

**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

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Year A — 4th & 5th July, 2026



Jesus' said 'Come to Me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from Me.'

The yoke of Christ is not really a yoke of burden, but rather a bond of love, which joins us to Him, and through Him to our loving Father in Heaven.

Surely God is good to us, as He puts us into this world at this day and age, and gives us the light of faith and knowledge of God and of his loving plans for us, which makes the burdens of this life so relatively light and even so reasonable for us.

**Entrance Antiphon:**

Within your temple, we ponder your loving kindness, O God. As your name, so also your praise reaches to the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with justice.

**1st Reading:**

Zechariah 9:9-10  
Psalms 144:1-2,8-11,13-14

**Responsorial Psalm:**

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

**2nd Reading:**

Romans 8:9,11-13

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.  
Alleluia!



**Gospel:**

Matthew 11:25-30

**Before Communion:**

Lord, let this offering to the glory of your name purify us and bring us closer to eternal life.

**Communion Antiphon:**

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord, blessed is he who hopes in God.

**After Communion:**

Lord, may we never fail to praise you for the fullness of life and salvation you give us in this eucharist.

**This Week in the Parish....**

**Tuesday, 7th July**  
7.00pm—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament—St. Mary MacKillop  
  
**Wednesday, 8th July**  
6.00pm—Legion of Mary Prayer Group—Parish Meeting room  
7.30pm—St. Paul's Prayer Group

**Thursday, 9th July**  
10.30am—St. Mary of the Assumption Prayer Group  
6.00pm—Perpetual Succour Novena Group—St. Mary MacKillop



**MARY MACKILLOP READERS ROSTER**

**Weekend 11th & 12th July**  
5.00pm—Victor Sammut  
9.00am—Joseph Sammut  
11.00am—Mark Royal  
5.30pm—Georgina Sant

**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.*

# FOURTEENTH 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.

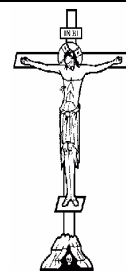
## ST. PAUL'S PRAYER GROUP

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:

Nelida Manzor  
 Joseph Zammit  
 Sydney Appou



### Anniversaries:

Stephen Farish  
 Rita & Charlie Bonnici  
 Francesca Papaluca  
 Rose & William Duffy  
 Creswell Gambian  
 Josephine, George & Natalie Portelli  
 Giuseppe Cudria  
 Margherita Panetta

*We pray for all those who are sick, especially Dean, John, Maria, Mary and Chris.*

## 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.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend, our parish will hold a Special Collection for Catholic Missions. Your generosity will help bring hope to children in need, reminding them that they are cared for and never alone.

## HYMNS

### Entrance:

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;  
 Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art  
 Thou my best Thought, by day or by night,  
 Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
 I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
 Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;  
 Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my battle Shield, Sword for the fight;  
 Be Thou my Dignity, Thou my Delight;  
 Thou my soul's Shelter, Thou my high Tower:  
 Raise Thou me heavenward, O Power of my power

### Responsorial Psalm:

I will praise you Lord,  
 I will praise you Lord,  
 Here amongst your people,  
 I will praise you Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia  
 Blessed are you Father, Lord of heaven and earth;  
 You have revealed to little ones the mysteries of your kingdom.  
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

### Offertory:

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
 "Come unto me and rest;  
 Lay down, O weary one, lay down  
 Your head upon my breast."

I came to Jesus as I was,  
 So weary, worn and sad;  
 I found in him a resting place,  
 And he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
 "Behold, I freely give  
 the living water, thirsty one,  
 Stoop down, and drink, and live."  
 I came to Jesus, and I drank  
 Of that life-giving stream;  
 My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
 And now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
 "I am this dark world's light;  
 Look unto me, your morn shall rise,  
 And all your day be bright."  
 I looked to Jesus, and I found  
 in him my star, my sun;  
 And in that light of life I'll walk  
 Till trav'ling days are done.

### Communion:

**Refrain:**  
 Come to me, all who labour and are heavy burdened  
 and I shall give you rest.

Take up my yoke and learn from me,  
 for I am meek and humble of heart.  
 And you'll find rest for your souls  
 yes, my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

The Lord is my shepherd,  
 I shall never be in need.  
 Fresh and green are the meadows  
 where he gives me rest. **Refrain.**

### Recessional:

**Chorus:**  
 Though the mountains may fall,  
 And the hills turn to dust,  
 Yet the love of the Lord will stand.  
 As a shelter for all who will call on his name,  
 Sing the praise and the glory of God.

Could the Lord ever leave you?  
 Could the Lord forget his love?  
 Though a mother forsake her child,  
 He will not abandon you. **Chorus**

Should you turn and forsake him,  
 He will gently call your name.  
 Should you wander away from him,  
 He will always take you back. **Chorus**