

Jeekly Philletin

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

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

9TH OCTOBER 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,

Harry Ironside, the great American Bible teacher, went into a crowded restaurant to have a meal. Just as he was about to begin his meal, a man approached and asked if he could join him. Ironside invited him to have a seat. Then, as was his custom, Ironside bowed his head in prayer. When he opened his eyes, the other man asked, "Do you have a headache?" Ironside replied, "No, I don't." The man continued, "Is something wrong with your food?" Ironside replied, "No, I was simply thanking God as I always do before I eat." The man said, "Oh, you're one of those, are you? Well, I want you to know that I never give thanks. I earn my money by the sweat of my brow, and I don't have to give thanks to anybody when I eat. I just start right in!" Ironside said, "Yes, you're just like my dog. That's what he does too!"

There are many people in our society today who are just like Ironside's dog. Such people believe they have earned every good that comes their way and, therefore, do not need to thank anyone or any God for it. They forget that the blessings that come into our lives are God's blessings before they become our achievements. What did anyone do to merit being born alive while some people were born dead or were even aborted? What did you do to deserve loving parents while many people never had any? What did you do to have eyes to see, ears to hear, tongue to speak, feet to walk, that some people among us do not have? How much did you pay God to make you such an intelligent and beautiful person? Think of the many wonderful teachers, friends and relations that you have had and that you still have. We take our blessings for granted. Emerson once said that if the stars came out only once a year, everybody would stay up all night to behold them. We have seen the stars so often that we don't bother to look at them anymore. How easily we grow accustomed to our blessings and forget to give thanks for them.

In today's gospel Jesus heals ten lepers. Only one returns to give him thanks. Why didn't the nine lepers return? Here are some suggested reasons why the nine did not return:

"I think we need to wait and see if the cure is for real, if it would last."
"Besides, there's plenty of time to see Jesus later, if we need to."

"You know what: Maybe we never even had leprosy in the first place."

"There was no doubt in my mind that we would get well someday."

"I told you guys that if you think positively that you will be well, you will?" "Jesus didn't really do anything special; any rabbi could have done it."

"Now that we are okay, we do still need him?"

"What we need now is the temple priest, the one who can declare us clean."

"Jesus said to go to the priest. He would be mad with us if we return to him now."

You can see from these reasons that ingratitude often stems from selfishness and greed. Ingratitude is nothing but putting my need to get more before other people's need to be complimented for what I have received from them.

Fortunately, there is the tenth leper who says nothing but simply turns back to thank Jesus. He is a Samaritan, a foreigner. He cannot go to the priest because the priest would not minister to him. He does not belong to the "right" religion. He is regarded as a lawless sinner because he does not observe the Jewish Law. The nine Jewish lepers go to the priest because they want to fulfill the law. The lawless one follows his natural instincts and returns to Jesus to give thanks. Sometimes common sense is more accurate than the letters of the law in deciphering the will of God in particular situations. People who disregard common sense and reason and seek only to fulfill what the law or the man of God says often end up getting it wrong, like the nine lepers.

Many Christians today do not attend Sunday worship. More than anything, this is a sign that we have become an ungrateful people. This is so because the main reason why Christians come together on Sunday is to give thanks to God. The word "Eucharist" comes from the Greek word meaning "thanksgiving." If we count our blessing, if we realise that all is from above, then we shall be more likely to act like the Samaritan leper when he realised, he was healed – to return with joy and give God thanks and praise – every Sunday. Have a lovely and 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.
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@mgofblacktown.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:

8869 6200

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

St Patrick's Primary: 8869 6000

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

Nagle College:

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

P : 0007 4507 https://www.nagrebracktown.catronic.edu.au Patrician Brothers College:
P : 8811 0300 https://www.patsblacktown.nsw.edu.au Catholic Early Learning Centre (St Michael's):
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



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.

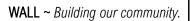
~ The Parish Team

MARY QUEEN OF THE FAMILY ~ PARISH MISSION

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- * 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



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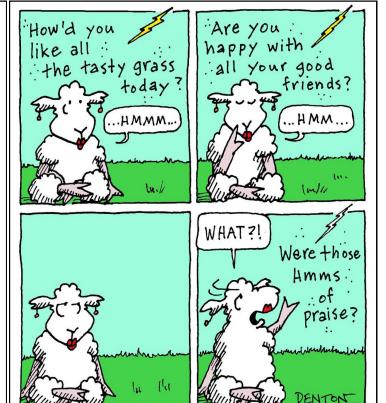
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SUNDAY FLOCK



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"Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?"

Sheepish Questions:

Do I praise God often, or just hmmm along? Why?

THE LITURGY TWENTY— EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Ps 129:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

FIRST READING: 2 KGS 5:14-17

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 97:1-4. R. SEE V.2

(R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

SECOND READING: 2 TM 2:8-13

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 1 Thes 5:18

Alleluia, alleluia! For all things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Lk 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Cf. Ps 33:11

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

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Daily Readings

Monday 10th October: Gal 4:22-24. 26-27. 31-5:1; Lk 11:29-32.

Tuesday 11th October: Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41. Wednesday 12th October: Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46. Thursday 13th October: Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11:47-54. Friday 14th October: Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7. Saturday 15th October: Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12.

Sunday 16th October: Ex 17:8-13; 2 Tm 3:14 – 4:2; Lk 18:1-8.

FEAST DAYS

Tuesday, 11th October: SAINT JOHN XXIII, POPE

Friday 14th October: SAINT CALLISTUS I, POPE AND

MARTYR.

Saturday 15th October: SAINT TERESA OF JESUS, VIRGIN

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

VI. The Paschal Banquet

1384 The Lord addresses an invitation to us, urging us to receive him in the sacrament of the Eucharist: "Truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you."²¹⁵

1385 To respond to this invitation we must prepare ourselves for so great and so holy a moment. St. Paul urges us to examine our conscience: "Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a man examine himself, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For any one who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment upon himself."²¹⁶ Anyone conscious of a grave sin must receive the sacrament of Reconciliation before coming to communion.

1386 Before so great a sacrament, the faithful can only echo humbly and with ardent faith the words of the Centurion: "Domine, non sum dignus ut intres sub tectum meum, sed tantum dic verbo, et sanabitur anima mea" ("Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul will be healed.").²¹⁷ and in the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom the faithful pray in the same spirit:

O Son of God, bring me into communion today with your mystical supper. I shall not tell your enemies the secret, nor kiss you with Judas' kiss. But like the good thief I cry, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

1387 To prepare for worthy reception of this sacrament, the faithful should observe the fast required in their Church.²¹⁸ Bodily demeanor (gestures, clothing) ought to convey the respect, solemnity, and joy of this moment when Christ becomes our guest.

1388 It is in keeping with the very meaning of the Eucharist that the faithful, if they have the required dispositions, receive communion each time they participate in the Mass.²¹⁹ As the Second Vatican Council says: "That more perfect form of participation in the Mass whereby the faithful, after the priest's communion, receive the Lord's Body from the same sacrifice, is warmly recommended."²²⁰

1389 The Church obliges the faithful "to take part in the Divine Liturgy on Sundays and feast days" and, prepared by the sacrament of Reconciliation, to receive the Eucharist at least once a year, if possible during the Easter season.221 But the Church strongly encourages the faithful to receive the holy Eucharist on Sundays and feast days, or more often still, even daily.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

RECENTLY DECEASED

Victor Budek, Plaida Domingo, Mabel Gabriel, Peter Kelly.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

Glen Aclao. Rosario Agnes Tan, Jovencio Martinez.

IN MEMORIAM

Joe Aquilina, Meilak Family, Rosario Agnes Tan, Savencio Martinez.

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



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 5th November 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: Anastasia Estepa

VOLUNTEERS NEEDE 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 Ph: 9622 1125 (option 4) Mobile: 0422 724 008 Email: sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au ged@mgofblacktown.org.au

MARRIAGE MASTER CLASS

The Diocese is looking to more deeply accompany couples preparing to be married. Have you been married for more than 5 years? Committed to living the sacrament of Marriage? Willing to give time limited assistance to couples preparing for marriage? Join us for a Masterclass on Friday 28 October at 7.30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre. Blacktown, on Sponsoring engaged couples in your Parish using the SmartLoving Engaged Online program. To book your attendance or to ask further questions, please email marriage@parracatholic.org or phone Marisa on (02) 8838 3460.

DIOCESE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

The annual Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday 30 October at 11am at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta, Bishop Vincent will celebrate Solemn Mass, followed by a light lunch at the Cathedral Hall. All couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary will receive a certificate from Bishop Vincent.

Please register your name, years of marriage and numbers attending at marriage@parracatholic.org by 21 October. Family and friends are welcome.

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

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

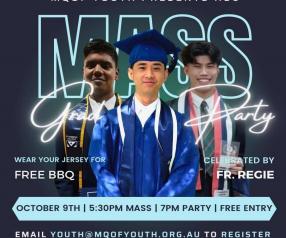


Contact: Blake Bano Blake@mgofblacktown.org.au Meeting Time and Venue: Every Sunday from 4pm -6:30pm at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS CORNER

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LIFTED SPORTS DAY POSTPONED

And there we have it, team... another LIFTED Sports Day washed out by the weather. Catholic Youth Parramatta (CYP) are reviewing the end of year schedule, resources and availability of the venue and our contractors to determine if a new date is possible before 2023. CYP will keep all captains posted on any updates.

LIFTED LIVE



CALLING ALL MUSICANS & ARTISTS

After 3 years, we've once again opened EOIs for a spot at LIFTED Live in the Forecourt 2022! Share that talent that's been waiting to be unleashed. Tell your story, inspire others and remind our Diocesan community about the power of our gifts in music and art.

Share it with mates you think need a little push to sign up! www.parracatholic.org/liftedeoi



BUILDING SAFE PARISHES TOGETHER 2022

Building Safe Parishes Together in 2022: An Update from the Office for Safeguarding: Spring Training Opportunities!

Have you had a chance to complete your Safeguarding Training Yet? Do you need to catch up on some Modules?

The Office for Safeguarding is offering a range of opportunities to complete your Safeguarding Training this spring.

Please choose one of the following options and register for your Safeguarding Modules.

Weekday Training -

Bishop Bede Heather Centre – 1-5 Marion Street Blacktown Monday 17th October (All Modules: 9.30am - 2.30pm)

Weekday Morning Training -

St Andrew's Marayong (Fr Byrne Centre) - 36-40 Breakfast Road Marayong

- Module 1: Monday 24th October (10am-11am)
- Module 2: Monday 31st October (10am-11.30am)
- Module 3: Monday 7th November (10am-11.30am)

Saturday Training - St Matthew's Windsor - 12 Tebbutt Street Windsor Saturday 29th October (All Modules: 10am - 3pm)

> Please register for one of these options by emailing: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org

If you would like to complete the training online 'Sign Up' 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



JEAN & BETTY'S BUS TRIP

CHRISTMAS BUS TRIP

When: Tuesday 15th November 2022.



Where: The Fiddler at Rouse Hill for Christmas Lunch

Cost: \$80.00 per person

Includes: Lunch, Tea & Coffee plus entertainment by Roland Storm.

Please book as early as you can as there are only 50 seats available.

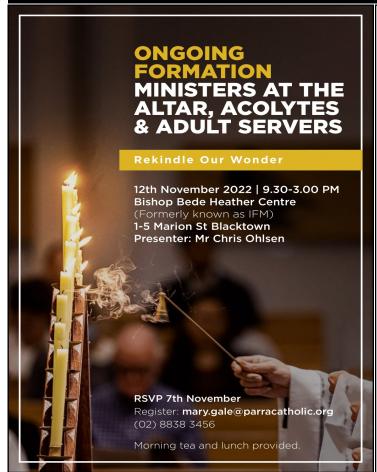
For more information and bookings, please call Jean on 9920 3401

Pick up time: Greystanes: 10.00am and St. Patrick's: 10.30am.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

ON GOING FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

PRAYING THE ROSARY



The rosary is said after mass every weekday, however, in the month of October parishioners are invited to join us in saying the rosary after all weekend masses.

"The purpose of the Rosary is to help keep in memory certain principal events in the history of our salvation.

There are twenty mysteries reflected upon in the Rosary, and these are divided into the five Joyful Mysteries (said on Monday and Saturday), the five Luminous Mysteries (said on Thursday), the five Sorrowful Mysteries (said on Tuesday and Friday), and the five Glorious Mysteries (said on Wednesday and Sunday). As an exception, the Joyful Mysteries are said on Sundays during Christmas, while the Sorrowful Mysteries are said on the Sundays of Lent. The question is sometimes asked, why, of all the incidents in our Lord's life, the Rosary only considers these particular twenty. The mysteries of the Rosary are based on the incidents in the life of Our Lord and His Mother that are celebrated in the Liturgy.

There is a parallel between the main feasts honouring our Lord and his Mother in the liturgical year, and the twenty mysteries of the Rosary. Consequently, one who recites the twenty mysteries of the Rosary in one day reflects on the whole liturgical cycle that the Church commemorates during the course of each year. That is why some of the Popes have referred to the Rosary as a compendium of the Gospel. One cannot change the mysteries of the Rosary without losing the indulgences that the Church grants for the recitation of the Rosary.

(The Rosary Centre)

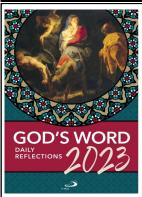


A REMINDER ~ FROM SOCIAL JUSTICE TEAM

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.

The money collected is for social justice issues.

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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.

MARY'S CAFE



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

All are welcome!!

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 19th of September 2022, donations received is \$51,482.95 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:

- Scan the QR code to donate or logon to the following link (https://www.mgofblacktown.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 fover)

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

October 2022 raffle, all proceeds from this raffle will be donated to help with financing the building of St Anthony's church our sister parish in Papua New Guinea.

The 1st prize is a 40cm, made in Italy, statue of St Joseph and 2nd prize is a Bunnings \$50.00 voucher.

You can purchase tickets at the entrances of both churches. Sale of tickets is unmanned but if you require assistance ask someone at the Piety Store. Tickets are 1 for \$2 each and 3 for \$5.00. Instructions are on the tables where tickets are placed.

You can also purchase tickets online by logging onto the following website: https://www.mgofblacktown.org/pietystoreraffle

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- Replacement of rusty roof gutters and installing leaf guards. 1.
- 2. Modification to existing downpipes and installation of additional
- 3. Prepare and paint entrance doors.
- 4. Repair to rust parts of roof and associated work.
- 5. Replacement of the existing rusty fence including gates to the Memorial Garden.
- 6. Repair of St Michael's Carpark potholes.

If anyone can assist in obtaining materials and or provide labour it would be greatly appreciated.

Please call Sarah in the office on 9622 1125 if you can assist.

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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.

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