

ST MARY MACKILLOP DAILY THOUGHTS PERPETUAL CALENDER – UPDATED MMP NOV/DEC 2012 – COPY TO PRINTERS, DEC 2012.

1 January	The bells are just ringing the New Year in and I heartily wish you a happy and holy one. (1.1.1880)
2 January	Let us all pray that the spirit of St Joseph will accompany his children, and that they may do much good for themselves and others. (1.4.1890)
3 January	May our good God help us all (3.1.1876)
4 January	God is all goodness and love. (2.1.1880) <i>Mary MacKillop opens Bay View House School for young ladies, Portland, Victoria, 1864.</i> <i>Julian Tenison Woods ordained priest, Adelaide, 4.1.1857.</i>
5 January	I can only beg of you to be faithful and to help all under your care to the best of your power. (1877)
6 January	Have good courage for God is so very good to us all. (6.1.1870)
7 January	My one constant prayer for those that I love is that God in his love may grant them a happy death. (7.1.1868)
8 January	God is good. (8.1.1872)
9 January	We know God delights in being manifested through the weakness of others (1871)
10 January	Let us never forget that God has done wonders for us and wonderfully protected us in our helplessness. (3.3.1882) <i>Fifth General Chapter, Mary MacKillop re-elected Mother General, Sydney, 1899.</i>
11 January	Yet for all that, my good God watched over me and guarded me when I did not try to guard myself. (1873)
12 January	Do not be afraid. Love one another, bear with one another, and let charity guide you in all your life. (From the last letter typewritten by Mother Mary herself. (12.1.1909) <i>Foundation stone of Mary MacKillop Memorial Chapel blessed, 12.1.1913.</i>
13 January	Earnestly desire to live more purely for God, especially in little things, and by such means, to be faithful in greater. (Retreat notes 1877)
14 January	Let me humbly place myself in the presence of my God, of my God who created me, my God who redeemed me, my God who sanctified me. (Retreat notes 1877) <i>Death of Annie MacKillop, Mary's sister, 14.1.1929.</i>
15 January	Do have courage. We must all willingly and with constancy suffer all that God sends for our good. (15.1.1872) <i>Birth of Mary MacKillop in Brunswick Street, Melbourne, Victoria, 15.1.1842.</i>
16 January	God is all powerful and can do all things. (16.1.1875)
17 January	Much that is hidden from us is known to God, and many things which we condemn are pleasing to God because God sees the motives and we see only the result. (Book of Customs) <i>Mary MacKillop visits New Zealand convents, 1894 till 1895.</i>
18 January	God is good and has brought light and help when all was very dark. (18.1.1899) <i>Mary MacKillop Memorial Chapel, North Sydney, blessed & opened by Archbishop Michael Kelly. 18.1.1914.</i>

19 January	Divine Spirit of Wisdom and Goodness, enlighten my mind, penetrate its blindness. Make me in all things what I ought to be. (Retreat notes 1877) <i>Beatification of Mary MacKillop, Sydney, 1995.</i> <i>Pope John Paul II prays at Mary MacKillop's Tomb, North Sydney, 19.1.1995.</i>
20 January	Have a pure heart and be faithful (1871) <i>Penola School begun in a stable, 1866.</i>
21 January	True charitable humility is open. It is generous in its motives. It troubles not about either the esteem or censure of people. (21.1.1870) <i>Birth of Alexander MacKillop, Mary's father, Scotland, 21.1.1812.</i>
22 January	True Humility seems to me to be unreal unless accompanied by a sweet and thoughtful charity. (3.6.1870)
23 January	Let not your crosses make you unhappy. (28.2.1890) <i>Mary MacKillop unwell, goes to Rotorua Springs in New Zealand with her sister, Annie, 1902.</i>
24 January	Let your motto be: God alone. (1873)
25 January	It is in love that God leads me, by love that God reproves me, by love that God lets me see love in all. (1873)
26 January	With fondest love and praying God to bless you all and grant you a truly happy New Year. (2.1.1882)
27 January	Keep up your courage, we do not live here forever. (27.1.1877) <i>Visit of Bishop Sheil to Penola; Mary MacKillop addressed as 'Sister Mary', 1867</i>
28 January	Do all you can to assist and love one another. (28.1.1890) <i>Mary's remains transferred from Gore Hill Cemetery to the Chapel erected in her memory, North Sydney, 28.1.1914.</i>
29 January	We must take things quietly and just do what our Good God enables us, and no more. (1875) <i>Mary MacKillop's remains re-interred in the Tomb at the front of the altar of Mary the Mother of God, Mary MacKillop Memorial Chapel, North Sydney, 29.1.1914.</i>
30 January	I now write, and both for myself and Sisters, beg that you will come to help us on with God's Work. (30.1.1867) <i>Mary MacKillop and her sister Lexie MacKillop opened the first Josephite School in a reconditioned stable, in Penola, 1866.</i>
31 January	Many things we condemn are pleasing to God, because God sees the motives. (1907)
1 February	In God alone I trust. (1.2.1874)
2 February	If you knew the peace and calm, the almost joyful passionate love for God's will, you would not trouble about having to convey your disappointments to me. (2.2.1871) <i>Death of Father Donald MacKillop sj, Mary's brother, 2.2.1925.</i>
3 February	I felt peace and the warmest confidence that out of these terrible troubles, and scandals even, good would come. (To Monsignor Kirby 1873) <i>Sisters move into Franklin Cottage, Adelaide, South Australia, 1869.</i>
4 February	God loves us all. (1906)

5 February	True happiness here below depends on ourselves not on those around us. (1907)
6 February	God give me strength for what is necessary. (11.6.1877)
7 February	The prayer of a humble heart is a powerful weapon (26.4.1873)
8 February	God will provide for the future. (1907)
9 February	Truly our great God will be gratified by the love and zeal of many. (30.6.1873) <i>Maori Mission at Matata, New Zealand, 1891.</i>
10 February	God's will be done (10.2.1882) <i>Death of Father Tappeiner sj, 1882</i>
11 February	Gratitude is the memory of the heart. (1907)
12 February	Value your crosses as the most precious presents from a good and loving God. (26.2.1890)
13 February	The love of Jesus is too strong for me not to cling to (1873)
14 February	Today God has been so good to me. (14.6.1874)
15 February	Let self be forgotten, let God's holy will be done. (16.2.1875)
16 February	Have patience with yourselves when you see that you have failed and patience with others when they seem to have done so. (16.2.1874)
17 February	I knew God would take care of all and make everything right in the end. (17.7.1892)
18 February	God wants us by every means in our power to lead others to life. (1899)
19 February	Do not let your troubles disturb your trust in God. (19.2.1885)
20 February	No matter how many or how great be your shortcomings, you shall certainly succeed in the end. (16.2.1874)
21 February	Near the Sacred Heart we are strong and without fear. (21.2.1870)
22 February	Do not, to please others, go beyond your strength, and attempt more than you are able for. (22.2.1899)
23 February	My God be praised for all things (23.2.1870) <i>Bishop Sheil, very ill, removes excommunication from Mary MacKillop, and expresses sorrow for being misled by bad advisers, 1872.</i>
24 February	May St Joseph shower many special graces upon each and every one of you. (24.2.1900)
25 February	The Cross is my portion – it is also my sweet rest and support. (To Flora MacKillop 26.2.1872)
26 February	Will you not help me to be faithful, will you not cheer me on with your kind, good prayers. (26.2.1872)
27 February	God wants an heroic love from you. (To Flora MacKillop 26.2.1872) <i>Birth of John MacKillop, Mary's brother, 27.2.1845.</i>
28 February	Look upon your crosses as stepping stones to the eternal life of happiness. (28.2.1890) <i>Mary MacKillop baptised by Father Geoghegan OSF in St Francis Church, Melbourne 1842.</i>
29 February	How good God is to me and how much reason I have to be grateful. (22.2.1899) <i>Mary MacKillop seriously ill in Melbourne, 1892.</i>

1 March	I saw that God would provide the means, would guide me on the way, and would provide a friend to do for me what I could not do myself. (To Monsignor Kirby 1873)
2 March	Be patient and work generously in the service of our Divine Lord. (3.3.1898)
3 March	I am sorry sometimes to see a kind of little-mindedness where there ought to be more generosity and simple trust. (3.3.1882)
4 March	Pray that prosperity may not elate, nor adversity ever shake your courage and generosity in the service of God. (4.3.1891) <i>Mary MacKillop governess to Camerons, Penola Station, South Australia, where Mary first met Father Julian Tenison Woods. (1860-1862)</i>
5 March	I hope that you have had more charity and trust and that you have not judged by appearances. (5.3.1900)
6 March	Let St Joseph's true children remember their mission and seek first the poorest, most neglected parts of God's vineyard. (6.3.1900)
7 March	Be faithful in the least as well as in the greatest. (3.3.1873)
8 March	Let us do the will of God, the beautiful, wise will of God. (5.3.1870)
9 March	In every difficulty apply to St Joseph with confidence and you will never be disappointed. (9.3.1906)
10 March	God has always helped me and I have more than every cause to trust in Him. (10.3.1874)
11 March	When we remember all God has done for us, we simply cannot but turn gratefully to St Joseph and thank him for such marks of his watchful care. (11.3.1901)
12 March	Be of good heart and let no false fear of God disturb the loving trust and confidence you have in God's mercy and love. No matter what, God is merciful and wants you to trust in this sweet mercy. (12.3.1876)
13 March	Let us ever remember we have been called by God and God has a right to our perfect service. (12.3.1899)
14 March	To you all then, my dear Sisters, I wish a very happy Feast. (14.3.1892) <i>Mary MacKillop returns to Rome, 1874.</i>
15 March	Let us ask ourselves if we give God the perfect service to which God has the right. (12.3.1899)
16 March	May God be praised for all. (16.3.1870)
17 March	Take care of yourself and don't work beyond your strength. (17.3.1901)
18 March	What can I say or desire but His glory and His will (18.3.1874)
19 March	Let us be entirely God's. (19.3.1874) <i>Mary MacKillop wears a plain black dress as a sign of Religious dedication, 1866. Sisters restored to their habits, St Ignatius' Church, Norwood, South Australia, 1872. First General Chapter. Constitutions accepted. Mary MacKillop elected Superior General, 1875. New Novitiate opened in Sydney, 1884. 6th General Chapter. Mary MacKillop re-elected, 1905.</i>
20 March	Courage, courage, trust in God who helps you in all things. (10.3.1874)
21 March	Let us, one and all, try to remember why God called us here. (21.3.1878)
22 March	Let us be joyful and thank God. (19.3.1874)

23 March	He is a just and merciful God, you may be sure that the trial is sent in love. (6.8.1895) <i>Mary MacKillop returns from New Zealand, 1895.</i>
24 March	God's love for us is best shown in times of aridity. (25.3.1870)
25 March	In St Joseph's care I leave you. (25.3.1873)
26 March	Let us at any cost be faithful. (26.3.1873)
27 March	May God bless and strengthen you. Confide all to God. See how God carries us through the storms. (27.3.1872)
28 March	God's presence seems to follow me everywhere and makes everything I do or wish to do a prayer. (28.3.1870) <i>Mary MacKillop departs for Rome, 1873</i>
29 March	Oh how good God is! (29.3.1870)
30 March	May God help me to do what is right. (March 1898)
31 March	May God give you patience and courage in your sufferings. (March 1904)
1 April	Goodbye forever to all old scores. (1.4.1890)
2 April	To me, the will of God is a dear book which I am never tired of reading and which has always some new charm for me. Nothing is too little to be noticed. (1873)
3 April	I cannot forget that there is a dear good God watching over us. (3.4.1871)
4 April	Have courage, trust in God, St Joseph and our Blessed Mother, and you need have no fear. (4.4.1905)
5 April	There where you are, you will find God. (1871)
6 April	Do all you can to work in unity. (6.4.1882)
7 April	Have courage (7.4.1870) <i>Sisters return to Queensland: to Clermont in the Rockhampton diocese at the request of Bishop Higgins, 1900.</i>
8 April	Whatever troubles may be before you, accept them cheerfully, remembering whom you are trying to follow. (12.1.1909)
9 April	See the protecting...hand of God in all that is happening. (1885)
10 April	Cling to God's love and grace. (1890)
11 April	Have we not all taken up the cross and shall we shrink from carrying it? (11.4.1876)
12 April	Try to make yourself happy and do not give way to low spirits or anxiety of any kind. (12.4.1873)
13 April	Let us all have courage. (13.4.1874)
14 April	Try always to be generous with God. (14.4.1882) <i>Sisters commence teaching in Bacchus Marsh, Victoria, 14.4.1890.</i>
15 April	Hoping that you will patiently do your best to encourage those confided in your care. (To a Sister 15.4.1890)
16 April	I feel more trust in God than ever. (13.4.1874)
17 April	Remember that we must always expect, from time to time, to receive 'crosses' and know that we also give them. (14.4.1882)
18 April	We may feel our crosses hard at times, but our courage should rise with them. (14.4.1882)

19 April	God loves generosity in us. (14.4.1882)
20 April	It is not those who can pay us well that we should first seek, but rather the poor and neglected where we can find the means of supporting them. (25.5.1875)
21 April	God be praised. (1898)
22 April	All will be right with time and a little patience. (23.12.1873)
23 April	Be determined with God's help to always be sincere. (17.12.1872)
24 April	The work of God goes on, and for this we have much to thank Him. (24.4.1876) <i>Mary MacKillop leaves Rome, 1874.</i>
25 April	Lean upon God. (25.4.1873)
26 April	I can only say I am most happy. I have my little annoyances and humiliations, it is true, but these only make me more happy. (26.4.1873)
27 April	Hoping that you will be happy and full of courage (27.4.1875) <i>Birth of Donald MacKillop, Mary's brother, 27.4.1853.</i>
28 April	God is so good - we ought to cling to Him with love and hope (28.4.1873)
29 April	No duty is too little to be done well. (26.4.1873)
30 April	Judge not, leaving that most painful duty to those appointed for it. (26.4.1873)
1 May	God's presence is before me almost in everything, and I love to come to God in prayer as to my dearest and only Friend. (To Monsignor Kirby 1873)
2 May	Entreat God to make us all that we should be (1873) <i>Father Woods draws up the first simple Josephite Rule, 1867</i>
3 May	Never be ashamed of work done for God and God's poor. (3.5.1874)
4 May	God's will and glory and in these, the good of our Australian children, is alone what we seek. (4.5.1873)
5 May	Always try to have success in your work but remember God is often glorified in your failure. (3.5.1874)
6 May	When I want something very much I thank God beforehand for I feel God will certainly grant what He has been thanked for. (3.5.1874)
7 May	Have courage, no matter what your crosses are. (7.5.1890)
8 May	Keep young as long as you can. (3.5.1874) <i>New Convent and Novitiate opened at Kensington, South Australia, 1876.</i>
9 May	I feel that the cause is great and much depends upon it, and I know that if the work is God's, that it must succeed, and if not, I only desire God's Will be done. (To Father Poupinel sm 9.5.1873)
10 May	Live in perfect charity and love, aiding and mutually encouraging one another in the thorny yet strong sweet path marked out for each of us to follow. (10.3.1907)
11 May	Pray for the poor people speaking against us. (3.5.1874)

	<i>Mary MacKillop arrives in Rome, 1873</i> <i>Mary MacKillop suffers a stroke, 1902.</i>
12 May	I would rather be judged for any other sin than for uncharitableness. (3.5.1874)
13 May	May God be praised for all, and keep me strong. (13.5.1895) <i>Port Augusta, South Australia, foundation, 1872.</i>
14 May	I hope that everything will turn out well for you and that you will in future, as in the past, do great things for God and God's poor ones. (To Father JR Kenny 15.5.1901)
15 May	May God speed you on your way and bless all your good desires. (To Father J.R. Kenny 15.5.1901)
16 May	May God bless and keep you all. (16.5.1873)
17 May	Trust in God. (3.5.1874)
18 May	The cross appears lighter when carried with Jesus. (3.5.1874)
19 May	God will draw good out of evil. (3.5.1874)
20 May	I cannot feel sufficiently grateful to our good God. (15.5.1873)
21 May	God understands us better than we understand ourselves or each other. (21.5.1877)
22 May	Try at least to excuse what you cannot understand. (21.5.1877)
23 May	God is merciful because He knows how weary we are. (21.5.1877)
24 May	Bear in mind that you have only to answer for your own faults. (21.5.1874)
25 May	Pray to be ever ready for God's will even when it takes you by surprise. (25.5.1880) <i>Birth of Maggie MacKillop, 25.5.1843.</i>
26 May	Never expect perfection, and bear quietly the defects that from time to time come under your notice. (9.3.1890)
27 May	With God's aid we shall get on and gain fresh strength and energy for the work. (27.5.1867)
28 May	Take fresh courage. Lean more on God and less on ourselves. (21.5.1877)
29 May	God wants us to take fresh courage. (21.5.1877)
30 May	Lean more on God and less on ourselves. (21.5.1877) <i>Death of Flora MacKillop, Mary's mother, {drowned when the steamer Ly-ee-Moon was wrecked off the New South Wales coast} 30.5.1886.</i>
31 May	May God's holy will be done. (31.5.1870)
1 June	Charity of heart thinks no ill of anyone, is ever on the alert to prevent unkind thoughts, loves to make others happy, and will not be stayed from uttering a kind word, or performing a kind act. (In Meditation on Charity June 1870) <i>Mary's audience with Pope Pius IX, 1873.</i>
2 June	Let us ever hope that you look for strength from God who alone can give it. (2.6.1867)
3 June	May each succeeding birthday find you nearer to the Sacred Heart, resting with a loving and tranquil heart in the dear Will of God. (To

	her mother Flora 3.6.1873)
4 June	May God's grace enable you to see and do the right thing. (1877) <i>Mary MacKillop confirmed by Bishop Goold, St Francis Church, Melbourne, 1858.</i>
5 June	We must often feel weary and tired yet God brings us through all these things. (5.6.1874)
6 June	How truly wonderful are God's ways and how little we understand them. (6.6.1874)
7 June	Charity in all its acts, in its thoughts and expressions, only thinks of what is strictly pleasing to God and silently goes on breathing peace and sweetness on all sides. (In Meditation on Charity June 1870) <i>Mary MacKillop arrives in Dublin, Ireland seeking postulants, 1874.</i>
8 June	Seek to please God. (8.6.1868)
9 June	No words can tell how my heart bounds at the thought of getting home. (6.6.1874 London)
10 June	Go on then, all of you, faithfully in your duties-go on, and pray for me. (10.6.1875)
11 June	Remember, there is, even on this earth, a day of bright reward for all your prayers and faithful perseverance. (5.6.1874) <i>Birth of Flora MacDonald, Mary's mother, 11.6.1816.</i>
12 June	Forgive me everything I have done to pain or disappoint any one of you. (12.6.1881)
13 June	May God grant you courage and true wisdom in all you do and say. (12.6.1875)
14 June	I must only trust in the mercies of God. (2.6.1867)
15 June	We must teach more by example than by word. (2.6.1867) <i>Mary MacKillop presents her 'Life of Fr JT Woods' to Cardinal Moran for approval, Sydney, 1903.</i>
16 June	My gratitude to God for all that is done for those I love. (2.6.1867)
17 June	Let the motives of our actions be to please God alone. (2.6.1867)
18 June	Make allowances for those who do not see as you do. (2.6.1867)
19 June	Crosses are proof of God's love. (2.6.1867) <i>Foundation in Victoria, Children's Home in Surrey Hills, 1890.</i>
20 June	The wear and tear of mind and body is bad enough, but when the spirit suffers....it is very hard. We can only hope that God will be more merciful than people. (To Father Regnault sm 20.6.1899)
21 June	Care and perplexities form part of my life but I am learning to look upon them as I think God wishes and so I am happy. (20.6.1898)
22 June	Be eager in your desires but humbly patient in their accomplishment. (2.6.1867) <i>Mary MacKillop leaves Penola, 1867.</i>
23 June	Reject no one. You never know what grace can do. (2.6.1867) <i>Mary MacKillop and Sister Rose Cunningham arrive in Adelaide, South Australia from Penola. First convent-cottage in Grote Street, Adelaide, 1867.</i>
24 June	Who am I to stand in God's way? (2.6.1867)

25 June	God will provide for the future. (11.6.1877)
26 June	We have all very much for which to thank and love God. (27.6.1873)
27 June	May the Sacred Heart shield you and uphold you in every trouble. (27.6.1873)
28 June	My heart would sink but for the firm conviction that God's word can never fail. (28.6.1877)
30 June	Do be faithful in little things. (30.6.1873)
1 July	Wishing everyone a very happy Feast of the Sacred Heart (4 June 1893)
2 July	God knows what is best for all of us. (2.7.1891)
3 July	Quiet, calm courage and humble confidence in God will be much required by you. (July 1868)
4 July	Work on with constancy and courage (4.7.1876)
5 July	He will Himself be your support and strength (July 1868)
6 July	With these crosses He gives many precious graces to make the soul bear them. (6.7.1870)
7 July	Bear your little trials with patience and love. (4.7.1876)
8 July	Persevere faithfully in your duties to God. (4.7.1876)
9 July	We must do the will of Him we love. (9.7.1874)
10 July	God is so good. (10.7.1870)
11 July	God is truly good to us all. (9.7.1873)
12 July	Always remember to love one another. (12.7.1881)
13 July	Trust in God's Providence, interfering - as it always does - for our own good. (9.7.1874)
14 July	Let not weakness make you discouraged. (4.7.1876) <i>Marriage of Flora and Alexander MacKillop, St Francis Church, Melbourne, 14.7.1840.</i>
15 July	It is by love that God has always led me, by love that God reproves me, by love that God lets me see love in all. (15.7.1873) <i>Foundation in Bathurst, New South Wales, 1872.</i>
16 July	In God and for God. (12.7.1888)
17 July	God knows what is best for us all. (12.7.1898) <i>Pope Benedict XVI prays at Mary MacKillop's Tomb, North Sydney, 17.7.2008.</i>
18 July	Let no obstacles deter you from proceeding with courage. (10.3.1907)
19 July	Have courage. (19.7.1870)
20 July	My heart is filled with a peace and joy that I cannot describe. (20.7.1870)
21 July	Cling to the will of God. (19.7.1870)
22 July	Love one another and help one another. (9.7.1873)
23 July	Let us love and praise God in all. (9.7.1873) <i>Death of Peter MacKillop, Mary's brother, 23.7.1878.</i>

24 July	Let not weakness make you discouraged. (4.7.1876)
25 July	It never gives me pleasure to cross or disappoint anyone. (25.7.1899)
26 July	When a duty is clear to me it must be done at any cost. (25.7.1899)
27 July	May God bless you all. With all the love in my hearts I pray that God may do this. (25.7.1899)
28 July	We can never be sure that all that looks good is really so. (1875)
29 July	God is stronger than the world which opposes God's teachings. (28.6.1874)
29 July	May the sweet will of God be done. (29.7.1869)
30 July	Keep up your courage, it is for God and not for creatures you are working. (15.7.1892)
31 July	Pray often for me. (15.7.1892)
1 August	God will take care of you. (10.3.1874)
2 August	How very good God is to us all. (2.8.1870)
3 August	Pray ... with great and humble faith. (2.6.1890) <i>Sudden death of Mother Bernard whilst Mary MacKillop was visiting the Sisters in New Zealand, 1898.</i>
4 August	Patience and God will reward you all the more in the end. (4.8.1874)
5 August	God is watching over you. (4.7.1876)
6 August	Dear friend, put your trust in God, and keep up for the sake of those depending upon you. (6.8.1895)
7 August	There must be charity and gentleness towards the erring of others. (7.8.1888)
8 August	God is good. (8.8.1894) <i>Death of Mary MacKillop, Sydney, 8.8.1909.</i>
9 August	Now once more let me entreat you to lovingly help one another on. Forgive and forget anything painful in the past. Begin one more in real earnestness. (9.8.1881)
10 August	I am full of confidence in our good God's mercy that by working together the common good will be secured. (To Monsignor Kirby 10.8.1874)
11 August	God's love is too deep for words to express. (6.8.1870)
12 August	Now I beg of you all to be as united in holy love as possible. Bear with one another, help one another, and ever strive to serve God in a generous spirit. God loves generous souls. Let us try to be the generous ones. (12.8.1881)
13 August	Suspect any zeal which makes you for one moment comment upon the actions of others. (6.8.1870)
14 August	Bear in mind that we are only poor travellers, that our home is not here. (14.8.1866)
15 August	We must look before us, do what we do well and refuse to undertake too much. (15.8.1900) <i>Mary MacKillop celebrates her First Holy Communion, St Francis' Church, Melbourne, 1850.</i> <i>Mary MacKillop pronounces her vows as the first Sister of St Joseph, 1867.</i>
16 August	Quietly leave all to God. (16.8.1870)

17 August	May God bless and keep you and give you courage. (17.8.1875)
18 August	Have patience with your own defects: God has patience with them. (18.8.1870)
19 August	God be praised, for indeed God's ways are wonderful. (9.8.1898)
20 August	Live in charity and peace. (20.8.1886)
21 August	I beg that He will guard and comfort you all. (21.8.1867)
22 August	Work on humbly with the means God has placed at your disposal. (20.8.1886)
23 August	St Joseph's humility was of the silent kind...we must be like him in this. (19.3.1893)
24 August	Do what you can with the means at your disposal and leave all the rest calmly to God. (7.8.1888)
25 August	Have courage and patience and God will help you in all things. (15.8.1899)
26 August	Help one another, and forgive and forget anything painful in the past. (9.8.1881)
27 August	Never let any reasoning come between you and obedience. (9.8.1881)
28 August	God grant that today may be a truly happy one rich in graces for your soul. (28.8.1896)
29 August	Be of good heart. (29.8.1876) <i>Sisters take possession of Kensington property, South Australia, 1872.</i>
30 August	Great is the strength we possess in our unity. (30.8.1874)
31 August	How good God is to us all. (31.8.1869)
1 September	Never lose courage under your sufferings (1.9.1873)
2 September	If disappointed, don't say hard things. Only think a little, pray a little, and try to remember that God will bring about what is best in God's own time, - and 'God's ways are not our ways'. (2.9.1882) <i>Pilgrimage to Paray-le-Monial, France, 1873</i>
3 September	Really God is so good (3.9.1878)
4 September	God is our Father and He loves us all in spite of all our faults. (4.9.1906)
5 September	God loves us all. (2.9.1906) <i>Birth of Annie MacKillop, 5.9.1848.</i>
6 September	God loves those best who help the weak become whole. (2.9.1906)
7 September	Bear with the faults of others as you hope God will bear with you. (2.9.1906)
8 September	Bear with and help one another. (8.9.1881)
9 September	Let the gentle Sacred Heart be your model. (9.3.1890)
10 September	God loves generous souls. Let us try to be the generous ones. (12.8.1881)
11 September	God loves us all. (2.9.1906)
12 September	May the spirit of unity and love reign amongst us. (12.9.1884)
13 September	We are all in His hands (13.9.1870)

14 September	Do not let sorrow and care dishearten you. (14.9.1869)
15 September	If our intention is pure and we have love in our hearts we shall have God with us. (15.9.1890)
16 September	With God on our side, what need we fear. (15.9.1890)
17 September	Try to keep God with us by charity of thought, word and act. (15.9.1890) <i>Birth of Lexie MacKillop, Mary's sister, 17.9.1850.</i>
18 September	Refuse nothing to God's love. (18.9.1906)
19 September	May the spirit of the Sacred Heart animate you. (18.9.1906)
20 September	Keep your mind in peace whatever happens. (15.9.1890)
21 September	My God grant you courage and true wisdom in all you do and say (21.9.1875)
22 September	Truly wonderful are the ways of God. (22.9.1873) <i>Excommunication: 47 Sisters in and around Adelaide, South Australia, expelled, 1871.</i>
23 September	In the end I went to sleep very happily with more loving confidence in my good God than I had felt for a long time. (September 1871)
24 September	Let us really love one another. (15.9.1890)
25 September	Love one another, each one always, in good or bad, not minding how things seem. (25.9.1873)
26 September	Don't you remember 'The foxes have holes and the birds of the air their nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head'? I always loved that, but now more than ever. (26.9.1871)
27 September	God loves and blesses children. (To children of St Joseph's School, Rangiora, New Zealand, 27.9.1895)
28 September	May God bless you and keep you strong. (28.9.1875)
29 September	I do not know how to describe the feeling but that I was intensely happy and felt nearer to God than I had every felt before. (September 1871)
30 September	I can only dimly remember the things that were said to me, but the sensation of the calm beautiful presence of God I shall never forget. (September, 1871)
1 October	Never correct when you are angry and do not suspect too easily. (9.3.1890)
2 October	Time, charity and patience will make all things right. (2.6.1890)
3 October	The cause of right will triumph in the end. (26.9.1884)
4 October	God give to us what is best. (26.9.1884)
5 October	Let us be united in prayer and we shall be strong. (26.9.1884)
6 October	Courage, dear child, and do not yield to sadness. (6.10.1898)
7 October	We must be faithful and look for rest and peace only in Heaven. (9.9.1871) <i>Death of Alick MacKillop, Mary's brother, 7.10.1847.</i> <i>Death of Father Julian Tenison Woods, Sydney, 7.10.1889.</i>
8 October	May God give to us what is best. (26.9.1884)

9 October	See the protecting and beautiful hand of God in all that is happening. (26.9.1871)
10 October	It is our good God who is our support and strength. (10.10.1871)
11 October	Let us study the Heart of God and, in doing so, we shall learn many beautiful lessons of patience and love. (11.10.1871)
12 October	We are all in the loving hands of a good God. (To Father Woods 11.10.1871)
13 October	Our good God sees the heart. (11.10.1871)
14 October	Let us all have courage. (14.10.1871)
15 October	Are not God's ways wonderful with us all. (18.9.1873) <i>Mary MacKillop leaves London for Scotland, 1873.</i>
16 October	Pray that God may direct and that St Joseph's humble spirit may guide. (16.10.1898)
17 October	A little patience will in the end be rewarded. (17.10.1871) <i>Canonisation of Mary MacKillop, Rome, 2010.</i>
18 October	Pray that a great unity may prevail, that charity may shine, and a holy unworldly wisdom influence our every word and act. (16.10.1898)
19 October	May our loved patron and father, St Joseph, watch over us and obtain for us the spirit he wishes to see in his children. (16.10.1898)
20 October	Let self be forgotten and let God's glory, His will and the general good absorb our thoughts, deliberations and actions. (16.10.1898)
21 October	Act prudently and humbly at the same time. (9.9.1875)
22 October	God won't ask how <i>others</i> do the work but He will ask you how you have done yours. (14.12.1890)
23 October	Be generous yourself, and try to make others so towards our generous God. (Meditation of the feast of the Holy Redeemer)
24 October	You have had a heavy sorrow, but who is it that has not something of the kind to bear? (29.10.1895)
25 October	Cheer up then and take comfort in the thought that nothing happens but by the Will or permission of God. (29.10.1895)
26 October	Out of every cross God wishes us to merit by making it an occasion of pleasing Him. (29.10.1895) <i>Birth of Peter MacKillop, Mary's brother, 26.10.1857.</i>
27 October	I wish not to care, if I can please God and do my duty. (28.8.1864) <i>Mary MacKillop appointed to denominational school, Portland, Victoria, 1863.</i>
28 October	We are so little, so imperfect, and God is so great, so good. (28.10.1889)
29 October	Be on your guard against exaggerating in the smallest matters. (17.12.1872)
30 October	I trust that you keep up your spirits, and your trust and confidence in the goodness of God. (30.10.1880)
31 October	God kept my heart full of trust to make all come right. (30.10.1874) <i>Mary MacKillop leaves London for Australia with 15 Irish postulants, 1874.</i>
1 November	Do not be troubled about the future of the Institute. I am not. He whose work it is will take care of it. (1.12.1898)
2 November	Do not any of you get discouraged. Be humble, patient and charitable. (17.12.1883)
3 November	Never murmur at what you don't understand and never listen to a murmurer. (17.12.1872)

4 November	If we cannot excuse everything we can at least excuse the intention. (4.11.1884)
5 November	If men and women forget, God does not. (4.11.1886)
6 November	If we forget, God does not. (4.11.1884) <i>First country school opened at Yankalilla, South Australia, 1867.</i>
7 November	More than ever should we be humble and patient, charitable and forgiving. (4.11.1884) <i>Birth of Alick MacKillop, Mary's brother, 7.11.1846.</i>
8 November	Make allowances for human weakness and difference of dispositions. (To Sr Josephine McMullen 6.11.1877)
9 November	Try to please God. (30.12.1897)
10 November	Another separation here, and the happy hope of an eternal meeting. (10.11.1898)
11 November	We can do nothing without God. (11.11.1880)
12 November	God's will be done. (10.11.1898)
13 November	It is God's work and you are doing it for Him. (30.12.1897)
14 November	Don't fret: you have done your best. (14.11.1898)
15 November	With humility, charity and truth on our part, all will in the end be well. (15.11.1883) <i>Mary MacKillop receives a letter from Cardinal Franchi conveying the Josephite Constitution; Central Government confirmed by Rome, 1874.</i> <i>Birth of Julian Tenison Woods, London, 15.11.1832.</i>
16 November	Have courage. (25.11.1871)
17 November	May God teach us all patience and the prudence we require (17.11.1879)
18 November	Put kind constructions where you can, and where you cannot, be silent. (15.11.1878)
19 November	Be without fear, do your work humbly in sweet charity and for God alone. (19.11.1873)
20 November	God will carry you safely through every struggle. (20.11.1870)
21 November	Do not, for the sake of defending one or two, shrink from speaking the plain, open truth. (21.11.1871)
22 November	It is far harder to have to think ill of others than to be the one thought ill of. (22.11.1871)
23 November	God is good and knows what is for the best (23.11.1870)
24 November	Find happiness in making others happy. (21.11.1899)
25 November	Our crosses are a little heavy, but God, our own good God, gives courage under them. (25.11.1871)
26 November	Be full of forgiveness, hope and love. (26.11.1873)
27 November	We are but travellers here. (27.11.1866)
28 November	I am full of hope in God who has been so good to us all (28.11.1898)
29 November	God's work does not depend on any of us. (28.11.1898)
30 November	Keep up your courage. (30.11.1868)

1 December	All is in the hands of God. (1.12.1881) <i>Mary MacKillop seriously ill in Melbourne, Victoria, 1891.</i>
2 December	I would advise all to trust more to God, and of course, prayerfully to seek God's guidance. (1.12.1898)
3 December	May God bless you and keep you strong and help you in your anxieties. (3.12.1900)
4 December	Only what you will, my God. (1.12.1898)
5 December	Empty self-interest can mar God's designs upon the world through us. (14.12.1873)
6 December	We must pray that God may direct us to do what will please God most and tend to the common good. (1.12.1881)
7 December	Help one another and bear with one another as God does with each of us. (7.12.1899)
8 December	Love charity more than ever. (7.12.1899) <i>Mary MacKillop and Sister Clare Wright take final vows and leave with three other Sisters for Queensland, 1869.</i> <i>Cardinal Moran confirms Mother Bernard in office until 1902 Chapter, 1896.</i> <i>First Mass celebrated in Mary MacKillop Memorial Chapel, North Sydney 8.12.1913.</i>
9 December	Happy indeed is the love of God and the true religious peace I hope will be yours. (7.12.1899)
10 December	Rest assured that I shall not forget any of you. (7.12.1899)
11 December	Never is God nearer to us than when danger threatens. (11.12.1880)
12 December	Forgive from your heart anyone who has pained you. (12.12.1890)
13 December	Let us show this love in our acts bearing with one another, forgiving and forgetting. (12.12.1890) <i>Death of Maggie MacKillop, Mary's sister, 13.12.1872.</i>
14 December	Make no reserves with God. (14.12.1890) <i>Mary MacKillop returns to Sydney, 1902.</i>
15 December	Everything God blesses will prosper. (14.12.1890)
16 December	Be true and generous (16.12.1900) <i>Death of John MacKillop, Mary's brother, in Christchurch, New Zealand, 16.12.1867.</i>
17 December	The little crosses are harder to bear patiently than the thumping big ones. (17.12.1884) <i>Bishop Sheil approves the Rule, 1868.</i>
18 December	Do not say in heat what you may bitterly regret later. (17.12.1883)
19 December	May our good God grant you all a holy and truly happy Christmas. We can all meet together in spirit at the Crib of our loving Infant and can recommend our several wants and pray for one another. I wish you every grace and blessing of this holy time with fondest love. (19.12.1881) <i>Death of Alexander MacKillop, Mary's father, 19.12.1868.</i>
20 December	What a Father we have in God-What a lover in Jesus Christ. (14.12.1980) <i>Mary MacKillop's remains placed in present tomb to the right side of the altar, Mary MacKillop Memorial Chapel, 20.12.1993.</i>
21 December	Believe in the whisperings of God in your own heart. (21.12.1868)

22 December	Our courage should rise with difficulties and obstacles. (14.12.1890) <i>First foundation in Victoria, Numurkah, 1889.</i>
23 December	Though our crosses and sorrows are in a manner great, our own dear Lord's love is much greater. (23.12.1871)
24 December	He knows our hearts and much that is hidden from his creatures is well known to Him. (23.12.1871)
25 December	Lying upon the straw of Bethlehem, Jesus does not only preach humility, but gives a perfect example of obedience and charity. (1897) <i>Mary MacKillop arrives in Port Phillip Bay, Victoria, 1874.</i>
26 December	Does God ever allow anyone that trusts in him to be confounded? (26.12.1872)
27 December	God loves courageous souls. (14.12.1890)
28 December	To lack courage shows want of confidence in God and weak faith. (14.12.1890)
29 December	Let us love one another. (14.12.1890)
30 December	Have patience and go on quietly with your work. (30.12.1897) <i>Death of Lexie MacKillop, Mary's sister, at the Convent of the Good Shepherd, Abbotsford, Melbourne, 30.12.1882.</i>
31 December	God expects that we love one another. (14.12.1874) <i>Sisters arrive in Brisbane, 1869.</i>