

# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023, Year A/1



ANGELICO, Fra, Annalena Altarpiece, 1430

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am  
10:00am

Weekday Masses:

Monday-Friday 8:00am

Saturday 8:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday after 8:30am Mass

### ST. JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Ms. Jennifer Crowley - Principal

#### School Office Times

8:30 am - 4:00 pm - Monday to Friday

#### Address

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# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH

## LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS / MASS INTENTIONS

**Entrance Antiphon:** All peoples, clap your hands. Cry out to God with shouts of joy!

**First Reading:** 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16

**Responsorial Psalm:** For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

**Second Reading:** Romans 6:3-4, 8-11

**Gospel:** Matthew 10:37-42

### VIGIL SATURDAY

6:00pm

† Orlando Surace

**SUNDAY** 8:30am

Ophelia (For Healing)

10:00am

For the Parish

**Monday** 8:00am **ST THOMAS**

†† Souls of Priests & Nuns in Purgatory

**Tuesday** 8:00am **Bl Pier Giorgio Frassati**

† Antoine Fabien

**Wednesday** 8.00am **13<sup>th</sup> Week Ordinary Time**

Ophelia (For Healing)

**Thursday** 8.00am **St Maria Goretti**

†† Anthony & Susan John

**Friday** 8.00am **Bl Peter To Rot**

For God's Precious Infants

**Saturday** 8.30am **Mass of the Virgin Mary**

† Sofie Sobolski

### BAPTISM OR MARRIAGE:

Please speak to one of the Priests or ring the Parish Office.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Please speak directly to one of the Priests.

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

There is an opportunity to spend time with the Lord for an hour before the 8am Masses during the week and before the 8.30am Masses at the weekend.

### CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTS 2023

**Confirmation: Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November**

Registration & 1<sup>st</sup> Session: 30<sup>th</sup> July

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Brian & Marilyn Manton, Geraldine Frances Finn, John Jacques

### DECEASED WE PRAY FOR:

Orlando Surace, Souls of Priests and Nuns in Purgatory, Antoine Fabien, Anthony & Susan John, Sofie Sobolski

### POPE FRANCIS' JULY INTENTIONS

#### For a Eucharistic Life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

**WE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Father Andrew, Sr Louisa, Jonathon Ansell, Tony Bogdanovic, Marianne Callaghan, Margaret Colville, Frances Gunn, Andrew & Jason Isbitski, David Jenkins, Carmel Kerr, John McCahon, Krystona McWhinnie, Karen Morvan, Ophelia Paraan, Shayla, Benjamin Santiago, Barry Smith, Cameron Stevens, Roger Stevens, Peter Stofmeel, Cynthia Sulvita, Charley Tonna, Kelly Tonna, David Wakeling, Paul & Mary Woodward.

**SICK LIST: (Due to privacy laws) if you have anyone for the sick list, contact the Parish Office to fill in a form and update it.**

PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

**SECOND COLLECTION:**   **Envelopes: \$760**  
                                  **Loose:     \$387.70**  
                                  **Tap & Go: \$230**  
                                  **Smart Facility: \$230**  
                                  **Donations: \$200**

**TAP & GO & SMART DONATION FACILITIES**

All contributions go to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection.

First Collection contributions go to the Diocese to support our Priests.

Second Collection contributions go directly to the Parish to support day to day operation of the Parish.

**BIBLE STUDY**

Every Wednesday at 9.15am in the Parish Hall. All are most welcome.

**YOUTH GROUP**

There is no Youth Group for the next two weeks. The Group will recommence Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July. Thank you to all who contribute bottles and cans to provide our young people with afternoon tea which they enjoy each week.

**PARISH MOVIE**

There will be no Movie this Sunday and no Movie in August due to the fete being on 6<sup>th</sup> August.

**PARISH LUNCH**

Our next Lunch will be at 12 noon Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July at St. Mary's Band Club. All are most welcome. If you need a lift please ring the Office.

**PARISH FETE**

Will be held on 6<sup>th</sup> August. If you can contribute your assistance in any way, please ring the Office.

We are receiving Quality Books, CD's/DVD's and Homewares during Office Hours or ring the Office to make arrangements for another time.

Flyers are available for distribution to letterboxes in the Parish.

**REFLECTION DAYS FOR MEN**

**Growing Into the Places of the Heart:**

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July 9-10.30am

**Becoming Who I Am:**

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August 9am- 4pm

See Flyer on Noticeboard for Details.

**CYP LIFTED RETREAT 'BEHOLD'**

Young people aged 18 to 25 are invited to Catholic Youth Parramatta's LIFTED Retreat: Behold. A weekend of prayer, sacraments, and community. Held from Friday 7<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July at the Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville. Cost: \$125 per person includes accommodation for two nights and all meals. Register at: <https://parracatholic.org/cyp-lifted-retreat/>

**PETER'S PENCE APPEAL**

We collected \$684.05 for Pope Francis' ministry to disadvantaged in emergency situations. Thank you for your generosity.

**STELLA MARIS, APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA**

Next weekend 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> July, we pray for those who live and work at sea and collect funds to provide spiritual and practical support to seafarers visiting our ports. Please give generously.

**DIOCESAN LITURGICAL CONFERENCE 2023**

Saturday 15 July at St Andrew the Apostle Parish, Marayong. Fr Peter Williams AM VG will be the Keynote speaker as we celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Constitution on Sacred Liturgy. The conference will include a variety of workshops such as nourishing faith in children and discovering sacred art. Contact [mary.gale@parracatholic.org](mailto:mary.gale@parracatholic.org), or visit [www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1041495](http://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1041495) to register.

**VINNIES SUPPORT CENTRES**

St Vincent de Paul Support Centre is available to arrange food vouchers or other items. Call 8861 9770 if you need assistance. To find out more visit <http://vinnies.org.au/covidsupportnsw>

**SAFEGUARDING TRAINING**

**Safeguarding Mandatory Training.**

Under the Children's Guardian Act 2019 and the NSW Child Safe Standards **all** volunteers in parish ministry are Mandatory Reporters and are required to have completed their Safeguarding Training.

If you would like to complete your 6 points online 'sign up' **now** at <https://learning.safeguarding.org.au> Go to this same web site to find face to face sessions in the diocese.

Any questions please email Maria Kervin, Education Officer at [maria.kervin@parracatholic.org](mailto:maria.kervin@parracatholic.org)

CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE WORLD

**POPE FRANCIS' CATECHESIS**

**Passion for Evangelisation: 17. St Mary MacKillop  
Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

In this series of catecheses on apostolic zeal we are encountering some exemplary figures of men and women from all times and places, who have given their lives for the Gospel. Today we are going to Oceania – a continent made up of many islands, large and small. The faith in Christ, which so many European emigrants brought to those lands, soon took root and bore abundant fruit. Among them was an extraordinary religious sister, Mary MacKillop (1842-1909), foundress of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart, who dedicated her life to the intellectual and religious formation of the poor in rural Australia.

Mary MacKillop was born near Melbourne to parents who emigrated to Australia from Scotland. As a young girl, she felt called by God to serve him and bear witness to him not only with words, but above all with a life transformed by God's presence. Like Mary Magdalene, who first encountered the risen Jesus and was sent by him to bring the proclamation to the disciples, Mary was convinced that she too was sent to spread the Good News and attract others to an encounter with the living God.

Wisely reading the signs of the times, she understood that for her, the best way to do so was through the education of the young, in the knowledge that Catholic education is a great form of evangelization. If we can say that "Each saint is a mission, planned by the Father to reflect and embody, at a specific moment in history, a certain aspect of the Gospel" (Apostolic Exhortation *Gaudete et Exsultate*, 19) then Mary MacKillop was especially so through the founding of schools.

An essential characteristic of her zeal for the Gospel was caring for the poor and marginalized. And this is very important: on the path to holiness, which is the Christian path, and a person cannot advance in holiness if he or she is not dedicated to them too, in one way or another. But they are the presence of the Lord, those who are in need of the Lord's help. They are the ones who draw attention to this great injustice, which is the great poverty in the world. Money is spent on manufacturing weapons, not providing meals. And do not forget: there is no holiness if there is no care for the poor, the needy, those who are somewhat on the margins of society. This care for the poor and the marginalized drove Mary to go where others would not or could not go. On 19 March 1866, the feast of Saint Joseph, she opened the first school in a small suburb of South Australia. It was followed by many others that she and her sisters founded in rural

communities throughout Australia and New Zealand. But they multiplied, apostolic zeal is like that.

Mary MacKillop was convinced that the purpose of education is the integral development of the person both as an individual and as a member of the community; and that this requires wisdom, patience and charity on the part of every teacher.

Indeed, education does not consist of filling the head with ideas: no, not just this. Accompanying and encouraging students on the path of human and spiritual growth, showing them how friendship with the Risen Jesus expands the heart and makes life more humane. Educating and helping to think well, to feel well (the language of the heart) and to do good (the language of the hands). This vision is fully relevant today, when we feel the need for an "educational pact" capable of uniting families, schools and society.

Mary MacKillop's zeal for spreading the Gospel among the poor also led her to undertake a number of other charitable works, starting with the "Providence House" opened in Adelaide to take in the elderly and abandoned children. Mary had great faith in God's Providence: she was always confident that in any situation God provides. But this did not spare her from the anxieties and difficulties arising from her apostolate, and Mary had good reason for this: she had to pay bills, negotiate with local bishops and priests, manage the schools and look after the professional and spiritual formation of her Sisters; and, later, she suffered health problems. Yet, through it all, she remained calm, patiently carrying the cross that is an integral part of the mission.

On one occasion, on the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross, Mary said to one of her Sisters: "My daughter, for many years I have learned to love the Cross". She did not give up in times of trial and darkness, when her joy was dampened by opposition or rejection. All the saints faced opposition, even within the Church. This is curious. And she faced it too. She remained convinced that even when the Lord gave her "the bread of adversity and the water of affliction" (*Is 30:20*), The Lord Himself would soon answer her cry and surround her with His grace. This is the secret of apostolic zeal: the continual relationship with the Lord.

Brothers and sisters, may Saint Mary MacKillop's missionary discipleship, her creative response to the needs of the Church of her time, and her commitment to the integral formation of young people inspire all of us today, called to be a leaven of the Gospel in our rapidly changing societies. May her example and intercession support the daily work of parents, teachers, catechists and all educators, for the good of young people and for a more humane and hopeful future. Thank you very much.