



**St Mary MacKillop**  
Catholic Parish

# DO SOMETHING SUNDAY JANUARY/FEBRUARY

## St Vincent de Paul 'Food Pantry Drive'

Our first 'Do Something Sunday' for 2024 is NEXT weekend  
10-11 February.

We would like to support the Camden/Oran Park chapter of  
St Vincent de Paul by 'restocking their pantry'.

Over the Christmas and New Year period, St Vincent de Paul  
have assisted many local families by opening their Food Pantry.

St Vincent de Paul have provided a list of items below which are  
not easily accessible from other sources, which will complement  
the basic pantry items they hold.

- Breakfast Cereal
- Vegemite, Peanut Butter, Honey
- Tomato/BBQ Sauce
- 2 Minute Noodles
- Cordial
- Poppers
- Tin Fruit
- Tuna
- Biscuits
- Chips
- Sugar
- Cooking Salt
- Tin Potatoes or Deb Potato
- Personal Care – Panty Liners & sanitary items

### 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

**4 FEBRUARY 2024**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

#### FIRST READING

Job 7:1-4, 6-7

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Praise the Lord who heals the  
broken-hearted.

#### SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

He bore our sickness, and endured  
our suffering.

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.

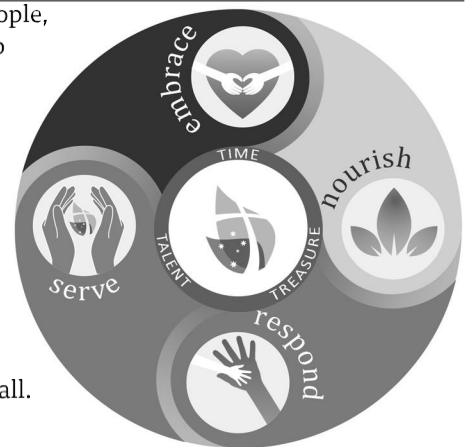
We are sustained by the **Sacraments**  
and nurtured in our faith in **Jesus Christ**.

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 5 FEBRUARY

1pm Praying of the Rosary,  
Leppington

### TUESDAY 6 FEBRUARY

6pm Eucharistic Adoration,  
Oran Park

6pm Sacrament of  
Reconciliation,  
Oran Park

7pm Mass, Oran Park

### WEDNESDAY 7 FEBRUARY

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

### THURSDAY 8 FEBRUARY

9.30am Praying of the Rosary,  
Oran Park

10am Communion Service,  
Oran Park

### FRIDAY 9 FEBRUARY

9.30am Mass, Oran Park

6.30pm MacKillop Youth  
'Taster' Evening

### SATURDAY 10 FEBRUARY

4pm Sacrament of  
Reconciliation,  
Oran Park

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## CLERGY APPOINTMENT



Bishop Brian Mascord has appointed Fr Feleki Tautunu (currently Assistant Priest at Campbelltown) as Assistant Priest for our Parish of St Mary MacKillop.

In this role, Fr Feleki will support Fr David with Masses and other pastoral and sacramental needs in our Parish. Fr Feleki will, for the time being, remain resident at Campbelltown Parish.

*Fr Feleki was born in Apia, Samoa. He is number eight of a big family of ten (six brothers and three sisters). Fr Feleki is a Priest of the Archdiocese of Samoa-Apia. He entered the Pacific Regional Seminary in 2001 and was ordained Priest on 8 December 2007. Fr Feleki moved to Australia in 2017 and ministered in the Sydney Archdiocese, before moving to our Diocese in December 2018. He is also the chaplain for the Samoan Catholic Community in the Diocese.*

Fr Feleki will begin this appointment at Oran Park on 17/18 February (1st weekend of Lent).

## ONLINE ENROLMENTS FOR 1st RECONCILIATION/1st HOLY COMMUNION OPEN ON MONDAY 19 FEBRUARY.

Those families who wish to present their children for the Sacraments of 1st Reconciliation/1st Holy Communion in 2024 are asked to complete **the online enrolment form which will be available** through the '[Youth Sacraments](#)' page on our Parish website from Monday, 19 February. **Online enrolments will close on Friday 8 March.** *Those children who are baptised Catholic and are in Yr3 and above are able to enrol.*

**Don't forget that 1st Reconciliation and 1st Holy Communion is now a combined program of 6 weeks.** So rather than families committing to one program for 1st Reconciliation and then another program for 1st Holy Communion, candidates prepare for both Sacraments at the same time. The focus of this combined program is "*From Mass to Mission*" that draws upon the purpose statement of our Parish "*to form disciples who joyfully live out the mission of Jesus Christ*". (If a child has already made their 1st Reconciliation and was just wanting to receive their 1st Holy Communion, they are still required to complete the 6-week program).

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

## 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.



## MACKILLOP YOUTH (MY) IS BACK FOR 2024 !

All those in Yr 7, 2024 (no matter what high school you attend) are invited to gather for a **MacKillop Youth 'Taster Evening'** on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February (Week2) from 6.30pm-8.30pm.

This Yr 7 event is an opportunity for those in Yr 7 who are starting high school this year, to experience MacKillop Youth for themselves. The evening will include food, fun and faith formation.

To RSVP, please complete the online sign-up form that can be found **HERE**: [bit.ly/year7mackillopyouth](https://bit.ly/year7mackillopyouth) or collect a flyer from our Welcome Table.

And then on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February (Week4) from 6.30pm-8.30pm all those in Yr 7-12 are invited to an awesome **Welcome-Back MY night!**

Every second Friday night is MacKillop Youth - a night filled with community, prayer, food, and more! All young parishioners of the Parish in Yr 7 to Yr 12 are welcome to attend - no matter if you have been to MY before or not, which high school you attend or where you are in your faith journey! Been to youth group before? Try bringing a friend this year!



## 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 2024 we will once again 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 Information Evening to be held after the 7pm Mass (from 7.40pm-8.30pm) on Tuesday, 12 March 2024, and see adult candidates receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or 1st Holy Communion at the Vigil Mass of Pentecost on Saturday, 18 May.

To enrol, please contact the Parish Office no later than Friday, 1 March.

## LENTEN GROUPS – SIGN UP

Lenten Groups are an opportunity, as a member of our Parish, to gather 'in small groups' to reflect on the Lenten scriptures for the coming weekend, to share your faith, to pray and to 'get to know' fellow parishioners outside the context of the weekly Mass. A session goes for about 90mins and groups usually finish with a cuppa or supper.

Our Parish groups are:

**Host: Chris Chircop** - Sunday @ 6pm (Young Adults)

**Host : Christen Yousseph** – Monday @ 7pm (Catherine Field)

**Host: Carmen Karauda** - Tuesday @ 7pm (Leppington)

**Host: Erin Gillard** – Wednesday @ 8pm (Online)

**Host: Ian Boorman** – Thursday @ 7pm (Men's Group)

**Host: Di Campbell** – Friday @ 12.30pm (Spring Farm)

Please sign up at the Welcome Table or contact the Parish Office for more information.

## UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

### 9 FEB

MacKillop Youth Taster Session

### 10/11 FEBRUARY

'Do Something Sunday' - SVdP Pantry Drive

### 14 FEBRUARY

Ash Wednesday

### 16 FEBRUARY

RCIC Enrolments CLOSE

### 19 FEBRUARY

1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation / 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Online Enrolments OPEN

## HAVE YOU CONSIDERED BECOMING A CATECHIST IN OUR PARISH

If you would like to become a Catechist, or would like to attend a refresher course, 2024 Catechist Training will begin on 9 February. The program will run on Fridays for 5 weeks from 9.30am-1.30pm.

Please contact Sue Bohacs ([suebohacs@bigpond.com](mailto:suebohacs@bigpond.com)) for more information or visit the display table following Mass this weekend, where one of our current Catechists will be able to assist you.

## ST JUSTIN'S LENTEN GROUP

If you would like to join a Wednesday morning Lenten Group with Sr Mary at St Justin's Catholic Primary School @ 10am, please contact the Parish Office.

## MACKILLOP CRAFTERS

The MacKillop Craft Group will meet again on Tuesday 6th February 2024 in the Penola room at 10.30am. All are welcome!

**We look forward to seeing everyone after the long break!**

## **ENTRANCE HYMN**

### **GATHER US IN**

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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**

### **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.

## **COMMUNION**

### **DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME**

Chris Muglia

1. I am the bread of life;  
all who believe in me will have eternal life.  
I am the bread of life come down from heaven  
so that all who eat this bread will never die.

#### ***Refrain***

Take the living bread of life, take the cup of sacrifice;  
do this in memory of me.  
Take the body and the blood, given freely out of love;  
do this in memory of me;  
do this in memory of me.

2. I am the bread of life;  
whoever comes to me will not hunger again.  
I am the bread of life;  
no one can come to me unless the Father draws  
them near to him.

## **SONG OF PRAISE**

### **WILL YOU LOVE ME**

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1. Will you give me your life forever?  
Will you carry my cross every day?  
Will you walk in the light of my presence?  
Will you follow the truth of my ways?

#### ***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?

## **SENDING FORTH**

### **SHOUT TO THE LORD**

Darlene Zschech © 1993

My Jesus, my Saviour,  
Lord, there is none like you.  
All of my days I want to praise  
the wonders of your mighty love.  
My comfort, my shelter.  
Tower of refuge and strength.  
Let every breath. All that I am,  
Never cease to worship you.

#### ***Chorus:***

Shout to the Lord, all the earth let us sing.  
Power and majesty, praise to the King.  
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar  
at the sound of your name.  
I sing for joy at the work of your hands.  
Forever I'll love you; forever I'll stand.  
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.