



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

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME~ YEAR A

2ND JULY 2023

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.

Our Gospel this week continues where we had left off, with Jesus giving instructions to his disciples about how they are to fulfil the mission entrusted to them. In the first section of this passage, Jesus sets the bar for his would-be followers: our love for him must exceed even that of our most important human relationships. This lesson of the Lord ends with the famous line, "anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it." What Jesus expects of those who would come after him, with his very own mission, is to follow the example he set in his life, death and resurrection. More than anything, what characterises his life on earth was his self-emptying love manifested to us on the Cross. He left nothing in reserve but gave of himself entirely out of love to the Father for us sinners. If his disciples are to be fruitful in the mission entrusted to them, they must open their hearts to the same kind of love, since without their witness of life, their words would become like chaff in the wind. The disciples of Jesus must be so taken with him, with his love, that in a sense, nothing else matters.

Our love for him must mean we are willing to give up everything in order to have him. If there are things in our life, even the most important of relationships, that we place before him and what he asks of us, then we are holding too much back for ourselves. Our love has not yet become that kind of self-emptying love with which Jesus loves us. "Unless a grain of wheat dies it remains alone. But if it dies it bears much fruit," says the Lord. If we want to follow Jesus, to truly be his disciples, we must recognise those areas in our lives where we hesitate, where we reserve things for ourselves, those things which we have not surrendered to the Lord. Otherwise, our service of Him won't bear the fruit it ought to. A priest once said to me, if you're only going to give 99% then don't bother becoming a priest. Now this isn't to say that the Lord places heavy burdens on us. It's merely to recognise that our condition is such that the more we give ourselves in love, the more we truly live.

Deacon Tom Green

National NAIDOC Week Sunday 2 - 8 July

National NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia in the first week of July each year (Sunday to Sunday), to celebrate and recognise the history, culture, achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and celebrates the oldest, continuous living cultures on earth. You can support and get to know your local Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities through activities and events held across the country.

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 Priests: Fr. Ever Bernaldez, MSP & Fr. Andrew Rooney

Deacons: Rev. John Cinya & Rev. Tom Green

Finance Officer: Sarah Canete-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:** Joshua Carr **Secretary:** Savita Surendra
Members: Beato Pudadera, Ekhas Ambili, Erica Luiz, Harlane Petersen, Helena Vea, Tony Fernando, Sidney Lazum, Fr. Regie Lavilla, Fr. Andrew Rooney, Fr. Ever Bernaldez, Rev. John Cinya, & Blake Bano.

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



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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GENTLE REMINDER



To the Parents of our young children may we suggest that you sit towards the front where it is easier for little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar. Quietly explain the parts of the Mass and actions of the priest, ministers of the altar, choir, etc. At St. Michael's church we have a crying room if parents would like to use it. If you have to leave the Mass with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said "Let the children come to me". To the members of the our parish. The presence of children is a gift to the Church and they are a reminder our parish is growing. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to the parents.

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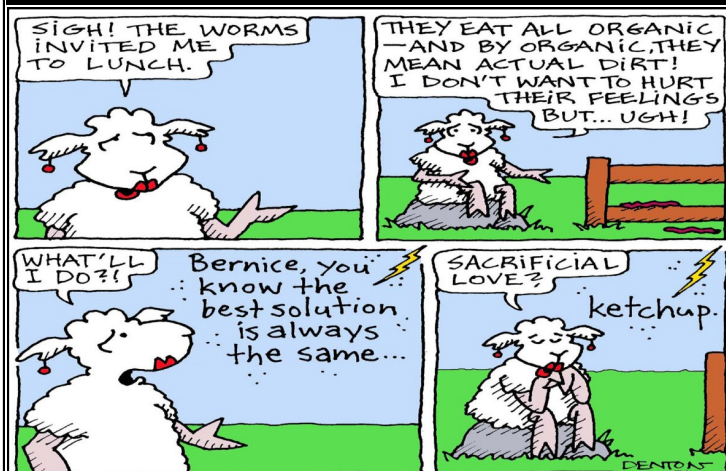
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SUNDAY FLOCK



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"Whoever receives you, receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me."

Sheepish Question:

How have I been blessed by the hospitality of another? How did I express my gratitude?

THE LITURGY

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME~ YEAR A

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Ps 46:2

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

FIRST READING: 2 Kgs 4:8-11. 14-16

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 88:2-3. 16-19. R. V.2

(R.) Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING: ROM 6:3-4. 8-11

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 1 Pt 2:9

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people.

Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mt 10:37-42

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows:

'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward.

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

'COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Cf. Ps 102:1

O Father, I pray for them, that they may be one in us, that the world may believe that you have sent me, says the Lord.

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CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

PART TWO: THE CELEBRATION OF THE CHRISTIAN MYSTERY
SECTION TWO THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH
CHAPTER TWO THE SACRAMENTS OF HEALING
Article 5 THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

I. Its Foundations in the Economy of Salvation

Christ the physician

1504 Often Jesus asks the sick to believe.¹⁰⁷ He makes use of signs to heal: spittle and the laying on of hands,¹⁰⁸ mud and washing.¹⁰⁹ The sick try to touch him, "for power came forth from him and healed them all."¹¹⁰ and so in the sacraments Christ continues to "touch" us in order to heal us.

1505 Moved by so much suffering Christ not only allows himself to be touched by the sick, but he makes their miseries his own: "He took our infirmities and bore our diseases."¹¹¹ But he did not heal all the sick. His healings were signs of the coming of the Kingdom of God. They announced a more radical healing: the victory over sin and death through his Passover. On the cross Christ took upon himself the whole weight of evil and took away the "sin of the world,"¹¹² of which illness is only a consequence. By his passion and death on the cross Christ has given a new meaning to suffering: it can henceforth configure us to him and unite us with his redemptive Passion.

"Heal the sick . . ."

1506 Christ invites his disciples to follow him by taking up their cross in their turn.¹¹³ By following him they acquire a new outlook on illness and the sick. Jesus associates them with his own life of poverty and service. He makes them share in his ministry of compassion and healing: "So they went out and preached that men should repent, and they cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many that were sick and healed them."¹¹⁴

1507 The risen Lord renews this mission ("In my name . . . they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover."¹¹⁵) and confirms it through the signs that the Church performs by invoking his name.¹¹⁶ These signs demonstrate in a special way that Jesus is truly "God who saves."¹¹⁷

DAILY READINGS

Monday 3rd July: Eph 2:19-22 ; Jn 20:24-29.

Tuesday 4th July: Gen 19:15-29 ; Mt 8:23-27.

Wednesday 5th July: Gen 21:5. 8-20 ; Mt 8:28-34 .

Thursday 6th July: Gen 22:1-19 ; Mt 9:1-8 .

Friday 7th July: Gen 23:1-4. 19; 24:1-8. 62-67; Mt 9:9-13.

Saturday 8th July: Gen 27:1-5. 15-29 ; Mt 9:14-17 .

Sunday 9th July: Zec 9:9-10 ;Rom 8:9.11-13 ; Mt 11:25-30 .

FEAST DAYS

Monday 3rd July ~ **SAINT THOMAS, APOSTLE**

Tuesday 4th July ~ **SAINT ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL**

Wednesday 5th July ~ **SAINT ANTHONY ZACCARIA, PRIEST**

Thursday 6th July ~ **SAINT MARIA GORETTI, VIRGIN AND MARTYR**

Friday 7th July ~ **BLESSED PETER TO ROT, MARTYR**

Saturday 8th July ~ **SATURDAY MASS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**



PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

RECENTLY DECEASED

John Ryan, Ana Perovic.

DEATH ANNIVERSARY

Thomas DeSouza, Candida Irugalbandara, Arthur Smith,
Cornelius Samuel Rajayah, Rebecca Miruzzi, Lucina Canete.

IN MEMORIUM

John Hegy, Ofelia Batan, Mary Mifusd, Frank Cefai,
Carlisle Bartley, Rex & Lorna Scott,
Anton & Tereza Sablic, Otto Zehentner, Simeona Alcantara.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Joe Muscat.

SICK

Chelzee de la Cruz, Felipe Ranoso, Nora Tolentino-Bonifacio, Rita Attard,
Denzil Considine, Genevieve Williams, Emily Rosales, Meghan De Vos,
Dorothy Angyalfi, Josie Phelps, Marie France Raymond,
Rauly Aure, Vinnie Zahra, Gloria Rivas, Teresita Alston, Edna Canete.

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 5th August 2023 - 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:
 Jude Sadsad & Raphael Sadsad.

SACRAMENTAL PROCESS 2023

The sacramental process dates and registration for 2023 are now available on our parish website. Follow the below link:

<https://mqofblacktown.org.au/sacraments/>

SACRAMENTAL PROCESS REGISTRATION CLOSURE DATES:

Confirmation Process: **3rd July 2023.**

Reconciliation process for Year 3 - 6: **17th September 2023.**

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact our sacramental coordinator on the details below:

Gerald "Ged" Oblea (Sacramental Coordinator)

Mary Queen of the Family Parish Blacktown.

Email: sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au

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

ADULT CONFIRMATIONS 2023

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 2nd September, 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).

For more information please contact Ged our sacramental coordinator.

Date of confirmation will be Tuesday 5th September, 2023 at 7.30pm at St. Patrick's Cathedral - Parramatta.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES IN 2023

Getting married in 2023? Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare. Visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp to view weekend course dates in the New Year, to book and pay. An online preparation called "SmartLoving" can also be booked via the website. For more information, email met@parracatholic.org or phone Karin on 0419 242 435 or Marisa on 0412 280 017.

RCIA PROCESS

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a process developed by the Church to welcome adults desiring to enter more fully into the Catholic Church by completing their Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. Any adult who is already Catholic and is interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith is also welcome to join us. To register your interest please contact the parish office. Ph: 02 9622 1125 or admin@mqofblacktown.org.au



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.

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, 4:00pm – 6:00pm 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 Wednesday, 7:30pm at Cardinal Clancy room, St Patrick's Church.

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 Besterwitsch, 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.

CATECHIST MINISTRY



Contact: Sandra Baker
admin@mqofblacktown.org.au
For More Information please contact our the parish office.

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 Sid Mosley Centre St Michael's Church

YOUTH MINISTRY



Contact: Blake Bano
Blake@mqofblacktown.org.au
For More Information please contact our Youth Minister.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

A GENTLE REMINDER

On behalf of our parish community we would like to thank our ministry volunteers for their continued support, the sharing of their gifts and talents, which allows us to achieve the vision and mission of our parish.

If you are unable to fulfil your role at any given time or your situation changes to allow you to volunteer, we invite you to advise the parish team via email: ministryteam@mqofblacktown.org.au

This will allow us to ensure we are aware and will be able to assist in providing opportunities for other ministers to help out. Thanks!

LITURGY CONFERENCE

The Diocesan Liturgy Conference is on again in 2023! Save the date for Saturday 15 July at St Andrew the Apostle Parish, Marayong. Fr Peter Williams AM VG will be the Keynote speaker as we celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Constitution on Sacred Liturgy. The conference will include a variety of workshops such as nourishing faith in children and discovering sacred art. To register, please visit www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1041495, scan the QR code or contact mary.gale@parracatholic.org



SONJA CORBETT ~ NEXT SUNDAY 9TH JULY



Next Sunday 9th July, 11.00am at St. Patrick's Primary school's multipurpose area, Sonja Corbett will be visiting our parish to give a talk on "Healing your inner child". A veteran Scripture teacher, Sonja founded a non-profit as an evangelical when her own deep need for more of God began to connect with her non-Catholic brothers and sisters, and she started receiving invitations to speak around the country. Serving both itinerantly and locally, and on radio and TV, she was privileged for many years to witness God speaking and moving in people's lives through her teaching. All are welcome to attend!

PARISH YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS GROUPS

GET INVOLVED

MQOF YOUTH GROUPS



ALTAR SERVING

Join the Guild of St. Stephen

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.



MQOF CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Breathe life into the weekly Gospel, through prayer, songs and other activities. Every Sunday during the 9:30am Mass at St. Michael's Church and 10am Mass at St. Patrick's Church during the School Term.



JOIN OUR YOUTH BANDS

Musicians and Singers needed

Your talent in music helps transform the Mass into a welcoming and inviting space. Empower Youth Band: 5:30pm Mass at St. Patrick's Church & Youthfulness Choir: 6pm (1st/3rd Sunday) at St. Michael's Church.



VICTUS SERIES

Adoration, Reconciliation, Mass & Fellowship

Every 1st Friday of the Month at St. Patrick's Church, 51-59 Allawah St. The Victus Series immerses youth and young adults in Eucharistic Adoration, Praise & Worship, Reconciliation, Mass and a Social Outing. This event is welcome to youth and young adults (13-30 years old).



YOUNG MEN & WOMENS MINISTRY

Youth Events for Men & Women

Once a month, join MQOF Young Adult Men/ Women's Ministry for activities (Bible Study, Bush Walking, Rock Climbing, Fishing, Bowling).

FOR MORE INFO ABOUT YOUTH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES CONTACT THE YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM AT YOUTH@MQOFBLACKTOWN.ORG.AU OR ON 9622 1125.

PARISH GOLF DAY



GOLF DAY

29.09.2023



Stonecutters Ridge Golf Club
86 Stonecutters Dr,
Colebee NSW 2761



FOR MORE DETAILS:

<https://www.mqofblacktown.org/golfday2023>

ACTIVE 4 VOCATIONS

Get #Active4Vocations in the City2Surf: 13 August 2023

Join the Parramatta Catholic Foundation #Active4Vocations team. Walk, stroll, jog, or run with our Holy Spirit seminarians, deacons, priests, and community. Scan this QR code or visit tinyurl.com/Active4Vocations to register or donate. Funds raised support our Diocese's seminarians to become priests. Thank you for getting #Active4Vocations



YOUTH PILGRIMAGE



Youth Pilgrimage

HOSTED BY MQOF YOUTH
SATURDAY, 15TH JULY 2023 | 9AM - 4PM
OPEN TO ALL YOUTH - REGISTER NOW!



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION COURSES

Parramatta Diocese Office for Worship Liturgical Ministry Formation ~ September – November 2023

The Office for Worship is conducting Liturgical Formation Courses at no cost from September 2023. We encourage those wishing to join a Liturgical Ministry to complete these sets of courses.

- Introduction to Liturgical Ministry — Monday 4th September 2023 (Compulsory)
- Ministry of the Word - Monday 11th & 18th September 2023.
- Extraordinary Ministers of Communion - Monday 9th & 16th October 2023
- Communion to the Sick & Dying - Monday 23rd October 2023.
- Ministers at the Altar—Monday 30th October & 6th November 2023.

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

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FROM THE SOCIAL JUSTICE TEAM



Please continue to donate non perishable items. Your donations will go to help those who are doing it tough in our community and beyond. Food donations can be placed in the baskets in the church foyer. Thank you for your generosity.

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



We thank you all for your support and generosity.

ARTS & CRAFT MOVEMENT

Join us every Friday of the week from 10.00am till 12:00pm at Cardinal Clancy room at St. Patrick's Church. Our Arts and Crafts activities will include: Embroidery and Embellishment, Crocheting, Knitting, Arts and Crafts (Painting) & Sewing.

Please, note all sessions are free. Materials for the lessons is provided or bring your own materials. Refreshments are provided.

For any inquiries please contact: Noemi Romero Mobile: 0475 798 770.

ST.LUKE MARSDEN PARK ~ DINNER DANCE

St Luke's at Marsden Park is holding its first ever Dinner Dance on Saturday, July 22 from 7pm at St Luke's Catholic College, Frontier Avenue, Marsden Park. A 3-course Spanish-styled meal with sangria is on offer along with prizes. All profits will go towards funding the St Luke's Church building. Tickets are now on sale.

Email: marsdenpark@parracatholic.org

to arrange your tickets.



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PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

UPDATE ON "RAISE THE ROOF" PROJECT

We are grateful to all our parishioners and friends who shared their treasures to our church. As of 27th June 2023, we have received the sum of **\$77,449.00** in donations. We are also thankful to those who are still considering... only your continued support can make the roof of the House of our God rebuild!

Where are we now? The parish maintenance volunteers in their recent meeting decided to contact the Property Manager of the Diocese of Parramatta to provide a roof expert to reassess the roof issue and provide recommendations. We will keep you posted of the outcome. Again we ask for your patience, generosity and prayers and, thank you for your ongoing support. It is much appreciated.

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.



PARISH FEAST DAY~ MEETING

Our parish Feast Day will take place on Sunday 20th August 2023. A planning meeting will take place on **Monday 10th July at 7.00pm at the parish office**. We kindly ask representatives of all the parish groups to attend. For more information please contact the parish office.

ST.VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

This weekend our parish will be supporting the annual St. Vincent de Paul's annual winter appeal. Funds raised through the Vinnies Winter Appeal will be used to provide assistance with food, clothing, household bills, specialist homelessness services and support people in need to find and maintain secure housing.



SAVE THE DATE ~ PARISH EVENTS

Our parish needs volunteers to assist in implementing the below parish events. If you are available to share your time and talent please contact the parish office to register your interest!



We look forward to hearing from you!
Ph: 9622 1125 or email: admin@mqofblacktown.org.au
PARISH FEAST DAY IN HONOUR OF MARY, QUEEN OF THE FAMILY - Sunday, 20th of August, 2023
PARISH GOLF DAY - Friday, 29th of September, 2023
PARISH CHRISTMAS GALA - Saturday, 09th of December, 2023

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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Reference: 6004 - Donor's Name

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!

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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SAFEGUARDING MANDATORY MODULES

The Diocesan Safeguarding team are organising sessions for parish clergy, staff and volunteers to complete their Mandatory Safeguarding Modules 1-3 throughout July at St Paul the Apostle Parish, Winston Hills.

Tuesday 4 July (12noon-4.45pm) for Modules 1-3
Monday 10 July (6.30pm-8.30pm) for Modules 1 and 3
Tuesday 11 July (6.30pm-8.00pm) for Module 2
Saturday 22 July (12noon-4.45pm) for Modules 1-3

Please email safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org or winstonsills@parracatholic.org to register for one of these face-to-face opportunities to complete your Mandatory Safeguarding Training.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

UPDATE ON ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH MAINTENANCE WORKS

We would like to thank the generous parishioners who have funded the following: **All the doors to the Church & The restoration of the Dedication Plaque**

The works still outstanding are:

***Roof maintenance * Gutters Replacement * Painting of ceiling of the Sanctuary* Carpark repairs and resurfacing**

We need generous people to help us fund the work that is still outstanding. Please don't hesitate to talk to one of our priests or call the parish office on 9622 1125 or email accounts@mqofblacktown.org.au. All donations are welcome. Thank you. God bless us.

SEA SUNDAY ~ 9TH JULY

Next week is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be an Appeal for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. Funds collected will be used to provide practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. As it is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously. To donate or for more information, visit www.stellamarisaustralia.org

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