

**St. Mary MacKillop
Church
Keilor Downs**



**St. Paul's
Church
Kealba**

PARISH OF ST MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

MASS TIMES

St Paul's
Wednesday 9.30am
Thursday 9.30am

Saturday 5:00 pm
(Latin)
6:30 pm
Sunday 8:00am
(Maltese)
10:00am

Reconciliation
Saturday 6pm

St Mary MacKillop
Monday 9.30am
Tuesday 9.30am
7.00pm—8.00pm Holy
Hour
Friday 9.30am

Saturday 5.00pm
Sunday 9:00am
11:00am
5:30pm

Reconciliation
Saturday 4.30pm

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A — 11th & 12th July, 2026



In today's Gospel, Christ's description of His audience, that day in Galilee, is unfortunately as true today as it was then.

Christ's message of salvation has been preached to a great part of the world's population, but the proportion of those who accept it and live up to it, is about the same today, as it was then.

Each one of us can look into our own conscience today and discover what class we belong to.

Are we the seed that fell on the rocky soil?
Are we the seed that fell amongst the thorns?
Or are we the seed that fell on the rich soil, and produced a large harvest?

Entrance Antiphon:

In my justice I shall see your face, O Lord; when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

1st Reading:

Isaiah 55:10-11
Psalms 64:10-14

Responsorial Psalm:

The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

2nd Reading:

Romans 8:18-23

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia!

Gospel:

Matthew 13:1-23

Before Communion:

Lord, accept the gifts of your Church. May this eucharist help us grow in holiness and faith.

Communion Antiphon:

The sparrow even finds a home, the swallow finds a nest wherein to place her young, near to your altars, Lord of hosts, my King, my God! How happy they who dwell in your house! For ever they are praising you.

After Communion:

Lord, by our sharing in the mystery of this eucharist, let your saving love grow within us.



This Week in the Parish....

Tuesday, 14th July
7.00pm—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament—St. Mary MacKillop

Wednesday, 15th July
6.00pm—Legion of Mary Prayer Group—Parish Meeting room
7.30pm—St. Paul's Prayer Group

Thursday, 16th July
10.30am—St. Mary of the Assumption Prayer Group
6.00pm—Perpetual Succour Novena Group—St. Mary MacKillop



MARY MACKILLOP READERS ROSTER

Weekend 18th & 19th July
5.00pm—Adrian Castro
9.00am—Armando Bianco
11.00am—Thy Trinh
5.30pm—Halina Zablocki

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



EVERY TUESDAY

7:00pm—8:00pm

St Mary MacKillop Church

"Will you not stay with me, one hour with me?"

Parish Priest: Rev. Monsignor Charles Portelli

Assistant Priest: Rev. Vinh Do & Rev. James Baptist

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*St Mary of the Assumption Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing & human dignity of children, young people and Adults.
We take our moral & legal obligations seriously and are committed to zero tolerance of all forms of abuse.*

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY

ST. JOSEPH'S MEN'S GROUP

The next men's group meeting will be on Sunday, 12th July, in Parish Meeting Room 6.30pm cuppa, 7-8.30pm meeting. **THEME: DISCOVERING A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT.**
TOPIC: God's Love poured Out (John 4:8).
 Enquiries: Carmine 0425 785 862, Pierre 0423 527 285, Alister 0423 917 785.

ST. PAUL'S PRAYER GROUP

Prayer, Praise & Growth in Faith
 Wednesday evenings
 7.30pm - 9pm.
 St Paul's Church.
 All welcome to come!
 More info -
 Michael 0434 601 811

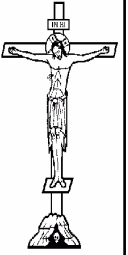
In Remembrance...

Recently Deceased:

Sydney Appou

Anniversaries:

Josephine Portelli,
 Anthony & Maria Tanti,
 Madeline & Julieanne Tanti,
 Josephine O'Rafferty,
 Evangelina Jakofcich, John Peterson,
 Alice Busuttil, Cyril Andrews, Carolina & John Spiteri, Mary Asunta Buttigieg, Anthony, Joe & Charlie Buttigieg, Terry Ion, Fr. Emmanuel Bonello, Lily & Joseph Zammit, Vincenza & Thomas Sammut.



We pray for all those who are sick, especially Peter, Marie, Mary, Chris and Tan.

PARISH BBQ AFTER MASS

On Sunday, 19th July after the 9am and 11am Masses, the Men's Group are holding a Sausage Sizzle and Cuppa for parishioners. Stay behind and meet new people.

CHILDREN OF FATIMA YOUTH GROUP

When: Second Friday of every month

Age group: Year 5 – Year 9

Join us each gathering from 5pm – 7pm for:

- *Prayer & reflection
- *Fun games and activities
- *Snacks and food supplied

AT: St Mary MacKillop Primary School Gym

Email for enquiries:

childrenoffatima.stma@gmail.com

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

NOVENA THE NOVENA GROUP PRAYS TO OUR DEAR MOTHER TO CURE AND HELP THOSE WITH **HEART DISEASE AND CARDIAC PROBLEMS** WE WELCOME YOU TO JOIN US

Dear Friends and Parishioners
 Commencing from Thursday 21st of MAY 2026 and for the following 9 weeks the Mother of Perpetual Succour Novena Group will be praying to our Dear Mother to help and cure those with HEART DISEASE and CARDIAC PROBLEMS.

As you are aware the Virgin Mother is also our help who intercedes with her son Jesus on our behalf in times of trials and tribulations. We will continue praying for other intentions as well.

The Novena Group prays together every Thursday at 6.00pm.

We invite you to join our Novena Group in pleading to Our Mother of Perpetual Help to receive our prayers.

Please contact June Caruana on 0401268216 or Herwin Allen on 0408749730 for more information.

Perpetual Adoration in Marian Chapel

Would you like to visit the Lord and spend some time in prayer? The Marian Chapel can be now accessed for prayer and adoration at your own time.

It is available from 6am till 10pm, accessed via the back of the Church. Register for a key tag, please contact the Parish Office.

HYMNS

Entrance:

You are salt for the earth, O people;
 Salt for the Kingdom of God!
 Share the flavour of life, O people;
 Life in the Kingdom of God!

Refrain:

Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,
 Bring forth the Kingdom of peace;
 Bring forth the Kingdom of justice,
 Bring forth the city of God!

You are a light on the hill, O people;
 Light for the city of God!
 Shine so holy and bright, O people;
 Shine for the Kingdom of God! Refrain

You are a seed of the Word, O people;
 Bring forth the Kingdom of God!
 Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,
 Grow in the Kingdom of God! Refrain

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord has done great things for us.
 We are filled with joy.
 We are filled with joy.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia
 Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening;
 You have the words of everlasting life.
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Offertory:

Refrain

You satisfy the hungry heart
 With gift of finest wheat;
 Come give to us, O saving Lord,
 The bread of life to eat.

As when the shepherd calls his sheep,
 They know and heed his voice;
 So when you call your family, Lord,
 We follow and rejoice. Refrain

With joyful lips we sing to you
 Our praise and gratitude,
 That you should count us worthy Lord,
 To share this heavenly food. Refrain

Is not the cup we bless and share
 The blood of Christ outpoured?
 Do not one cup, one loaf, declare
 Our oneness in the Lord? Refrain

Communion:

Refrain:

Unless a grain of wheat shall fall
 Upon the ground and die,
 It remains but a single grain with no life.

If we have died with him then we shall live
 with him;
 If we hold firm we shall reign with him. Refrain

If anyone serves me then they must follow me;
 Wherever I am my servants will be. Refrain

Make your home in me as I make mine in you;
 Those who remain in me bear much fruit.

Refrain

If you remain in me and my word lives in you;
 Then you will be my disciples. Refrain

Recessional:

Awake from your slumber!
 Arise from your sleep!
 A new day is dawning
 for all those who weep.
 The people in darkness
 have seen a great light.
 The Lord of our longing
 has conquered the night.

Refrain

Let us build the city of God,
 May our tears be turned into dancing!
 For the Lord, our light and our love,
 Has turned the night into day!

We are sons of the morning
 we are daughters of day.
 The One who has loved us
 has brightened our way.
 The Lord of all kindness
 has called us to be
 a light for his people
 to set their hearts free. Refrain