



MARY MACKILLOP PLACE

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## NOTICE-THE FEAST OF MARY MACKILLOP

On the Feast Day of Mary MacKillop Saturday August 8<sup>th</sup> 2020, Mary MacKillop Place will be **CLOSED**.

**MASS IN THE MARY MACKILLOP MEMORIAL CHAPEL WILL BE LIVESTREAMED AT 10.00AM  
AUGUST 8<sup>th</sup> FOLLOWED BY A TIME OF PRAYER AT THE TOMB**

The details will be posted on the website [www.marymackillopplace.org.au](http://www.marymackillopplace.org.au)

This decision has been made in the light of the outbreak of COVID-19 in Melbourne, the increasing number of cases in Sydney and the unpredictability of the spread of the virus, particularly where large groups gather in a confined space like the Chapel. With the usual number of pilgrims visiting on the Feast Day up to 5000, it is important that we act responsibly in the interests of community health and take every precaution to avoid any spread of the virus.

**PRAYER REFLECTIONS** suitable for prayer at home will also be posted on the website for three days August 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.

The Chapel is open for private prayer only from 9.00am - 1.00pm Monday to Friday. It remains closed on Saturday and Sunday until further notice.

Mary MacKillop knew what it was like to face unknown and unpredictable times in her life. May she companion us as we live through this pandemic which is affecting all aspects of our family, work and community life.

I thank you for your cooperation in accepting these unprecedented changes and leave you with Mary MacKillop's words - *God is good and has brought light and help when all was very dark. 1899*

Sincerely yours

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Director Mary MacKillop Place