

16th August, 2026, 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time /A

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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For our Deceased: Anthony Popple, Fr Troy Bobbin, Denise O'Reilly, Deceased
Family, Friends, Victims of war, violence, accidents & natural
disasters.

Aug 22-23

Ariah Park 6 .00 p.m. Sat Mass

Mass

Barmedman 8am. Temora 10am & 5pm Sunday

Liturgy

Ardlethan **9am** Barellan 10am Sunday

Reflection - Woman, You Have Great Faith!

The Canaanite woman in today's Gospel enjoyed no status in the eyes of the Jewish people of her time. She was someone to be scorned and ignored. Yet, in her deep love for her daughter and her great faith, she is a model of the true disciple of Jesus. She reminds us that what identifies us as Christians most fundamentally is our faith, our hope and our love.



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O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.

Matthew 15:28

These passages show the wide embrace of God's plan. No one is left out if they seek Him with faith. The Canaanite woman's courage in asking Jesus for help teaches us to keep praying, even when it seems hard. Paul's message tells us that mercy is for all, and Isaiah's vision points to a future where every person is welcome to worship.

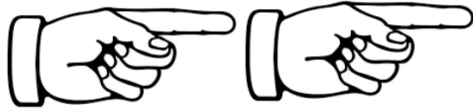
On this Sunday the readings remind us that faith, trust, and hope unite people from every land. God's love reaches past barriers of culture, history, and nation. His call is the same for everyone: come, believe, and be made whole.

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*May I be loving, open, and aware in this moment;
 If I cannot be loving, open, and aware in this moment, may I be kind;
 If I cannot be kind, may I be nonjudgmental;
 If I cannot be nonjudgmental, may I not cause harm;
 If I cannot not cause harm, may I cause the least harm.*

Larry Yang



I HAD IT WRONG LAST WEEK



NEW MASS TIMES from 1st SEPTEMBER



- ◆ Every **3rd Saturday** of the month - **8am** with Fr. Alex
- ◆ When there is a **5th Saturday** — at **6pm** with Fr Alex.
- ◆ Sunday liturgies **2nd & 4th Sundays** at **9am** (No change)
- ◆ Gets tricky when there is a 5th Saturday this will effect our 2nd & 4th Sunday liturgies, we will have these changes in the bulletin
- ◆ **1st Sunday** of the month—NO Service or Mass

Saint Mary MacKillop Feast Day

Date: 8th August

Saint Mary MacKillop Feast Day is an annual observance dedicated to remembering the life and legacy of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Australia's first canonised saint. Mary MacKillop was a pioneer in education and social justice who devoted her life to opening schools and helping children, especially those from disadvantaged backgrounds, gain access to learning. She also co-founded the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart, a religious order committed to serving communities across Australia and beyond. The day honours her commitment, compassion, and lasting influence in education and community service.

(Bulletin was full last week, this Feast Day was observed last week.)

***Let us pray,** Ever generous God, you inspired St Mary MacKillop to live your mission of bringing hope and encouragement to those marginalised, disheartened, lonely, sick and needy. With confidence in your generous providence and praying with St Mary MacKillop we place our needs before you ... We trust in your loving care for us, Amen.*

"Though our crosses and sorrows are in a manner great, our own dear Lord's love is much greater."
Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop (1871)

Roster 23rd August

Leader: Tracey Passlow

Reader: Ian Lucas

Ex. Minister : Ian Lucas

Acknowledgement of Country - With respect, we acknowledge the country, the skies, the waterways and spiritual systems of the Wiradjuri people on whose land we gather. We acknowledge the elders for the passing on of knowledge, language and spiritual connections to country.

Parish Safeguarding Commitment — Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Ardlethan/Sacred Heart Arianah Park is committed to safeguarding and upholding the rights of all our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families and carers and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to and to be protected. Parishioners are encouraged to raise any concerns they may have by emailing Fr Alex Osborne at alex.osborne@cg.org.au. Parishioners are also welcome to contact Maria Hicks, manager for the Archdiocesan Institute for Professional Standards & Safeguarding (IPSS) at ipss@cg.org.au or phone 02-62399806.