



STS PETER & PAUL'S CATHOLIC PARISH SOUTH MELBOURNE



Under the Pastoral care of the Capuchin Friars

8th August 2021

Feast of Mary MacKillop

From a letter of Mary MacKillop to Monsignor Kirby.

Oh, Father, I cannot tell you what a beautiful thing the will of God seems to me. For some years past, my Communions, my prayers, my intentions have all been for God's will to be done. I can never pray for a particular intention, a particular person, or anything particular about our own Institute, but in God's loved will, that is – whilst I desire with all my heart to pray for these, I cannot help at the same time desiring that He only use my prayers for the intention that His own will most desires at this time. Thus I feel a joy when things go well, for I see His will in this, and an equal joy when they seem to go wrong or against our natural desire, for there again I see His will, and am satisfied that He has accepted my prayers and those of many more for some other object at the time nearer to His adorable will.

To me, the will of God is a dear book which I am never tired of reading, which has always some new charm for me. Nothing is too little to be noticed there, but yet my littleness and nothingness has often dared to oppose it, and I am painfully conscious that in many ways I still in my tepidity offend against it without perceiving what I am doing. But such dear lessons as you gave me the other evening then come to my aid and encourage me, for the love of my sweet Jesus is too strong, too beautiful, and His merits too great, for me not to cling to Him.



"..Never see a need without doing something about it..."

St Mary McKillop

ABOUT OUR PARISH

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Mon, Tues & Thurs

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MASS TIMES

Sunday 10am

Saturday 6pm (Vigil)

Mon - Sat: 8am

Confession Times:

Sat after 8am Mass

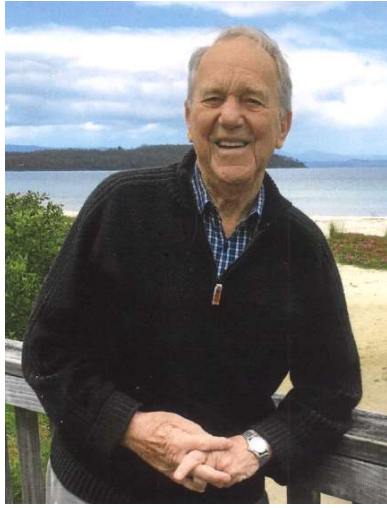
Sat 5:15pm

**Emerald Hill Mission
(EHM)**

0409 417 412 (EHM)

The Lord will bless his people with peace

Psalm 29:11



THANK YOU

In loving memory of

COLIN CRAWFORD

12.09.1936 – 10.08.2020

*Geraldine & family wish to thank Fr John, Fr Gary & the Parishioners of Sts Peter & Paul for their prayers & support during the last twelve months since Collin passed away.
It is much appreciated*

Pope at Angelus: Welcome Jesus as the bread of life

At the noontime Sunday Angelus in Saint Peter's Square, Pope Francis calls on us to be not only concerned about our materials needs, but above all to seek and deepen our relationship with God.

By Vatican News staff writer (<https://www.vaticannews.va/>)

Greeting the faithful in Saint Peter's Square on a sunny and sultry Roman Sunday, Pope Francis offered reflections on the day's Gospel reading which speaks about the crowds following Jesus, after they had witnessed the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves. However, the crowds did not grasp the meaning of what Jesus had done and appeared to be more concerned more about having their fill of material bread.

The Pope said we too risk from this same narrow mentality, what might be called an "idolatrour temptation" he described as one where we seek God only for our own use and needs of the moment. This requires us to ask, "why do we seek the Lord?", he said, and to think about what are our true motivations, to consider if our faith concerns seeking God primarily when we need him and forgetting about Him when we are satisfied. The Pope said it is right to present our needs before God, but we need to understand that the Lord first of all

"wishes to live with us...in a relationship of love", and to know that in response to our prayers He "acts far beyond our expectations". True love is all gift, not expecting a favor in return, the Pope observed, and the relationship with God "goes beyond the logic of interest and calculation." In the today's Gospel reading, the crowds then ask Jesus what they can do then to accomplish

the works of God.

The Pope said it was as if they were asking how we go from a faith that is only conerned about our immediate needs to one that pleases God. Jesus' answer, the Pope said, is "that the work of God is to welcome the One whom the Father has sent, that is, Himself, Jesus." The key here is "welcoming Jesus into our lives, living a story of love with Him", the Pope pointed out, saying only Jesus can purify our faith and strengthen our "loving relationship" with Him. He summed it up: "before the things we receive and do, there is Him to love".

This same thinking applies also to our human and social relationships, the Pope added, saying we need to be aware when we risk using others for our own interests. In society we need to keep people at the centre of our concern rather than simply interests, he stressed. In conclusion, before leading the recitation of the Angelus, he said, "let us welcome Jesus as the bread of life and, starting out from our friendship with Him, learn to love each other" freely and abundantly, looking to the example of the Blessed Virigin Mary "who lived the most beautiful story of love with God" and can help us receive this grace.

Thanksgiving Envelopes

Dear parishioners,

Sts Peter and Pauls Offering Envelopes are now available at the back of the church.

Thank you for your generosity.

Yours in Jesus Christ,

Fr Gary

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THANKSGIVING OFFERING

- To pay our Parish operating costs (including debt repayment).
- To subsidise Catholic Education in the Parish.
- To support the growth of Parish and Diocesan services.
- To provide for charitable works.

Amount \$.....

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- To support the Priests of this Parish and meet normal household expenses.
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- To support the Archbishop.

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SAINT OF THE WEEK

St Mary of the Cross (MacKillop) - 8th August

Mary MacKillop was a nun and the first Australian to be declared a saint. Of Scottish descent, she was born in 1842 just around the corner from here in Fitzroy, but is best known for her activities in South Australia. Together with Fr Julian Woods, she founded the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart (the Josephites), a congregation of religious sisters that established a number of schools and welfare institutions throughout Australia and New Zealand, with an emphasis on education for the rural poor. She was controversially excommunicated over a personal dispute with some of the local clergy. But this was later lifted. MacKillop died in 1909 at the Josephite convent in North Sydney. The Archbishop of Sydney at the time, Cardinal Moran, said: 'I consider this day to have assisted at the deathbed of a saint'.

Please remember in your prayers and Masses the following people who are ill:

Sr Annunciata, Valda Hogan, Sr Joyce Stewart, Peter Wood, Vandersman Family, Joanne Kilmer, Liliana Bobadilla, Ruby Roxa, Eunice Costa, Richard Fennessy, Giovanna Santarossa, James Burnes, James Atkins, Jeff Martin, Naomi McSweeney, Miles Buntleski, Teresa Sheehan, Bob White, Joseph Barbara, Helen Keighery, Dale Cocker, Grace, Lucie Rodriguez, Dawn Condon.



Feast of Mary MacKillop

Entrance Antiphon: Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones forever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

1st Reading – 1 Kings 17:8-16

In this reading, we hear another figure of the Eucharist from Old Testament times. The prophet Elijah is strengthened by food from heaven, which became his source of life and strength for his mission.

Responsorial Psalm

My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast.

O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water.

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise.

So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy.

On my bed I remember you. On you I muse through the night for you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast.

2nd Reading – Colossians 3:12-17

St. Paul develops the theology of being baptised into the Body of Christ and sealed by the Holy Spirit. That living in Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit, through the glory of the Father, means we should be above many petty human attitudes and actions.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Many women were there by the cross, watching from a distance, the same woman who had followed Jesus and looked after him.

Gospel – Matthew 6:25-34

Do not worry about tomorrow: your holy Father knows your needs.

Next week's readings: 1 Proverbs 9:1-6
2 Ephesians 5:15-20
Gospel John 6:51-58

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

We pray together:

We pray for Pope Francis and the bishops of our Church. May they be inspired in their teachings to lead the Church to a deeper awareness of the living bread come down from heaven.

We pray for all engaged in the education of children, the welfare of women or the care of the poor, that Mary MacKillop will inspire their devoted service.

We pray for health care workers in under-resourced countries risking their lives to care for COVID patients, that they will stay safe and strong.

We pray for those afflicted with disabling illness or chronic pain, as was Mary MacKillop, that they may have the patience and courage to bear their suffering.

We remember with compassion our family and friends who have gone before us. Hold them in your keeping, especially those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Colin Crawford, Frank Scully, Robert Suckling, Daniel Thomas, Mary Hennessy, Sr. Adrienne Kerr, Joan Dempster, Noreen MacFarlane, Patrick Leonard, Leo O'Brien, May Melvey, Trish White, Alison Grayden, Cory Aquino, Donald Trigar, Les Donnegan. Peter Phelan, Bruce Nunquam.

Collections: July 31/Aug 1, 2021

1st Collection : \$900

2nd Collection : \$608.20

Online (July) per week: \$895

1st Collection goes to the Friars, and the

2nd collection goes to the running costs of the Parish.

EFT Donations:

Account Name: Parish SS Peter & Paul

BSB: 083 155

Account number: 515577466

	Readers	E.M.E	Flower Arrangement
Sat 07	Andy		Priska & Ann T
Sun 08	Geraldine C & Janet	Sue	
Sat 14	Janet		Geraldine F & Sue
Sun 15	Michele & Natalie	Mario	