



# 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*

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD ~ YEAR B

24TH MARCH 2024

### 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.

## They let them go

We have come to Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week, the holiest week in the Church's liturgical Calendar because it contains the central liturgies of the Easter Triduum.

But Palm Sunday is 'big' by itself. It begins with the reenactment of the triumphant entry into Jerusalem of Jesus and in the Gospel we have the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ. In the one liturgy we make the journey of Holy Week, from Jesus' coming into Jerusalem to his arrest, suffering and death.

There are so many elements that could be highlighted for this Sunday, literally courses are run on these themes, books have been written. So I encourage you to take the time, if you can, to prayerfully read the Passion for yourselves. What jumps out at you, what is speaking to you, how does it make you feel, what is your response?

I would like to highlight a theme that has spoken to me. In the Gospel that is read at the beginning of Mass before the procession that reenacts the triumphant entry of Jesus and the crowds into Jerusalem, we are told that those who stood around let the disciples go with the colt after they told them what Jesus had to say.

"They let them go". In our world where so often we are told that if we see something we need to say something, the bystanders recognised the truth of what the disciples had to say and so allowed them to carry on. There could be many reasons why we are not able to let something go, but as we enter into Holy Week can we reflect on our motivations and recognise that at times we allow ourselves to be influenced not by truth and love but by human considerations.

In the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ there are other examples of how human considerations can have a greater influence than they should in our actions. In one example, we hear about a woman, anointing Jesus with expensive ointment, pure nard. People complained, for they thought, it would have been better to sell the ointment and give the money to the poor. It is hard to argue against this, except Jesus doesn't simply agree with those people complaining. For Jesus, she was doing for him what she could and that she would be remembered into the future. Truth and love invites us in this situation to recognise it can never be either or, but both and. In life, people and events have to be honoured, we cannot simply focus on the economic bottom line.

As we enter Holy Week may we strive to see the ways we are invited to 'let them go' in the service of truth and love.

*Kevin Redmond, S.M*

### Parish Directory

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

Parish Office: At St. Patrick's Church. Office Hours: Mon-Fri: 9am-4pm

Telephone: 02 9622 1125 A/H: 02 8705 0830.

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

#### Parish Team:

Parish Administrator: Fr. Kevin Redmond, SM.

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

Deacon: Rev. John Cinya.

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

Secretary: Gerald "Ged" Oblea (Mon & Tues)

Parish Assistant: Ann Hart (Wed-Fri)

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

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

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

Catechist Coordinator: Sandra Baker

Parish Pastoral Council: Chair: Cecil Fernandes; Asst Chair: Joshua Carr Secretary: Savita Surendra  
Members: Beato Pudadera, Ekhlash Ambili, Erica Luiz, Harlane Petersen, Helena Vea, Sidney Lazum,  
Fr. Kevin Redmond, SM., 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 Bungaribee Rd, Blacktown NSW 2148) P : 8822 2100

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

## OUR PARISH COMMUNITY



**WELCOME**  
TO  
MARY, QUEEN OF THE FAMILY  
PARISH, BLACKTOWN

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...

**W**ORSHIP ~ Practice the right forms of Worship.

**W**ORD ~ Increase the Biblical literacy in the Parish.

**W**all ~ Building our community.



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## SUNDAY FLOCK



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"The Lord God is my help,  
therefore I am not disgraced."

### Sheepish Question:

What am I searching for as I approach Holy Week?



## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD ~ YEAR B

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** cf John 12: 1, 12-13; Ps 23: 9-10

Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out:

Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy! O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! Who is this king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 50:4-7

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** PS 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. V.2

R ~ My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

**SECOND READING:** Philippians 2:6-11

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Philippians 2:8-9

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Christ became obedient for us even to death dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

**GOSPEL:** Mark 15:1-39

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

First thing in the morning, the chief priests together with the elders and the scribes, in short the whole Sanhedrin, had their plan ready. They had Jesus bound and took him away and handed him over to Pilate.

Pilate questioned him, 'Are you the king of the Jews?' 'It is you who say it' he answered. And the chief priests brought many accusations against him. Pilate questioned him again, 'Have you no reply at all? See how many accusations they are bringing against you!' But to Pilate's amazement, Jesus made no further reply.

At festival time Pilate used to release a prisoner for them, anyone they asked for. Now a man called Barabbas was then in prison with the rioters who had committed murder during the uprising. When the crowd went up and began to ask Pilate the customary favour, Pilate answered them, 'Do you want me to release for you the king of the Jews?' For he realised it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed Jesus over. The chief priests, however, had incited the crowd to demand that he should release Barabbas for them instead. The Pilate spoke again. 'But in that case,' he said to them 'what am I to do with the man you call king of the Jews?' They shouted back, 'Crucify him!' 'Why?' Pilate asked them 'What harm has he done?' But they shouted all the louder, 'Crucify him!' So Pilate, anxious to placate the crowd, released Barabbas for them and, having ordered Jesus to be scourged, handed him over to be crucified.

The soldiers led him away to the inner part of the palace, that is, the Praetorium, and called the whole cohort together. They dressed him in purple, twisted some thorns into a crown and put it on him. And they began saluting him, 'Hail, king of the Jews!' They struck his head with a reed and spat on him; and they went down on their knees to do him homage. And when they had finished making fun of him, they took off the purple and dressed him in his own clothes. They led him out to crucify him. They enlisted a passer-by, Simon of Cyrene, father of Alexander and Rufus, who was coming in from the

**Gospel (Cont.)**

country, to carry his cross. They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha, which means the place of the skull.

They offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he refused it. Then they crucified him, and shared out his clothing, casting lots to decide what each should get. It was the third hour when they crucified him. The inscription giving the charge against him read: 'The King of the Jews.' And they crucified two robbers with him, one on his right and one on his left.

The passers-by jeered at him; they shook their heads and said, 'Aha! So you would destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days! Then save yourself: come down from the cross!' The chief priests and the scribes mocked him among themselves in the same way. 'He saved others,' they said 'he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the king of Israel, come down from the cross now, for us to see it and believe.' Even those who were crucified with him taunted him.

When the sixth hour came there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?' which means, 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some of those who stood by heard this they said, 'Listen, he is calling on Elijah'. Someone ran and soaked a sponge in vinegar and, putting it on a reed, gave it him to drink saying, 'Wait and see if Elijah will come to take him down.' But Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

*All kneel and pause a moment.*

And the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The centurion, who was standing in front of him, had seen how he had died, and he said, 'In truth this man was a son of God.'

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** Mt 26:42

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

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## DAILY READINGS

**Monday 25th March:** Is 42:1-7 ; Jn 12:1-11.

**Tuesday 26th March:** Is 49:1-6 ; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38.

**Wednesday 27th March:** Is 50:4-9 ; Mt 26:14-25 .

**Thursday 28th March:** Ex 12:1-8. 11-14 ; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15 .

**Friday 29th March:** Is 52:13-53:12; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42.

**Saturday 30th March:** Gen 1:1 – 2:2; Gen 22:1-18; Mt 28:1-10.

**Sunday 31st March:** Acts 10:34. 37-43; Col 3:1-4 ; Jn 20:1-9 .

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

### RECENTLY DECEASED

Trevor Vaz, Flora Paraan, Phyllis Patterson, Trevor Anthony, Ann Gaffaney.

### DEATH ANNIVERSARY

Bortolo Rubbo.

### IN MEMORIUM

Sunil Castelino, Felicidad Borja, Mary Mifsud, Terry Laming, Fredrick James Bellchambers.

### SICK

Angela Mikhail, Michael Flanjak, Trevor Anthony, Peter Delange, Cristina King, Edna Canete, Jonathan Nucup, Meghan De Vos, Mila Alforque.

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

**Mass intentions can be requested online by following the link below:**

<https://www.mqofblacktown.org/mass-intention-or-offering-request>

## THE SACRAMENTS / MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES / HOLY WEEK

### SACRAMENT OF INITIATION



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 6th April 2024 - St. Patrick's Church.

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

### SACRAMENTAL PROCESS AT THE PARISH

Registrations for Sacramental processes NOW OPEN!  
 Follow the below link for more information about our sacramental process: <https://mqofblacktown.org.au/sacraments/>  
 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](mailto:sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au)  
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### CARITAS ~ PROJECT COMPASSION



This year, we shared with you the story of three inspiring women from across the globe, who overcame challenges to complete their education, access water and find secure employment. With the support of compassionate people like you, they are now forging a path to a better future for their families and their communities.

**Ronita** from the Philippines has now graduated high school and secured a job at a call centre. This job was only possible because of a certificate she gained from completing her studies.

**Leaia** and her family now have a water tank at their home in Soma. She and her family now have a steady supply of clean drinking water. Next year, they will also have a toilet built, with

the support of Caritas Samoa, which will further improve their health and living conditions.

**Memory** completed her vocational training course in carpentry and joinery. After completing a work contract at one of the largest electrical companies in Malawi, Memor now plans to return to her village and provide carpentry services to people in her community.

It's through the generosity of people like you that we can continue to support people like Ronita, Leaia and Memory.

There is still time to donate! Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their today and build a better tomorrow, *for all future generations.*

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.



### PASTORAL CARE FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Our clergy and pastoral care ministers bring the sacraments of Eucharist, reconciliation, and anointing of the sick to members who are unable to participate because of illness or aging. For more information and to arrange receiving of the sacraments, please contact the Parish Office on 9622 1125 or after office hours number 02 8705 0830.



### PARISH GROUPS

#### BIBLE STUDY GROUP



**Contact:** Richard Desa, [richarddesa@bigpond.com](mailto:richarddesa@bigpond.com)  
**Meeting Time and Venue:** Every Thursday, 7:30pm at Sid Mosley Centre St. Michael's Church.

#### HOLY FAMILY FELLOWSHIP PRAYER GROUP



**Contact:** Charles Hyson, 0412 631 602, [www.holyfamilyfellowship.com](http://www.holyfamilyfellowship.com)  
**Meeting Time and Venue:** Every 2nd Saturday 6:30pm-9:30pm at Sid Mosley Centre, St Michael's Church.

#### 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, 1:00pm – 2:30pm at Sid Mosley Centre, St Michael's Church.

#### LEGION OF MARY ST PATRICK'S



**Contact:** Doris Zammit, 0419 274 002 (for statue bookings)  
**Meeting Time and Venue:** Every Monday, 6:30pm 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](mailto: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](mailto:admin@mqofblacktown.org.au)  
**For More Information please contact our Youth Minister through the parish office.**



## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

## HOLY WEEK ~ 2024



Join Mary, Queen of the Family Parish for

# Holy Week

## **Palm Sunday- 24th March 2024**

Holy Mass at St. Patrick's Church - (V)5:30pm, 7am, 10am & 5:30pm

Holy Mass at St. Michael's Church - 8am, 9:30am & 6pm

## **Chrism Mass- 27th March 2024**

Diocese of Parramatta - at St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta

7.30pm - 9.30pm - Please register to attend Mass, link below:

<https://parracatholic.org/events/diocese-of-parramatta-chrism-mass/#register>

## **Holy Thursday - 28th March 2024**

Lauds (Morning Prayer) at St. Patrick's Church - 9am

Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Patrick's Church - 7:30pm

Compline (Night Prayer) at St. Patrick's Church - 10pm

## **Good Friday - 29th March 2024**

Youth Passion Re-enactment at School Grounds - 10am

Passion of the Lord at St. Michael's Church - 3pm

Passion of the Lord at St. Patrick's Church - 3pm

## **Holy Saturday - 30th March 2024**

Lauds (Morning Prayer) at St. Patrick's Church - 9am

Easter Vigil Mass at St. Patrick's Church - 7:30pm

## **Easter Sunday- 31st March 2024**

Holy Mass at St. Patrick's Church - 7am, 10am & 5:30pm

Holy Mass at St. Michael's Church - 8am, 9:30am & 6pm

For more information, be sure to check our website or contact the Parish Office

[www.mqofblacktown.org.au](http://www.mqofblacktown.org.au) or (02) 9622 1125

## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

### NO MASS AT ST MICHAEL'S ON WEDNESDAY

Parishioners please note that due to the Chrism Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral on Wednesday 27 March there will no Adoration or Mass at St Michael's Church.

### HOLY LAND COLLECTION

On Good Friday there will be a bucket collection after the Good Friday Service for the Holy Land.

### BISHOP VINCENT'S EASTER MESSAGE



We invite families to watch Bishop Vincent's Easter Message: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3ghTzBEYqQA>

### WELCOME FR. KEVIN REDMOND



My name is Kevin Redmond, I am a priest of the Society of Mary and I have been asked to take on the responsibility as Administrator of the Parish of Mary, Queen of the Family. I will continue to work in St Andrew the Apostle Marayong and so this is an unusual situation. I ask for your prayers for the Church, for me and for all of us. The current priests in the parish will continue and I will be helping out in a limited capacity. What this will actually look like, we are still working out. I do ask for your patience and understanding. I look forward to being able to get to know the parish better in the coming months.

*Fr. Kevin Redmond, SM*

### NAGLE COLLEGE OPEN DAYS

**Monday, 11 March**  
9.15am-10.00am

**Monday, 18 March**  
4.30pm-5.30pm

**Monday, 11 March**  
3.30pm-4.30pm

**Tuesday, 26 March**  
9.00am - 10.45am

### CHURCH MAINTENANCE UPDATE

#### St Patrick's Church – Roof Project Update

Just recently, our roof consultants/auditors have submitted their detailed roof inspection reports which was then vetted by the head of the Property section of the Diocese of Parramatta, thanks to Julian Concato.

We are now at the stage of preparing a Scope of Work to be distributed to roofing tradesmen and builders for their costing. We are grateful to Bruce Moa, an architect/builder who volunteered to assist our parish in the preparation of the scope of work, checking of plans, compliances and will soon manage the project. Bruce is a parishioner of Mary Immaculate parish Quakers Hill and is project managing the current renovation of the said church. We will keep you posted....

As of 29/2/24, we have received the sum of \$198,845 from donations & insurance settlement.

#### St Michael's Church – Maintenance Projects

We are waiting from a volunteer architect the design and costing of our Sanctuary lightings. Once available we will post it here – 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

If you wish to make a donation through another method of giving please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office on 9622 1125.



### PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

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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Reference: 6004 ~ Donor's name

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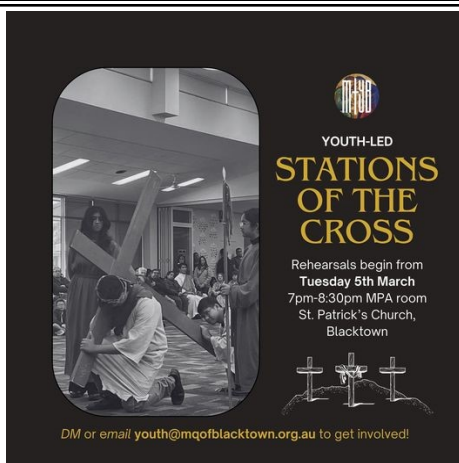
## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS REHEARSALS

Finals rehearsals for the Youth Led- Way of the Cross will be held next Tuesday at 7pm in the MPA room (St. Patrick's Primary School).

All children and youth (primary and high school) are invited to come along to be a part of this annual Good Friday reenactment.

Please contact the youth team for more information.



### CATHOLIC YOUTH PARRAMATTA ~ GOOD FRIDAY WALK



The annual pilgrimage, hosted by the Diocese of Parramatta's youth ministry office, attended by hundreds of young people across the Diocese, travels from St Patrick's Church, Mary, Queen of the Family Parish, Blacktown to St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta, throughout Good Friday and into Holy Saturday.

Please contact the youth team for more information or log on to the below link for further information: <https://parracatholic.org/events/gfnw/>

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### Mitchell High School Host Families Needed

Mitchell High School will be hosting Japanese students from 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

Share your lifestyle & home whilst experiencing another culture.

- Students attend school on weekdays and enjoy family life with you on the weekend
- Japanese language is not necessary.
- Students just fit in with your family routines – eat your food, they need their own bed but can share a room.
- Families are paid \$50 per night per student

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