



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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ YEAR B

28TH APRIL 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.

I am the vine, you are the branches

The Gospel for this Fifth Sunday in Easter comes from John's Gospel and is the famous passage from chapter 15, the vine and the branches.

Jesus tells us that the Father, the vinedresser prunes the vine, getting rid of branches that produce no fruit but prunes those who do produce, so that they can produce even more fruit. We are pruned by means of the word, spoken by Jesus and through making our home in him, just as he makes his in us. How readily do we allow ourselves to be challenged by the Scriptures? I am sure we have our favourite passages but do we allow ourselves to be open to each and every passage or only those that make us feel good?

There are lists and applications that allow us to read the Bible in a year. This is a good ambition but what I am talking about is more than a New Year's Resolution. It requires us to be open to God's Word on a regular basis, with the basic question in mind, of what is God saying to me in this passage?

While pruning is important to bear fruit, what is even more critical is to remain as part of the vine in the first place. Several times in our Gospel Jesus talks about the need to "remain" as part of the vine, as part of Jesus. We are being invited to remain in the Church. I am sure we all know of people who have stopped attending Church, even perhaps members of our own families. Each person has their own story of why they stop, but I do believe that the Church needs to do better at articulating what we believe in and not just what we are opposed to.

There are many reasons to 'remain' as part of the Church, but fundamentally we are being invited to see how our relationship with God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit becomes our source of strength and grace to allow our lives may bear much fruit. We are nourished for our faith journey by the Scriptures, the Eucharist and the prayers and support of the community. The command Jesus gives to love, invites us to love to the full. This is especially the case when things go wrong in the liturgy. This is not an excuse to be shoddy or for a lack of preparation but is there a more powerful statement of love, than to love a baby who is crying in the middle of the homily or the Eucharistic Prayer?

Our faith cannot just be expressed when things are going well or are easy, but our faith is even more important when things are less than ideal. For when we are weak, God is strong.

May we know how we are nourished to bear fruit and to continue to remain as part of the Church.

Fr. Kevin Redmond sm

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 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

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

Parish Assistant: Ann Hart (Wed-Fri)

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, 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.ceclblacktownst.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

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

FORMED - PARISH FORMATION RESOURCE



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...

WORSHIP ~ Practice the right forms of Worship.

WORD ~ Increase the Biblical literacy in the Parish.

Wall ~ Building our community.



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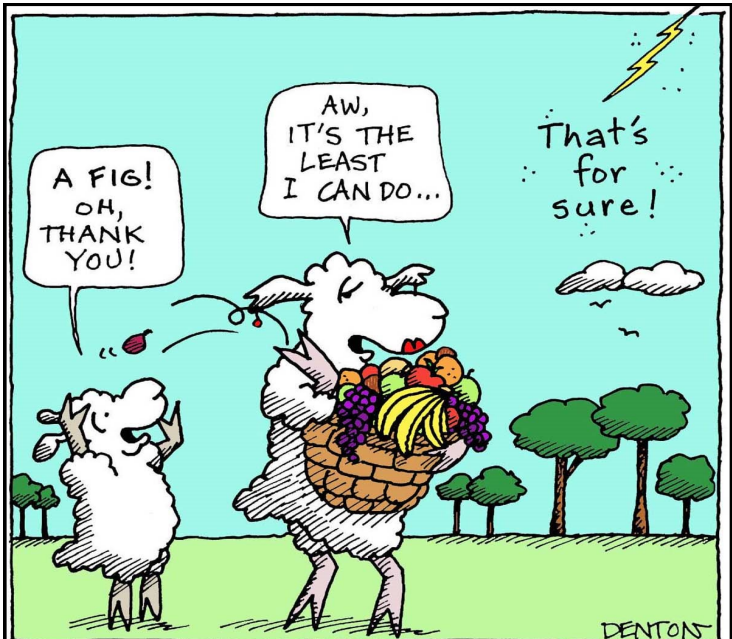
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SUNDAY FLOCK



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"By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Sheepish Question:

What rewards of my relationship with God can I share with others?

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: *CF PSALM 97:1-2*

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

FIRST READING: *ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 9:26-31*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *PS 21:26-28. 30-32. R. V.26*

R ~ I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

SECOND READING: *1 JOHN 3:18-24*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *JOHN 15:4-5*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: *JOHN 15:1-8*

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you.

Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.

As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me.

I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing.

Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away – he withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt.

If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it.

It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: *Cf JOHN 15:1,5*

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

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DAILY READINGS

Monday 29th April: Acts of the Apostles 14:5-18; John 14:21-26.

Tuesday 30th April: Acts of the Apostles 14:19-28; John 14:27-31.

Wednesday 1st May: Acts of the Apostles 15:1-6; John 15:1-8.

Thursday 2nd May: Acts of the Apostles 15:7-21; John 15:9-11.

Friday 3rd May: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14.

Saturday 4th May: Acts of the Apostles 16:1-10; John 15:18-21.

Sunday 5th May: Acts of the Apostles 10:25-26. 34-35. 44-48; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17.

ELEMENTS OF THE CATHOLIC MASS

Episode 30: The Liturgical Movement

SUMMARY

In essence, the liturgical movement is the effort on the part of the Church help the faithful participate better at Mass. This meant, initially, that the people would participate in the singing and giving the responses. Over the course of time, the Church realized that it is important that the people be able to enter deeply into the mystery by understanding what's going on during Mass. This means especially that they consciously participate in the offering. The liturgical movement helped to foster this kind of participation. In the 1920s, a Benedictine monk, Virgil Michel, return to America from his studies in Europe with some magnificent insights about the richness of the liturgy and the ability of the faithful to participate. One of the fundamental ideas he shared with the American Church was that prayer in the church must be connected with action in the world. With Dorothy Day, the founder of the Catholic Worker Movement, Virgil Michel showed Catholics how prayer and concern for the poor should be woven together. Pope Pius XII echoes this notion in *Mediator Dei* when he insists, "it is fitting that the minds believes what the lips sing, and that what the mind believes should be practiced in public and private life," (n.153). The Liturgical movement is indeed a movement—but it is not fundamentally about changing the liturgy, rather the liturgy is intended to change us: to make us more aware, more receptive to the treasures of Church's public prayer. "The Liturgical Movement, therefore, as the words indicate, *is a movement*— a movement towards the *liturgy*". It is the effort to being the people themselves closer to the liturgy, to understand fully, to enter into it more deeply, and to participate and benefit from it more completely. The Liturgical Movement is the effort to help the people participate better in the Mass: fully, consciously, and actively.

IN THE TRADITION

"Songs befits the lover" - Saint Augustine Sermon 336,1.

"See how we were bought: Christ hangs upon the cross, see at what a price He makes his purchase... He sheds his blood, He buys with his blood, He buys with the blood of the Spotless Lamb, He buys with the blood of God's only son. He who buys is Christ; the price is His blood; the possession bought is the world."

Saint Augustine Commentary on Psalm 147.

THE TEACHING OF THE CHURCH

"We are with a most ardent desire to see the true Christian spirit flourish [...] the faithful assemble for no other object than that of acquiring this spirit from its foremost and indispensable font, which is the active participation in the most holy mysteries and in the public and solemn prayer of the Church.

Pope Saint Pius X Tra le sollecitudini

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PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY

RECENTLY DECEASED

Harry Grech, Mina Pugliese

DEATH ANNIVERSARY

Marc Pierre.

IN MEMORIUM

Gary Fleming

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Nancy Dias

SICK

Angela Mikhail, Michael Flanjak, Trevor Anthony, Peter Delange, Cristina King, Edna Canete,

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:

FUNERAL NOTICE FOR HARRY GRECH

The Funeral for Harry will be at St. Francis of Assisi Chapel, 175 Walters Rd. Blacktown, on Tuesday 30th April at 10.00am.

Harry was a valued parishioner and served as an Acolyte for over 40 years. Eternal rest grant to him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on him, may he rest in peace.

THE SACRAMENTS / MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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 4th May 2024 - 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:
 Abigail Hillman

SACRAMENTAL PROCESS AT THE PARISH



SACRAMENTAL PROCESS 2024

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!



FIRST RECONCILIATION

For children in Year 3 and above who have been baptised Catholic.
 Registrations close: 30th September 2024



FIRST EUCHARIST

For children in Year 4 and above who have been prepared for the sacrament of First Reconciliation.
 Process starts: 14th May 2024



CONFIRMATION

For children in Year 5 and above who have received their First Eucharist.
 Registrations close: 8th July 2024



HIGH SCHOOL PROCESS

For Students in Year 7 to 12 wishing to receive the sacraments.
 Process starts: 7th May 2024

FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO REGISTER

[HTTPS://WWW.MQOFBLACKTOWN.ORG/SACRAMENTS](https://www.mqofblacktown.org.au/sacraments)

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02 9622 1125

sacraments@mqofblacktown.org.au

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

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, 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: Glen D'sliva, 0414 062 072
 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

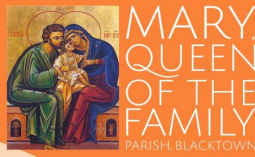


Contact: Parish Office
admin@mqofblacktown.org.au
 For More Information please contact our Youth Minister through the parish office.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

HOLY WEEK DEBRIEF

HOLY WEEK



Thanksgiving & Debrief breakfast

SATURDAY 4TH MAY 2024

THANKSGIVING MASS - 9.00AM

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

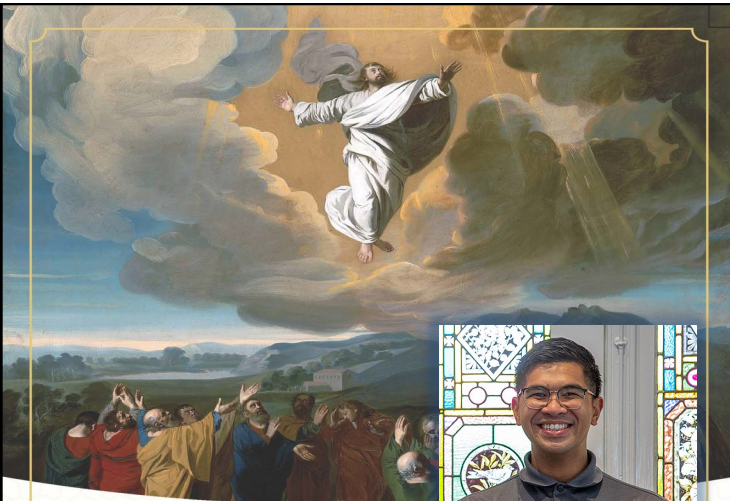
**FOLLOWED BY FELLOWSHIP & HOLY WEEK DEBRIEF
IN THE CARDINAL CLANCEY ROOM.**

**ALL VOLUNTEERS INVOLVED IN THE PREPARATION
FOR HOLY WEEK ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.**

RSVP TO PARISH OFFICE BY 28TH APRIL 2024

PH: 9622 1125 OR EMAIL: ADMIN@MQOFBLACKTOWN.ORG.AU

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE ~ MENARD GASPO



MOST REVEREND VINCENT LONG VAN NGUYEN OFM CONV
BISHOP OF PARRAMATTA, CORDIALLY INVITES YOU
TO THE ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE MASS FOR

Mr Menard Gaspi

SATURDAY 11 MAY 2024, 6PM
VIGIL MASS OF THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD
ST JOHN XXIII PARISH, STANHOPE GARDENS

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY

VICTUS

WITNESS OVER VIOLENCE;
A RESPONSE TO CONFLICT AS A CHRISTIAN



Talk by
Tony Mattar

Eucharistic Adoration + Praise & Worship + Reconciliation + Mass + Fellowship

Friday 3rd May 2024 (First Friday)
6:30pm Adoration & Reconciliation
7:30pm Mass 8:30pm Talk

Suggested donation \$6

VICTUS- MAY 3

You're invited! Join us on Friday 3rd of May for our monthly VICTUS night.

TOPIC: Witness over Violence; A response to conflict as a Christian. Listen to guest speaker 'Tony Mattar' share with us some advice about how we can respond to conflict and share our strong values with others in a Christ-like way. He will share some insight from his own personal experiences and how he overcame it.

'Juicy' Q&A available after the talk- please submit your questions on the registration page.

REGO IS ESSENTIAL! Please click the link to register and click "going" on our FB event page. Link: <https://forms.gle/V8Z6sPmC6bLbDfdq5>

About the speaker:

Tony Mattar is a Maronite Catholic and currently the Student Life and Alumni Relations Officer at Campion College. Mattar graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a Bachelor of Theology majoring in Philosophy and has had over 11 years of experience working within the University sector as a University Chaplaincy Coordinator.

This is a talk you don't want to miss! Tag your friends and bring them along too. See you then!

Restoration Night: Over 65 youth and young adults attended the first Restoration Night hosted by VICTUS and the Central Deanery youth group. It was a great night filled with praise and worship. Be sure to keep an eye out on the next events in the Central Deanery!

On behalf our parish community, we would like to acknowledge and thank the combined efforts of MQOF Youth and Youthworks! led by Cryste Degollacion and Anna Amos for organizing another great opportunity for youth & young adults to deepen their faith and relationship with Christ...



PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

PARISH MOVIE NIGHT

Our next Parish Movie night will be on Tuesday 11th June 2024, at Hoyts Cinema Blacktown - from 6pm. The movie will be "Cabrini".



Cabrini is a 2024 American biographical drama film. The film details the life of Catholic missionary Francesca Cabrini, portrayed by Cristiana Dell'Anna, as she encounters resistance to her charity and business efforts in New York City.

Cabrini explores the sexism and anti-Italian racism faced by Cabrini and others in New York City during the late 19th century.

Trailer: <https://www.hoyts.com.au/movies/cabrini>

\$25.00 per ticket. All funds raised from this event will go towards our church raise the roof campaign. Buy Tickets from link below: <https://www.mqofblacktown.org/event-details/parish-movie-night-cabrini>

We thank you for your on going support and generosity.

FLOWER MINISTRY

MOTHER'S DAY 2024 FAIR.

EARLY BIRD SALE 5TH MAY

AFTER THE 10.00AM MASS AT ST PATRICK'S.
AFTER THE 8.00AM AND 9.30AM MASSES AT ST
MICHAEL'S.

MOTHER'S DAY 12TH MAY

AT ST PATRICK'S AFTER THE 10.00AM MASS.
AT ST MICHAEL'S AFTER THE 8.00AM AND 9.30AM
MASSES.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY COURSES



There are many ways in which you can participate in our parish. Some ways are by being a Reader, an Extraordinary Minister of Communion, a Minister of the Sick or a Minister at the Altar.

If you feel you are called to do these ministries in your parish but need to learn more about it, sign up for the Liturgical Ministry Course in September. Sessions will be held in Blacktown but are open to all members of the Diocese of Parramatta. Register by contacting Lucy so that you can be sure to secure a spot.

Email: lucy.woodbury@parracatholic.org or Mobile: 0460 037 795.

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.

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:

FIRST COLLECTION: For the Diocesan Clergy

Account Name: Diocesan Clergy
Bank: CBA BSB: 067 950 Account Number: 0000 4265
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!

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS




IMPORTANT NOTICE

Due to Parish Thanksgiving Mass and debrief for Holy Week our scheduled reconciliation time for Saturday 4th May will not take place.

We encourage those wanting to participate in the sacrament of reconciliation during this week attend the sacrament during the other scheduled times:

St Michael's: Wed 6:30pm-7:20pm
St Patrick's: Fri 6:30pm-7:20pm

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your understanding.




Easter Offertory

For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son

Your gift supports our parish to share Christ's message of love and salvation with all


GIVE TO OUR PARISH




Good Shepherd Appeal

Support our seminarians to "go out into the deep."

Your Lenten gift will help our future priests cast their nets wide to nurture faith and meet the spiritual and pastoral needs of our community.



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Mitchell High School Host Families Needed

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

Share your lifestyle & home whilst experiencing another culture.

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