



Fr. Christopher Shorrock, OFM Conv., Parish Priest
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Dear Parishioners, I would like to update you on a couple of things. First you see a different picture of St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop over near the statue of the Infant of Prague, this was the original picture from the Church which was donated in the 1990's. Also I have asked the Sisters of St. Joseph for a relic of St. Mary MacKillop and they have agreed to donate a piece of the original coffin in which she was buried (1909). I might be looking for donations towards a suitable reliquary to hold the relic. I was asked about holy water in the Church - traditionally holy water is not used during the Lenten season and it is replenished with the water blessed at the Easter Vigil. Let us continue to pray for one another as we continue our Lenten Journey. *Fr. Christopher Shorrock OFM Conv.*

World Youth Day Update: OLOR has 14 pilgrims travelling to Lisbon in July! Invest in our Parish's future by donating online [here](#) or by scanning the QR code.



Youth Group returns Sunday, 19 March at 7pm in the old hall! Faith, fun, food and fellowship guaranteed. To keep up with OLOR Youth, [join our mailing list](#), like us on [Facebook](#) and follow us on [Instagram](#).

Young Adults will gather again at the Friary on Friday, 17 March at 8pm, following 7pm Mass and Stations of the Cross in the Church!

Youth Band practices in the Church next Sunday, 19 March at 4pm in preparation for the 6pm Youth Mass!

We need YOUth on our Team! We REALLY need YOUth on our Team! All youth and young adults are invited to join us for LIFTED Sports Day this Sunday, 12 March, as we compete against other Youth Groups in a just-for-fun competition at Patrician Brothers' College, Blacktown! Please meet us at the venue by 9:30am. The day will conclude by 3:15pm, and lunch is on us! Let us know you're coming by [registering here!](#)

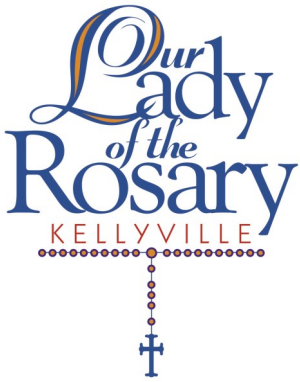
FRANCISCAN SHRINE OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS
Br. Bernard Fonkalsrud OFM Conv.,
Director



Come visit and pray in quiet beauty. The Chapel is open every day from 6am - 6pm.

For booking inquiries please visit our website [here](#)
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For Holy Communion to the sick OR housebound please call Br Louis on 0422 028 647.

Working bee Please join our working bee on Saturday 1 April from 10am until 12pm. We'll be cleaning the Church and its surrounds and decorating with palms for Palm Sunday. We really need you. More hands make less work! Morning tea will be provided.



Our Lenten Journey towards Easter

Each Friday of Lent (from 24 Feb. - 31 March incl.) :
7pm Mass followed by Stations of the Cross at 7.30pm
in the Parish Church - Reconciliation available

Mornings of each Friday during Lent at the Shrine
A Walking Stations of the Cross is held at the Shrine at 10.15am, after 9.30am Parish Mass. *Hat & water recommended.*

Lenten Group
Join us on **Tuesday** evenings,
after St. Anthony's 7pm Mass, in the parish office.
Contact Br. Louis on 0422 028 647 for more.

REGULAR PARISH MASS TIMES

Saturdays: 9:30am and 6pm (Sunday Vigil)
Sundays: 7am, 9am, 11am and 6pm
Mondays and Tuesdays: 6.45am and 7pm
Wednesdays, Thursdays : 6.45am and 9.30am
Fridays: 6.45am, 9.30am
(and 7pm on First Fridays of each month)

CONFESSION TIMES
10-10.30am on Saturdays and 7.30pm - 8pm on Mondays

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK Maureen and Bill Hinton, Andrew Foley, Tracy Capdor, Giuseppina Rossi, Stephanie, Christopher Anthony, Peter Prizas, Leo Keutman, Helen Lewis, Winnie Smith, Robin Banks, Ricardo Patane, Michael Dimech, Chris Ransom, Avelina Iberra, Saja Derbas, Nigel Napoli, Arnel Galeng, Andrea Bioco, Vitaliana Terrado, Antonino Pull, Betty Muldoon, Carmelo M Ortea, Josephine Murphy, Floralba Gonzalez, Maria Glinka, Doreen and Dudley Fernando, Wieslawa Kielich, Cosimo, Mary Arrowsmith, Sarah-Jane Baillon, Jo Fuller, Peter Crocker, Angelique Vanjour, Michelle Climpson, Matthew Francis Crowley, Miguel Cayari, Julie Windle, Marie Milligan, Scarlett Lizano, Daniella Gulate, Monty Roughe, Garry Robinson, Ona Hobs, Christopher Dean, Charlene Lucre, Janae Winpe, Joelle Fameli, Nancy Margaret Courtney, Janis Murphy, Eunice Ally, Paul Karam, Marie Adolphe, Iolanda Giannetta, Lucy Farrugia, Clement, Joseph Vella, Angela Vasta, Roy Fimmano, Rose Carroll, William and Lesley McEnally, Jacky Charles, Nelson Yupangco, John Killelea, Marija Jukic, Nissaka Gunawardena, Paul Opollito, Myra Fagel, Estella Odtojan, Dolores Carreon, Matthew Nazariat, Negin Safae, Norma Webber.

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The parish office is closed on Mondays.

Tuesday morning Masses will from now on include the St Anthony devotions, as on Tuesday nights.

Would you like your home consecrated to the Sacred Heart? Please contact Br. Louis if you would like your home consecrated to the Sacred Heart. The enthronement of the Sacred Heart, including a Certificate, will be given to the household. Call Br. Louis on 0422 028 647.

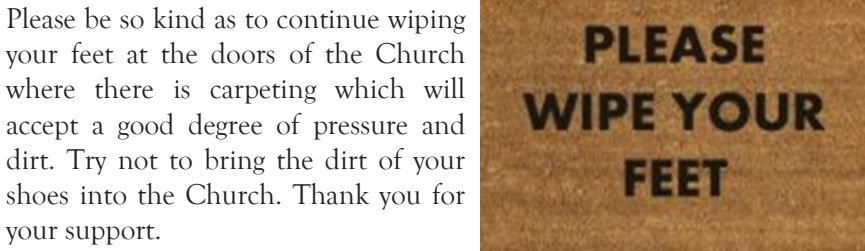
Shrine Sodality of the Holy Innocents Please contact Br. Louis on 0422 028 647 if you would like to join the Sodality which is open to anyone who is interested in assisting in the maintenance of the Shrine including gardening, cleaning, etc. There will also be spiritual benefits. Our first meeting is on Friday 10 March at 5pm at the Shrine.

Condolences to the families of Theresa de la Cruz whose funeral will be on Monday 13 March at 10am and Trevor Daniels whose funeral will be on Tuesday 14 March at 11am. May their Souls and the Souls of the Faithful Departed through the Mercy of God, rest in Peace.

Granny Flat for rent in Box Hill One bedroom with a single bed currently. It has bathroom with a washing machine. Also living room with full kitchen and bar fridge. Looking for a Catholic person. \$270 weekly including internet, electricity, gas, water. Available from 14 March. Email [here](#) (gaylemir@yahoo.com.au) text 0412 299 305.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Have you been trained in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd? Would you like to help in our parish? Please contact Beth for more details: 0402304451

Your Parish needs you Are you willing to serve as a "greeter" who welcomes parishioners to Sunday Mass or as a Lector or ExtraOrdinary Minister of Holy Communion? How about a glass door cleaner? Or would you like to take care of morning tea after attending Mass? There are other little jobs which, when done, also deserve a huge THANK YOU. If you are able to volunteer, please contact us at the office or email [here](#).



Thank you for last week's donation to the parish of \$2,385.00
Online donations are accepted through our parish website [here](#).

For emergencies only, call 9629-2595 and select 4 to leave a message and a priest will return your call.

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MASS & MINISTRIES - 11/12 MARCH 2023

Sat. 6pm	Acolyte Lectors: EM	John Caswell Philisha Chetty and Carol Caswell Ruth Hyland
7am	Acolyte Lectors: EM	John Huber Norma Evans and Gillian Pacheco Sandra Huber
9am	Acolyte Lectors: EM	Allen Fernandes Joseph Terrel and Soo Wong Rachel Calisura
11am	Acolyte Lectors: EM	Alex Cecilia Evelyn Zaballero and Caroline Ugarte Annette Tan
6pm	Acolyte Lectors: EM	Ferdinand Villanueva Bon A.and Rowena Villanueva Br. Louis

MASS & MINISTRIES - 18/19 MARCH 2023

Sat. 6pm	Acolyte Lectors: EM	Jun Jimenez Jose Calangi & Catherine Bareham Ponciana Pastorfide
7am	Acolyte Lectors: EM	John Huber Winnie Farrugia and Gillian Pacheco Sandra Huber
9am	Acolyte Lectors: EM	Allen Fernandes Soo Wong and Ann Maddy Margaret Samuels
11am	Acolyte Lectors: EM	Rodolfo Susi Del Arante and Evelyn Zaballero Annette Tan
6pm	Acolyte Lectors: EM	Arul Arulthasan Youth Group Elvira Tandingnan

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 11 - 18 MARCH

Sat. 11	9.15am 6pm	PRO POPULO Carmelo & Norman Quagliata
Sun. 12	7 am	Nerida, Carmela & Vincenzo Bombardiere
	9 am 11 am 6pm	Giovanni La Rosa Tony & Georgette, Jeannette Bichara Michele Catanzariti
Mon. 13	6.45am 7 pm	Doris & Carmen Spiteri Jacquelin Capdor
Tues. 14	6.45am 7 pm	John Saliba Bob Garratt
Wed. 15	6.45am	Andy Zahra, Wayne Holland, Sam Bugeja
	9.30am	Holy Souls
Thurs. 16	6.45am 9.30am	Erminia Vumbaca Holy Souls
Fri. 17	6.45am 9.30am	Holy Souls Charles, Grace Vella, Joseph Scicluna
	7pm	Holy Souls
Sat. 18	9.15am 6pm	Tomaso Manca Departed Priests & Religious

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‘Sir,’ said the woman, ‘give me some of that water, so that I may never get thirsty and never have to come here again to draw water. I see you are a prophet, sir’ said the woman. ‘Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, while you say that Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.’ Jesus said:

‘Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know; for salvation comes from the Jews. But the hour will come – in fact it is here already – when true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth: that is the kind of worshipper the Father wants. God is spirit, and those who worship must worship in spirit and truth.’

The woman said to him, ‘I know that Messiah – that is, Christ – is coming; and when he comes he will tell us everything.’ ‘I who am speaking to you,’ said Jesus ‘I am he.’

Many Samaritans of that town had believed in him on the strength of the woman’s testimony when she said, ‘He told me all I have ever done,’ so, when the Samaritans came up to him, they begged him to stay with them. He stayed for two days, and when he spoke to them many more came to believe; and they said to the woman, ‘Now we no longer believe because of what you told us; we have heard him ourselves and we know that he really is the saviour of the world.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Longer form 4:5-42

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES’ CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Be pleased, O Lord, with these sacrificial offerings, and grant that we who beseech pardon for our own sins, may take care to forgive our neighbour. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE OF 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour’s command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace.

LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Jn 4:13-14

For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. As we receive the pledge of things yet hidden in heaven and are nourished while

still on earth with the Bread that comes from on high, we humbly entreat you, O Lord, that what is being brought about in us in mystery may come to true completion. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with ysou.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

LIVING WATER

Despite the floods of recent years, Australians more than many people appreciate just how precious a resource water is. There would be very few of us who would not be able to remember living through some period of drought or scarcity of water. Our experience places us in a good position to appreciate the problem faced by the people of Israel. Having been rescued from the oppression of the Egyptians the people of Israel felt betrayed – had they been saved from Egypt only to perish in the desert by thirst? Despite their lack of faith God reached out through Moses and provided them with water in the desert.

When the Samaritan woman came to the well searching for water she could barely have imagined where her encounter with Jesus would lead. She came seeking water but left having come to terms with her past, and having led others to Jesus, the source of living water. As is so often the case, personal experience is the best teacher and having heard Jesus for themselves her fellow Samaritans come to see Jesus as their saviour and source of living water.

When Paul reflected on salvation history he came to see that despite the hardness of the human heart God has always been as he was with the people in the desert. The life-giving love of God has been poured into our hearts to quench our thirst and bring us to life. This love has always been freely given and undeserved. The most powerful proof of this is that Jesus died for us while we were yet sinners.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT / A

THE WATER OF LIFE. Jesus is the saviour of the world. In today’s Gospel he offers the water of life to a Samaritan woman who, in turn, becomes the first missionary of Jesus. She hurries to tell the people of her town about him. We, who have received the life of God in baptism, are also called to be missionaries by inviting others to come and see Jesus.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 24:15-16

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries. P. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

R. For we have sinned against you.

P. Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

R. And grant us your salvation.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

V. Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

The Gloria is not said during Lent.

COLLECT

P. O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Ex 17:3-7

A reading from the book of Exodus

Give us water to drink.

Tormented by thirst, the people complained against Moses. ‘Why did you bring us out

of Egypt?’ they said. ‘Was it so that I should die of thirst, my children too, and my cattle?’ Moses appealed to the Lord. ‘How am I to deal with this people?’ he said. ‘A little more and they will stone me!’ The Lord said to Moses, ‘Take with you some of the elders of Israel and move on to the forefront of the people; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the river, and go. I shall be standing before you there on the rock, at Horeb. You must strike the rock, and water will flow from it for the people to drink.’ This is what Moses did, in the sight of the elders of Israel. The place was named Massah and Meribah because of the grumbling of the sons of Israel and because they put the Lord to the test by saying, ‘Is the Lord with us, or not?’

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 94:1-2, 6-9. R. v. 8

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; / hail the rock who saves us. / Let us come before him, giving thanks, / with songs let us hail the Lord. **R.**
2. Come in; let us bow and bend low; / let us kneel before the God who made us / for he is our God and we / the people who belong to his pasture, / the flock that is led by his hand. **R.**
3. O that today you would listen to his voice! / ‘Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, / as on that day at Massah in the desert / when your fathers put me to the test; / when they tried me, though they saw my work.’ **R.**

SECOND READING

Rom 5:1-2, 5-8

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given to us.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God’s glory. This hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God



loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf. Jn 4:42, 15

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! / Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world; / give me living water, that I may never thirst again. / Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL

Jn 4:4-5, 19-26, 39-42

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

The water that I shall give will turn into a spring of eternal life.

Jesus came to the Samaritan town called Sychar, near the land that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob’s well is there and Jesus, tired by the journey, sat straight down by the well. It was about the sixth hour. When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, ‘Give me a drink.’ His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, ‘What? You are a Jew and you ask me, a Samaritan, for a drink?’ – Jews, in fact, do not associate with Samaritans. Jesus replied:

‘If you only knew what God is offering and who it is that is saying to you: Give me a drink, you would have been the one to ask, and he would have given you living water.’

‘You have no bucket, sir,’ she answered ‘and the well is deep: how could you get this living water? Are you a greater man than our father Jacob who gave us this well and drank from it himself with his sons and his cattle?’ Jesus replied:

‘Whoever drinks this water will get thirsty again; but anyone who drinks the water that I shall give will never be thirsty again: the water that I shall give will turn into a spring inside him, welling up to eternal life.’