

St Mary MacKillop

Catholic Parish

ORAN PAR

SATURDAYS St Mary

MASS TIMES

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

29 January 2023 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING

Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad; Your reward will be great in heaven. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER 2

(with its own Preface)



CANDLEMAS DAY (2 February)

Forty days following
Christmas Day we celebrate
Candlemas Day
(also known as the Feast of
the Presentation of the Lord
in the Temple).

This day is traditionally the occasion when parishes bless candles that will be used on (or around) the altar, tabernacle and church sanctuary during the next 12 months. The Rite of Blessing of Candles will be celebrated at our 10am Mass this Thursday -- please bring any candles you would like blessed to this Mass.

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

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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.

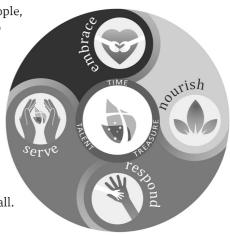
We are sustained by the **Sacraments** and nurtured in our faith in **Jesus Christ.**

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

Phone: (02) 4648 2226

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Office Hours: 9am-1pm Monday - Friday



THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

MONDAY - 30 JANUARY

1pm Praying of the

Rosary, Leppington

TUESDAY - 31 JANUARY

10.30am Requiem Mass for

Raymond Paul Stubbs

6pm Adoration of the

Blessed Sacrament -

Oran Park

6pm Sacrament of

Reconciliation -

Oran Park

7pm Mass - Oran Park

WEDNESDAY – 1 FEBRUARY

8am Mass - Oran Park

THURSDAY - 2 FEBRUARY

CANDLEMAS DAY

9.30am Praying of the Rosary

- Oran Park

10am Mass -Oran Park

11am Funeral of Cardinal

George Pell AC (livestreamed from St Mary's Cathedral)

FRIDAY - 3 FEBRUARY

FEAST OF ST BLAISE

9.30am Anointing Mass -

Oran Park (including the Blessing of the Throats) followed by Parish Pastoral Care

Morning Tea

11.30am Mass -

Oran Park House

SATURDAY – 4 FEBRUARY

10.30am Baptisms - Oran Park

4pm Sacrament of

Reconciliation -

Oran Park

5pm Mass - Oran Park



We offer our prayerful congratulations to Deacon Sam Gennaoui as he celebrates the anniversary of his diaconate ordination (30th January). Deacon Sam was ordained at St John the Beloved Melkite Catholic Church, Greenacre

ST BLAISE BLESSING

The day after Candlemas marks the feast of St. Blaise.



On this day it has been the practice in the Church to perform a blessing of the throats. After our February Anointing Mass, that will be celebrated this Friday (Friday 3rd February) at 9.30am, there will be the opportunity for those who wish to receive the 'Blessing of the Throats'. Through this blessing (offered through the placing of two blessed candles near a person's throat) we pray for the intercession of St. Blaise to protect us from illnesses of the throat and all other illnesses.

Also starting this month, our monthly Anointing Masses will be followed by morning tea hosted by the members of our Parish Pastoral Care Team. Also looking ahead, our March Anointing Mass will not be celebrated on the 'first Friday of March' but will be held on Friday 17th March to coincide with St Patrick's Day.

COLLECTOR FORMATION

Are you currently, or would like to be, on the Ministry Roster as a "Collector"?

Formation for all Collectors will be held following every Mass at our Oran Park Mass Centre on the weekend of

11 and 12 February 2023.

Attendance at one of these sessions is <u>mandatory</u>, for you to remain on our Roster.

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.

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YEARS 3-6 FORTNIGHTLY GATHERING

Are you interested in your child joining Sunday Scripture Club in 2023?
Your child is invited to join us fortnightly from 8:50-9:50am, beginning Sunday, 23 February, for an hour of fun, friendship and faith formation.

Scan the QR code below to register your child



We will contact you with further details once the school term begins.

LENTEN PROGRAM 2023

We are still looking for those who may be interested in being a host and/or a facilitator for our Lenten Program 2023. If you would like to assist, you are asked to write your name, contact details and the day of the week and time when you would like your group to meet on the sheet available at the Welcome Table.

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

31 JAN
Term 1 School Begins

4 FEB

ALPHA Vision & Training

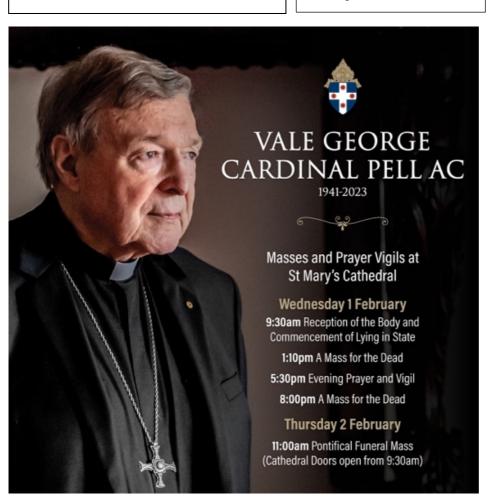
10 FEB

MacKillop Youth Taster Session for Year 7, 2023.

11 & 12 FEB

Collector Formation

Copies of the Catechism of the Catholic Church are still available from the designated table at the special Parish price of just \$18.00.



The Funeral Mass on 2 February will be livestreamed on the St Mary's Cathedral YouTube Channel



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'.

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

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 of 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

BREAD OF HEAVEN

Jesse Manibusan and Sarah Hart

Refrain:

Bread of heaven, Savior broken, cup of life outpoured; we your people thirst and hunger. Come renew us, Lord; come renew us, Lord.

1. From the mountain, blessing spoken where we came to pray; with the simple truth before us: love them in my name; love them in my name.

- 2. From the garden dark with sorrow, from the tears you wept, bloomed the flower of salvation: new life born of death, new life born of death.
- 3. From the tomb that could not hold you in the dark of night, broke that morning of redemption, raising us to life, raising us to life.

SONG OF PRAISE

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.

SENDING FORTH

HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD

Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves and Ed Cash

1. The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty; let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice. He wraps himself in light, and darkness tries to hide, and trembles at his voice, and trembles at his voice.

Refrain:

How great is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God! And all will see how great, how great is our God!

2. And age to age he stands, and time is in his hands; beginning and the end, beginning and the end. The Godhead, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son, the lion and the lamb, the lion and the lamb.

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