



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

12 March 2023
3rd Sunday in Lent

FIRST READING
Exodus 17:3-7

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
If today you hear his voice,
harden your hearts.

SECOND READING
Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord
Jesus Christ!
Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the
world; give me living water, that I
may never thirst again.
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord
Jesus Christ!

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 2
(Preface of the 3rd Sunday of Lent)

Lent



**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.

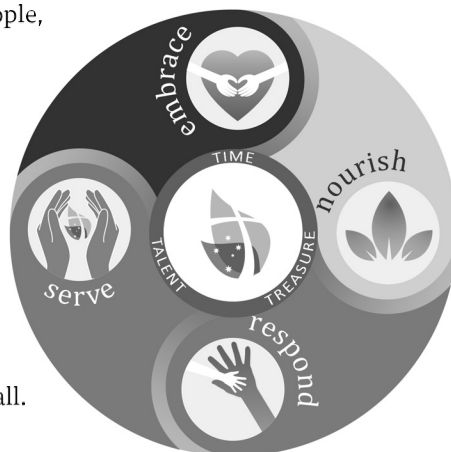
We are sustained by the **Sacraments**
and nurtured in our faith in **Jesus Christ**.

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 13 MARCH

1pm Praying of the
Rosary, Leppington

TUESDAY 14 MARCH

6pm Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament,
Oran Park

6.00pm Sacrament of
Reconciliation,
Oran Park

7pm Mass, Oran Park

WEDNESDAY 15 MARCH

8am Mass, Oran Park

10am Requiem Mass –
Amado Cruz

7pm Parish Online
Book Club

THURSDAY 16 MARCH

9.30am Praying of the
Rosary, Oran Park

10am Mass, Oran Park

FRIDAY 17 MARCH

9.30am Mass with anointing
of the Sick, Oran Park

11am Mass at Barry Marsh
House

7pm Stations of the Cross,
Oran Park

7.30pm MacKillop Youth

SATURDAY 18 MARCH

10.30am Baptisms - Oran Park

4pm Sacrament of
Reconciliation -
Oran Park

1ST RECONCILIATION / 1ST HOLY COMMUNION ENROLMENTS

A reminder that 1st Reconciliation / 1st Holy Communion Online
Enrolments are now open.

Online enrolments will close on Friday, 17 March.

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).

2023 KINDERGARTEN BAG BLESSINGS

Each year, Fr David offers the
opportunity for families to have
school bags of children enrolled
in Kindergarten at St Justin's
Catholic Primary School
to be blessed.

This year, at the 5pm Mass on
Sunday, 19 March, & Sunday,
26 March, these children are
invited to bring their school
bags to Mass for the blessing.



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 will be meeting this
Wednesday, 15 March, over Zoom. Please contact Katrina if
you would like to join this group:
Katrinamagnus.bookclub@gmail.com

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

17 MARCH

1st Reconciliation/1st Holy Communion enrolments
CLOSE

18 MARCH

SAMSN Workshop

22 MARCH

Diaconate Vocation
Awareness Night

28 MARCH

'Journey to Pentecost'
Enquiry Session



Just a reminder that our inaugural "Diaconate Vocation Awareness Night" will be held on **Wednesday, 22 March, from 7-9pm**. As our Parish continues to exponentially grow, we are keen for more men to discern the vocation of permanent diaconate and to specifically serve in our Parish as permanent deacons.

Catholic men, and their wives if married, who would like to find out more about the vocation of the permanent diaconate and the formation process to become a deacon are invited to this enquiry night. If you would like to attend, or for more information, please contact the parish office.

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- **You will strengthen individuals and organisational** processes and procedures so that generations of people will have opportunities for growth long after you return home.
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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.