

**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

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A — 10th & 11th October, 2026



The one person not mentioned in today's parable is the bride. That's because, in this parable, the group of invited wedding guests are, in fact, the bride. In the Old Testament, the people of Israel were frequently described as God's bride. The bride is the people of Israel. Just as the first group of guests were uninterested in the wedding, so the people of Israel were uninterested in their marriage covenant to God. Thus, God formed a new bride, the Church, made up of people from every corner of the earth. In ancient Israel, brides would make their wedding garment from materials given to them by their groom. Our wedding garment is the spiritual garment of sanctifying grace, given to us by Christ. Only those wearing this interior garment of grace may be admitted to the marriage feast of heaven. Furthermore, only those wearing the garment of

sanctifying grace may partake of Holy Communion, which is a foretaste of the heavenly marriage feast.

Entrance Antiphon:

If you, O Lord, laid bare our guilt, who could endure it? But you are forgiving, God of Israel.

1st Reading:

Isaiah 25-6-10
Psalms 22

Responsorial Psalm:

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

2nd Reading:

Philippians 4:12-14,19-20

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.
Alleluia!

Gospel:

Matthew 22:1-14

Before Communion:

Lord, accept the prayers and gifts we offer in faith and love. May this eucharist bring us to

your glory.

Communion Antiphon:

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but nothing shall be lacking to those who fear the Lord.

After Communion:

Almighty Father, may the body and blood of your Son give us a share in his life, for he is Lord for ever and ever.



This Week in the Parish....

Tuesday, 13th October
7.00pm—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament—St. Mary MacKillop

Wednesday, 14th October
6.00pm—Legion of Mary Prayer Group—Parish Meeting room
7.30pm—St. Paul's Prayer Group

Thursday, 15th October
10.30am—St. Mary of the Assumption Prayer Group
6.00pm—Perpetual Succour Novena Group—St. Mary MacKillop



MARY MACKILLOP / ST PAUL'S READERS ROSTER

Weekend 17th & 18th October
5pm—Josh Pascale
9am—Joe Falvo
11am—Anne Abeyasinghe
5.30pm—Dr Ba Chinh
6.30pm—Marita Tobin
10am—Mon Magtanong



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?"*



Administrator: Rev. Vinh Do **Assistant Priest:** 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.*

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY

ST. JOSEPH'S MEN'S GROUP

Next Meeting will be Sunday, 18th October.
6.30pm cuppa, 7-8.30pm meeting in
St. Mary MacKillop Parish Meeting Room,
Church. TOPIC: The Spirit and the Sacraments.
New members welcome. Enquiries: Carmine
0425 785 862, Pierre 0423 527 285, Alister
0423 917 785.

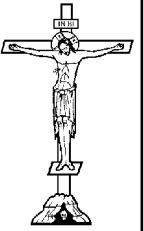
ST. PAUL'S PRAYER GROUP

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:

Paul Merlo & Carmen Muscat



Anniversaries:

Loro Stanovic,
Evelyn & Martin Fernando,
Alexander & Agnes Thamel,
Sunil Peiris, Jerolim Budija,
Giuliana Falzon, Tom, Esmer & Glen Maple,
Cynthia Rospin, Wayne Rebeiro,
Elaine Latima, Noreen Fraser, Ivy & Emmy
Allen, Marlene, Gladwyn & Jim Allen,
Birdwyn, Jhonny & Cammie Allen,
Eleanor & Lloyd Spink, David Brian,
James Spink, Pat Cooper, Prem Sahni,
Ian Satur. Rosaria & Karmenu Zammit

*We pray for all those who are sick., Mary
Peter, Robert, Antionette*

APPOINTMENT OF PARISH PRIEST

We are pleased to announce that
Archbishop Peter Comensoli has appointed
Rev. Peter-Damien McKinley as the new
Parish Priest of St Mary of the Assumption
Parish, commencing 25 November 2026.
We warmly welcome Fr Damien to our
parish community and look forward to his
ministry and leadership among us. We pray
that his time with our parish will be filled
with many blessings as we continue to grow
together in faith and community. We would
also like to sincerely thank **Fr Vinh Do** for
his guidance, care and ministry to our
parish during this period of transition. We
are very grateful for the support and
pastoral presence he has provided while we
have awaited the appointment of our new
Parish Priest. Please join us in welcoming
Fr Damien to St Mary of the Assumption
and in keeping both Fr Damien and Fr Vinh
in our prayers as they begin their respective
ministries with us.

St Mary of the Assumption OSHC Program

Our St Mary of the Assumption After School
Care Program is looking to add some new
and exciting resources for the children who
attend our program.

We would gratefully welcome donations of
good-quality toys, games, puzzles, craft
items and activities suitable for children
aged 6-12 years.

If you have any toys or games at home that
are no longer being used but are still in
good condition, we would be very grateful
for your donation.

Donations can be left:

- ☐ At the back of the church
- ☐ Or dropped into the Parish
Administration Office

Your generosity will help us provide the
children with more opportunities for play,
creativity, learning and fun after school.
Thank you for supporting our OSHC children
and our parish community!

RAFFLE RESULTS

With MUCH gratitude to all parishioners who
donated towards Aid to the Church in Need, we
raised \$2,851.80. THANK YOU.

HYMNS

Entrance:

Refrain

Church of God, Chosen people,
Sing your praise to God.
He has called you out of darkness
into his marvellous light.

Come, people of God, with joyful song,
Praise God the Father of all.
Baptised in Christ,
Reborn in him,
Our hearts are filled with joy.
He cleanses our sin,
Renewing our lives. Refrain

The church is built with living stones
With Christ as cornerstone.
In him we trust who makes us one,
Uniting us in love.
We build on the rock of faith in Christ. Refrain

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is my Shepherd
There is nothing I shall want.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Your words, Lord are Spirit and life;
You have the words of everlasting life.
Alleluia, 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:

Ho, everyone who thirsts: Come to the waters!
Here is an end to hunger: Come to the feast!
And everyone who labours: Come to the waters!
All you who have no money: Come to the feast!

For this is life: the waters of the Jordan
For this is life: the waters of your birth:
For this is life: the waters that renew you:
O come to the feast! O come to the feast!

Ho, everyone who seeks: Come to the waters!
Hear me and share the riches: Come to the
feast!
And everyone who mourns: Come to the wa-
ters!
Now is an end to sadness: Come to the feast!

For this is life: the streams of joy and gladness:
For this is life: the rains that bring you joy:
For this is life: the waters that restore you:
O come to the feast! O come to the feast!

MONTH OF MARY

Hail Mary full of grace,
the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among all women,
Blest is the fruit of your womb.

Refrain

Jesus, formed in your faith,
Ave Marialleluia.
Jesus, born in your love,
Ave Marialleluia.

Holy Mary mother of God,
the Lord is with you.
Pray for us sinners, pray for us sinners,
Now and at the hour of our death. Refrain.

Recessional:

Holy God, we praise your name,
Lord of all, we bow before you;
All on earth your pow'r proclaim,
All in heaven above adore you;
Boundless is your vast domain,
Everlasting is your reign.

Hear that loud celestial hymn
Angel choirs above are raising,
Cherubim and seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heavens with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy Lord!