

**St. Mary MacKillop
Church
Keilor Downs**



**St. Paul's
Church
Kealba**

PARISH OF ST MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

MASS TIMES

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A — 12th & 13th September, 2026

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



The debt the servant owes the king is ten thousand talents, a truly astronomical sum. A single talent was worth about US\$864,000 in modern equivalent, or about thirty-four years' wages for an entry-level worker. So ten thousand talents would translate to around US\$8.6 billion, a debt so large as to be impossible to pay off. By contrast, the debt owed to the servant is a hundred denarii. A single denarius was worthy about US\$80 and equated to a day's wage for a common labourer. A hundred denarii, that is, a hundred days' wages, equates to US\$8,000. The meaning of the parable is clear. God is our master to whom we owe an incalculable debt of ungiven love through sin, a debt which He nevertheless forgives in His compassion for us. As hurtful as they are, the offenses of our neighbours toward us are, by comparison, negligible. How can we then fail to forgive?
From Dr John Bergsma, The Word of the Lord.

Entrance Antiphon:

Give peace, Lord, to those who wait for you and your prophets will proclaim you as you deserve. Hear the prayers of your servant and of your people Israel.

1st Reading:

Ecclesiasticus 27:30—28:7
Psalms 102:1-4,9-12

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion.

2nd Reading:

Romans 14:7-9

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you.
Alleluia!

Gospel:

Matthew 18:21-35

Before Communion:

Lord, hear the prayers of your people and receive our gifts.

May the worship of each one here bring salvation to all.

Communion Antiphon:

O God, how much we value your mercy! All mankind can gather under your protection.

After Communion:

Lord, may the eucharist you have given us influence our thoughts and actions. May your Spirit guide and direct us in your way.



This Week in the Parish....

Tuesday, 15th September
7.00pm—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament—St. Mary MacKillop

Wednesday, 16th September
6.00pm—Legion of Mary Prayer Group—Parish Meeting room
7.30pm—St. Paul's Prayer Group

Thursday, 17th September
10.30am—St. Mary of the Assumption Prayer Group
6.00pm—Perpetual Succour Novena Group—St. Mary MacKillop



MARY MACKILLOP READERS ROSTER

Weekend 19th & 20th September
5.00pm—Lea Castro
9.00am—David Gebbo
11.00am—Mark Royal
5.30pm—Mary Portelli



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?"*

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.*

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY

ST. JOSEPH'S MEN'S GROUP

Next Meeting will be Sunday, 20th September.
6.30pm cuppa, 7-8.30pm meeting in
St. Mary MacKillop Parish Meeting Room,
Church. TOPIC: The Fruits of the Holy Spirit.
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

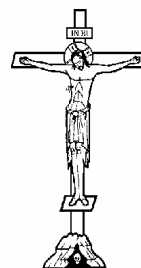
In Remembrance...

Recently Deceased:

Manry Raffaut
Mary Hadfield

Anniversaries:

Michael Xerri,
John Haffert,
Sono Ayako,
Peter Lai,
Veselka Vidak,
Domenic & Caterina Riga,
Marcelle Preaudet,
Connie & Grezu Attard,
Sebastian Galea,
Innocent Kok,
Laura & Nicholas Spiteri.



*We pray for all those who are sick, especially
Mary, Peter, Michael, David and Robert.*

ADVANCED NOTICE

Next Rosary Crusade, Saturday, 31st
October, 12.30pm-3.30pm.
Enquiries: Christina 0431 955 975.

CATHOLIC WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027

Seoul, Sth Korea | **Calling all young People!**

World Youth Day 2027 will be held in Seoul,
South Korea, from 3-8 August 2027,
bringing young Catholics aged 15-30 from
around the world together to celebrate our
faith, meet new people, share our
experiences and grow closer to Christ.

This is a wonderful opportunity to be part of
a once-in-a-lifetime celebration of faith,
friendship and culture. Experience the ex-
citement of Seoul, discover the beauty and
traditions of Korean culture, meet young
people from different countries and share
an unforgettable journey of faith together.
Are you interested in taking part? We would
love to hear from young adults in our parish
who may be interested in attending.

☐ Please express your interest by
contacting the Parish Office at
reception@stma.com.au so we can keep you
informed about upcoming plans, info
sessions and opportunities to participate.

Appointment of Parish Administrator

We are pleased to announce that the
Archbishop Rev Peter Comensoli has
appointed Fr Vinh Do as Administrator of
St Mary of the Assumption Parish.
Fr Vinh will serve as Parish Administrator
while the Archdiocese undertakes the
process of appointing a new Parish
Priest. We are thankful for Fr Vinh and his
guidance and ministry during this time.

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR NOVENA

The Mother of Perpetual Succour Novena Group
is dedicating its prayers over the next three
Thursdays for those affected by Alzheimer's and
Dementia, while continuing to pray for all other
intentions. Everyone is warmly invited to join the
Novena each Thursday at 6.00 pm as we seek
the intercession of Our Mother of Perpetual Help
for those suffering from these illnesses and for
all in need of God's grace. For more information,
please contact June Caruana 0401 268 216 or
Herwin Allen 0408 749 730.

HYMNS

Entrance:

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.

Sing, sing a new song!
Sing of that great day when all will be one!
God will reign, and we'll walk with each
other
As sisters and brothers united in love!
Refrain.

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is kind and merciful.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

I give you a new commandment:
Love one another as I have loved you.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Offertory:

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.

Take up your cross and follow me,
You shall share my life.

I am with you always,
Till the end of time.

Communion:

Make me a channel of your peace,
Where there is hatred, let me bring your
love.
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there's despair in life, let me bring
hope.

Where there is darkness, only light,
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Oh, master, grant that I may never seek,
So much to be consoled as to console.
To be understood as to understand.
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
In giving of ourselves that we receive,
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Recessional:

Go now you are sent forth
To live what you proclaim;
To show the world you follow Christ
In fact not just in name.

Go now, you are sent forth
To walk this troubled earth,
To share your faith with other men,
And prove your real worth.

Go now, you are sent forth
As God's ambassador;
By serving Him in those we meet,
We love him more and more.