



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

PATRONAL FEAST OF THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN ~ YEAR A

20TH AUGUST 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)
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.

"To Jesus, Through Mary"

Dear brothers and sisters,

Happy Feast Day to all!

Our yearly celebration is a living witness that our Blessed Mother is truly reigning as queen with her Son, our Lord Jesus Christ as King of the Universe. Given a special privilege to be the bearer of the Son of God, the Word made flesh, she also participates in a very special way in God's plan and work of salvation. Through her and her sacred FIAT ("I am the handmaid of Lord, let what you have said be done to me" - Luke 1:38), the prophecy of Isaiah is being fulfilled in our midst: "The people that walked in darkness has seen a great light" (Isaiah 9:2).

Jesus Christ is the light of the world! Thanks to the Blessed Mother's YES, people who are seeking for light and life, for truth, for the way to eternal happiness, by turning to her motherly prayers and intercession, will always have hope to find an answer in her Son. By loving Jesus, as his mother does, we surely are loving God himself. And St. Paul says, "in everything God works for good with those who love him" (Romans 8:28). Let us hold dear in our hearts this promise of God who according to his plans and purpose seeks our best interest, he who loves us and is merciful to us.

Let us join our prayers today with our Blessed Mother for all families especially those who are struggling not only in material things, but in faith and their spiritual life. May we learn to say YES to God, even in the most difficult moments in our life. We just finished our Novena (9-day) Masses and prayers, let us trust that with our faith in God and the intercession of Mary, our prayers will be answered even in ways known to God alone.

May we continue to walk in the path of Mary- her humility before God who constantly sings her Magnificat with us "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour..." Know that we have a mother who whispers our prayers to her Son. Who can be so close to our Lord than the one who perfectly fulfils the will of God in her life, who gives Jesus to the world. She is our model of holiness. Let her queenship reign in our hearts and in our families. God bless us!

Fr. Regie, 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 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

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.

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



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- * Deepen our understanding of the Sacred Tradition & Scriptures of the Catholic Church
- * Strive to live as a faithful & committed Catholic community
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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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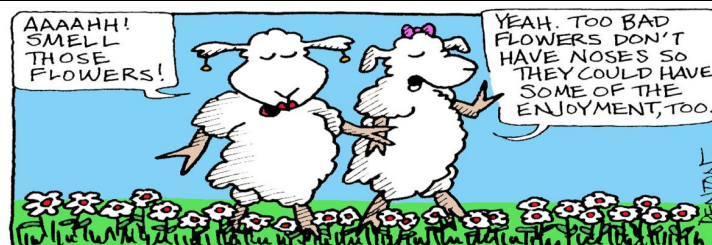
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ORDINATION TO PRIESTHOOD ~ DEACON TOM

We are excited to announce, that the ordination to priesthood of Deacon Tom Green will take place on 21st September 2023 at St. Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta at 7.30pm. Deacon Tom will also have his Thanksgiving Mass, the following evening (22nd September 7.30pm) at St. Michael's Church Blacktown. All are welcome to attend. Further details of these events will be made available over the next few weeks. We ask you to keep Deacon Tom in your prayers as he makes his final preparation for his ordination.



SUNDAY FLOCK



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"So shall your way be known upon the earth; among all nations, your salvation."

Sheepish Question:

How do I experience God's natural creation praising his name for all to know?

THE LITURGY

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ YEAR A

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Ps 83:10-11

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

FIRST READING: Isa 56:1.6-7

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 66:2-3 5-6. 8. R. V.4

(R.) O God, let all the nations praise you!

SECOND READING: Rom 11:13-15. 29-32

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Mt 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Mt 15:21-28

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Ps 129:7

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

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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

V. Viaticum, the Last Sacrament of the Christian
IN BRIEF cont'd

1530 Only priests (presbyters and bishops) can give the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, using oil blessed by the bishop, or if necessary by the celebrating presbyter himself.

1531 The celebration of the Anointing of the Sick consists essentially in the anointing of the forehead and hands of the sick person (in the Roman Rite) or of other parts of the body (in the Eastern rite), the anointing being accompanied by the liturgical prayer of the celebrant asking for the special grace of this sacrament.

1532 The special grace of the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick has as its effects:

- the uniting of the sick person to the passion of Christ, for his own good and that of the whole Church;
- the strengthening, peace, and courage to endure in a Christian manner the sufferings of illness or old age;
- the forgiveness of sins, if the sick person was not able to obtain it through the sacrament of Penance;
- the restoration of health, if it is conducive to the salvation of his soul;
- the preparation for passing over to eternal life.

CHAPTER THREE

THE SACRAMENTS AT THE SERVICE OF COMMUNION

1533 Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist are sacraments of Christian initiation. They ground the common vocation of all Christ's disciples, a vocation to holiness and to the mission of evangelizing the world. They confer the graces needed for the life according to the Spirit during this life as pilgrims on the march towards the homeland.

FEAST DAYS

Monday 21st August - **Saint Pius X, Pope**
Tuesday 22nd August - **Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
Wednesday 23rd August - **Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin**
Thursday 24th August - **Saint Bartholomew, Apostle**
Friday 25th August - **Saint Louis**



DAILY READINGS

Monday 21st August: Judg 2:11-19 ; Mt 19:16-22 .
Tuesday 22nd August: Judg 6:11-24 ; Mt 19:23-30 .
Wednesday 23rd August: Judg 9:6-15 ; Mt 20:1-16 .
Thursday 24th August: Rev 21:9-14 ; Jhn 1:45-51 .
Friday 25th August: Ruth 1:1. 3-6. 14-16. 22 ;Mt 22:34-40 .
Saturday 26th August: Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17 ; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday 27th August: Isa 22:19-23 ; Rom 11:33-36 ; Mt 16:13-20.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

RECENTLY DECEASED

Denzil Considine, Thelma Reyes, Fr. Ronald Donoghue

DEATH ANNIVERSARY

May Jumeau, Jacinta Sultana, Mary Muscat.

IN MEMORIUM

Gloria Raquel Gutierrez, Joseph Aquilina,
Benjamin Poblete Ingles & Virgilio Alegado

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Ramzee & Maria Michael, Lily, Lamberto Cadelina Jr.

SICK

Michael Flanjak, Angela Mikhael, Cristina King,
Chelzee de la Cruz, Felipe Ranso, Nora Tolentino-Bonifacio,
Meghan De Vos, Vinnie Zahra, Edna Canete, Joe Muscat,
Joanne Stanwell, Kim Webster, Peter Wood.

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

THE SACRAMENTS & MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

SACRAMENTAL PROCESS 2023

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.

With joyful hearts, we welcome our newly Baptised to our parish community:
Ella Baker, Georgia Kammoun, Dylan Mathias & Kiro Oquendo.

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

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:

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

MARRIAGE 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.

The Diocese of Parramatta aims to offer the Retrouvaille program for couples who are having difficulties in their marriage. We are looking for married couples who are committed to helping others heal their marriage relationships. You will be trained to facilitate this program. An information evening will be held on 25 August at 7.30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Contact Karin on (02) 8838 3460 or register at marriage@parracatholic.org

MET Marriage Retrouvaille Program Information Session: 25 August

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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: Parish Office
admin@mqofblacktown.org.au

For More Information please contact our Youth Minister.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

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THE FLOWER MINISTRY

FATHER'S DAY 2023



To celebrate fathers, fathers-to-be and father figures in our Parish Community, the MQOF Flower Ministry is holding a Sweets Bag and Bake Sale on **Sunday, 3 September**, after the **8.00am and 9.30am Masses at St Michael's** and after the **10.00am Mass at St Patrick's**.

Tea and coffee will be provided. A ticket will be issued with each purchase for the chance to win the prize of a Red Wine and Savoury Delights Hamper valued at \$100.00.

Thanks for your support and good luck!

ST VINCENT de PAUL

The team at St Vincent DePaul would like to thank you for your generous support of their Winter Appeal with a "Thank You" BBQ at St Michaels on Sunday 10th September after the 8am & 9:30am Masses.
St Patricks on Sunday 17th September after the 10am Mass.

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.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

OUR LADY OF PENAFRANCIA

The Australian Devotees of Our Lady of Penafrañcia is inviting all parishioners to please join 2nd Triduum Novena and Mass. Saturday 26th August 2023

Program: 11:00 am - Novena; 11:30 am - Mass
12:30 pm - Fellowship

Where: St Michael's Church Blacktown

Celebrant for the mass : Fr Regie Lavilla, MSP



Feast Day Mass: Sunday 9th September St Nicholas of Myra
326 High Street Penrith - 9.30am. (Rosary, Novena and Mass). Fluvial Procession (12.00 noon) Nepean River Factory Road (Tench Reserve), Penrith. Food and Entertainment 12.30pm For more information contact:
Jun Relunia: 0419 233 643 or Evelyn Dato: 0410 511 745

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Mandatory Modules 1-3: St Canice's Church, Katoomba on Saturday 28 October, 10am-3pm.

Renewal Mandatory Safeguarding Training (4 points):

Tuesday 22nd August 2023: Renewal Module 4 - Understanding the Child Safe Standards & Working With Vulnerable People, and Tuesday 29th August 2023: Renewal Module 5 - Legal Compliance – Risk of Significant Harm & Mandatory Reporting

Venue: Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Greystanes

Time: 10.00am-11.30am

Renewal Modules will soon be available on our online training platform.

Please register for these face-to-face renewal modules at:

safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org

For further information please contact Maria Kervin at:

maria.kervin@parracatholic.org



SAFEGUARDING

PARISH GOLF DAY

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GOLF DAY

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Stonecutters Ridge
Golf Club
86 Stonecutters Dr,
Colebee NSW 2761

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

FOR MORE DETAILS:
<https://www.mqofblacktown.org/golfday2023>

CHURCH MAINTENANCE UPDATE



St Patrick's Church – Raise the Roof Project

Where are we now? – We have submitted quotes to CCI and awaiting the outcome of our claim.

As of 18/08/23, we have received the sum of \$82,799, in donations. We are thankful to our donors and to those who are still considering...only your continued support can

make the roof of the House of God rebuild!

St Michael's Church – Maintenance Projects

We are grateful to our donors: Hume Doors, Multiquip Pty Ltd, G Velcich & Family & Maria Apap, our church now has new doors and beautifully painted. We also thank the rest of our parishioners for your donations that made the replacement of our gutters, down pipes, carpark deep holes patched and new fencing of Remembrance Garden possible.

We still have our Sanctuary lightings to be improved! – if you are in the position to help financially, please talk to one of our priests or call the office on 02 9622 1125. All donations are welcome!

HOW TO DONATE: Scan the QR code to donate or logon to the following link (<https://www.mqofblacktown.org/make-a-donation-or-payment>)

Please type in the description field what you are making the donation towards.

E.g. Roof



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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.



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.

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 our parish. We are grateful!

NINE-WEEK NOVENA FOR THE DIOCESAN SYNOD

All are invited to pray a Nine-Week Novena for the Diocesan Synod. The Novena will begin the week of Sunday 13 August and conclude the week of Sunday 8 October in the lead-up to the Synod Assembly: Friday 13 to Sunday 15 October. You are invited to pray once a week as a parish community, with your family, ministry groups or during personal prayer. More information: <https://parracatholic.org/synod2023/>

WEEK 2 LISTENING

+ In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

REFLECTION

The prophet Elijah came to realise that God is always a God of surprises, even in the way he passes by and makes himself felt: "A strong and heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing rocks... but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind, there was an earthquake - but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake, there was fire - but the Lord was not in the fire. After the fire, there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak"(1Kg 19:11-13).

That is how God speaks to us. We need to open our ears to hear that tiny whispering sound, the gentle breeze of God, which scholars also translate as "a quiet whisper" or "a small, still voice".

ADDRESS OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS TO THE FAITHFUL OF THE DIOCESE OF ROME PAUL VI Audience Hall Saturday 18 September 2021

(pause for a moment of silent reflection)

PRAYER

O God, who always walks with us on the journey of life,
we call upon you to lead us forth united.
Bless and guide our Diocesan Synod.
Keep us anchored in your love.
Open our hearts as we listen and discern.
Reveal to us the way we are called to go out into the deep.
Give us the courage to pursue the mission with bold humility.
May we experience renewal in our local Church today,
and for generation to come.
We ask this prayer through Jesus Christ,
who in the power of the Holy Spirit continues to guide your Church,
to the fullness of your Kingdom now, and forever.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, pray for us.



9 WEEK NOVENA
towards the Diocesan Synod

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