



**St Mary MacKillop**  
Catholic Parish  
ORAN PARK

## CHANGE TO MASS TIMES DURING FR DAVID'S ABSENCE

During Fr David's absence, there will be a change to our Oran Park Weekday Mass Times.

**Tuesday @ 7pm**  
Mass

**Wednesday @ 8am**  
No Mass during Fr David's absence

**Thursday @ 10am**  
Communion Service

**Friday @ 9.30am**  
Mass

**Weekend Mass Times will remain the same**

Oran Park – Saturday @ 5pm

Leppington – Sunday @ 8am

Oran Park – Sunday @ 8am, 10am & 5pm

### MASS TIMES

**SATURDAYS 5PM** St Mary  
MacKillop Church  
ORAN PARK  
94 Oran Park Drive

**SUNDAYS 8AM** St Mary Mother  
of God Church  
LEPPINGTON  
Cnr Ingleburn &  
Dickson Roads

**SUNDAYS 8AM 10AM 5PM** St Mary  
MacKillop Church  
ORAN PARK  
94 Oran Park Drive

**SUNDAYS 12.00 NOON** Chaldean Mass  
ORAN PARK

### THIS WEEKEND IN THE LITURGY

**1 OCTOBER**  
**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**FIRST READING**  
Ezekiel 18:25-28

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**  
Remember your mercies, O Lord.

**SECOND READING**  
Philippians 2:1-11

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
My sheep listen to my voice, says  
the Lord; I know them, and they  
follow me.  
Alleluia!

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER and  
Preface (to be chosen by priest-  
celebrant)**

## our vision

Sharing the sacred land of the Dharawal people,  
the parish of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop  
at Leppington and Oran Park  
is a family of diverse families.

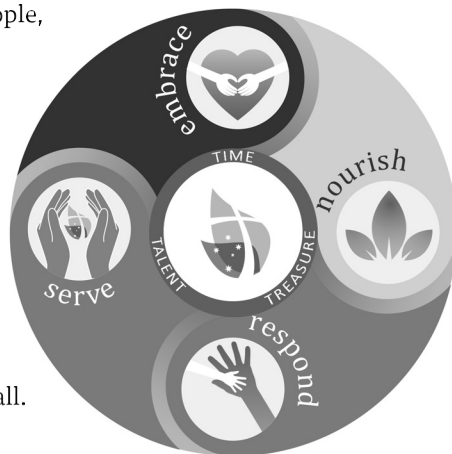
We are sustained by the **Sacraments**  
and nurtured in our faith in **Jesus Christ**.

We are a parish that **embraces** everyone  
with radical hospitality.

We are a parish that **serves** with humility.

We are a parish that **nourishes** the faith of all.

We are a parish that **responds** to the needs  
of our neighbours, wherever they may be.



*We are the parish of Mary MacKillop.*

**We acknowledge the *Dharawal* People, the first inhabitants of this place from  
time beyond remembering. We honour them for their custodianship of the  
land on which our Parish Mass Centres are built.**

### CONTACT YOUR PARISH OFFICE

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## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

### MONDAY 2 OCTOBER

1pm Praying of the Rosary,  
Leppington

### TUESDAY 3 OCTOBER

**NOTE: There will be no 6pm  
Eucharistic Adoration  
this Tuesday**

6.30pm Sacrament of  
Reconciliation

7pm Mass, Oran Park

### WEDNESDAY 4 OCTOBER

**NOTE: There will be no  
8am Mass during  
Fr David's absence**

### THURSDAY 5 OCTOBER

9.30am Praying of the Rosary,  
Oran Park

10am Communion Service

### FRIDAY 6 OCTOBER

9.30am Mass, Oran Park

### SATURDAY 7 OCTOBER

4pm Sacrament of  
Reconciliation -  
Oran Park

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## 2024 DAILY MASS BOOK

If you would like to purchase your own copy of the 2024 Daily Mass Book, all orders need to be to the Parish Office no later than Tuesday, 3 October.

## ENCOUNTER

A Faith Formation Event for Young Families

Join us for ENCOUNTER, a faith formation event for families with primary school aged children on Saturday, 4 November 2023.

ENCOUNTER will be hosted by the MGL Sisters from Varroville and will centre on the theme of the *blessings of family prayer*. This faith formation event is an opportunity to take time out with other families to pray, learn and connect in an environment of faith and will include interactive and fun family activities, times of prayer together and a chance to encounter the wider faith community.

ENCOUNTER will be held on the St Justin's Primary School campus, Oran Park, and will commence at 12pm with a picnic lunch (bring a plate to share) and conclude at 4.30pm. Parental supervision of children is required throughout the day.

If you are interested in attending ENCOUNTER, please complete the expression of interest form using the QR Code



We look forward to seeing you and your family there!

## SERVANT OF GOD EILEEN O'CONNOR

Please visit this website to learn more of the story of our Servant of God, Eileen O'Connor

<https://eileenconnor.com.au/>

Flyers are also available from the Welcome Table

## Giving / Stewardship

**First Offering** – at time of Offertory

Supports the clergy of our Diocese.

**Second Offering** – after distribution of Communion

Helps with all the costs related to supporting the ministries and works of our Parish: including parish staff wages, loan repayments, utilities, liturgy expenses, etc.

**One way that you can enable the mission and vision of your Parish, is by 'sharing your God-given gift of financial treasure' through 'planned giving'.** Contact the Parish Office for more information or use the QR code to access the 'sign up' giving form.



## UPDATE ON FR DAVID

**Thank you to those who have been praying the Novena Prayers for Fr David** through the intercession of both St Mary MacKillop and the Servant of God Eileen O'Connor.

**The special Novena Prayer leaflet to St Mary MacKillop and Eileen O'Connor** can still be downloaded from the Parish Website: [bit.ly/frdavidnovena](http://bit.ly/frdavidnovena) and copies are still available at the Welcome Table.

Fr David has brought back, from his visit to Eileen O'Connor's tomb, some Holy Cards of Eileen. These can be collected from a basket at the Oran Park Welcome Table.

Please continue to pray for Fr David.

## UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

### 5-8 OCTOBER

Cursillo 3-day weekend

### 21-22 OCTOBER

World Mission Appeal

### 28 OCTOBER

Macarthur Young Adults Gathering:  
Called by Name

## 2024 SACRAMENTAL CALENDAR NOW AVAILABLE

To assist families already wanting to plan for 2024, we are pleased to announce that our

### 2024 Sacramental Calendar

is now available to download from our Parish website:

**[marymackillopparish.org.au](http://marymackillopparish.org.au)**

This calendar contains information about 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation, 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion and Confirmation, including the dates for 'Parent Information Sessions' for each of these Sacraments and the timeline for Sacramental Preparation in 2024.

For more information email:  
[oranparksacraments@dow.org.au](mailto:oranparksacraments@dow.org.au)

## MACARTHUR YOUNG ADULTS GATHERING "CALLED BY NAME"

Saturday, 28 October @ 6.45pm – 9.00pm

We live in a chaotic world that often leaves us struggling to understand who we truly are, our purpose, and our calling in life. If you've found yourself contemplating these questions, you're not alone!

We extend to you this personal invitation to engage with fellow young adults from 17-35 years old, guided by a panel who will openly share the stories and learnings from their own journeys, with an opportunity for Q&A throughout the discussion.

**Register now: [dow.sh/cbn23](https://dow.sh/cbn23)**

## DO SOMETHING SUNDAY FOCUS FOR OCTOBER

Rather than focus on all the weekends of the month, our 'Do Something Sunday' focus for October will be centred on the weekend of 21-22 October that is designated as 'World Mission Sunday'. We have been informed by Catholic Mission that the funds raised this year by Australian Parishes like ours will be directed towards the Church's work in Timor-Leste.

On the weekend of 14-15 October, a week before our Mission Appeal, special envelopes will be available at the Welcome Table which can be placed on either collection basket on the weekend of 21-22 October.

Alternatively, you can make a 'cashless' contribution via this link.



In three weeks' time, Catholic Mission will share an opportunity for you to partner with the Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters in Timor-Leste as they continue to provide an essential community project that addresses the gaps in care and well-being in rural communities like Venilale.

**This work simply will not be possible without your support. We hope you will accept this invitation to make a real and lasting impact for those in need.**

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[catholicmission.org.au/timor](http://catholicmission.org.au/timor)

## **ENTRANCE HYMN**

### **GATHER YOUR PEOPLE**

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#### ***Refrain***

Gather your people, O Lord.  
Gather your people, O Lord.  
One bread, one body, one spirit of love.  
Gather your people, O Lord.

1. Draw us forth to the table of life:  
brothers and sisters, each of us called  
to walk in your light.
2. We are parts of the body of Christ,  
needing each other, each of the gifts  
the Spirit provides.
3. No more harm on the mountain of God;  
swords into plowshares. Free us, O Lord,  
from hardness of heart.
4. Wash us, Lord, in the waters of life;  
waters of mercy, waters of hope  
that flow from your side.

## **PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS SONG**

### **OPEN MY EYES**

Jesse Manibusan © 1988 OCP Publications

1. Open my eyes, Lord, help me to see your face.  
Open my eyes, Lord, help me to see.
2. Open my ears, Lord, help me to hear your voice.  
Open my ears, Lord, help me to hear.
3. Open my heart, Lord, help me to love like you.  
Open my heart, Lord, help me to love.
4. I live within you, deep in your heart, O Love  
I live within you, rest now in me.

## **COMMUNION HYMN**

### **BREAD OF HEAVEN**

Jesse Manibusan and Sarah Hart

#### ***Refrain:***

Bread of heaven, Savior broken,  
cup of life outpoured;  
we your people thirst and hunger.  
Come renew us, Lord; come renew us, Lord.

1. From the mountain, blessing spoken  
where we came to pray;  
with the simple truth before us:  
love them in my name; love them in my name.

2. From the garden dark with sorrow,  
from the tears you wept,  
bloomed the flower of salvation:  
new life born of death, new life born of death.

3. From the tomb that could not hold you  
in the dark of night,  
broke that morning of redemption,  
raising us to life, raising us to life.

## **SONG OF PRAISE**

### **HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD**

Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves and Ed Cash

1. The splendor of the King,  
clothed in majesty;  
let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.  
He wraps himself in light,  
and darkness tries to hide,  
and trembles at his voice, and trembles at his voice.

*How great is our God! Sing with me:  
How great is our God! And all will see  
how great, how great is our God!*

2. And age to age he stands,  
and time is in his hands;  
beginning and the end, beginning and the end.  
The Godhead, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son  
the lion and the lamb, the lion and the lamb.

*Name above all names, worthy of all praise.  
My heart will sing: How great is our God!*

## **SENDING FORTH**

### **CELEBRATE**

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*Refrain:* Celebrate what we have been given.  
Celebrate what we have received.  
Celebrate the spirit of Jesus,  
alive in our hearts.

1. No longer shall you be people who walk in darkness.  
It is the spirit who draws you into the light.
2. Even the earth cries out. It longs to receive new life.  
It is the spirit who fills the world with new life.
3. You who are gather'd here  
share life and love together.  
It is the spirit who calls you out to give.