



**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

**2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup>** Chaldean Mass  
**SUNDAYS** ORAN PARK  
**12.00 NOON**

## THIS WEEKEND IN THE LITURGY

**19 March 2023**  
**4th Sunday in Lent**

**FIRST READING**  
1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**  
The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

**SECOND READING**  
Ephesians 5:8-14

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**  
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!  
I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.  
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 3**  
(with the 4<sup>th</sup> Lent Preface)

# 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](http://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.

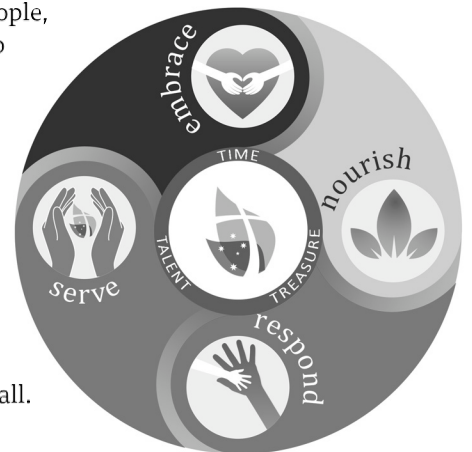
We are sustained by the **Sacraments** and nurtured in our faith in **Jesus Christ**.

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 20 MARCH

1pm Praying of the Rosary, Leppington

### TUESDAY 21 MARCH

6pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Oran Park

6.00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation, Oran Park

7pm Mass, Oran Park

### WEDNESDAY 22 MARCH

8am Mass, Oran Park

7pm Diaconate Vocation Awareness Night

### THURSDAY 23 MARCH

9.30am Praying of the Rosary, Oran Park

10am Communion Service, Oran Park

### FRIDAY 24 MARCH

11am Mass at Oran Park House

7pm Stations of the Cross, Oran Park

6:30pm MacKillop Youth

### SATURDAY 25 MARCH

10.30am Baptisms - Oran Park

4pm Sacrament of Reconciliation - Oran Park

5pm Mass - Oran Park

## 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 Masses on Sunday, 19 March, & Sunday, 26 March, these children are invited to bring their school bags to Mass for the blessing.

## KIDSCHURCH UPDATE

We are very excited to have KidsChurch at both 8am and 110am Masses at Oran Park. The intentional focus is on the children experiencing the Liturgy of the Word at their level. This involves songs and hymns, prayers, Gospel reading and a reflection/discussion on the Gospel. An activity sheet is utilised if time permits. The children return to the church building at the time of the Offertory (Preparation of Gifts).

**KidsChurch is for Children aged 5-8 years, that is the year before school to Year 2 (before receiving First Holy Communion).** To assist the KidsChurch Leaders, and mindful of the size of the Penola Room where KidsChurch is held, **the numbers are capped at 35 children per session.**

### HOW TO REGISTER/SIGN UP FOR KIDSCHURCH?

KidsChurch Leaders (with High Vis Vests and Lanyards) are under the covered area outside the Parish Office before each Mass and can help sign up/register your children each week. Each child will receive a sticker with their name on it which helps to identify that they are attending KidsChurch for that Mass. Once 35 stickers have been allocated for that Mass, that will be all who can attend for that week. It will be important to arrive about 15 minutes before Mass to secure your place.

2023 DAILY MASS BOOK



If you would like to purchase your own copy of our 2023 Daily Mass Book, which is available in the church to use for weekday masses, please visit Liturgy Brisbane

[\(https://shop.liturgybrisbane.net.au/\)](https://shop.liturgybrisbane.net.au/)

where they are available for \$24.00.

When the Parish does purchase our 2024 books, we will be asking parishioners if they would like to order at the same time.

## 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

**22 MARCH**

Diaconate Vocation Awareness Night

**28 MARCH**

'Journey to Pentecost' Enquiry Session

**1 APRIL**

Project Compassion boxes/envelopes to be returned



Just a reminder that our inaugural "Diaconate Vocation Awareness Night" will be held this **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 no later than this Tuesday.

## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2023

As we approach the end of the Season of Lent our thoughts turn to the celebrations of *Holy Week* and *Easter*.

This year we will celebrate the following services and Masses during Holy Week and Easter:

**Palm Sunday** (1st/2nd April): usual weekend Mass program.

**Holy Thursday** (6th April):

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm (Oran Park)

**Good Friday** (7th April):

Stations of the Cross at 10am (Leppington)

Stations of the Cross at 10am (Oran Park)

Passion Service at 3pm (Oran Park)

**Easter Vigil** (8th April):

Solemn Easter Vigil Mass at 6pm (Oran Park)

*there will be no 4pm Reconciliation or 5pm Saturday Vigil Mass on 6th April.*

**Easter Sunday** (9th April):

Mass at 8am (Leppington)

Mass at 8am (Oran Park)

Mass at 10am (Oran Park)

Mass at 5pm (Oran Park)

Holy Week Liturgies and Masses at Oran Park will be held in the St Justin's/St Benedict's Hall, except for the 5pm Easter Sunday Mass that will be held in our Oran Park Church.

YOU ARE INVITED TO

join us for

**Easter**



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## **ENTRANCE 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.

## **PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS HYMN** **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**

During Lent we will have quiet music  
during Holy Communion

## **SONG OF PRAISE** **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.**

## **SENDING FORTH** **GRATEFUL**

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### ***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.