

*Nineteenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Year C*

10 August 2025



**Readings: Sunday 10 August 2025**

**First Reading:** Wisdom 18:6–9  
**Second Reading:** Hebrews 11:1–2, 8–19  
**Gospel Reading:** Luke 12:32–48

**Readings: Sunday 17 August 2025**

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 38:4–6, 8–10  
**Second Reading:** Hebrews 12:1–4  
**Gospel Reading:** Luke 12:49–53

**Parish Mobile No. 0434 088 900**  
**Fr. Deonildo (Deo) De Andrade**  
**Priest in Residence.**

Success, wealth, and property are not always essential for the Christian life, but they can lead us to strive for even more of them. We can become sedentary and indifferent to what is happening around us. Instead, Jesus encourages us to be ready and free to respond to him. As we celebrate the conclusion of Vocations Awareness Week in Australia, we pray in thanksgiving for the countless fruitful ways in which we can live out our baptismal vocations in the world, and from which vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life can be grown and nurtured.

**2026 Columban Art Calendars can be purchased online by scanning the QR code available on the Poster on the Narthex Notice Board.**

**National Vocations Awareness Week –**

National Vocations Awareness Week - 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 MacKillops Daily thoughts...*

*Dear friend, put your trust in God, and keep  
up for the sake of those depending upon  
you...*



**Ordination Anniversary** - On Friday August 8<sup>th</sup> (the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop) I celebrated 44 years since my ordination as a priest by Archbishop Little. May I now ask a remembrance in your prayers as I begin year 45 of ministry and service?

*Archpriest Michael*

**Christian Meditation takes place every Thursday evening at 7pm. If you would like to join this group, please phone Lucy at the Parish Office on 93982964. MARANATHA!**

**Catholic Dating Q&A – Swipe Right on God's Plan. Part 2.** Wed 13 Aug, 8pm-9.30pm, Melbourne time. Online via Zoom. Ages 18-35. Join us for Part 2 of our honest, faith centred Q&A on dating relationships and discerning God's plan for your love life. Whether you came to Part 1 or are jumping in for the first time, expect fun, connection and practical wisdom. Whether you're single, dating, or somewhere in between. Contact Reshma 0422 531 316 or Matt 0421 952 963. Register for Zoom link <https://forms.gle/gPhc1VJAZC8NUoCA>

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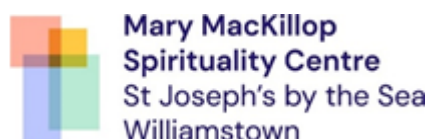
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## Liturgy Roster – 17 August, 2025

	Lectors	Special Ministers
6.00pm	Stephanie Tullilo	Mary Bartolo
8.30am	Asimita Banda	Brian Dalton
10.30am	Lisa Zammit	Paul Bugeja
Linen Roster August	Counting this week: Team 1 – 10.08.2025	Counting next week: Team 2 - 17.08.2025
Mary Dimech	Betty Fitzgerald Bill Fogarty Maureen Fogarty	Leticia Mauricio Raquel Arquesa Conee Manguiat

**Mary MacKillop Spirituality Ministry, at St Joseph's** by the Sea, Williamstown is a wonderful haven for people who seek to nurture contemplation, explore and celebrate the wonders of the Earth and universe, nourish the body, mind and spirit, and live into new ways of being. At the centre we offer, Reflection Days and Retreats, Conference Spaces and Accommodation. Scan for more information or contact us on [admin.sjbts@sosjspirit.org.au](mailto:admin.sjbts@sosjspirit.org.au)



**You are invited** - You are warmly invited to celebrate the **Feast Day of Saint Mary MacKillop of the Cross**

Australia's first saint and a woman of deep faith, compassion, and courage.

**Hosted by the Mary MacKillop Spirituality**

**Centre, Melbourne** Join the Sisters of Saint Joseph in prayer as we honour the life and legacy of Saint Mary MacKillop.

**Date:** Friday 8 August 2025

**Time:** 2:00 PM

**Followed by:** Light refreshments

**Location:** Mary MacKillop Spirituality Centre

362 Albert Street, East Melbourne

All are welcome as we gather in faith and community.

## Recently Deceased:

Gareth Jones; Bishop Peter Elliott

## Anniversaries & Remembrances:

Carmelo Meilak; William Wyro Shaw; Angeles & Henry Rigonan; Lynette Azzopardi; Abela Family; Cugley Family; Kelina Grioli; Sidharth Jeevan; Solomon; Peter Vu Van Trieu

## Prayers for the Sick:

Genna Angelowitch; Maura McCabe

**Mary MacKillop Today** – 2025 Auction & Fundraiser. Raising funds for life – changing small projects within Australia. Join us **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2025**, 12pm to 4pm at Mount St. Joseph Girls' College, 133 Maidstone Street, Altona. Tickets - \$55 per person, includes a two course meal, BYO Drinks. RSVP: Friday 22 August, 2025. Purchase tickets through [www.trybooking.com/DDIJG](http://www.trybooking.com/DDIJG) or use the QR code link which is on the Poster on the Narthex Notice Board. Contact the Srs. Of St. Josephs' regional office for questions. [Jan.Wadley@gmail.com](mailto:Jan.Wadley@gmail.com) 9861 9500.

Once again, I ask that Parishioners consider making a donation directly into our new **'MHOC Church Roof Repairs'** account: **BSB 083 347 a/c 444 803 007**. This dedicated account is held at the National Australia Bank and will only be used to make the required loan repayments for the Church roof repairs and the new Church office. **Alternatively, you are welcome to place your donation in an envelope marked 'roof repairs' with your name on the envelope (optional).** Thank you to all those who have made donations. The current balance owing on our roof repair is \$9,683.53.

Archpriest Michael Kalka.

*"Jesus said to his disciples: '....Sell your belongings and give alms. ....an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy. For where your treasure is, there also your heart will be.'" Luke 12:33-34*

A good way to examine "where our heart is," is to spend time reviewing our appointment calendar and our checkbook. Where am I spending my time and money? A thoughtful examination will reveal where our heart really is.



**HAVE YOUR  
LAMP LIT.  
BE READY.**





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<b>Office Hours:</b>	Tuesday to Friday 9am – 1pm
<b>Parish Priest:</b>	Archpriest Michael Kalka. JP
<b>Child Safety Officer:</b>	Mr Gavin Deller 0431 184 014
<b>Principal:</b>	Mrs Sonia Riccardi 9398 4842
<b>Mass Times:</b>	Saturday Vigil 6pm Sunday 8.30am & 10.30am
<b>Weekday Mass:</b>	Tuesday 5pm; Wed to Sat 9.15am
(or as advertised in the Parish Bulletin and Parish Website)	
<b>Reconciliation:</b>	Saturday at 9.45am or by request
<b>Maltese/English</b>	
<b>Reconciliation:</b>	2nd Friday at 4.00pm
<b>Anointing of the Sick and Elderly:</b>	Once per quarter at Mass or by request
<b>Rosary:</b>	After the 9.15 a.m. Mass, Wednesday to Saturday
<b>Marriages &amp; Baptisms:</b>	by appointment

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**First Collection:** (Loose cash) For the support of the Archbishop, sick and retired priests and our Parish Priest.






## Our Parish Prayer



Almighty God, deepen in our hearts our love of Mary Help of Christians.  
Through her prayers and under her protection,  
may the light of Christ shine over our land.  
May Australia be granted harmony, justice and peace.  
Grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity to our citizens.  
Bless especially those who care for the poor and who seek to promote  
justice and peace for all who call Australia home.  
We ask this through Christ Our Lord.  
Amen.


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