



St Mary MacKillop
Catholic Parish
ORAN PARK

MASS TIMES

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

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

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

2ND & 4TH Chaldean Mass
SUNDAYS ORAN PARK
12.00 NOON

THIS WEEKEND IN THE LITURGY

5 March 2023
2nd Sunday in Lent

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

While Fr David is away, each of our priest-celebrants will choose their own Eucharistic Prayer and Preface.

Lent



Once again, this year, on each of the Fridays of Lent, you are invited to gather at 7pm - near the Stations of the Cross at our Oran Park Mass Centre.

These Stations will be led by different members of our parish community.

NEW TO THE PARISH? Grab a 'Welcome Pack' from the Welcome Table. Make sure you fill in your details on the form found in the Pack so we can reach out to you, also go to the 'New to the Parish' page on our parish website marymackillopparish.org.au

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.

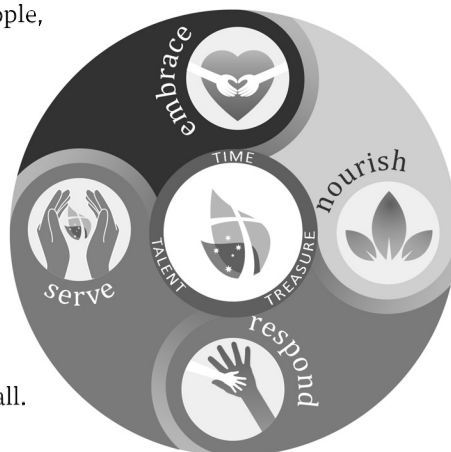
We are sustained by the **Sacraments** and nurtured in our faith in **Jesus Christ**.

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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Office Hours : 9am-1pm Monday - Friday

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

MONDAY 6 MARCH

1pm Praying of the
Rosary, Leppington

TUESDAY 7 MARCH

6pm Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament,
Oran Park

6.30pm Sacrament of
Reconciliation,
Oran Park

7pm Mass, Oran Park

WEDNESDAY 8 MARCH

8am Mass, Oran Park

THURSDAY 9 MARCH

9.30am Praying of the
Rosary, Oran Park

10am Communion Mass,
Oran Park

FRIDAY 10 MARCH

9.30am Mass, Oran Park

11am Rosary at Oran Park
House

7pm Stations of the Cross,
Oran Park

SATURDAY 11 MARCH

10.30am Baptisms - Oran Park

4pm Sacrament of
Reconciliation -
Oran Park

5pm Mass - Oran Park

FR DAVID – ANNUAL LEAVE

A reminder that Fr David is taking Annual Leave from Saturday, 18th February to Friday, 10th March.

All Parish matters are to be directed to the Parish Office either by phone or email.

During this time, our Masses will be celebrated by clergy from the Varroville Carmelite Community and ably supported by Deacon Sam.

RCIA RITE OF ELECTION

Last Sunday afternoon, two of our elect, Matthew and Jocelyn, accompanied by their respective sponsors, Nicole (also a candidate to become a Catholic) and Pascal, attended a Rite of Election with Bishop Brian at the Cathedral in Wollongong. Matthew and Jocelyn were also joined by Kevin & Debbie Wright, representing our Parish support.

Matthew and Jocelyn were joined by candidates from other Parishes in the Diocese and presented to the Bishop, who welcomed them as they journey towards the sacraments over Easter. We ask all parishioners to keep all our RCIA candidates in your prayers as they continue their preparations towards Easter.



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.



JOURNEY TO PENTECOST

If you are an adult Catholic who previously received the Sacrament of Baptism but missed First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation, consider joining us in preparing to receive these Sacraments.

In 2023 we will be adding a special process for adult 1st Holy Communion/Confirmation preparation to our Parish Calendar.

This process, called 'Journey to Pentecost', will begin with an **Enquiry Session on Tuesday 28 March 2023 (7.30pm-8.30pm)** and see **adult candidates receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or 1st Holy Communion at the Vigil Mass of Pentecost on Saturday, 27 May 2023.**

Please make contact with the Parish Office and we will send you an Adult Sacraments 'Expression of Interest Form'.

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

6 MARCH

1st Reconciliation/1st Holy Communion enrolments open

18 MARCH

SAMSN Workshop

22 MARCH

Diaconate Vocation Awareness Night

28 MARCH

'Journey to Pentecost' Enquiry Session

CATHOLIC FAMILY CAMPING WEEKENDS - 2023

Save these dates and join us for a good time with great people.

May 19-21 & October 27-29, 2023
Fridays 4pm til Sunday 3pm

Wooglemai Catholic Camping Facility/Environmental Centre,
Sheehy Creek Road, Oakdale (15 minutes from Picton)

The weekend is for families of all ages, including couples with or without children, single parents, grandparents and aims to bring us together to celebrate the great gift of catholic family life. Be nurtured by each other's company and emboldened as families to witness to the love of God in our world, a key hope articulated by Pope Francis for families.

This will be an awesome opportunity for families throughout the Diocese to come together in a relaxed environment to enable connection, sharing in meals, games, bushwalks, treasure hunts, music, prayer and Sunday Mass with Bishop Brian Mascord.

Cost: \$30 per adult or \$70 per family (regardless of size)

Enquiries or to register your interest: Helen Bennett
(02 4222 2403 / helen.bennett@dow.org.au)

PROJECT COMPASSION

Project Compassion 2023 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come.

You can donate through Project Compassion Donation boxes and envelopes, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

Boxes and envelopes can then be returned on Palm Sunday (1-2 April).



ONLINE ENROLMENTS FOR 1st RECONCILIATION/1st HOLY COMMUNION OPEN ON MONDAY 6 MARCH

Those families who wish to present their children for the Sacraments of 1st Reconciliation/1st Holy Communion in 2023 are asked to complete the online enrolment form that will be available from

Monday, 6 March through the '**Youth Sacraments**' page on our parish website.

*Online enrolments will close on **Friday 17 March**.*

Those children who are baptised Catholic and are in Yr3 and above are able to enrol.

Also, just a reminder, **only those who attend mass and/or reside within the Parish boundary of Oran Park are permitted to submit a sacramental enrolment form.** (Please refer to the Parish website for the boundary map). Those who are parishioners of Camden, Varroville or Eagle Vale Parishes should complete sacramental preparations through their local Parish.

ENTRANCE HYMN

COME AND SET US FREE

Trevor Thomson

Refrain: Come, come, Lord Jesus.
Come, come save your people.
Come and set us free.

1. Awaken our hearts to the pow'r of your love.
Awaken our hearts to your mercy.
Free us, O Lord, from the power of sin.
Set us free. *(to Refrain)*
2. Awaken our hearts to the pow'r of your truth.
Awaken our hearts to your justice.
Teach us and guide us for you are the way.
Set us free. *(to Refrain)*

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS HYMN

WILL YOU LOVE ME

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1. Will you give me your life for ever?
Will you carry my cross ev'ry day?
Will you walk in the light of my presence?
Will you follow the truth of my ways. R.

Refrain: Will you love me as I have loved you?
Will you live with me the darkness as I die?
For the moon and the stars
will be gone like the night,
And the sun will be shining on you.

2. Like the purest of gold in the furnace,
Is your love strong enough to endure?
Does your faith carry on through the shadows?
Does it shine in the night for the world? R.

3. Can you walk in the footprints of silence,
Through the wilderness sands in the sun,
From the desert of doubt and temptation,
To the glorious mountain of fire? R.

COMMUNION HYMN

During Lent we will have quiet music during Holy Communion.

SONG OF PRAISE

10,000 REASONS

Jonas Myrin & Matt Redman

Refrain

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;
worship his holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul;
I'll worship your holy name.

1. The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
it's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,
let me be singing when the evening comes.

2. You're rich in love and you're slow to anger.
Your name is great and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness, I will keep on singing:
ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

SENDING FORTH

BE NOT AFRAID

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1. You shall cross the barren desert,
but you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety
though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words in foreign lands
and all will understand.
You shall see the face of God and live.

Refrain: Be not afraid. I go before you always.
Come follow me, and I will give you rest.

2. If you pass through raging waters
in the sea, you shall not drown.
If you walk amid the burning flames,
you shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the pow'r of hell
and death is at your side,
know that I am with you through it all.