

**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

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year A — 9th & 10th May, 2026



Jesus said to his disciples, 'If you love Me, you will keep My commandments, and I shall ask My Father and He will give you another Advocate.'

It is hard for most of us, to have the integrity to keep our own word and promises faithfully.

Yet Jesus promised us that he would not leave us orphans, He would not abandon us. Jesus then takes this one step further, in that He asks his Father for an Advocate for us, someone to intercede to His Father on our behalf.

That Advocate is the Holy Spirit, who lives with us and in us, all the days of our lives.

Jesus promised us an indwelling God, to strengthen and guide us, and a God that will dwell in us when we love, believe, and keep His word.

Entrance Antiphon:

Speak out with a voice of joy;
let it be heard to the ends of
the earth: The Lord has set his
people free, alleluia.

1st Reading:

Acts 8:5-8,14-17
Psalms 65:1-7,16,20

Responsorial Psalm:

Let all the earth cry out to God
with joy.

2nd Reading:

1 Peter 3:15-18

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
All who love me will keep my
words, and my Father will love
them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel:

John 14:15-21



Before Communion:

Lord, accept our prayers and
offerings. Make us worthy of
your sacraments of love by
granting us your forgiveness.

Communion Antiphon:

If you love me, keep my
commandments, says the Lord.
The Father will send you the
Holy Spirit, to be with you for
ever, alleluia.

After Communion:

Almighty and ever-living Lord,
you restored us to life by raising
Christ from death. Strengthen
us by this Easter sacrament;
may we feel its saving power in
our daily life.

This Week in the Parish....

Monday, 11th May Group—Parish Meeting room
7.00pm—Choir Practice—St. Mary 7.30pm—St. Paul's Prayer Group
MacKillop Church

Tuesday, 12th May 10.30am—St. Mary of the
7.00pm—Adoration of the Assumption Prayer Group
Blessed Sacrament—St. Mary 6.00pm—Perpetual Succour
MacKillop Novena Group—St. Mary
MacKillop

Wednesday, 13th May 6.00pm—Legion of Mary Prayer



MARY MACKILLOP READERS ROSTER

Weekend 16th & 17th May
5.00pm—Victor Sammut
9.00am—Armando Bianco
11.00am—Anne Abeyasinghe
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

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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.*

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

ST. JOSEPH'S MEN'S GROUP

The Next Men's Group will be on Sunday, 17th May, 6.30pm Cuppa, 7-8.30pm Meeting, in the Parish Meeting Room at St. Mary MacKillop. LENTEN PROGRAM IS "METANOIA". Topic: JESUS's Power Over Evil. New members welcome. Enquiries: Pierre 0423 527 285, or Alister 0423 917 785.

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.

Resurrection Catholic Parish—50th Jubilee

Parishioners from neighbouring communities are warmly invited to join Resurrection Catholic Parish, Kings Park, in celebrating its 50th Jubilee on Sunday, 24th May. Mass will be celebrated at 10:30am, followed by a community gathering in the parish hall. We look forward to celebrating together.

Legion of Mary – Rosary in the Park

Join us to walk with Mary our Mother, praying the rosary for her intercession for peace in the world and for our personal intentions. On Tuesday 12th May 2026 after the 9.30am mass followed by fellowship.

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

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR NOVENA

We invite you to join our PERPETUAL SUCCOUR NOVENA GROUP. This Novena Group will pray together at Mary MacKillop Church on Thursday at 6pm, and we warmly invite you to join us Contact June Caruana 0401268216 or Herwin Allen 0408749730 for information.



CHOIR PRACTICE

will be held on the
Monday 11th May at 7:00pm
at St. Mary MacKillop Church

In Remembrance...

Recently Deceased:

Maria Samarzija, Joseph Cutajar,
Nellie Teodora, Catherine Korn,
Rosemarie Portelli



Anniversaries:

Josephine Portelli, Maria Xerri, Joseph Portelli,
Giovanni & Leo Prestia, Mgr. Salvatore Sammut,
Giovanna Sammut, Lucy Zammit,
Thelma & Clarence Gomesz, Neil Pereira,
Valda Siggins, Caterina & Domenico Defina,
Ivan & Andelka Jolic, Remigio & Carmela Scicluna
Violet Camilleri, Charlie Micallef, Baby Gabriel Lay
Carmen Tomkinson, Mary Bellotti, Mary Darmanin,
Lora Attard, Tony Tanti, Rosa Abela,
Falzon Family, Mifsud Family,
Alice & Carmela Busuttil, Maryanne Adami,
Vic Colby, Noreen Fraser, Anna Dzidzic,
Miriam Bonnett, Connie & Grezju Attard,
Edith, Hubert, Rose & Marina Barwell,
Marie Grierson, Muriel, Ronnie & Cherie Guest,
Norma & Nona Manzon. Josephine Galea,
Imelda Mamo

*We pray for all those who are sick, especially
Teresa, Kim, Jo, Frank and Adel.*

HYMNS

Entrance:

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n to earth come down!
Fix in us your humble dwelling,
All your faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, source of all compassion,
Love unbounded, love all pure;
Visit us with your salvation,
Let your love in us endure.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all your life receive;
Suddenly return and never,
Never more your temples leave.
Lord, we would be always blessing,
Serve you as your hosts above,
Pray, and praise you without ceasing,
Glory in your precious love.

Finish then your new creation,
Pure and spotless, gracious Lord,
Let us see your great salvation
Perfectly in you restored.
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heav'n we take our place,
Lost in wonder, love and praise.

Responsorial Psalm:

All the earth proclaim the Lord
Sing your praise to God.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words;
And my Father will love them and we will
come to them.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Offertory:

Refrain:

I will never forget you my people
I have carved you on the palm of my hand
I will never forget you
I will not leave you orphaned
I will never forget my own.

Does a mother forget her baby?
Or a woman the child within her womb?
Yet even if these forget,
Yes, even if these forget,
I will never forget my own. Refrain.

Communion:

Chorus:

Hear then what our God asks of you
To live justly,
To love tenderly,
And to walk humbly with your God.

I have come that you may have life,
And have it to the full.

Ask and you shall receive,
Knock and it shall be yours.

Father your Kingdom come,
May your will be done.

1. In Fatima's cove on the thirteenth of May;
the Virgin Maria appeared at mid-day.

Refrain: Ave, Ave, Ave Maria! Ave, Ave, Ave
Maria!

2. The Virgin Maria surrounded by light; God's
Mother is ours for she gives us this sight.
Refrain

3. The world was then suffering from war,
plague, and strife, and Portugal mourned for
her great loss of life. Refrain

4. To three shepherd children the Virgin then
spoke a message so hopeful, with peace for
all folk. Refrain

5. With sweet Mother's pleading, she asked
us to pray, do penance, be modest, the Ro-
sary each day. Refrain

6. All Portugal heard what God's Mother did
say, converted it sings of that Queen to this
day. Refrain

Recessional:

Come! Live in the light!
Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
We are called to be light for the kingdom,
To live in the freedom of the city of God!

Refrain:

We are called to act with justice,
We are called to love tenderly,
We are called to serve one another;
To walk humbly with God!

Come! Open your heart!
Show your mercy to all those in fear!
We are called to be hope for the hopeless
So all hatred and blindness will be no more!
Refrain