



**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

**SUNDAYS** Chaldean Mass  
**12.00 NOON** ORAN PARK

## ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

On Tuesday 15th August we celebrate the **feastday of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

This day is a 'holy day of obligation' (and holds the same status/rank as a Sunday)

**Masses will be held at our Oran Park Mass Centre on:**

Monday 14th August (6pm Vigil)  
Tuesday 15th August (8am & 7pm)



## CONGRATULATIONS

**To the winners of our St Mary MacKillop Colouring Competition**

While it was very difficult to choose winners from the fantastic work I received, I would like to thank each and everyone of the children who submitted their finest work.

Completed sheets can be viewed for a short time on the wall behind the Welcome Table at our Oran Park Mass Centre.

## THIS WEEKEND IN THE LITURGY

**13 AUGUST**  
**19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**FIRST READING**  
1 Kings 19:9, 11-13

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**  
Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

**SECOND READING**  
Romans 9:1-5

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word.  
Alleluia!

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 4**  
(with its own Preface)

## 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.

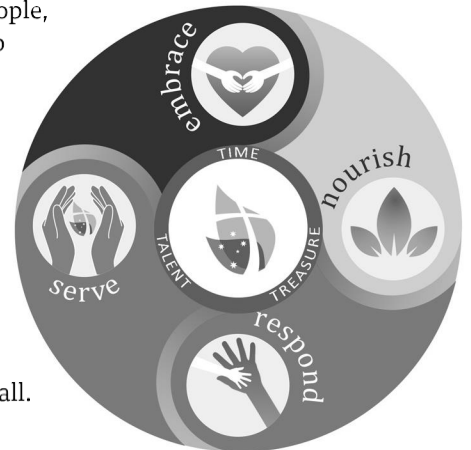
We are sustained by the **Sacraments** and nurtured in our faith in **Jesus Christ.**

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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Email : [oranpark@dow.org.au](mailto:oranpark@dow.org.au)

Office Hours : 9am-1pm Monday - Friday

## DO SOMETHING SUNDAY JULY-AUGUST



Thank you to all those who are bringing items to support Turning Point Camden in their outreach to households and local families, specifically through their **Crisis Food Pantry**. Items can be placed in containers that are now available.

### THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

#### MONDAY 14 AUGUST

- 1pm Praying of the Rosary, Leppington
- 6pm Vigil Mass for the Assumption, Oran Park

#### TUESDAY 15 AUGUST The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 8am Mass for the Assumption, Oran Park
- 6pm Eucharistic Adoration Oran Park
- 6pm Sacrament of Reconciliation, Oran Park
- 7pm Mass for the Assumption, Oran Park

#### WEDNESDAY 16 AUGUST

- 8am Mass, Oran Park

#### THURSDAY 17 AUGUST

- 9.30am Praying of the Rosary, Oran Park
- 10am Mass, Oran Park

#### FRIDAY 18 AUGUST

- 9.30am Mass, Oran Park
- 11am Requiem Mass, Sandra O'Sullivan

#### SATURDAY 12 AUGUST

- 10.30am Baptisms - Oran Park
- 4pm Sacrament of Reconciliation - Oran Park

### MenALIVE MACARTHUR REGIONAL WEEKEND

#### 9-10 September, Micah House, Campbelltown

Men of our Parish are invited to join with men from across the Macarthur for the upcoming MenALIVE weekend and be impacted by an encounter with the Gospel in the presence of other good men seeking to be renewed in faith and life.

So many men have had their faith transformed and renewed by the experience of MenALIVE and this is an opportunity for men who have attended a MenALIVE regional weekend in the past, and men who haven't, to come together to affirm the words of St Irenaeus all over again: "God is glorified when men are fully alive!"

Register: [dow.sh/MACampbelltown2023](https://dow.sh/MACampbelltown2023)

Also, noting it is \$70 per person or \$50 concession, our Parish is happy to offer 10 men from the Parish either \$35 or \$25 off their registration – meaning they only have to pay 'half price'. To access this offer, please contact the Parish Office: [oranpark@dow.org.au](mailto:oranpark@dow.org.au)  
Brochures about this event can be collected from the Welcome Table.

### A WOMEN'S OPPORTUNITY CURSILLO THREE DAY WEEKEND

**Where** : Carmel House, Varroville  
**When** : Thursday, 5 October - Sunday, 8 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.

### 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.

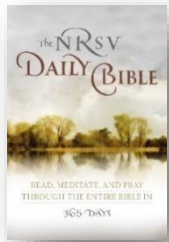




Do you know someone who is looking for support to develop stronger relationships with themselves and their loved ones?

They may find what they are looking for in our group sessions. Our range of groups focus on strengthening relationships, parenting, post-separation, supporting parents with children in care, managing challenging emotions and grief. Group programs are held in a supportive environment with others who share similar life experiences.

Flyers are available from the Welcome Table.



**For the first time ever, the beloved NRSV Bible text is divided into 365 readings with prayers and meditations for each day of the year.** Readings are not dated like in other one-year Bibles, nor have they been rearranged to fit a

particular reading plan, so not only can this daily reading Bible be started at any time of year, but it will help readers follow the biblical narrative in order as they read the Scripture from start to finish. Each reading in *The NRSV Daily Bible* only takes 10 minutes per day, and many sections incorporate daily meditations from well-known Christian thinkers and writers.

**The Parish Office will be placing an order for a number of these Bibles. If you would like to purchase your own copy, please collect a flyer from the Welcome Table.**

### ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

Bishop Brian Mascord will be ordaining to the Permanent Diaconate, Lawrence Burns and Rodney Mackrill on Saturday, 2 September 2023, at 10.30am at St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wollongong. Light refreshments will be available at the conclusion of the ceremony in the Xavier Conference Room.

Here, in our Parish, we are blessed to have Deacon Sam Gennaoui serving as a permanent married Deacon. Lawrie and Rodney will 'join the ranks' of the Permanent Diaconate of our Diocese.

Attending this Ordination is a great opportunity for those who may be discerning the Permanent Diaconate, along with all those who have never had an opportunity to attend the Ordination of a Permanent Married Deacon.

RSVP by 25 August 2023 via this link: [bit.ly/deaconordination](https://bit.ly/deaconordination)

### UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

#### 27 AUGUST

New Parishioner Welcome Session

#### 28 AUGUST

Raising Fathers Event

#### 2 SEPTEMBER

Ordination to the Diaconate

### NEW TO OUR PARISH ?

Please come along to our New Parishioner Welcome Session on Sunday, 27 August, after our 10am Mass.

Flyers are available 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. This calendar contains information about 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation, 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion and Confirmation, including the dates for 'Parent Information Sessions' for each of these Sacraments and the timeline for Sacramental Preparation in 2024.

### OPERA IN THE BARN

Fundraiser for

Turning Point Camden

**When:** 16 September @ 5pm

**Where:** Denbigh, Cobbitty

Flyers are available from the Welcome Table

### CATECHISTS IN STATE SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISH

If you would like to minister as a Catechist in one of the state schools in our parish – or would like more info. please contact Sue Bohacs (our Parish SRE/Catechist Coordinator) [suebohacs@bigpond.com](mailto:suebohacs@bigpond.com)

## **ENTRANCE HYMN**

### **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.

## **OFFERTORY SONG**

### **GATHER YOUR PEOPLE** (Bob Hurd)

#### *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.

## **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.

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**

### **OPEN MY EYES**

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.

## **SENDING FORTH HYMN**

### **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.



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Brochures available at the  
Welcome Table for the  
following events:

**RAISING FATHERS EVENT**  
**(Monday 28 August) at Campbelltown**

**MENALIVE REGIONAL WEEKEND**  
**(9 – 10 September) at Campbelltown**

**FATHER & SON WEEKEND**  
**(20 – 22 October) at Appin**