



Penola's
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Mary
Race
Around
Melbourne
2012



A word from our Principal

Dear Friends,

Welcome to our first PAMRAM! The Faith and Ministry team have certainly put their creative thinking caps on for this one! Whilst it is obviously meant to be a fun day, and a great way to conclude our term, it has of course a serious side to it. I imagine that we will derive as much from the day as we are prepared to contribute and so I encourage you to be open to the possibilities and opportunities that the day seeks to provide.

Today, we will be taken back to the Melbourne of the nineteenth century, and we will overlay the story of Mary MacKillop on to the story of our city. At the end of the day we gather at St Francis' Church, the first Catholic Church in Victoria, which was built by Fr Patrick Geoghegan, after whom our predecessor college was named. I trust that you enjoy the day and that it helps to deepen our appreciation for the extraordinary Melburnian and Australian in whose footsteps we travel, both literally and figuratively, today. Thanks to all those who have contributed to the organisation of the day and may the best team win!

Chris Blake



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Outline of the day

- 9:30am **All staff gather at the Dallas Brooks Centre for welcome and prayer**
300 Albert St. East Melbourne.
- 9:40am **Presentation on Mary MacKillop's Melbourne by Sr. Joan Healy**
- 10:20am **Walk to Cardinal Knox Centre for morning tea**
Corner of Lansdowne St and Albert St. East Melbourne
- 11:00am **Teams sent on their way in groups to complete their discovery of sites important to the legacy of St. Mary of the Cross – there will be opportunities for reflection, fun and challenge along the way as well as lots of free time to get to know your team members better and have a leisurely lunch!**
- 2:30pm **All Teams gather at St. Francis Church for final prayer**
326 Lonsdale St, Melbourne
- 3:00pm **End of the formal part of the day and the beginning of the informal..... for all those who wish to gather at the MC Lion Hotel (see back page for details) to celebrate the end of a very busy Term!!**



Prayer

Opening Prayer

Holy God, source of all goodness, you show us in Mary MacKillop a woman of faith who lived by the power of the cross. Teach us to embrace what she pioneered: new ways of living the Gospel that respect and defend the human dignity of all in our land. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. Amen

Scripture

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

All: Glory to you, Lord

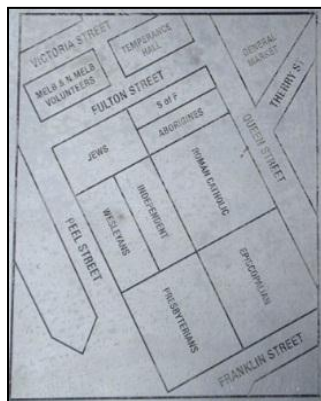
I am telling you not to worry about your life and what you are to eat, nor about your body and what you are to wear. Surely life is more than food, and the body more than clothing! Look at the birds in the sky. They do not sow or reap or gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they are? Can any of you, however much you worry, add one single cubit to your span of life? And why worry about clothing? Think of the flowers growing in the fields; they never have to work or spin: yet I assure you that not even Solomon in all his loyal robes was clothed like one of these. Now if that is how God clothes the wild flowers growing in the field which are there today and thrown into the furnace tomorrow, will he not much more look after you, you have so little faith? So do not worry; do not say, "what are we to eat? What are we to drink? What are we to wear?" It is the gentiles who set their hearts on all these things. Your heavenly Father knows you need them all. Set your hearts on his Kingdom first, and on God's saving justice, and all these other things will be given you as well. So do not worry about tomorrow: tomorrow will take care of itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Closing Prayer

God be with us on our pilgrimage today as we endeavour to be more deeply inspired by your servant St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Help us to see how the work of Mary and her Sisters continues today through the work of our hearts, hands and feet. We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord and in the presence of our patron, St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Amen



The Old Melbourne Cemetery



Starting as a small market to the east of the city in the 1850s, the Queen Victoria Market gradually expanded into space made available by the closure of the Old Melbourne General Cemetery west of Queen Street and north of Franklin Street. The reinterment of human remains from the closure of the cemetery caused a great deal of controversy at the time, as there were about 10,000 burials on the site. There still remain approximately 9,000 people buried under the sheds and car park of the Queen Victoria Market. Every time work is

Mary and her siblings	Birth	Death
Mary	15.01.1842	09.08.1909
Maggie	25.05.1843	13.12.1872
John	27.02.1845	16.12.1867
Alick	07.11.1846	07.10.1847
Annie	05.09.1848	14.01.1929
Lexie	17.09.1850	30.12.1882
Donald	27.04.1853	02.02.1925

carried out at the market, bones are disturbed. A memorial to these people stands on the corner of Queen Street and Therry Street. The Memorial you are looking for (pictured above) commemorates the Old Melbourne General Cemetery, which was located on this site between 1837 and 1917. The illustration (shown above) is an 1865 map of the area and was used to inspire the Memorial

Significantly for us, Catherine MacDonald, Mary's maternal grandmother, who was living with Alexander, Flora and the family at Brighton Street, Richmond at the time of her death in 1861, was buried with her husband and grandson (Mary's little brother Alick) in the Old Melbourne General Cemetery. Death Certificates have been found for all three.

Together we pray:

Dear Lord, with Mary and Joseph, you have lived within a family; Teach me always to appreciate the precious gift of being part of a family. Show me ever new ways to protect and comfort those closest to me, and Let me, each day, do something that will say 'I love you' without speaking the words. But remind me also to frequently say those words. Let me never part from any member of my family in anger. Prompt me always to turn back without delay - to forgive, and be forgiven. And let me see your image within each person in my own family, and in my greater family, knowing that in your Kingdom, we will truly be one family, united by your sacrifice on the cross. Amen.



The Josephite 'Providence' House

In the early 1890's Mary MacKillop established a night school for children and a House of Providence for unemployed women in this area. Soup and clothing were distributed with the help of good ladies who lived in Melbourne. In 1892 the Sisters advertised a home for unemployed servants and the Providence moved to 'Nottingham Place' at 535 Victoria Parade, and then to 'Floraston' at 39 Victoria Parade where women and girls employed in warehouses could also board. It existed there for 10 years before moving to 362 Albert Street, East Melbourne at the end of 1902. In 1897, on the site at which you now stand, a day school was established by the Sisters to educate the many poor children of the area. Mary visited this school on her visits to Melbourne. The school closed in the 1930's. The area was considered not suitable for the Sisters to live in because of the presence of houses of ill-repute. Annie (Mary's sister) in a letter wrote of the terrible screaming of women and the noise of cattle and dogs moving down the street during the night.



Together we pray:

Gracious Giver, so much has been bestowed on us. We lack for little, yet yearn for much. Continue to teach us to appreciate what has come to us as blessing and gift. Keep urging and challenging us to share what we have. Help us to give generously and freely of our bounty. We offer you thanks for all that has been granted to us.

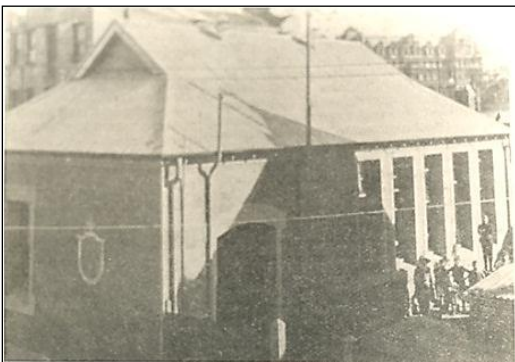
Amen

Madame Brussels' Lane

In the early 1890's Mary MacKillop established a night school for children and a House of Providence for unemployed women in the area in which you now stand. Soup and clothing were distributed with the help of 'good' ladies who lived in Melbourne.

In 1897 a day school was also established near here by the Sisters to educate the many poor children of the area. Mary visited this school on her visits to Melbourne. The school closed in the 1930's. The area was considered not suitable for the Sisters to live in because of the presence of houses of ill-repute.

But who is Madame Brussels? Born Caroline Baum in Potsdam, Germany in 1851, Madame Brussels opened her first brothel at 8 Lonsdale Street. She was a 28 year old widow. As business thrived, she purchased 32 Lonsdale Street, a brick house with seven rooms. She bought the adjoining six-room house at 34 Lonsdale Street in 1889. She connected the houses and retained ownership of both until her death in July 1908.



Together we pray:

Gracious Giver, so much has been bestowed on us. We lack for little, yet yearn for much. Continue to teach us to appreciate what has come to us as blessing and gift.

Keep urging and challenging us to share what we have.

Help us to give generously and freely of our bounty.

We offer you thanks for all that has been granted to us. Amen.



The Birthsite

In a small cottage on this land, Mary MacKillop was born to Alexander and Flora MacKillop on 15th January 1842.

Four months later, to meet financial commitments, Alexander had to sell Marino Cottage and they moved to Glenroy to live with friends for about two months before settling near Merri Creek where the MacKillops had taken up farmland.

Inside the grounds of the "Mary of the Cross Centre" a bust of Mary MacKillop indicates where Marino cottage stood.

Together we pray :

You, O God are the Holy One who gathers us together in the womb of our earth. May we reverence the life you give us. Thank you for the treasure of our faith life and for the example of Mary MacKillop and her parents.

May all human life be protected and loved from the moment of conception to the final journey home to you.

We ask this prayer through the intercession of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Amen.



St. Patrick's Cathedral

“Saint Patrick’s is a place of God, an oasis of peace and beauty. A small immigrant community built it with courage, vision and love. It is a lasting reminder of God’s constant presence among the people of Melbourne” –Most Reverend Denis Hart DD, Archbishop of Melbourne.



The first Mass was celebrated on the site in February 1858 in a former partially completed church. The Cathedral was consecrated in 1897. It is said that Mary MacKillop prayed in the St. Joseph Chapel situated behind the altar. Fittingly, you will now find a bust of our patron in here today!

Mass is celebrated everyday at St. Patrick's at 1:05pm. Your group might like to take this opportunity whilst on your pilgrimage today!

We gather in St Joseph's Chapel to pray in thanksgiving for this time of pilgrimage.

**Our Father, Who art in heaven
Hallowed be Thy Name;
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,**



but deliver us from evil. Amen

Mary's Workplace

Sands and Kenny (Collins Street) and Sands and McDougall (Spencer Street)

Mary's working life began at seven as a nanny for the L'Estrange family at Erindale. As Mary MacKillop became older, she gradually assumed more and more responsibility for the running of the household and the financial support of her own family. At the age of sixteen Mary sought outside employment. Initially she worked as a nursery governess and then as an assistant and forewoman in Melbourne for the stationery firm, Sands and Kenny, now known as Sands and McDougall. Sands & Kenny, a firm of printers and stationers in Collins Street, Melbourne, were generous and gave her a forewoman's wage from the start as they saw how trustworthy and competent she was. Mary used to walk from her home to work in Collins Street. She loved the people at there and remained a lifelong friend of Mr. McDougal. However, sadly, the work and the city air did not agree with her health.



Sands and Kenny, Collins St

Together we pray :

Joseph, by the work of your hands and the sweat of your brow, you supported Jesus and Mary, and had the Son of God as your fellow worker. Teach us to work as you did, with patience and perseverance. Teach us to see in our fellow workers the Christ who desires to be in them, that we may always be charitable and forbearing towards all. When work is pleasant and productive, remind us to give thanks to God for it. And when it is burdensome, teach us to offer it to God, Amen.



Sands and McDougall, Spencer St

St. Francis' Church

This Church is a very important place of Pilgrimage connected to the story of our patron St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop. It was here on the 14th of July 1840 that Mary's parents, Flora and Alexander, were married in the original Church - a very simple timber building.

Mary was born on the 15th of January 1842. On the 28th of February 1842 little Mary was baptised here. In this Church she also made her First Communion on the 15th of August 1850 and was then Confirmed by Dr. Goold, Archbishop of Melbourne, on the 4th of June 1858.



Sculptor: Andrew Patience, 2001

St Francis' Church was the first Church in Melbourne and was used as the Cathedral until St Patrick's Cathedral was opened.

Mass is celebrated on Friday at St. Francis' at 12:00noon and 1:05pm. Your group might like to take this opportunity whilst on your pilgrimage today!

Final Prayer:

We thank you God for bringing us safely to the end of a busy but fulfilling term. Help us to continue to acknowledge the ways in which you act in our community through the inspiration of St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop and the action of Your Holy Spirit, who revives us, energises us and keeps us focussed on Your Kingdom's fulfilment as our ultimate goal.

We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen

St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop...pray for us

St. Joseph...pray for us

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life and work.

A Thanks be to God



Dallas Brooks Centre

Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre

St. Francis' Church

PAMRAM unscramble

Unscramble each of the following 'Mary MacKillop' words that you will find somewhere in this booklet and write the answers here – once completed the captain of each team must be ready to show the answers at any check in throughout the day to receive a tick on their team's passport:

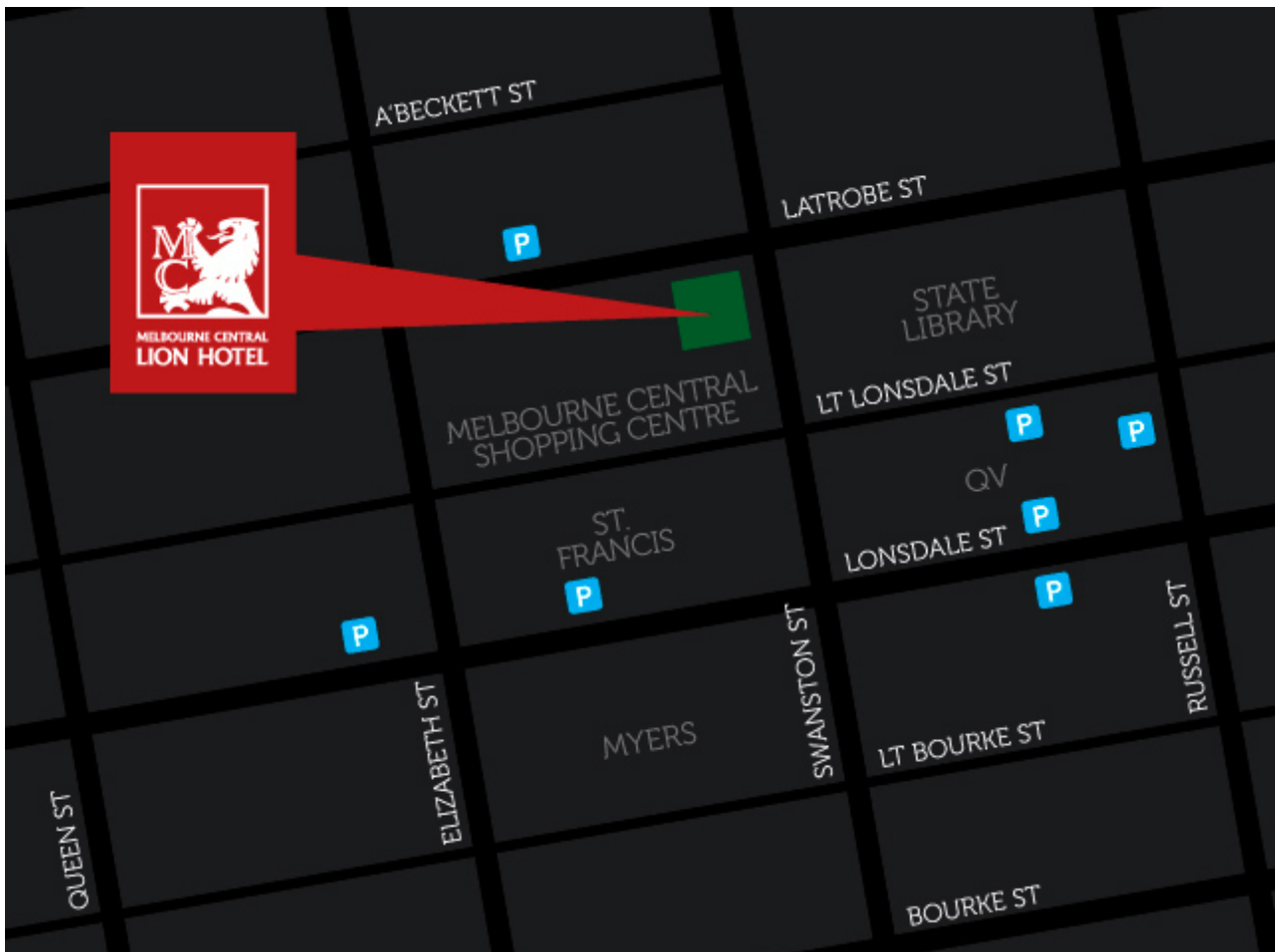
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2. DERANLEAX _____
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4. ROFALNOTS _____
5. GHANEOGEG _____
6. NEADRILE _____
7. RETHRY _____
8. DIVORPENEC _____
9. NORMIA _____
10. SNADS _____



and afterwards...

MC Lion Hotel

Melbourne Central Shopping Centre
Level 3, 211 Latrobe Street,
Melbourne VIC 3000



Wishing you and your
families

a restful and
rejuvenating term
break!

God Bless You
always!