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Mary Immaculate Church
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ST MARY OF THE CROSS – MARY MACKILLOP 8 AUGUST 2021

The Mary MacKillop Story

Prepared for Parish Bulletins in Australia & New Zealand by Sr Marie White rsj on behalf of the Sisters of St Joseph

Mary MacKillop – An Australian Like Us



Born in Melbourne on January 15, 1842, of Scottish migrant parents, Mary was the eldest of eight children. Her mother, Flora (McDonald), a strong and courageous woman, had amazing trust in God's Providence.

While in Penola, Mary MacKillop met the Pastor of that vast district, Julian Edmund Tenison Woods (English priest, scholar, and scientist). Vitaly interested in education, he opened a school, but four years later he wrote to Mary in Portland, it 'cannot be properly conducted until you come up yourself.' In 1866, therefore, Mary and Lexie set off by coach for Penola to join their other sister, Annie.

On 15 August 1867, Sister Mary MacKillop took both her first Vows as a Religious and the title 'of the Cross': a call to lifetime courage. After the most extraordinary cross, her 1871 excommunication from the Catholic Church, Mary was able to say 'I felt nearer to God than I had ever felt before' and afterwards to her mother she wrote 'My path, dearest Mamma, will yet be that of the Cross.' (1872)

Hearing of the Josephites' good work, Bishop James Quinn invited them to Brisbane. On 8 December 1869 Mary and companions set out from Adelaide, 'begging' for fares from one colony to the next.

From Brisbane, Mary returned to escalating problems in Adelaide where misunderstandings led to suggestions about abandonment of the basic structure of central government. On 22 September 1871, Mary was excommunicated for 'disobedience and rebellion'.

When Mary's excommunication was lifted in February 1872, some Sisters of her disbanded community returned, schools gradually reopened, and in July three set out from Adelaide for Bathurst.

A loving member of her family and compassionate Mother to her Sisters, Mary made good friends from all walks of life. Nearest to her heart, however, were the poor and disadvantaged: 'These are the children I love'. Dogged by sadness and ill health throughout her life, she was sustained by her love of a Provident God.

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For further information, see www.marymackillop.org.au and www.cathnews.com.au



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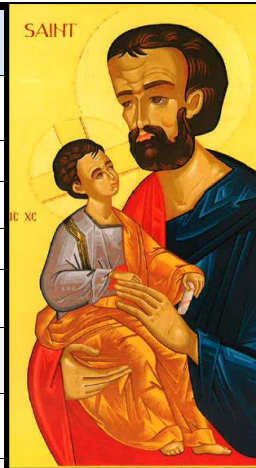
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TIME	DAY	MASS
10:00am	Tuesday	Requiem Mass for Bruce Goodman Mary Immaculate Church
5:00pm		St Brendan's College
11:00am	Wednesday	Rosary & Adoration
12:00pm		Sacred Heart Church
10:00am	Thursday	St Ursula's College Mass at School
6:00pm		Confirmation Sacred Heart Church
9:00am	Friday	ANOINTING Mass Sacred Heart Church
6:00pm		Confirmation Sacred Heart Church



Year of St Joseph

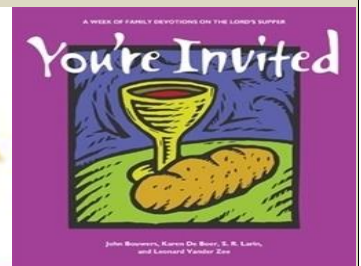
Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil.

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:00am	Saturday 14/8/21	Mary Immaculate Church
6:00pm		1 st Holy Communion Sacred Heart Church
9:00am	Sunday 15/8/21	Sacred Heart Church
5:00pm		Confirmation & 1 st Holy Communion Sacred Heart Church



Dear Parishioners,

On Wednesday 11 August Year One & Prep students from St Benedict's School will be attending the 12pm Mass at Sacred Heart Church.

We are very excited about joining our parish community for Mass & afterwards spending time discovering the many wonderful parts of our amazing church. Both classes are also learning about the roles people play in our parish family & the jobs they do both inside & outside of our Church.

We would truly appreciate any parishioners who are able to attend Mass with us & stay behind to share how they help in our church.

We would then like to invite you to enjoy afternoon tea with us before we return to school at 2pm.

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Gospel Matthew 6:25-34

Welcomer	1 st Reading 1 Kings 17:8-16	2 nd Reading Colossians 3:12-17
8am Kathy Maloney	Jan Jaeger	Marian Robinson
9am John Campbell	Sean Fallis	Nini Sielaf
5pm St Brendan's	St Brendan's Reader	Mark Boyd

NEXT WEEK

Gospel Luke 11:27-28

Welcomer	1 st Reading 1 Chronicles 15:3-4	2 nd Reading 1 Corinthians 15:54-57
8am Dave Bowman	Jan Mussig	Caroline Ireland
9am Karen Page	Colleen Graham	Barbara Pearson
5pm Emily Rowlands	Julie McLaughlin	Margaret McAuliffe Harris

BISHOP'S MASS - YOUTUBE LINK [Bishop's Mass You Tube Link](#)

Remember to check in



CHECK IN QLD AP

Please arrive a bit earlier to ensure correct check in. Show your Tick once you've checked in to the Greeter. Ask for help if needed or ask someone to check you in with their app. PLEASE ENSURE YOU PHONE IS TURNED OFF DURING MASS.

This week's diary...

WEDNESDAY 11 August 2021
St Benedict's School Excursion to Sacred Heart Church

Come Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful,
enkindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit
and they shall be created.
And you shall renew the face of the earth.



Let us pray.
O God, who instruct the hearts of the faithful
by the light of the Holy Spirit,
grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise,
and ever to rejoice in your consolation.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen

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Presentation Associates AGM

Presentation Associates are women who share in the charism of Nano Nagle and the Presentation Sisters.

We will be holding our 2021 AGM on **Saturday 21st August** in the McGrath Building at St Ursula's College Yeppoon commencing at 10am for a cuppa, followed by the meeting and reflection. New members are always welcome. For more information, please take a brochure located in the church foyer or call Erin on 0437 822 231.

CONFIRMATION & 1st EUCHARIST PRACTICE

There will be a *practice* prior to the Confirmation & Eucharist ceremonies at Sacred Heart Church Yeppoon **4pm on Sunday 8 August.**

You are invited to stay for 5pm Mass following this practice.

Children are asked to bring a picture of their chosen saint to this Mass.

Women of Faith Afternoon Tea at St Ursula's College

As part of our ongoing commitment to engaging with parish & community, the Year 9 students at St Ursula's College have been asked to interview local women about their lives including their own faith journeys.

An invitation is extended to any women who would be willing to share their story with our students at a fully catered afternoon tea

Date: **Wednesday 18 August** Time: **1.30-2.30 pm** Location: **St Ursula's College Courtyard & Dining room** (Enter via Queen St) Afternoon tea provided. Please RSVP to the College on (07) 4939 9600.

VAD Legislation – Act Now Before Parliamentary Vote

The Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021 is likely to be voted in Parliament next month. It is a very dangerous Bill which would lead to extra deaths in Queensland every year. Including people who would have wrongfully accessed assisted suicide because of wrong diagnosis, wrong prognosis, coercion, elder abuse, untreated mental anguish, or because they had little or no access to palliative care specialists and felt they had no other choice. Here is advice from Cherish Life QLD on how you can help:

1. Arrange a meeting with your local Member of Parliament (probably the best thing you can do)
2. Engage your local community and church to do the same
3. Write a letter to the editor of a newspaper
4. Write a letter to your MP
5. Visit the Catholic Health Campaign website – www.anotheroption.com.au

Please visit <https://www.cherishlife.org.au/assisted-suicide-bill> for more information and assistance to write to your MP.

WELCOME PACKS - NEW PARISHIONERS

We're endeavouring to welcome *new* parishioners & asking people to complete the form in the foyer popping it into the letterbox at the office. The Parish Office will put a little welcome pack together then someone from the hospitality group will follow up with a visit.



ADORATION
of the
BLESSED
SACRAMENT

From 11am each Wednesday
Adoration followed
by the Rosary at 11:30am
Sacred Heart Church

We Pray for those who are SICK & those who have DIED

We Pray for those who are SICK:

Connie Lacey, Patrick Beston, Deb VanNunen, Carmel Hayes, Laurence Marshall, Priscilla Graham, Eli Kent, Tony Baker

We Pray for those who have DIED:

Bruce Reginald Goodman, Kevin Logan, Brian Geaney, Terence Shepherd, Brylee Lamb, Janet Gibson, Colin 'Doc' Gleeson, Tess Taaffe, Winifred Corbett, Pat Ellrott, Cecilia Sutton, Dean Jarrett, Maria McLoughlin, Honor Mitchell

Anniversary of the Deceased:

Blanchette & Hooper families, Stanley Horton, Cliff Humphries, Dorothy Conway, Lola Horton, William Flaherty, Patricia Dowling, Anne Hughes, Lyn Williams, Daniel Hansby

The Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton abides by the principles of the **National Catholic Safeguarding Standards** (2013), and is committed to safeguarding, with a specific focus on protecting children and vulnerable adults. For further information or support please contact the Diocesan

Professional Standards and Safeguarding Office: Response Line: 1800 830 113 (free call) or email: pssoadmin@rok.catholic.net.au

Diocesan Website for more information: <https://rok.catholic.net.au/our-diocese/safeguarding/>

To view the **Diocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults commitment statement and Policy:** [http://](http://www.rockhampton.catholic.net.au/safeguarding-policies.html)

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Queensland Professional Standards Office: www.psoqld.catholic.net.au/

Grant Sutherland

Catholic Education Week - Good Answers, Good Questions

Recently, while on retreat with the other seminarians of the Holy Spirit Seminary, I heard something that I remembered at a Lismore retreat, presented by Greg Homeming. He said that what makes Catholics different in their approach to religion is that they are “Not afraid to ask questions.” In my time in Catholic schools, and after it, I was not afraid to ask the burning questions of life and I was surprised by the answers I got.

I attended The Cathedral College in Rockhampton for all five of my high school years. In the last two of these years, I had the opportunity, along with all of the other students in my grade, to study for a Certificate III in Christian Ministry and Theology. In this class I asked a lot of questions of Religion (as one who at the time had little of it) and, to the credit of the teacher of that class, they were answered, with more or less satisfaction, for me.

*My journey back to the Catholic faith, although I wouldn't know this until two years' later, started in that class. By being made to enquire into **truth** itself: whether it can be known, whether it can be agreed upon, or whether it even exists? I carried this question out into the working world but found no answers and likewise for many of the questions I had. Who I am, what should I be doing, whether any of this matters at all?*

I was always an inquisitive kid and held the unambiguous truth in high regard. These two appetites are what pushed me into my religion. I kept asking questions and getting answers, sometimes I liked the answers and sometimes I didn't but what I kept constant was an unwavering sense that the answers were out there, and I could find them if I looked hard enough.

*What I found in the Catholic Church was that it not only welcomed questions but that it was unafraid to answer. Through its intellectual, spiritual, and practical traditions, I found real, satisfactory answers, that, while challenging at times, pointed me to the path of the *Truth, the Way and the Life*, for which I was looking.*

As I see it, the challenge of Catholic schooling is twofold. First, it needs to continue encouraging honest questioning and inquisitiveness of students on the topic of religion and, secondly, in order to make the first possible, it needs to be able to answer these questions satisfactorily and with authority. I think many would be surprised at how good the church is at answering the questions we have about it—you only have to ask.

Congratulations Catholic Education on the celebration of 200 years of Catholic Education in Australia. Thank you to Frs Truc and Yon who hosted Will and I last week on our Seminarian visit to the Central Highlands. Thank you too to the many people who shared their journey with Will and I and gave us a wonderful experience of parish life.

God bless,

Grant