

**In the Footsteps of Blessed Mary
MacKillop
An Australian Pilgrimage**

The pilgrimage has been prepared by the Sisters of St Joseph and is designed to inform and inspire people of all denominations.

By visiting the districts which were the scene of Mary's family life and ministry, the pilgrim will better appreciate the sacrifices she made and the difficulties she encountered.

Sisters of St Joseph will lead the Pilgrimage and provide input at significant sites associated with Mary's life.

Opportunity for prayer and reflection will be provided throughout the pilgrimage.



The Pilgrimage

Day 1: Tuesday 16 October

Queensland and Victorian pilgrims arrive in Sydney. Tour of Museum at Mary MacKillop Place, including Alma Cottage where Mary lived and died. Time to pray at the tomb of Mary MacKillop in the Memorial Chapel.

Day 2: Wednesday 17 October

Coach tour of Sydney Sacred Sites, the graves of Fr Woods and Flora MacKillop and inner city sites of Sydney where Mary and the Sisters first lived.

Day 3: Thursday 18 October

Flight to Melbourne. Travel by coach to Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre, East Melbourne, for lunch and talk on the MacKillop family. Visit St Francis' Church and MacKillop family grave in Melbourne General Cemetery,

Day 4: Friday 19 October

Visit further Sacred Sites in Melbourne including St Patrick's Cathedral.

Day 5: Saturday 20 October

To Portland to visit the church and the house where the MacKillop family lived. Overnight at Portland.

Day 6: Sunday 21 October

To Penola to visit the schoolhouse, Interpretive Centre, cemetery, Fr Wood's tree. Overnight at Mt Gambier.

Day 7: Monday 22 October

To Adelaide via Robe and Our Lady Star of the Sea Church built by Fr Woods.

Day 8: Tuesday 23 October

Visit Port and Church at Port Adelaide, site of the Bowden school, chapel of the excommunication at Franklin Street, Archbishop's House, St Francis Xavier Cathedral, West Terrace, Morphett Vale Church, Mitcham Cemetery.

Day 9: Wednesday 24 October

Visit Mary MacKillop Centre, Kensington. Mass in chapel built by Mary MacKillop, St Ignatius Church, Norwood, lunch in historic Kensington Convent. Leave Adelaide for overnight at Bordertown.

Day 10: Thursday 25 October

To Hamilton. Visit grave of Alexander MacKillop, St Mary's Church for Mass and parish dinner.

Day 11: Friday 26 October

To Melbourne via Bacchus Marsh and the museum housed in the first Josephite convent in Melbourne. Flight back to Sydney and Brisbane.

Pilgrimage Costs

Ex Sydney and Melbourne

Per person twin share \$ 2125.00
Single supplement \$ 492.00

Ex Brisbane

Per person twin share \$2275.00
Single supplement \$ 492.00

Includes:

* Airfares * Accommodation * Coach Travel * Admission fees * Travel Cancellation Insurance * Most Meals.

\$200 deposit: Payable on enrolment by 16 July 2007. Full amount by 3 September 2007 (instalments accepted for convenience)
Cheques payable to: Srs. of St. Joseph.
Send to: State or National Co-ordinator

Enrolment

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Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage

The notion of going on a pilgrimage and being a pilgrim is a very ancient one that belongs to the spiritual tradition of all great faiths. For Christians, centres throughout the world are recognised as places of pilgrimage.

Places of pilgrimage beckon people to touch and get caught up in the atmosphere and spiritual realities that belong to their origins. However, it is not only the site that takes people deep into the heart of their faith, but the journey itself, the setting out to capture something of the spirit of the place and the tradition.

A pilgrimage is a very personal experience but it is usually a journey with others: seeking, listening, reflecting and seeing the hand of God at work.

This Australian Pilgrimage to many of the sites associated with Mary MacKillop's life and work is a unique opportunity for us to absorb some of the aspects of her life and appreciate anew her role as our Australian saint.



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