

JJAMM WEEK

St Mary MacKillop College celebrated JJAMM Week in August and it was a wonderful celebration of St Mary MacKillop, Fr Julian Tenison Woods and the Josephites. There were activities every day, run by the student led Liturgy Committee and overseen by Mrs Alison Wright.

What a fabulous week of celebrations we had! Saint Mary MacKillop was a woman who taught us that there is so much to be grateful and thankful for and this week we have seen this in action! Our junior Liturgy committee members organized and ran a Saint Mary MacKillop Kahoot in the Library. Those that attended had lots of fun!!

Tuesday was the annual staff versus students netball match. After a defeat last year (the first in a number of years), staff were ready to claim the prize back. However, the Year 12 team proved way too good (and TALL!) and the students were victorious in a hotly contested affair.

Wednesday included Hot Jam Donuts at recess and the return of pJJAMMa day. It was great to see so many students and staff support the wearing of their pyjamas.

Thursday was our Feast Day Mass and opening of our newly refurbished building, The Providence Centre. Many thanks to all those who helped with preparations for both events. A big thanks to those who always work behind the scenes preparing for the Mass and helped organise and set up for the opening.

Mary MacKillop lived with radical faith and trust, inspiring hope in entire generations of people. This dynamic woman found life in the call of Jesus, devoting herself to the needs of others, especially the downtrodden, poor and forgotten.

She never lost sight of the personal invitation at the heart of gospel, to strive first for the kingdom of God. She proclaimed it and built it up with her Sisters of St Joseph bringing education and relief to the poor. Mary and her companions would see a need, discern a response, and act with love and trust in God. Her letters tell of her fidelity in trial and challenge, joy and consolation. Her courage in the face of persecution is legendary.

Let us look to Mary MacKillop and learn from her as a model of faith, love, and generosity. Like her, may we find our joy in God's presence.



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