

Saint Mary MacKillop, an example of living a Eucharistic life

EUCHARIST PEOPLE

The Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre is an educational resource for teaching the Victorian RE curriculum through the story of Mary MacKillop, Julian Tension Woods and the Sisters of St Joseph and their contribution to Catholic schooling and social welfare in Australia.

This program provides a direct response to the **Year 4** curriculum unit, **Eucharist People**, as outlined in *Coming to Know, Worship and Love: A Religious Education Curriculum Framework for Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of Melbourne*, Catholic Education Office, Melbourne 2005.

While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body. Mark 14:22

OVERVIEW

The Eucharist is central to the Catholic faith and Catholic tradition. Mary MacKillop loved the Eucharist and she lived her life as a person of the Eucharist through her thoughts, words and actions.

ACTIVITIES

Students will:

- listen to the story of Mary MacKillop and how she came to love the Eucharist through her family;
- engage in tasks related to the Eucharist, handling sacred objects related to Eucharist and recognise and name symbols of the Eucharist; and
- participate in a tour of the Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre Museum where they will learn of the lived experience of gospel values of Mary MacKillop and the Sisters of St Joseph.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the conclusion of this program students will have:

- Knowledge of Mary MacKillop and her love for the Eucharist.
- Identified similarities between the celebration of the Last Supper of Jesus, the Eucharist and family celebrations.
- Located sacred objects in the galleries and identified what made them sacred.
- Understood the meaning of Eucharist and Eucharistic symbols.