

# Mary MacKillop Precinct

Incorporating:

*Mary MacKillop Museum*

It's a place and a story to touch your heart!

*Bethany Centre*

Spirituality and Personal/Professional  
Workshops, Reflection and Retreat days

*St Joseph's Chapel*

Mary's much-loved place of prayer

## 2023 EVENTS PROGRAMME

4 High Street, Kensington 5068

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## Mary MacKillop Museum

It's a place and a story to touch your heart!



Discover the story of Mary MacKillop, Australia's first Saint: pioneering educator, social reformer - now a cultural icon - and those who have followed in her footsteps since 1866. An interactive visitor experience using contemporary storytelling devices. Wheelchair accessible.

The museum also features a gift shop to purchase your take home treasures and unique gifts.

High Street Café is right next door - for dine-in or alfresco under the shady trees of Mary MacKillop Park.

This is a story for everyone, regardless of age, cultural or religious background!

*Come, be inspired, find peace! A warm welcome awaits you!*

*Open Tuesdays to Sundays: 10.00am - 4.00pm*

*For group bookings:*

P: 08 8130 5910 | E: [info.mmprecinct@sosj.org.au](mailto:info.mmprecinct@sosj.org.au)

## Bethany Centre

Spirituality and Personal/Professional Workshops, Reflection and Retreat days



Our events are for everyone! This 2023 programme is available on our website: [marymackillopadelaide.org.au](http://marymackillopadelaide.org.au)

Bethany Centre is also available for hire. It has up-to-date AV equipment and a fully equipped commercial kitchen for self-catering.

A great venue for parish, school staff and student reflection and/or professional development days!

Spiritual Direction is also available by arrangement.

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## St Joseph's Memorial Chapel

Mary's much-loved place of prayer



Over the years, the heritage-listed Chapel has become a place of pilgrimage, prayer and peace for people of all ages and backgrounds.

If you're planning to visit, we suggest you call beforehand to make sure the Chapel is available on that day

The Chapel is available for wedding celebrations from February to December.

Wheelchair accessible.

*Open daily 10.00am to 4.00pm*

*For wedding bookings:*

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*Mary MacKillop*

## Josephite Reconciliation Circle



Solidarity, Justice,  
Advocacy, Reconciliation

Monday 6 February  
Monday 6 March  
4.30pm - 6.30pm

*1st Monday of every month (except October)*

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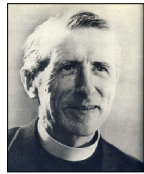
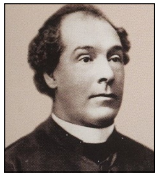
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## Meet Tenison Woods and Teilhard

**Presenter: Mary-Ann Casanova**



Saturday, 4 March  
9.30am - 12.30pm  
and (repeat session)  
Sunday, 5 March  
2.00pm - 5.00pm

Julian Tenison Woods and Teilhard de Chardin were priest-scientists in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. This session is an opportunity to become more familiar with their lives, their writings, and the many co-incidents they had in common, including volcanoes, elephants, Jersey, and ten siblings apiece.

**Registration essential – by Monday, 27 February**

**Cost: \$30 full, \$20 pensioner/unwaged**

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## International Women's Day (Evening Event)

**Hosts: Josephite Companions**

Wednesday 8 March

7.00 - 9.00pm

In recognition of Mary MacKillop, a woman of faith and integrity who brought hope to others, the Josephite Companions invite you to gather and listen to First Nations Women guest speakers.

Learn more about the Uluru Statement of the Heart and the Voice to Parliament.

*All are welcome!*

**Registration appreciated by 3/3/23**

**Supper provided**

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# Mary MacKillop Precinct FEBRUARY - MARCH

## Spotlight on Mary MacKillop

**Presenters: Mary Ryan rsj & Josephite Companions**

Wednesday 8 February and  
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10.00-12.00 noon



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**Joseph and Shattered Dreams**  
**Presenter: Mary Cresp rsj**

Tuesday 21 March  
2.00 - 3.30pm, and  
(repeat session) 7.00 - 8.30pm

St Joseph shows us how to "welcome surprises" when things do not go the way we expected', Pope Francis said recently. 'Perhaps we lament over some dreams that have been shattered, and we see that our best expectations need to often be put together with unexpected, disconcerting situations.' He continued. 'When this happens, Joseph shows us the way.'

During our gathering, we will reflect on what the example of St Joseph means to us and what we might learn when we face our own crises in life.

**Registration essential – by Friday, 17 March**

**Cost: \$20 full, \$15 pensioner/unwaged**

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Monday 3 April and  
Monday, 1 May  
4.30pm - 6.30pm

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## Workshop: Seasons of Life Presenter: Vivi Boucher

Friday 21 April  
10.30am - 3.00pm

We will explore creatively all seasons of our lives, past, present and future. We'll contemplate and acknowledge the emotions of each season and look forward in hope.



**Registration Essential by Friday, 14 April**

Cost: \$45 or Pension/\$30

**BYO Lunch**

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## Mary MacKillop Precinct APRIL - MAY

### Spotlight on Mary MacKillop:

Please note that there will be no  
*Spotlight on Mary MacKillop* in April,  
as the 8th April coincides with Holy Saturday

### 'BECOMING':

living more fully who I am created to be  
**Presenters: Stephanie Brabin and Chris McCabe**

Saturday 29 April  
9.30am - 4.00pm

*'How does one become  
a butterfly?*

*You must want to fly so much  
that you are willing to give up  
being a caterpillar'.*

(Trina Paulus)



This silent reflection day offers the opportunity to Rest, Reflect, Restore and Re-imagine the way ahead. The day will provide a space of freedom to explore your desires and the life-giving possibilities that await.

**Registration essential by Monday, 24 April**

Cost: \$55 or Pension/\$40 unwaged

**BYO Lunch**

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*This day is suitable for all adults. It is also approved by CESA as a SAM for teachers, requiring the submission of a 1500 word reflection paper*

## A Day of Contemplative Photography

**Presenters: Val DeBrenni and Mary Ryan rsj**

Saturday, 6 May, 9.30am-4.00pm

The emphasis of this day is on awareness, wonder, seeing and experiencing rather than on any final 'product'. We explore photography as contemplation through prayer, journaling and a series of exercises.

Our theme is the season of Autumn with its winds, blaze of autumnal colours and emotional resonances that are influenced by memory, experience, culture and geographical context. *No Photographic experience is required.*

You may bring your digital camera, i-pad/tablet or phone as your photographic tool.

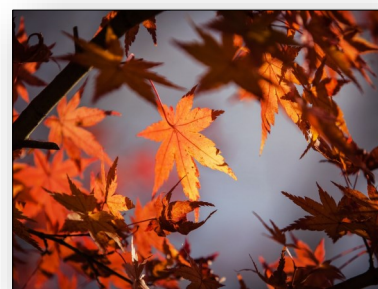
**Registration Essential by Monday, 1 May**

Cost: \$55 or Pension/Unwaged \$40

**BYO Lunch**

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**'There's a crack in everything,  
that's how the light gets in.'**

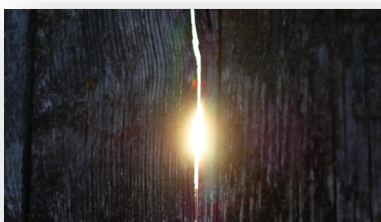
**Presenter: Angela Hazebrook**

Wednesday, 17 May 9.30am—12.30pm  
Wednesday, 24 May 9.30am—12.30pm

**Please note: This program is offered in two parts,  
however each session also stands alone**

Leonard Cohen's song *Anthem* reminds us that there is hope in times of darkness, that our vulnerability can be a gift.

Drawing on the writings of well-known Irish writer and poet, John O'Donohue, and in particular *Eternal Echoes: Exploring our Hunger to Belong*, these reflections invite you to embrace your vulnerability and befriend the darkness which holds the mystery of transfiguration.



**Part One: Darkness is the cradle of growth and the gift of vulnerability**

**Part Two: Suffering is the sister of your possibility and out of the Winter comes a new Spring**

Woven through these sessions will be the prayers and poems of John O'Donohue and David Whyte with their Celtic connections to nature as being always wrapped in seamless prayer

**Registration essential: by the Friday before each session.  
Cost: \$30 full, \$20 pensioner/unwaged**

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## MAY

**Beyond Boundaries and Bigotry:  
Mary MacKillop's (not-Catholic) Backers**

**Presenter: Mary Ryan rsj**

Saturday, 13 May  
2.00-4.00pm

**A registered SA History Festival Event**



A story-telling session to honour some prominent 19th Century Adelaideans: **Joanna** and **Robert Barr Smith**, **Emanuel Solomon** and **Dr John Benson**. At a time when the leaders of her own church were less than supportive, and, at times, openly antagonistic towards Mary and the Sisters, these people, while not sharing Mary MacKillop's religious beliefs, recognised her goodness and humanity, and solidly supported her work among the poorest of the poor.

This presentation will be followed by an optional guided tour of Mary MacKillop Museum.

**Afternoon Tea Provided**

**Registration essential – by Wednesday, 10 May**

**Cost: Donation appreciated**

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**Ecological Spirituality –  
Exploring a New Language for Prayer and Ritual.**  
**Presenter: Jennifer Callanan**

Saturday, 20 May  
9.30am - 4.00pm

**Ecological Spirituality calls us  
to encourage greater contact  
with the natural world in a spirit  
of wonder, praise, joy and gratitude,  
and promote creation-centred prayers  
and rituals.** (*Laudato Si*, #6—Pope Francis).



This practical workshop will focus on *Laudato Si*, Goal 6, *Ecological Spirituality*. We will explore the implications for the creation of prayers and rituals, draw on the wisdom of the tradition and contemporary culture, and create prayers and rituals using language and ideas that are accessible to young people through to adults.

Using templates from *Sparks of the Universe. Rituals Awakening Appreciation for our Common Home*, participants will engage in creating their own rituals and explore processes to assist young people and adults to do the same. Links with the wider curriculum will be made.

**Registration Essential by Monday, 1 May**

**Cost: \$75 or Pension/Unwaged \$55** (this includes cost of a copy of '*Sparks of the Universe: Rituals Awakening Appreciation for our Common Home*', by Jennifer Callanan)

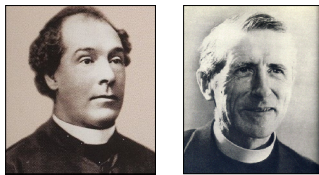
**BYO Lunch**

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**This day is open to all who are committed to creating contemporary prayers and rituals for young people through to adults. It is also approved by CESA as a SAM for teachers, requiring the submission of a 1500 word reflection paper**



**'Home' for Tenison Woods and Teilhard**  
**Presenter: Mary-Ann Casanova**



Saturday 27 May and (repeat session) Sunday 28 May  
 9.30am - 12.30pm 2.00 - 5.00pm

Julian Tenison Woods and Teilhard were seasoned travellers. Circumstances placed them on the margins of the institutional Church as well as geographically. This session is an opportunity to consider where and how these men experienced 'home'. Like them we will reflect on the universe and Earth as our context and home.

**Registration essential – by Monday, 22 May**

**Cost: \$30 full, \$20 pensioner/unwaged**

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**Josephite Reconciliation Circle**  
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Monday, 5 June and 3 July  
 4.30pm - 6.30pm

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**MAY - JUNE**

**Environment/Ecology (Part 1)**

**Hosts: Josephite Companions**

**Presenter: Mary-Ann Casanova rsj**

Saturday, 3 June  
 2.00 - 4.00pm



As this is the Saturday before World Environment Day, the Jo-

sephite Companions invite you to an Ecological / *Laudato Si* presentation by Mary-Ann Casanova rsj.

(Pope Francis' encyclical letter, *Laudato Si*, is a document about ethics, Christian faith and environmentalism.)

This presentation will be followed in October by Part 2 where there will be a focus on Julian Tenison Woods: the scientist and environmentalist.

**Registration—by Monday, 29 May**

**Afternoon tea provided**

**Cost: Donation appreciated**

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**Embracing the Wonderfully Imperfect In Us**

*'Embracing our imperfections  
 and accepting their beauty  
 are the marks of our authenticity'.*

**Presenter: Wayne Brabin**

Saturday, 17 June  
 9.30am - 4.00pm



Our focus is often on the need to strive for perfection. This quiet reflection time provides the opportunity to explore and embrace our wonderful imperfections and discover our authentic self, the person who God loves unconditionally. God's love for us is unconditional, wholehearted, and continual. There is nothing we can do to make God love us more – there is nothing we can do to make God love us less.

**Registration essential by Friday, 9 June**

**Cost: \$55 or Pension/\$40 unwaged**

**BYO Lunch**

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## Workshop: The Art of Conversation and Communication

**Presenter: Vivi Boucher**

Friday 23 June  
10.30am - 3.00pm

We will contemplate creatively how we can engage positively and confidently with each other.

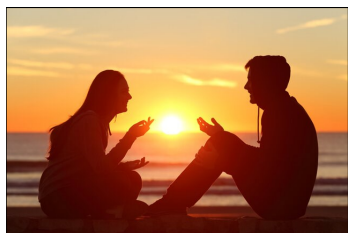
We'll reflect on end of life issues and emotions which affect us all and how we can be a good companion to the very ill and dying around us.

**Registration Essential by Friday, 16 June**

**Cost: \$45 or Pension/\$30**

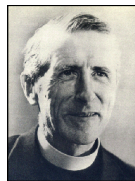
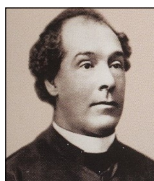
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Saturday 1 July and (repeat session) Sunday 2 July  
9.30am - 12.30pm 2.00 - 5.00pm

Julian Tenison Woods and Teilhard made important contributions in the scientific fields of botany, geology, geography, anthropology, paleontology among others. This session explores some of the ways in which their scientific work was informed by their contemplation, and how their contemplation informed their scientific practices.

**Registration essential – by Monday, 26 June**

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*Find happiness  
in  
making others  
happy*

Mary MacKillop 1889

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## JUNE - JULY

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## Life's Labyrinth: an experiential Journey of a Threefold Way to Wholeness: Wonder, Refining, compassion

**Presenter: Susan Pollard rsj**

Saturday, 15 July  
10.30am—3.30pm

In **Session 1**: We will explore this metaphor for life through myth, dream and life's actualities.

In **Session 2**: A Deepening of the Archetype of *Pilgrimage* through exploring, and then walking, the Chartres' labyrinth.



**Registration essential— by Friday, 7 July**

**Cost: \$50 or Pensioner/\$35 unwaged**

**BYO Lunch**

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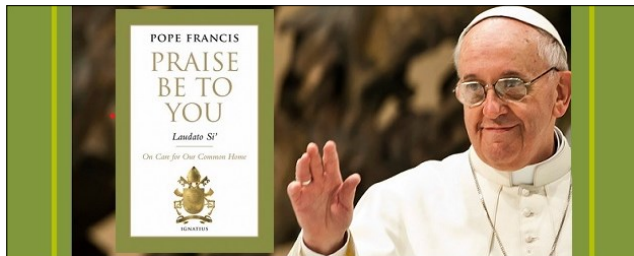
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**A Change of Heart, A Change of Habit,  
Living Intentionally:  
Reigniting our communion  
with all of creation.**

**Presenter: Jennifer Callanan**

Tuesday, 18 July  
9.30am—4.00pm



Pope Francis, in *Laudato Si'*, maintains that '...the ecological crisis is also a summons to profound inner conversion.' *si-on.*' (LS:271) He further declares that 'Many things have to change, but it is we human beings above all who need to change...' (LS 202)

This workshop is an opportunity to nurture our inner spirit—inviting stillness, deep listening, reflection, engagement with the environment and shared ritual. This reflective session will focus on *Ecological Conversion*, as described in *Laudato Si'* and draw attention to Pope Francis' summons for:

*'a change of heart, a change of habit, and a change to the way we pay attention to the world around us, and, therefore, to live intentionally, not disconnected but joined in splendid communion with all that is.'*

**Registration Essential by Wednesday, 12 July**

**Cost: \$55 or Pension/\$40**

**BYO Lunch**

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**Workshop: Grief in Life and Death**

**Presenter: Vivi Boucher**

Friday, 4 August  
10.30am - 3.00pm

Grief follows many deep and real emotions. We can feel immense pain, loneliness, anger, loss of hope and faith.



We'll contemplate grief in life's experiences through creative expression.

**Registration Essential by Friday, 28 July**

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**Celtic Spirituality:**

**Listening for the heartbeat of God.**

**Presenter: Val DeBrenni**

Saturday, 22 July

9.30am—4.00pm



This day of prayer and reflection explores the significance of Celtic spirituality as a vital spirituality for today. It invites us to encounter the presence of God within all things and within all people. This day taps into the research of John Philip Newell, ponders the poetry of John O'Donohue, listens to the stories of some Celtic saints and immerses us in Celtic prayer, art

and music.

**Registration essential— by Monday, 17 July**

**Cost: \$50 or Pensioner/\$40 unwaged**

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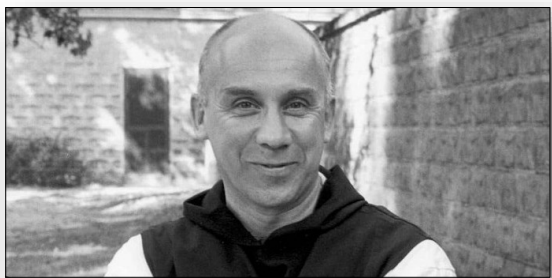
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## Thomas Merton and his teachers: Zen Buddhism and the 13<sup>th</sup> Century Mystic Meister Eckhart.

**Presenter: Angela Hazebroek**

Saturday, 12 August  
9.30am—4.00pm



Thomas Merton captured the imagination of young people, in particular, in the years immediately after the Second World War.

Merton's prolific writings on prayer and contemplation, justice and compassion, peace and non-violent activism, and the ways that Eastern and Western spiritualities could complement each other, continue to encourage 21<sup>st</sup> century seekers of a faith that balances contemplation and action.

We will explore the way that Zen Buddhism led Merton to the 13<sup>th</sup> Century Dominican Priest and mystic Meister Eckhart and then into a deeper silence and recognition of the essential interconnection of all beings. Spending a day with Merton is sure to delight, challenge and encourage you in your own journey.

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## AUGUST

## FEAST OF SAINT MARY MACKILLOP

- ♦ Tuesday, 8 August
- ♦ Celebration of Eucharist - 10.00am  
in St Joseph's Chapel
- ♦ Followed by refreshments  
in Bethany Centre



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*Come and Celebrate Mary's special day!*

**No Registration/No Cost**

## 'Looking' with Tenison Woods and Teilhard Presenter: Mary-Ann Casanova

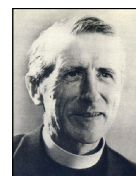
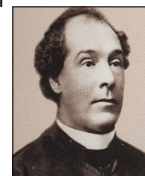
Saturday, 19 August and (repeated) Sunday 20 August  
9.30am - 12.30pm                      2.00 - 5.00pm

Julian Tenison Woods and Teilhard were known for their keen intellects and keen eyes. They were accustomed to looking and looking again. This session is an opportunity to be immersed in some of their practices of looking with the organs of the eye, mind, and heart

**Registration essential –  
by Friday, 11 August**

**Cost: \$30 full, \$20 pensioner/unwaged**

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## Hopes ... Dreams ... Desires

*'Hope opens new horizons,  
making us capable of dreaming  
what is not even imaginable'.*

(Pope Francis)

### Presenter: Wayne Brabin

Saturday, 9 September  
9.30am—4.00pm



This quiet day of reflection offers the opportunity to spend time with God and yourself to reflect on your current hopes, dreams and desires. Spending time in silence and solitude can enable you to empty yourself of clutter and open up your creative imagination to dream of life-giving possibilities that await.

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BYO Lunch

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*There, where you are,  
you will find God*

Mary MacKillop 1871

# Mary MacKillop Precinct SEPTEMBER

## Spotlight on Mary MacKillop

### Presenters:

### Josephite Companions

Friday, 8 September  
10.00—12.00 noon



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## Dreamwork: A reflective exploration of C.G. Jung's approach to understanding dreams and their impact on our lives.

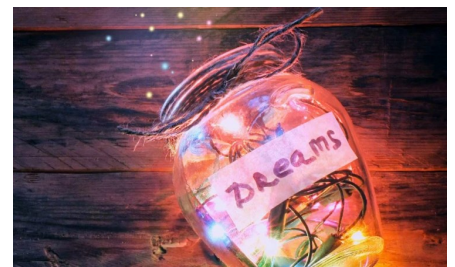
*The dream is the small hidden door in the deepest and most intimate sanctum of the soul, which opens to that primeval cosmic night that was soul long before there was conscious ego and will be soul far beyond what a conscious ego could ever reach.*

Jung, CG. The Meaning of Psychology for Modern Man and Woman (1934)

### Presenter: Susan Pollard rsj

Wednesday evening, 27 September  
7.00pm—9.00pm

We will look at the relationship between dreams and prayer through Scripture, myth, literature and dream material from clinical practice.



Registration essential— by Monday, 25 September

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# OCTOBER

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Monday 9 October

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## Environment/Ecology (Part 2)

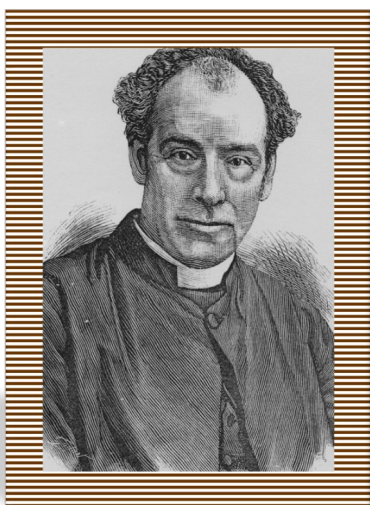
**Hosts:** Josephite Companions

**Presenter:** Mary-Ann Casanova rsj

Saturday, 7 October

2.00 - 4.00pm

To celebrate the 7<sup>th</sup> October anniversary of the death of Fr Julian Tenison Woods, co-founder of the Sisters of Saint Joseph, the Josephite Companions invite you to a presentation by Mary-Ann Casanova rsj.



Fr Julian was a man of many talents: a priest, explorer, scientist, environmentalist and campaigner for social justice.

You are invited to come and learn something more of Julian – the scientist and environmentalist.

**Registration—by Monday, 30 September**

**Afternoon tea provided**

**Cost: Donation appreciated**

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## Come Away and Rest Awhile with the Calm and Beautiful Presence of God

### Presenter:

Lillian Van Brussel

Saturday, 14 October

9.30am—4.00pm

Jesus said to his disciples

*"Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest."* (Mark)

Jesus the teacher was sharing wisdom with his disciples. He knew the value of stopping, resting, listening, praying and making time to be with his God.

Today as modern-day disciples you are invited to rest your soul, relax, become aware of PRESENCE, you with God and God with you.

This will be a day to clear a space for God's action. We don't know what God has in store for us but are we willing to risk what we will find out?

You are invited on this day to engage with opportunities to hear the whisperings of God through prayer, reflection, scripture, music, art and nature in and around this beautiful area including the gardens, the chapel and little nooks you can enjoy and find your quiet place.

You will receive a take-home booklet to revisit and restore your spirit at other times.

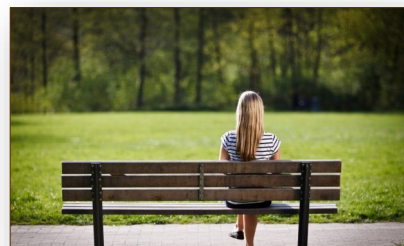
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**BYO lunch**

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Women in Scripture speak to women today

**Presenter: Val DeBrenni**

Saturday, 28 October  
9.30am—4.00pm

The women of the Gospels have their own stories and are archetypes who reflected the joys, struggles, hopes and dreams of women today as we search for a nourishing spirituality in a broken world. During this prayer reflection day we will spend time with four women: the woman bent over, the Canaanite woman, Martha of Bethany and Mary Magdalene. This day makes use of Scripture and a variety of forms of contemplative prayer including icons, poetry, imaginative meditation, lectio and visio divina.



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## Spotlight on Mary MacKillop

**Presenters:**

**Mary Ryan rsj & Josephite Companions**

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## OCTOBER - NOVEMBER

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Monday 6 November  
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4.30pm - 6.30pm

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**Prepare the Way with Moments of Peace**  
**Presenter: Lillian Van Brussel**

Saturday, 18 November  
9.30am—4.00pm

Give yourself this time to prepare for and welcome the season of Advent with a contemplative heart. Connect the Christmas story and the Advent symbols of Love, Hope, Peace and Joy with your own inner realities. Slow-down from the speed and stress of the world around, wonder and reflect on why you are attending to the busyness. Discover and create moments of peace through prayer, reflection, scripture, music, art and nature. A take home booklet will be provided to support your journey throughout the Advent season.



**Registration essential— by Friday, 10 November**  
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**BYO Lunch**

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Monday 4 December

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4.30pm - 6.30pm

Join us as we complete our 2023 journey of growing in cultural knowledge, advocacy and support of Aboriginal/First Nations peoples in South Australia and nationally.

*We will reconvene on the 1st Monday of February 2024.*

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*We have much  
for which to be thankful*

Mary MacKillop 1873

# Mary MacKillop Precinct

## DECEMBER

### Spotlight on Mary MacKillop

#### Presenters:

**Mary Ryan rsj & Josephite Companions**

Friday, 8 December

10.00—12.00 noon

Join us for our final '8<sup>th</sup> of the month' gathering for 2023—on the site where Mary actually lived for 11 years during the turbulent early days of the fledgling Congregation.

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Spotlight on Mary MacKillop in January.  
Our monthly gatherings will recommence on  
8 February, 2024.*



## Meet our 2023 Presenters ...

*We are so grateful to the following people.*

*They represent such a huge range of backgrounds, experience, skills and passion —  
and have generously committed to contributing to our very rich and varied 2023 Events Programme*

**Vivi Boucher** is a local woman, married with 7 adult daughters and many grandchildren. She has lived all her adult life co-leading arts/faith focused live-in communities. Vivi recently returned to Australia after 22 years based in the UK, the first 12 years in an International Street Theatre company and living in Pilgrim House communities working with asylum seekers, then in the last 10 years in multicultural East End London at St. Joseph's Hospice, the last 5 years as St Joseph's community chaplain. She created "Colours of Life" creative arts-based workshops in the hospice, in many local cultural communities with multi faith leaders around end of life issues, grief and loss and differing cultural and faith perspectives.

**Stephanie Brabin** is a member of the Ignatian Heart Spirituality team, a trained spiritual director and supervisor of spiritual formation students, an experienced retreat guide and a giver of the Spiritual Exercises. She has an extensive background in pastoral care support in the health care sector. Stephanie has a desire to accompany others on their spiritual journey in deepening their relationship with God and themselves.

**Wayne Brabin** is a member of the Ignatian Heart Spirituality team, a trained spiritual director, giver of the spiritual exercises, an experienced retreat guide and has an extensive human resource and human development background. His particular interests are in offering spiritual formation and leadership support to those working in education and parishes and in adapting the [Ignatian] Spiritual Exercises in all forms.

**Jennifer Callanan** has a long career in Catholic Education. In her private practice she offers staff reflection days, mentoring, and professional development, focusing on *Ecological Conversion* as described in *Laudato Si* and its implications for prayer, ritual, living and life. Jen's recent book, *Sparks of the Universe. Rituals Awakening Appreciation for Earth, Our Common Home*, is inspired by Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si*. Available from the Mary MacKillop Museum Gift Shop, it is a resource for educators, students and all those committed to awakening and celebrating ecological consciousness.



**Mary-Ann Casanova rsj** has recently returned to South Australia after a twenty-year absence. During this “long sabbatical” she was engaged in practical ecological projects such as helping to manage an organic farm and an ecological learning centre. She co-authored a series of educational resources which linked ecology and Christian Spirituality, and worked for Catholic Earthcare Australia.

Mary-Ann’s freshly minted PhD with a concentration in Ecology, Spirituality and Religion, brings her early life on a sheep station together with her Josephite ministries of teaching and decades of ecological work.

**Mary Cresp rsj** is a Sister of St Joseph who has ministered in primary and secondary schools, in parishes and as lecturer/tutor at St Francis Xavier’s Seminary (Adelaide College of Divinity) before being elected Congregational Leader for the Sisters of St Joseph in 1989. Since then she has been Executive Director of the Conference of Australian Religious, Congregational Leader for the Sisters of Perpetual Adoration, and has authored a number of books and articles on spirituality and history. Mary continues to write and to give Spiritual Direction, retreats and staff days.

**Val DeBrenni**, a Covenant Josephite, is a trained spiritual director and supervisor. She is the Director of the Spiritual Director Formation Program for the Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide and a member of the Ignatian Heart Spirituality Team, Val has a special interest in the spiritual formation of teachers and leaders in Catholic schools.

**Angela Hazebroek** is a member of the *Ignatian Heart Spirituality Team* and a giver of the Spiritual Exercises and Spiritual Direction, face-to-face and via technology. Angela offers monthly reflections, retreats and a course on the mystics. Her practice is based on the interconnectedness of all beings and our call to be co-creators with Love in an awesome evolving cosmos. Angela is married with two adult daughters and four grandchildren.

**Chris McCabe** is member of the *Ignatian Heart Spirituality Team*, a trained spiritual director, an experienced retreat guide and facilitator of reflection days and weekend experiences for women and youth group leaders. She has a background in education and experience in pastoral care in a hospital setting and also for the homeless and marginalised. She is interested in helping others explore and deepen their spiritual selves and has a passion for developing and nurturing the faith of young people.

**Susan Pollard rsj** is a Jungian analyst, clinical psychologist and a training analyst with the Australian and New Zealand Society of Jungian Analysts. She has a theological, teaching and educational administration background and has lived in Australia, Africa and Europe. From 1991 to 2000, Susan was a training candidate at the C.G. Jung Institute Zurich from where she graduated in July 2000. Her doctorate in analytical psychology is from the Union University and Institute, Cincinnati, Ohio. She is in private practice in South Australia and has offered a number of workshops in Australia and overseas.

**Mary Ryan rsj** is the Director of Mary MacKillop Precinct. She has spent many years working in the areas of primary and secondary education, adult and young adult spirituality and also in a number of leadership roles in both Victoria and NSW. In recent years, Mary has co-ordinated the establishment of Mary MacKillop Precinct, the redevelopment of Mary MacKillop Museum and the creation of the Kensington-Norwood Mary MacKillop Walk. A keen photographer, she is inspired daily by her hero, Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop.

**Lillian Van Brussel** has taught in Catholic schools for over twenty years whilst leading the religious identity and mission. She currently plans and implements prayer and reflection days and experiences for teachers, school leadership teams, students and other sectors. Lillian currently gives spiritual direction as part of her study in the Spiritual Director Formation Program in the Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide. Her prayer and reflection experiences provide input to ponder and opportunity to reflect, slow down and connect with PRESENCE along with take home resources for the everyday toolbox for slow down from the general busyness of life on a more regular basis. God is here always!

**Josephite Companions**—formerly Associates—are women and men from all walks of life who are drawn to the spirit of Mary MacKillop and Julian Tenison Woods. Josephite Companions are active in ministry in Australia and Aotearoa New Zealand as well as in Peru, Timor Leste and Scotland.

Companions spend time together, walk with and accompany one another: this they do with the Sisters and with their fellow Companions. Together they share the Josephite charism, wanting to make a difference in the world through living the gospel with a Josephite heart. They do this through a focus on Prayer, Friendship and Service. Being a Josephite Companion is one of four pathways of committing to a Josephite way of life.

*As Josephite Companions we respond to the call to live the charism  
of Mary MacKillop and Julian Tenison Woods in our daily lives in our own unique way.  
We support one another by friendship, prayer and service to make a difference  
in our local area and so further the reign of God. (Companions’ Mission Statement)*

For more information about the Josephite Companions, please contact: [SA.Companions@sosj.org.au](mailto:SA.Companions@sosj.org.au)

