



**St Mary MacKillop**  
Catholic Parish  
ORAN PARK

## This Sunday is Social Justice Sunday.

To coincide with this day of prayer, the new Social Justice Statement “Listen, Learn, Love: A New Engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples” has been issued.



As the Australian Catholic Bishops acknowledge, this Statement is being issued in an important year of great possibility.

A copy of the Statement can be downloaded here:  
[bit.ly/socialjusticestatement](https://bit.ly/socialjusticestatement)

For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians and, indeed, for all Australians it’s the year when we vote on a referendum to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians through enshrining a Voice to Parliament in the Constitution.

Both the Bishops and the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC) speak to us in this year’s statement. They see the referendum as an opportunity for the Church to begin a new engagement with the First Peoples of our land.

**Limited printed copies of the Statement, along with the Prayer for 2023 Social Justice Sunday, can be collected from the Welcome Table.**

### 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

**27 AUGUST**  
**21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**FIRST READING**  
Isaiah 22:19-23

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**  
Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

**SECOND READING**  
Romans 11:33-36

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER 3**  
(with Preface VII of the  
Sundays in Ordinary Time)

## 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.

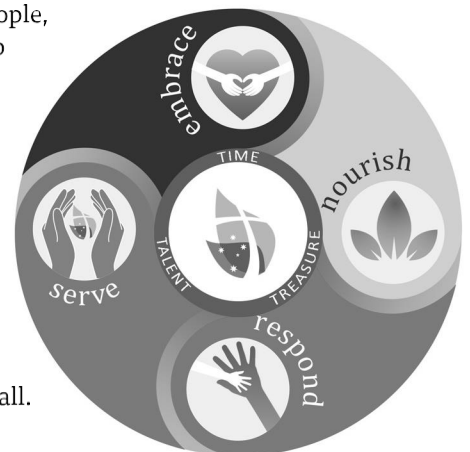
We are sustained by the **Sacraments** and nurtured in our faith in **Jesus Christ**.

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 28 AUGUST

1pm Praying of the  
Rosary, Leppington

### TUESDAY 29 AUGUST

**NOTE: There will be no 6pm  
Eucharistic Adoration or  
Sacrament of Reconciliation  
this Tuesday**

7pm Mass, Oran Park

### WEDNESDAY 30 AUGUST

8am Mass, Oran Park

### THURSDAY 31 AUGUST

9.30am Praying of the  
Rosary, Oran Park

10am Communion Service,  
Oran Park

### FRIDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

9.30am Communion Service,  
Oran Park

6.30pm MacKillop Youth

### SATURDAY 2 SEPTEMBER

10.30am Baptisms - Oran Park

4pm Sacrament of  
Reconciliation -  
Oran Park

### SUNDAY 3 SEPTEMBER

4pm Communion Service,  
Oran Park

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## 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.

**This weekend (26/27 August) is the final weekend to bring in items.**



### FAITH NIGHT - Friday, September 22

‘Synod on Synodality’

**Our ‘virtual’ guest speaker will be Sr Nathalie Becquart XM CJ.**

We will watch and listen to Sr Nathalie’s recorded reflection, followed by a time of conversation with other Faith Night attendees and conclude with supper.

Our September FAITH NIGHT will be held in the ‘Penola Room’ (next to the Oran Park Church) from 7pm – 9pm.

**It is essential, for catering purposes, to RSVP if you are planning to attend this ‘Faith Night’**

**RSVP to [oranpark@dow.org.au](mailto:oranpark@dow.org.au) no later than Fri. 15<sup>th</sup> Sept.**

### MenALIVE MACARTHUR REGIONAL WEEKEND

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

Register at [dow.sh/MACampbelltown2023](https://dow.sh/MACampbelltown2023) by 6 September 2023

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 : Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> - Sun 8<sup>th</sup> 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.



## ACCESS TO CHURCH CARPARK THIS WEEK CHANGE OF DATE

From THIS Monday, 29 August, to Wednesday, 31 August, new asphalt will be laid in a section of the driveway in front of St Benedict's Catholic College. As a result of this work, access to the carpark bays closest to the Church will not be available during this time. The northern and southern footpaths will still be open for those wishing to access the Church and Parish Office, however, people are asked to take note that they will be required to walk a further distance.

Welcome  
Ministry

A formation session for those currently serving and those who would be interested in joining the Welcome Ministry will be held via Zoom on Wednesday, 6 September, at 7.30pm.

Please RSVP to the Parish Office for the Zoom link or for more information.



### Our next 'Do Something Sunday' incentive will be to support the charity 'Escabags'.

Members of our Parish recently attended the Campbelltown Catholic Club luncheon where we heard the 'Escabags' founder, Stacy Jane, speak of her experiences and why she is now committed to provide this worthwhile and, unfortunately, necessary community service. We are pleased to announce that our parish will now be a stockist of these bags, our Crafters will be donating tote bags and we, as a Parish, will support this charity under our 'Do Something Sunday' banner for the month of **September**.

Escabags is an Australian registered charity that provides free 'Escape Bags' filled with the necessities that a victim of domestic or family abuse and his/her child/ren may need when initially escaping an abusive or dangerous situation. Since being founded in February 2020, Escabags now distribute 'Escape Bags' to Police Stations, Health & Community Centres and other privately owned businesses nationally through over 1,500 stockists. Information can be found on the website: [www.escabags.org](http://www.escabags.org).

*We ask that, during the month of September, specified items be placed either in the Escabag box (available at our Oran Park Mass Centre) or the crate available at the Leppington Mass Centre.*

Please note, we kindly ask that all toiletries donated are **miniature/travel-sized** to help keep the weight of the Escape Bags to an absolute minimum.

Please collect a flyer from the Welcome Table showing **specific** items which Escabags are regularly seeking donations of.

## UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

### 2 SEPTEMBER

Diaconate Ordination (Wollongong)

### 6 SEPTEMBER

Welcome Ministry Formation

### 9-10 SEPTEMBER

MenALIVE Regional Weekend

## UPDATE ON ANOINTING MASS

The monthly Anointing Mass will not be held this Friday 1 September.

The next Anointing Mass will be scheduled in October.

## 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: [marymackillopparish.org.au](http://marymackillopparish.org.au)

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.

For more info: [oranparksacraments@dow.org.au](mailto:oranparksacraments@dow.org.au)

## OPERA IN THE BARN Fundraiser for Turning Point Camden

**When:** 16 September @ 5pm  
**Where:** Denbigh, Cobbitty  
Flyers are available from the Welcome Table

## **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**

### **HERE I AM LORD**

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1. I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard My people cry,  
who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

*Refrain:* Here I am Lord, Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go Lord, if You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them, They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
Give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak My word to them,  
Whom shall I send?

## **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.

## **SONG OF PRAISE**

### **EVERY DAY I WILL SING**

Cooper Ray

1. The angels sing out from heaven.  
They fold their wings to you.  
The chorus rises to your altar  
singing, "Holy are you, Lord!";  
Great are you, my Lord.

### *Refrain*

Every day I will sing of your glory,  
every day I will sing of your grace,  
every day I will lift my hands.  
You are my God, you are my king.

2. You lift me up from out of darkness.  
Your love brings healing to my soul.  
You are the powerful and ever living God.  
You fill my heart and make me whole.  
Great are you, my Lord.

## **SENDING FORTH**

### **SHINE JESUS SHINE**

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1. Lord the light of Your love is shining,  
In the midst of the darkness, shining.  
Jesus, Light the world, shine upon us  
Set us free by the truth You now bring us.  
Shine on me; Shine on me.

### *Refrain:*

Shine, Jesus, shine  
Fill this land with the Father's glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, Set our hearts on fire  
Flow, river, flow  
Flood the nations with grace and mercy  
Send forth Your Word, Lord And let there be light

Lord, I come into Your awesome presence  
From the shadows into Your radiance  
By the blood I may enter Your brightness  
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness  
Shine on me; Shine on me.