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MASS TIMES

SATURDAYS 5PM

St Mary MacKillop Church 94 Oran Park Drive, Oran Park

SUNDAYS 8AM

St Mary Mother of God Church Corner Ingleburn and Dickson Roads, Leppington

SUNDAYS 8AM & 10AM

St Mary MacKillop Church 94 Oran Park Drive, Oran Park

SUNDAYS 5PM

St Mary MacKillop Church 94 Oran Park Drive, Oran Park

Easter is a season of welcome and hospitality. So, in the spirit of this season, I welcome you all to our Parish Celebration of Easter 2024. I especially welcome those who have 'come home' to celebrate Easter with family and friends. I also welcome those who are visiting our Parish for the first time – Welcome to one of the newest Catholic Parishes in Australia. We are delighted to have you celebrate Easter with us!

If you aren't already, you might wish to consider keeping in regular contact with our Parish. Why not consider exploring our parish website:

www.marymackillopparish.org.au and joining us for one of our weekend Masses or for another Parish event. We also encourage you to LIKE us on Facebook or to sign up to receive our monthly e-Newsletter called "The Overview". As our Parish continues to grow and change, we hope you can share the journey with us. May the Risen Lord be with you.



A happy & holy Easter,

Fr. David Catterell

Fr David Catterall MTh | Parish Priest

TOGETHER IN SONG

ENTRANCE HYMN CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

Bernadette Farrell

1. Into this world morning is breaking All of God's people, lift up your voice Cry out with joy, tell out the story All of the earth rejoice.

Refrain:

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

- 2. Sing of the hope deeper than dying Sing of the pow'r stronger than death Sing of the love endless as heaven Dawning throughout the earth.
- 3. Many the gifts, many the people Many the hearts that yearn to belong Let us be servants to one another Making your kingdom come.

GLORY TO GOD

Liam Lawton, arr. Paul A Tate. © 2010 GIA Publications, Inc.

Refrain: Glory to God in the highest, Glory to God in the highest, Glory to God, glory to God, And on earth peace to people of good will.

SPRINKLING RITE: BAPTISED IN WATER

Text: Michael Saward, b.1932, © 1982, Jubilate Hymns

Baptised in water, sealed by the Spirit, Cleansed by the blood of Christ our King: Heirs of salvation, trusting his promise, Faithfully now God's praise we sing. Baptised in water, sealed by the Spirit, Dead in the tomb with Christ our King: One with his rising, freed and forgiven, Thankfully now God's praise we sing.

Baptised in water, sealed by the Spirit, Marked with the sign of Christ our King: Born of one Father, we are his children, Joyfully now God's praise we sing.

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS SONG ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

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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 of 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 SONG 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.
- 3. By the faith we profess, and the sins we confess, mould us. We are brought to our knees at the altar of peace; change us.

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, the lion and the lamb, the lion and the lamb. (to Refrain)

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

SENDING FORTH GRATEFUL

Tom Tomaszek © 2003 OCP Publications

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.

2024 EASTER BLESSING FOR HOMES

with Blessed Easter (Paschal) Water

Leader: Lord, we rejoice in the victory of your Son over death: by rising from the tomb to new

life he gives us new hope and promise. Bless all the members of this household and surround us with your protection, that we may find comfort and peace in Jesus Christ, the paschal lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.



Let this water call to mind our baptism in Christ, who by his death and resurrection has redeemed us.

(The home is now sprinkled with Holy Water by a member of the household. The Easter Water could be transferred into a bowl. and a branch used for the sprinkling)

All: May Christ Jesus dwell with us, and make us one in mind and heart, now and for ever. Amen, Alleluia

If more than one person is present for this Easter blessing, the sign of peace is now offered

You're invited

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith. Come for a bite to eat, watch a talk and have a chat.

Time and Location

After the success of our evening Alphas, we are looking to hold a 'daytime Alpha' in 2024

Contact Details

To register your interest, and to ensure you receive the updates about when this daytime Alpha will be held, please send an email to the Parish Alpha Team c/o Parish Office:

oranpark@dow.org.au



THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

TUESDAY 2 APRIL

6pm Adoration of the

Blessed Sacrament

6pm Sacrament of

Reconciliation,

7pm Mass (Oran Park)

WEDNESDAY 3 APRIL

8am Mass (Oran Park)

THURSDAY 4 APRIL

9.30am Praying of the

Rosary (Oran Park)

10am Mass (Oran Park)

FRIDAY 5 APRIL

9.30am Mass with the

Anointing of the Sick (Oran Park)

SATURDAY 6 APRIL

4pm Sacrament of

Reconciliation (Oran Park)

CELEBRATING SACRAMENTS AT ST MARY MACKILLOP PARISH

For more information on how to receive the Sacraments of 1st Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation please go to the 'Youth Sacraments' page on our parish website:

marymackillopparish.org.au

Information on the Sacrament of Baptism can also be found on our parish website.

Do you know somebody who is house-bound and would like to receive Holy Communion and/or receive a pastoral There are an increasing number of people who, whether due to age or ill health or caring for a homebound relative, are not able to attend church, but would like to receive Holy Communion. If you or someone you know of somebody in this situation, please contact the Parish Office, so that a visit from a member of our Parish Pastoral Care Team can be arranged.

Our **Parish Book Club** provides a social gathering to explore themes of our Christian faith through literature, as well as builds community "through the shared experience of great stories". Book Club members meet, over Zoom, on the third Wednesday of the month at 7pm. For more info. contact Katrina: katrinamagnus.bookclub@gmail.com

A New Vision for Parishes

Bishop Mascord recently launched a vision for Parishes in the Diocese of Wollongong. A short intro. video may be viewed HERE: http://dow.sh/CSGMvision



2024 PARISH PILGRIMAGE Join Fr David and fellow parishioners for our 2nd pilgrimage in the 'Footsteps of St Mary MacKillop'

Following our inaugural Mary MacKillop parish pilgrimage in October 2022 - that Fr David and parishioners were privileged to share with people from across our nation - the good news is that the new 2024 pilgrimage itinerary for the 'Footsteps of St Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage' has been released HERE:

www.harvestjourneys.com/tour/ footsteps-of-st-mary-mackillop

Please share this news with family, friends and fellow parishioners and encourage them to give themselves a great Easter gift - through putting in their 'expression of interest' and deposit for the October 2024 departure.

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.

