



St Mary MacKillop
Catholic Parish

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

SUNDAYS Chaldean Mass
12.00 NOON ORAN PARK



Aid to the
Church in Need

ACN AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND

Together we can keep the faith alive.

Did you know that across the world tens of millions of Christian families are in exile following persecution because of their faith?

Aid to the Church in Need is a spiritual and pastoral charity which seeks to keep the flame of faith alive in those places where it is at risk of extinction.

This weekend we welcome to Oran Park, Donna Ransom, an ACN speaker who will share with us about the work of Aid to the Church in Need and how we can help our suffering and persecuted brothers and sisters.

AFTER MASS MORNING TEA

Following the success of our 'Multicultural Morning Tea' on Pentecost Sunday, we are setting aside one Sunday a month to focus on a culture.

This Sunday, our After Mass Morning Tea will celebrate the **Phillipines**

THIS WEEKEND IN THE LITURGY

8 SEPTEMBER 2024
(23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
Praise the Lord, my soul!

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

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER
(chosen by the priest celebrant)

PARISH CLERGY

Fr David Catterall | Parish Priest
Fr Feleki Tautunu | Assistant Priest
Dn Sam Gennaoui | Deacon

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.

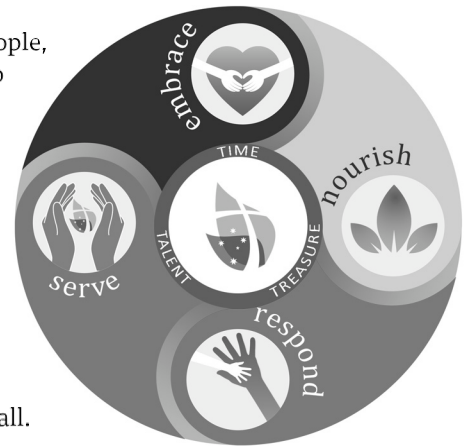
We are sustained by the **Sacraments** and nurtured in our faith in **Jesus Christ**.

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 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

Phone : (02) 4648 2226

Email : oranpark@dow.org.au

Office Hours : 9am to 1pm Monday - Friday

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

MONDAY – 9 SEPTEMBER

1pm Rosary, Leppington

TUESDAY – 10 SEPTEMBER

6pm Reconciliation,
Oran Park

6pm Eucharistic Adoration,
Oran Park

7pm Mass, Oran Park

WEDNESDAY – 11 SEPTEMBER

8am Mass, Oran Park

THURSDAY – 12 SEPTEMBER

9.30am Rosary, Oran Park

10am Mass, Oran Park

FRIDAY – 13 SEPTEMBER

9.30am Mass, Oran Park

6.30pm Chaldean Holy Mass
for Feast of the Holy
Cross, Oran Park

SATURDAY – 14 SEPTEMBER

4pm Reconciliation, Oran Park

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LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS

If you regularly attend Mass at Oran Park and require a low-gluten host, please email the Parish Office with your name and Mass details.

We would like to begin a process where Pyx are labelled for regular use to remove the need for requests prior to Mass.

'MENTION MY NAME' MEMORIAL MASS

Kenneally's Funerals, in conjunction with Grief Care and Catholic Cemeteries and Crematoria, will be holding a "Mention My Name – Memorial Mass" at St Thomas More Catholic Church, Ruse on 14 September 2024 at 10am.

The Mass is in memory of those who have lost their lives through suicide. Although suicide is often a hard topic of conversation, this Mass provides an opportunity to pray for families, friends, caregivers and those affected by suicide and bring together people who have all shared the same pain and emotions of losing someone to suicide.



Big Walk for Little Kids for Camp Quality

One of our young parishioners, Tané, who is in Yr 6 at St Justins, is participating in Big Walk for Little Kids for Camp Quality. He has promised to walk 150kms in September and he has also pitched to his Year 6 peers that he would like as many of them to join him and walk 150kms in September. Camp Quality is very dear to Tané and his family, for during their 'family cancer journey' it has brought lots of happiness and joy. This charity gives families a break from cancer, to enjoy quality time together, and to build support networks with other families who understand what they're going through.

If you would like to support this worthy cause, please go to:

<https://bit.ly/tanebigwalk>

'DO SOMETHING SUNDAY' SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

During September/October

– to coincide with **WORLD MISSION MONTH** -
we are invited to support the work of 'Catholic Mission'

Envelopes are now available from the Welcome Table
and can be left in a collection basket during Mass.

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.



BREAK OPEN THE WORD



Break Open the Word is a vital publication for Readers. It contains readings and psalms for each Sunday with NEW commentary providing fresh and insightful background to the text and assistance on how to read it, along with a section entitled “The Ministry of Reader”. The popular pronunciation guide is also included.

If you would like to purchase a copy of the 2025 Break Open the Word (at the Parish Price of \$30), please complete an order form from the Welcome Table and return to the Parish Office **no later than 15 September 2024.**

PARISH PYX

As the number of Pyx available in the Sacristy has again decreased significantly, can we please ask that if you have a Pyx at home which belongs to the Parish, could this be returned as soon as possible.

We thank you for your assistance in this matter.



OFFERING RECOMMENDATIONS FOLLOWING LEPPINGTON COMMUNITY MEETING

Just a reminder that Fr David is still seeking parishioners' feedback on the recommendations outlined at the recent Community Meeting held at St Mary Mother of God Church, Leppington.

A summary of the matters that Fr David and Deacon Sam discussed, along with Feedback envelopes, are still available from the Welcome Tables at both churches. **All feedback must be received no later than NEXT Sunday 15 September.**

5-day immersion course experience
'The Writings of John Paul II on Gender, Marriage and Family', from the 19th to the 24th of January, Sunday to Friday, and is now **OPEN FOR REGISTRATIONS!**

<https://www.trybooking.com/CTJWO>.

Flyers are available from the Welcome Table.

SPRINGTIME CREATIVE RETREAT 11-13 October 2024

Come and experience the healing power of creativity as you step into the blossoming wonders of Spring.

Nurture your inner self and watch the boundless possibilities that emerge from spending time co-creating with God.
(Carmel House, 345 St Andrews Rd, Varroville)

Bookings: <http://www.trybooking.com/CNSWN>
(by 27 September)

Contact: Berna – mgl sisters.sydney@gmail.com

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

13 September

Chaldean Holy Mass for Feast of the Holy Cross, Oran Park @ 6.30pm

21 September

2024 Confirmation Ceremonies

WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

We pray for our faithful departed who have died recently and whose anniversaries are remembered at this time:

Dolores Sitjar, James Muscat, Lucie Elie, Terry Foley, Malcolm Allen

*We invite you to share the names of those who are sick or in need of extra prayers by emailing the Parish Office
(oranpark@dow.org.au)*

THANK YOU to all those who supported our DO SOMETHING SUNDAY for

JULY-AUGUST, by providing blankets for our local St Vincent de Paul Conference and items for Escabags. Thank you also to those who donated \$5 that the Escabags team can use to purchase 'Personal Safety Alarms' which they will be adding, from July onwards, to all their 'escape bags'.

Over \$1,100 was raised for this cause.

Also don't forget that our parish – at our Oran Park Church - is a stockist of Escabags.



ENTRANCE

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.

OFFERTORY

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

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

GRATEFUL

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Refrain

Grateful for the life you give us,
thankful for your Holy Son,
joyful in your Spirit flowing over all, O God of Love.
Grateful for the Bread of Heaven,
thankful for your Holy Word,
joyful in your mercy flowing, we will praise you.

1. You are more than we imagine,
Ancient, Holy, Living Lord.
Even when we doubt your presence
you are faithful to your word.
2. May our lives proclaim your justice,
may our voices sing your praise.
May our hands work in your service
to the glory of your name.

SENDING FORTH

HERE I AM TO WORSHIP

(Tim Hughes)

Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness,
opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore you,
hope of a life spent with you.

Refrain: Here I am to worship,
here I am to bow down,
here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely,
altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, oh so highly exalted,
glorious in heaven above.
Humbly you came to the earth you created,
all for love's sake became poor.