



St Mary MacKillop
Catholic Parish
ORAN PARK

FOR IT IS IN
giving
THAT WE
receive.

Saint Francis of Assisi



BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

This weekend, in union with Parishes across our Diocese, we will be holding a collection for the Bishop's Annual Appeal.

In our Parish, there will be two ways to support this Appeal:

Online contribution: www.dow.org.au/giving

Donation Box available at Welcome Table

Flyers are also available from the Welcome Table

A Message from Bishop Brian:

"Our faith calls us to help one another through prayer and action. Offering dignified support and care for our retired clergy, who have always cared for us; and a sound and holistic formation of our young seminarians, our future priests, are my responsibilities as your Bishop. I seek your prayers and practical support to help me ensure that I can do this.

Your donation to this appeal is very much appreciated."

Bishop Brian Mascord

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

THIS WEEKEND IN THE LITURGY

17 SEPTEMBER
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING
Sirach 27:30 - 28:7

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
The Lord is kind and merciful;
slow to anger, and rich in
compassion.

SECOND READING
Romans 14:7-9

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have
loved you.
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.

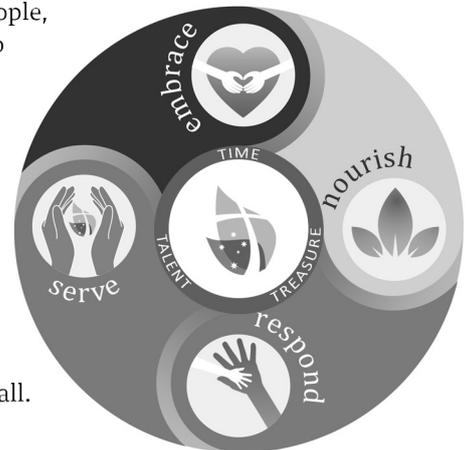
We are sustained by the **Sacraments** and nurtured in our faith in **Jesus Christ**.

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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Office Hours : 9am-1pm Monday - Friday



THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

1pm Praying of the Rosary,
Leppington

TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

**NOTE: There will be no 6pm
Eucharistic Adoration or
Sacrament of Reconciliation
this Tuesday**

7pm Novena Mass for
Fr David, Oran Park,
celebrated by
Fr James Arblaster

WEDNESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

8am Mass, Oran Park

THURSDAY 21 SEPTEMBER

9.30am Praying of the Rosary,
Oran Park

10am Mass, Oran Park

FRIDAY 22 SEPTEMBER

9.30am Mass, Oran Park

7pm Faith Night, Oran Park

SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER

4pm Sacrament of
Reconciliation -
Oran Park

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FAITH NIGHT - Friday, September 22

‘Synod on Synodality’

Our ‘virtual’ guest speaker will be Sr Nathalie Becquart XMCJ.

We will watch and listen to Sr Nathalie’s recorded reflection, followed by a time of conversation with other Faith Night attendees and conclude with supper.

Our September FAITH NIGHT will be held in the ‘Penola Room’ (next to the Oran Park Church) from 7pm – 9pm.

A WOMEN’S OPPORTUNITY CURSILLO THREE DAY WEEKEND

Where : Carmel House, Varroville

When : Thurs 5th - Sun 8th October



If you would like to know more about the next Cursillo 3-Day Weekend, please collect a flyer from the Welcome Table or return your Expression of Interest through the QR code.

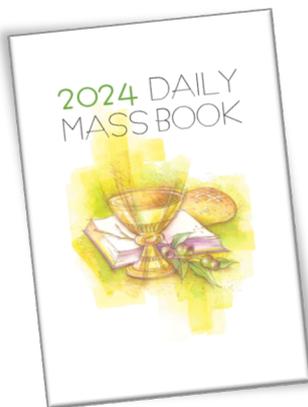
SERVANT OF GOD EILEEN O’CONNOR

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

2024 DAILY MASS BOOK



The Daily Mass Book, which runs from Advent to Advent, contains all the texts for Sunday and weekday Mass, including the chants for parts of the Mass.

Our Parish will soon be placing an order for our 2024 Daily Mass Books that we have available for use during weekday Masses. If you would like to purchase your own copy, please collect a flyer from the Welcome Table and return it, with payment, to either the Parish Office or in a Mass Collection basket at any of our weekend Masses

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.



Our September 'Do Something Sunday' focus is supporting the charity 'Escabags'.

Escabags is an Australian registered charity that provides free 'Escape Bags' filled with the necessities that a victim of domestic or family abuse and his/her child/ren may need when initially escaping an abusive or dangerous situation. Information can be found on the website: www.escabags.org

We ask that, during the month of September, the following miniature/travel-sized items are brought to parish Masses and placed either in the Escabag box at our Oran Park Mass Centre or the Escabag crate at the Leppington Mass Centre.

Shower Gel; Shampoo & Conditioner; Toothbrushes; Toothpaste; Comb; Pocket Tissues; Face Cloths; Soaps; Chamomile Teabags; Dummy/Soothers; Baby Blankets; Muslin Wraps.

A flyer is also available from the Welcome Table showing these specific items which Escabags are regularly seeking donations of.

We are also pleased to announce that our parish is now a stockist of Escabags (available from the Kitchen at our Oran Park Mass Centre)

UPDATE ON FR DAVID

Last weekend at our Parish Masses we received the update on Fr David's latest health challenges and, specifically, that he has now been diagnosed with metastatic prostate cancer with pulmonary metastases (which is prostate cancer in his lungs) and will see him undergo a course of chemotherapy over 4-5 months.

This treatment began on Monday, 11 September. We are pleased to let everyone know that Fr David's first chemo – and an operation to insert a portacath to be used during his treatment – went well. Fr David would like everyone to know how grateful he is for the prayers and support of so many people.

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 and copies are still available at the Welcome Table.

To coincide with the 9th day of this Novena, a special Mass for David will be offered THIS Tuesday, 19 September, at 7pm at Oran Park. All are invited to attend.

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

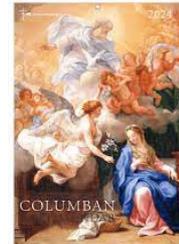
22 SEPTEMBER

Faith Night

28 SEPTEMBER

Kitchen Table Conversation

2024 Columban Calendar



Our Piety Stall is now taking orders for the 2024 Columban Calendar.

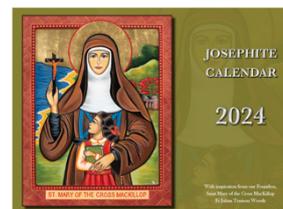
Please see Teresa to place your order or collect a flyer from the Welcome Table.

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

This calendar contains information about 1st Reconciliation, 1st 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



If you would like to purchase a 2024 Josephite Calendar, please advise the Parish Office no later than 30 September.

ENTRANCE HYMN

GATHER US IN

Marty Haugen © 1983 G.I.A Publications

1. Here in this place, new light is streaming,
now is the darkness, vanished away.
See, in this space, our fears and our dreamings,
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in the lost and forsaken.
Gather us in the blind and the lame;
Call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

2. We are the young our lives are a mystery,
we are the old who yearn for your face.
We have been sung throughout all of history,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in the rich and the haughty.
Gather us in the proud and the strong;
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.

OFFERTORY SONG

ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

John Foley, S.J.

Refrain One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many,
throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
woman or man, no more.

2. Many the gifts, many the works,
one in the Lord of all.

3. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
gathered to one, for all.

COMMUNION HYMN

WE COME TO YOU Josh Blakesley

1. By your body and blood,
by your life and your love, renew us.
May your sacrifice be
forgiveness in me; heal us.

Refrain: We come to you.
We come to you broken, hungry.
We come to you. We come to you.
Make us whole again.

2. In the body of Christ
we are brought to new life; restore us.
May the flesh that we eat
and the blood that we drink save us.

SONG OF PRAISE

EVERY DAY I WILL SING

Cooper Ray

1. The angels sing out from heaven.
They fold their wings to you.
The chorus rises to your altar
singing, "Holy are you, Lord!";
Great are you, my Lord.

Refrain

Every day I will sing of your glory,
every day I will sing of your grace,
every day I will lift my hands.
You are my God, you are my king.

2. You lift me up from out of darkness.
Your love brings healing to my soul.
You are the powerful and ever living God.
You fill my heart and make me whole.
Great are you, my Lord.

SENDING FORTH

HERE I AM LORD

Daniel L Schutte SJ © 1981 N.A.L.R

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard My people cry,
all who dwell in dark and sin,
My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear My light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am Lord, Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them, They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak My word to them,
Whom shall I send?