761

Friday 14th October 2022 At 7.00am

\$520.00 4 Person Team or Single Entry \$130.00	18 Holes ~ Ambrose Team Event. Breakfast & Lunch Provided	Green Fees & Shared Cart Provided. VARIOUS PRIZES TO BE WON!
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Hole Sponsors Needed!

\$650.00 with 4 players or \$200.00 with out players.

To Register call Parish Office or email
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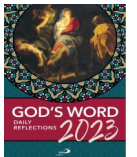


We need items to use for raffles, lucky door prizes and for Silent Auctions on the day. Please donate any unused, unwanted items you may have around your home, over the coming weeks. Donated items can be left at the Parish Office or in the boxes provided at our church foyers.

Thank you in advance for your assistance and support!

GOD'S WORD 2023 ~ AVAILABLE NOW

GET A COPY OF GOD'S WORD 2023 BIBLE DIARY FROM THE PIETY STORE. \$20.00 EACH COPY! Designed to help you to keep the Word of God close to your heart in your daily. life.



MARY'S PANTRY



Sharing Hope... Doing it Tough!

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

CARITAS AUSTRALIA ~ PAKISTAN FLOOD APPEAL



Pakistan Flood Crisis Appeal

The devastating floods in Pakistan have left a trail of destruction across the country, claiming the lives of more than 1,100 people. The United Nations estimates that around 33 million Pakistanis have been affected by the flooding.

More than one third of the country has been completely submerged by the heaviest recorded monsoon rains in a decade. There are fears that the death toll will continue to rise.

Caritas Australia's partners are responding to support flood-affected communities who need immediate assistance. Your generous support can help provide emergency aid to help families recover and rebuild from disaster.

Donate now by visiting
<https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/pakistan-floods> or scanning the QR code.



MARY'S CAFE

Please join us for morning tea every Wednesday after the 9am Mass in the Cardinal Clancy Room.
All are welcome!

NOTIFICATION OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Parish Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on 25th September 2022 from 11.30am to 1pm at the St. Patricks School MPA hall.

At this AGM we will elect the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) members for the next 3 year term starting from after the AGM. Only parishioners nominated will be allowed to take part on the voting process.

Nominations are invited from Parishioners. Those wishing to nominate fellow parishioners or themselves must obtain, complete and submit a nomination form (that includes the names, contact details, addresses and signatures of the proposer, seconder and the candidate). to the Parish Office by 12th September.

Parishioners, wishing to have any matter discussed at the AGM, will be required to submit such a matter in writing to the SECRETARY of the COUNCIL by 12th September 2022.

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 8th of September 2022, donations received is **\$47,402.00** 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!

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)



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.

PIETY STORE RAFFLE

SUPPORT OUR MONTHLY RAFFLES

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St Michael's & St Patrick's Churches

September Raffle prize is a Queen size Quilt Cover plus a \$100 Blacktown Workers Club Gift Voucher.

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 name and phone number and the other for the donations for the tickets. If paying by card, ask at the Piety Store.

You can also purchase tickets online by logging onto the following website:

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

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THANK YOU

Father Regie together with the Parish Team would like to say THANK YOU to Natalie Coghlan the Religious Education Coordinator (REC) at St Patrick's Primary School, who will be leaving us at the end of Term 3. Natalie has had a pivotal role in the faith formation of the students and their on going journey of faith.

We wish you all the best in your new role. God bless!

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:

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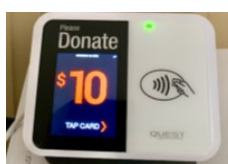
SECOND COLLECTION: For the Parish

Account Name: Blacktown Catholic Church
Bank: CBA BSB: 067 950 Account Number: 0000 0677
Reference: 6004 ~ Donor's name

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

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