

BAYSIDE CATHOLIC MISSION

Incorporating the communities of
Sacred Heart Sandringham, St James Brighton,
St Joseph's Black Rock, St Joan of Arc Brighton,
Stella Maris Beaumaris, St Mary's Hampton.

St MARY OF THE CROSS. YEAR B
(Liturgical white is the colour of rejoicing)

8th August, 2021

Dear friends,

This Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of St Mary of the Cross Mackillop. Our first canonised Australian saint can be an inspiration for us at this time when we have just celebrated our first anniversary as the Bayside Catholic Mission.

St Mary responded to the needs of her time to educate children and to pioneer a new form of religious life-radical things for the time. She is remembered for her eagerness to discover God's will in all things, for her charity in the face of calumny, and for her abiding trust in God's providence.

As we enter our second year of the Bayside Mission, we can take inspiration from her life and legacy. We are discovering God's will in new ways of parish life and structures and trusting in God's providence to provide for us in these new ways, and striving to work together in charity. It has been a challenging first year for all of us, and no doubt there will be more challenges to come. But let us take St Mary as the example, to forge new ways in fidelity to God and the Church, in charity for building up of the Kingdom in Bayside.

Last Saturday was the Ordination of two new auxiliary Bishops for the Archdiocese of Melbourne- Bishop Tony Ireland and Bishop Martin Ashe. Bishop Ireland will be the Regional Bishop for the Southern Region of the Archdiocese so we will welcome him for Confirmation ceremonies later this year. Bishop Ashe will be the Regional Bishop for the Western Region.

Thanks to those who joined us last Thursday evening for our one year anniversary 'zoom supper' night. Unfortunately Fr Joe Caddy, the Vicar General of the Archdiocese was unable to join us.

Let us continue to hold in prayer all those feeling the effects of lockdowns and sickness- both physical and mental. May St Joseph and St Mary of the Cross intercede for us all and protect us.

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**Urgent need for a priest
outside office hours-
phone office & press
option 3.**

*Bayside Catholic Mission
is committed to the safety,
wellbeing and dignity of all
children, young people and
adults. Safeguarding is
everyone's responsibility.*

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Mass Sunday 8th August

As we cannot gather together in our churches this weekend, you can view the Mass online at: baysidecatholicmission.org

MASS TIMES

Sat 5pm	Sacred Heart, Sandringham 13 Fernhill Rd, Sandringham
Sat 6pm	St Mary's, Hampton 59 Holyrood St, Hampton
Sun 8am	St Joseph's, Black Rock 542 Balcombe Rd, Black Rock
Sun 9am	Sacred Heart, Sandringham 13 Fernhill Rd, Sandringham
Sun 10:30am	Stella Maris, Beaumaris 2 Charlotte Rd, Beaumaris
Sun 11am	St Joan of Arc, Brighton 118 New St, Brighton
Sun 5:30pm	St James', Gardenvale currently held at St Joan of Arc

Mon 9:15am	St Mary's
Tues 9:15am	Sacred Heart
Tues 7pm	St Joan of Arc
Wed 9:15am	Sacred Heart
Wed 9:15am	St Joseph's
Thur 9:15am	St Mary's
Thur 9:15am	Stella Maris
Fri 9:15am	St Joan of Arc
Fri 9:15am	St Joseph's
Sat 9:15am	Stella Maris

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesdays 6:30pm-7pm
St Joan of Arc

Saturdays 9:45am-10:15am
Stella Maris

Saturdays 4:30pm-5pm
Sacred Heart

Saturdays 5:30pm-6pm
St Mary's

Eucharistic Adoration

Tues 6.30pm-6.50pm (prior to Mass at 7pm)
at St Joan of Arc

Sat 9.45am-10.15am (after Mass at 9.15am)
at Stella Maris

Gospel Reflection

The theme running across the readings chosen for the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, especially the First Reading and the Gospel, appears to be that of trust in the providence of God. If one sits lightly to possessions and is prepared to share them generously, even to the point of taking the risk of leaving nothing for oneself, God will provide.

The First Reading (1 Kings 17:8-16), telling of the widow's generosity to the prophet Elijah, sets the tone in this respect. The Gospel (Matt 6:25-34) is taken from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, a long instruction to his disciples, that, in the wider context of the Gospel, is prompted by the sight of a large group of people who have come to Jesus for healing (Matt 4:23-25). We are told (5:1) that when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain and called his disciples to him. He did not go up the mountain to get away from the crowds.

On the contrary, it was precisely in view of the crowds and all their suffering and needs that, beginning with the Beatitudes (5:3-12), he instructed his disciples on who they must be and how they must live in order to be something for the afflicted crowd - in order to be, as he says, 'salt of the earth' (5:13) and 'light of the world' (5:14-16). It is by living the beatitudes and in all the other ways set out in the Sermon that the disciples will be able to make a difference in the world.

Overarching the entire Sermon is the vision of God the Father that Jesus presupposes and communicates throughout it all, especially in the passage that provides Gospel for today. It is one of the most attractive passages in all the Gospels, revealing Jesus' eye for nature and the sense that its beauty is the gift of God, who cares not just for us but for birds and plants as well. The passage could, of course, seem impractical and unworldly to those who have to provide for families and communities. They do have to ask, 'What are we to eat, what are we to drink?' - and, from time to time, at least - 'What are we to wear?'

We have to realise that Jesus is displaying a bit of 'prophetic licence' here. He is trying to lift the imagination of his disciples out of the constant worries of day to day things to the vision of his Father central to his mission. The refrain, 'Do not worry ...', could perhaps be better translated, 'Do not be preoccupied with ...', 'Do not be so absorbed in all these concerns as to lose sight of God and trust in God'.

So he insists, 'It is the pagans' - that is, those who do not know God - 'who set their hearts on such things. Your heavenly Father knows you need them all. Set your hearts on his kingdom first and on his righteousness and all these other things will be given you as well'.

Brendan Byrne, SJ, FAHA,

Reflections On Coping With Change In Parish Life

7. Importance of the Mass and the Sacraments

The Eucharist and the sacraments are at the centre of Catholic life and worship. We know what it is like during lockdowns when we are deprived of the sacraments. The heart of parish life must be the Eucharist, celebrated well and adored in prayer. Ongoing catechesis of the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist is a vital key to parish renewal. Just as the disciples recognised Jesus in the breaking of the bread, so must today's Catholics do the same to enhance a vibrant Catholic parish, ensuring that our worship is faithful to the Church and the Catholic traditions.

Praying With Pope Francis August Intention for Evangelisation The Church



Let us pray for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

National Vocations Week



Today is the feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, our first Australian saint. Please pray for our priests today in thanksgiving for their ministry and presence in our community. Please pray for the religious who do so much in pastoral care, education, health care and many other ministries. Pray also that the saints may inspire many vocations to consecrated life and priesthood, especially from our community.

St Mary of The Cross, Virgin- 8th August



On this feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, in the time of COVID-19, when life can appear bleak and somber, we give thanks for our many blessings. We give thanks for our faith which sustains us in these difficult times. We give thanks for the many people who have gone before us who made enormous sacrifices to pass on their faith. Today, we give thanks for St Mary MacKillop.

Mary MacKillop recognized 'the divine equality of all'. Everyone she encountered was treated with respect—the illiterate, the sick, the poor, the ignored, the homeless. Mary writes: reject no one, you never know what grace can do'. Mary understood the transformative power of being valued and included.

We ask God for the alertness to all of those amongst us who do not feel included or valued. We ask God for the compassion to understand their plight and the courage to extend a hand of welcome.

www.mmhc.org.au



INFORMATION SESSION FOR THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

DO YOU FEEL LIKE BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers.

COME & SEE! Due to Covid restrictions the information session date has been moved into September. No longer on Saturday 14 August, the Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on

**Saturday 4 September, 10:00 -11.45 am
at the Catholic Theological
College (CTC), East Melbourne.**

For further information contact Deacon Kevin Pattison: Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au
For information: Watch: Melbourne's Deacons <https://youtu.be/q2RhNDbtTSO>
Office of the Permanent Diaconate ph. 9412 335 or email diaconate@cam.org.au

Electronic Giving

Thank you for your continued financial support of our parishes. Your Stewardship and Presbytery offerings may be made by EFT to:-

Bayside Mission Presbytery

BSB: 083 347
Account: 133742729
Account Name: Bayside Mission House Account

St Joan of Arc Church

BSB: 083 347 Account: 64341 9112
Account Name: St Joan of Arc Church

St James Church

BSB: 083 347 Account: 66330 9906
Account Name: St James

St Mary's Hampton

BSB: 083 347 Account: 64654 6643
Account Name: St Mary's Parish Hampton

Sacred Heart, Sandringham

BSB: 083 347 Account: 64674 5079
Account Name: Sacred Heart Parish Sandringham

Nazareth

BSB:083 347 Account: 68647 8067
Account Name: Nazareth Catholic Parish

Please include your name and envelope number in the reference field when completing the transfer.

Tap and Go machines for electronic giving are available at Sacred Heart and will soon be available at St Joan of Arc and Stella Maris.



Please pray for...

ST JAMES & ST JOAN OF ARC

ILLNESS: Geoff Guidice, Clare Davison, Annabel Carr, Lois White, Felice Testa, Kuldip Ahluwalia, Lynn Batten, John Bell, Angela Boston, Helen Clarke, Maureen Daly, Anne de Rebello, Mary Doyle, Alan Giles, Regina Fahmi, Geraldine Kennedy, Antony LaRive, Tatiana Mansel, Ben Martin, Gabrielle Marylees, Freddy McGuigan, Kevin Nichollis, Catherine Ryan, Edward Shelley, Rob Smith, Brian Taylor, Barbara Turner, Joseph Rush

ANNIVERSARIES: Andrew Latham, Rosemarie de Zylva, Denis Smith

SACRED HEART

ILLNESS: Michael O'Brien, Carmel Hill, Al & Lucy Finnegan, Noni Ryan, Nancy Camera, Michael O'Brien, Marissa Daicos, Louise Tonna, Conall Westcott, Peter Giroto, Peter Roberts, Martin Cassidy, Kim D'Souza, Maria Rosa Daniela, Gabriel Quin

ANNIVERSARIES: Ivy Fredericks, Len Bushell, Mollie Doran, Maria Bowditch, Frank Scully, Agnes Murray, Mary Hiskin

NAZARETH

ILLNESS: Sebastian Wolfenden, Therese Hallett, Pat Coram, Ronda Chagoury, Michael Slattery, Allison Leicester, Liz Docker, Peter Plumridge, Lucy Menezes, Aliai Coyle-Madut, Lucy Bueno, Faye Fong, Kosta Mihos, Megan Jenkins, Edna Campbell, Paul Dear, Anne Jenkins, Tony Waller, Edwinda Fitsimon

RECENTLY DECEASED: Irene Hajdu

ST MARY'S

ILLNESS: Clare Curry-Harris, Peter Salvatore, Mick Corry, Carmel Ryan, Fred Sacr, Pierre Sacr, Mary Murphy, Tom Van Kampem, Maria Reilly, Delia Burns, Mick Zuccala, Joe Natoli

RECENTLY DECEASED: Shirley Lewis, Anthony Camilleri

Faith Matters!

Make your census answer count

Q: What is the person's religion?

A: Catholic

MASS READINGS NEXT WEEK

1st Reading

Apoc 11:19, 12:1-6, 10

Responsorial Psalm

45:10,11,12,16

2nd Reading

1 Cor 15:20-26

Gospel

Lk 1:39-56



Would you be interested in joining a Catholic Men's group in Bayside?

We are looking forward to bringing together the men in the Bayside Catholic Mission for regular events.

Feel free to call David Winter (Stella Maris parishioner) on: 0429 351 874



WINE & CHEESE NIGHT Saturday August 14th

Sacred Heart Parish
After 5pm Mass on the second Saturday of the month
(Will be cancelled if in lockdown)

Opening the Doors Foundation



Celebrating 20 Years Keeping Koorie Kids in an Education of their Choice

The Foundation supports the extra costs associated with schooling for Aboriginal students around Victoria. These are costs not otherwise funded from government or other educational funding sources, such as school uniforms, books, school camps and other school associated costs.

The Foundation is Aboriginal led and listens to the diverse needs of Victorian Aboriginal families. It is fitting that the following video has been released on National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day (4 Aug 2021)

<https://www.openingthedoors.org.au>

VOLUNTEER



"Let your constant practice be to offer yourself to God that he may do with you what He pleases."

St Alphonsus Marie Liguori

As volunteers our landscape is ever changing. We need to be people who adapt quickly but give unreservedly. Take care of yourselves, be safe and give each other a "Hello" via phone, email or zoom.

Please consider volunteering at the weekend Masses, we require help in all areas, full training and support will be given.

- Can you set aside a little of your time for a **gardening/ working bee on Saturday 11th September** at St Mary's Hampton from 10am to 2pm?

BYO Smiles, gardening gloves, small gardening tools etc. Weeds, plants, flowers provided with our compliments.

- **The Altar Society morning tea will be held on Friday 27th August at 10.30am** at the Bayside Catholic Mission office. We invite all volunteers who care and maintain our sacred spaces to attend. New members are most warmly welcomed as we will conduct a "refresher", answer any questions, share some tips and put together a plan of action for the coming months.

We anticipate that all Bayside Mission communities will be represented.

All events are subject to current Covid 19 restrictions being eased.

Please consider volunteering as the needs are many but the volunteers are few. If I can be of any assistance feel free to contact me at lynda.rawlin@cam.org.au.

CatholicCare Appeal

We provide counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, support for separating families, homelessness support and pastoral care. We greatly need your support. Please donate online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call 9287 5513.



Postponed

St Mary's Saturday Night Meal 7th August

Details: Michele Connell on 0427 508 003.



A Mass celebrating the life of Bob Semmel

(Former St James parishioner)
will be held on
Sunday August 15th at 2.00pm

(Please note subject to restrictions)

