

THE ROSARY RECORD

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH
AUGUST 11 2024 | NINETEENTH
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | YEAR B

St Mary of the Cross Mackillop 1842 - 1909

Mary Mackillop, now known as St Mary of the Cross, is truly an inspiration for every age. To understand her, we need to understand something of **the contexts of her life**.

The Australian social context throughout most of her life, was difficult. South Australia's boast was "no convicts and no papists" (i.e. no Catholics – considered an undesirable sub-class, who, obviously, infiltrated, successfully). While the **Aboriginal tribes** were being dispossessed and herded into missions, gold rushes in Victoria saw **the massive influx of migrants and great imbalances in society**. This culminated in a severe and **lasting depression** in the late 1880s, amplified by what was known as the **Federation Drought**, which saw evictions of families from homes, and widespread poverty.

In her own home, in **Melbourne**, Mary's family life was often chaotic: her father was a poor provider, and her mother's faults, observed by Mary, made for an unhappy family life. **Mary, being the eldest of 8 children, quickly learned the practical skills** of how to manage and help raise the children. The family often moved and had to rely on relatives for shelter and support. However, for all his impracticality, **her father, well - educated from his seminary days in Rome, home-schooled her and laid the intellectual foundations** which she would later put to such good use: firstly, as a governess to her cousins in Penola, South Australia, then in Portland, Victoria, as a teacher, where she gathered her scattered family. The Portland venture failed because of the debts her father incurred. I think we can conclude that from **her personal experience** of family poverty and financial insecurity, **a profound understanding and compassion for the poor was deepened in her**.

Founded in Penola, SA in 1866, her **Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart**, were drawn largely from rural and lower- and working-class families, able to bravely face the changing realities of the times. The Josephite Sisters responded so quickly – they opened refuges for abandoned women and children. The Sisters provided a Catholic education, especially for the poor. Government funding stopped totally in 1880 for Catholic schools, although the Josephites never accepted it when available.

While there was turmoil in society in general, **Mary experienced unprecedented difficulties from within the Church and her own Sisters**. The co-founder, **Fr Tension Woods** had to be removed from the direction of the Sisters as he was interfering in the Order's direction. **Bishops wanted to "own" the Sisters** for their dioceses and control them, wresting them from the authority of Mary. Some Sisters, emotionally unbalanced yet claiming to be mystics, and unsuitable for community life, **caused difficulties in the Adelaide Convent**. Some Sisters accused her of alcoholism because she took a teaspoon of brandy, under the supervision of the infirmarian Sister, for a medical condition she suffered. Some, not all, priests claimed the nuns were poorly educated for their teaching profession and sided with the bishops over local control of the Sisters. **It all culminated in September 1871 with the illegal excommunication of Mary by Archbishop Shiels for alleged insubordination**. 49 Sisters were also expelled from, or left, their convent life. This was a mere four years after the foundation of the Josephites. Most of the schools were closed and the Sisterhood almost disbanded. Mary was taken in by a Protestant family, and a Jesuit priest, realising the invalidity of the excommunication, continued to give her Holy Communion. **The excommunication was removed 4 months later on 21 February 1872 by order of the bishop, nine days before he died**.

What sustained her through all this? A profound prayer life; an acceptance of the Cross in her life out of love of her well-discerned vocation for the building up of the Church: After all she took the religious name "**Mary of the Cross**" – in union with Our Lady at the foot of the cross and the pierced Heart of Jesus - central to that title.

She could easily have rejected the church that rejected her in the person of the archbishop - but she didn't. She even **refused to allow her sisters to speak ill of the archbishop who excommunicated her** – distinguishing the office from the holder of the office. She saw poverty, meaning simplicity of life, as a virtue, especially for her Sisters, even as she sought to overcome material poverty for the people. For all her social work, hers was a **profoundly religious vocation in motivation and vision**: to bring people to God and to the Church through good deeds, and good instruction in the Faith.

Some of her sayings, to conclude with:

Believe in the whisperings of God to your own heart. Never see a need without doing something about it. In all difficulties, apply to St Joseph. And on her tomb in North Sydney: "Remember, we are but travellers here." PHMSC

We acknowledge the traditional owners the Gadigal Clans of the Eora Nation, who cared for this land for thousands of years and their descendants who have maintained these Spiritual connections and traditions.



THIS WEEK

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.



John 6: 51

SATURDAY 10 AUGUST

5:00pm - 5.30pm Reconciliation

5:30pm MASS - NOTE: NEW TIME DURING WINTERTIME

SUNDAY 11 AUGUST

9:30am Mass + KidsChurch, Morning Tea

3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass

5:30pm - 6:00pm Reconciliation

6:00pm Mass

MONDAY 12 AUGUST – ST JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL

9:00am Mass

6:00pm Adoration

WEDNESDAY 14 AUGUST – ST MAXIMILLIAN MARY KOLBE

9:00am Mass

THURSDAY 15 AUGUST – ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

9:00am OLR School Mass

5:00pm Holy Hour/Adoration

6:00pm Mass

FRIDAY 16 AUGUST – ST STEPHEN OF HUNGARY

9:00am Mass

SATURDAY 17 AUGUST – FINANCE REPORT

5:00pm – 5.30pm Reconciliation

5:30pm MASS - NOTE: NEW TIME DURING WINTERTIME

SUNDAY 18 AUGUST – FINANCE REPORT

9:30am Mass + KidsChurch, Morning Tea

3:30pm Indonesian Community Mass

5:30pm - 6:00pm Reconciliation

6:00pm Mass

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MASS TIMES

Sat 5:30pm (Vigil), Sun 9:30am, 6pm

Mon, Wed, Fri - 9am, Thurs 6pm

Indonesian Mass Sun 3:30pm

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

9:00am Mass First Friday

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5:00-5:30pm

Sunday 5.30-6.00pm

Thursday 5:00pm-6pm

ROSARY

First Saturday of each month

BAPTISMS | WEDDINGS | SACRAMENTS | RCIA

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RESPONSES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

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

FIRST READING

1 Kings 19: 4-8

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 4: 30-5:2

ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

GOSEL

John 6: 41-51

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

Separation of Priests residence from office and new office kitchenette is underway - a safeguarding requirement.

PPC to meet: date to be confirmed

OREMUS

Let us Pray

SICK

Selina Fung, Faalele Jane Reekers, Wong Chung Hua, Rinda Wijaja Suparto, Fr Terry Bowman, Eleonora Mezzatesta, Anna Vigliante, John Stuart Park, Kim Michelle Pastor, Nyauw Kim Tjin, Cendrati Kurniawan (*mother of Henny Wong*), Shona Kaiwai, Grace Provino, Hima, Margaret McShane, Evelyn Marquez, Maria & Ivan Zic, Grace Veronica, Amina Chahrouk, Salvatore Messina, Elisabetta Nesci, Umberto Vaccarella, A.L., Xavier Stratton, Rose Alessio, Joanna & family, Gavin Robertson, Chris (*Cindy's husband*), Manuel Mouco, Eva (*Nicole's mum*), Paul Galea, Lynne Chaundhuri

PARISHIONERS IN RESIDENTIAL CARE/HOMEBOUND

Margaret Stocker, Terrence Hertford, Brian Beaver, Rose Kelter, Sebastiano Gentile, Robert Preece, Gai Tyne, Gina Vizacos, John Dorahy, Frank Mifsud, William Van Burke, Brenda Longworth, Christine Moyle, Fr Chris Murphy msc, Olga Nasser, Jill Rees, Sayde Harb, Maria Pockaj, Gwen Smith, Lucienne Radzysinski, Nicole Chiaradia

BELOVED DECEASED

Dr John Morgan, Stephen Hannan, Valerie June Sloane, Om Akwang, Br Eugene Nguyen Van Ly fsc, Maureen Hearne (*Sr Helen's sister*), Ho Chi Ying

ANNIVERSARIES

Lupo Macolino, Fr Peter Robinson msc, Peter Mifsud, Fr Christopher Sheehy, Vincent McGuinness, Joy Simon, Leo O'Sullivan, Vincent Leonard, Marie Bourke, Maria Sidoti, Carmel Kearney (Fr Terry's sister), Doris White, Tereza Rodrigues, Leonard See, Lyn King, Jack Papallo, Sr Philomene Tiernan rscj

ROSTERS

10/11 AUG	SAT 5.30PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	John Ryan	Yosep Rizal	John Allen
Readers	Bernadine Lavender Br Rory Higgins	Jeff Kildea Ana Corpuz POF Parish Children	Isabel Reyes Patricia Reyes
E. Ministers	Jan Nicholas	Andreas Johan Robyn Kildea	Michael Reyes
KidsChurch	Lily & Mary Ellen		
Counters	Johanna Jahja, Inge Sutanto		
Comm to Sick	Robyn Kildea		
17/18 AUG	SAT 5.30PM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 6PM
Acolyte	Danny Tjahjadi	Gus Alimhamzah	Handojo Widjaja
Readers	Simona Wong Cathy Shiner	Kayla Thumwanich Michelle Alimhamzah	Natalie Kuirintinus Geraldine Marcellino
E. Ministers	Shilla Azalea	Dewi Suryani Amalia Iovanelia	Patricia Reyes
KidsChurch	Caroline & Eka		
Counters	Helen Liew, Jan Nicholas		
Comm to Sick	Josue Castro		

Eulogy (excerpts) for Vietnamese Br. Eugene Ly DLS by Br Benildus, OLR 1 August 2024

Br Benildus first met Br Eugene "in a boarding and day boy's school (named Mossard) not far from Saigon; at that time, I was only a kid of 13 years old. I noticed sometimes Bro. Eugene was quite stern with the unruly students but after the school time he relaxed joyfully with us in playing soccer or had fun in the swimming pool... His sibling was also a DLS Brother (named Constance). He gave us some French lessons and showed us how to build toys and gadgets...

He was fluent in French and gifted in the knowledge of electricity and electronics so he was chosen to go to Belgium to get higher qualifications as an engineer. After graduation he returned to Vietnam, was appointed in a secondary school in the South of Saigon, where I was teaching as a very young brother... Two years later, the two of us were appointed to Dalat in a technical college. Bro Eugene was the principal...

Unfortunately, the all-war effort in Vietnam became more and more atrocious, brutal.... One province after another fell into the control of the communist armies. Everywhere people started an exodus to a safer place; they didn't mind to leave everything behind: house, property, animals, field, business... and moved away. They were certain the recrimination, the revenge, the punishment, and the pillages... of the "winners" will be the daily heartbreaking facts.

In March 1975 the local government recommended we withdraw from the Highland area (Dalat) and move to Saigon. It was a very hard decision to close the technical college...Joining with the people, we followed a long queue of refugees, by using all kinds of available transport: bicycles, motor cycles, any functioning cars, trucks, tractors, military vehicles... even by foot. Along the escaping path, we witnessed a lot of destruction, burning property, corpses.

In Saigon we were dispersed in different DLS houses...Then on the 30th of April 1975, the South Vietnamese government surrendered without condition to the communist armies to avoid bloodshed and annihilations of the capital!... The fear, the chaos, the despair, the lamentation... were expressed on the face of everybody.

All DLS Brothers...were permitted to leave or to stay in the country. In a small group of 5 brothers, we decided and planned to leave Vietnam together. On the night of the 4th of May 1975, we came down to the Southernmost coast of the country, hoping to find an "illegal" way to escape. A friendly parish priest introduced us to a catholic fisher's family; they wanted to leave the country like us. They accepted us as members of the family. But unfortunately, one of our Brothers in the group was lost among the crowd in town. He was Eugene' sibling! The hard reality was that we've never heard or known his whereabouts, even 50 years later! In the little fishing motorboat with 18 people in it, we reached the shore of Thailand safely in a calm sea after two nights and one day. We were able to contact to the DLS Brothers in Bangkok for assistance... only after 6 weeks of refugee's life we obtained the permission to get out of Thailand and the visa to enter Australia...So in mid-June 1975, four of us (Bros. Herman, Eugene, Marcel and Benilde) arrived in Sydney, warmly welcomed by Brother Quentin and other Brothers at the airport. The Winter weather was so cold but the brotherhood, so warm.

Bro. Eugene had some French teaching time in the DLS Malvern (Vic) school but later he gave it up and got a job as an electronic engineer in a Dunlop's tyre factory. Later he taught in New Caledonia, and many years in Cameroon, Africa where he established a technical school.

He spent his last years at Karlaminda and died in St Joseph's Aged Care, Kensington.

DREAM
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HOLY HOURS

Join us for Adoration **Monday 12th August**
6pm-7pm (call in for a few minutes
or stay the whole hour)
And Thursdays before 6:00pm Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES

First Friday Masses with anointing of the Sick at 9am. PHMSC

FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION

Please join us at OLR Church on the **first Saturday of each month** for the "5 first Saturdays Devotion" associated with Our Lady of Fatima. **5.00pm Rosary with confessions available | 5.30pm Mass.**

CATHOLIC JOURNEY

Are you or someone you know interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith? Our parish offers RCIA for adults with the enquiry sessions commencing 13 August. Please contact us on 9663 1070 or at olrkensoevangelise@gmail.com for more information. All parishioners welcomed to attend any or all of the sessions.

PARISH COLLECTIONS 3/4 AUG

First Collection	\$953
Second Collection	\$518
Envelope Collection	\$725

OLR SCHOOL - YEAR 2B



This term in Year 2B, students have been learning about the unit 'Caring for all Creation'. The main focus is on living in the right

relationships with all of God's creation. Students have listened to the parable of 'The Good Samaritan' and have reflected on the behaviour of the priest, Levite and Samaritan, the possible reasons for their decisions, and the generosity of the Samaritan. They also explored the meaning of 'neighbour' as expressed in the story and considered who their 'neighbours' are. Through this parable, students have also explored Jesus' teaching about caring for others and have reflected on their relationships with others. In the second part of the unit, students have explored the beauty and diversity of creation and their responsibility towards it. They have also understood the interconnectedness of creation. Students have learnt that the world is made up of many ecosystems all dependent on each other, that one part of creation affects other parts. The Year two students will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation next term. We ask that the parish community keep them in their prayers.

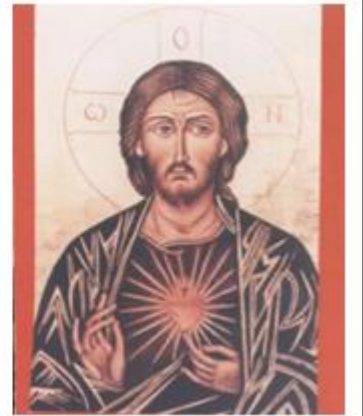


A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at 9390 5810 Or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

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- Tuesday, 27 August - Corpus Christi College Maroubra: 35 Donovan Ave, Maroubra
- Wednesday, 28 August - De La Salle College Revesby Heights: 9 Ferndale Road, Revesby Heights

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SUNDAY TEEN MEET UP
PRAISE AND WORSHIP - GAMES - BIBLE STUDY
18TH AUG 2024
11.30AM - 1.30PM
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