



Mary MacKillop and the Sisters of Saint Joseph's contribution to...

JULIAN TENISON WOODS – GOD THE CREATOR

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 5** curriculum unit **God The Creator**, 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.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was a formless void, there was darkness over the deep, and God's spirit hovered over the water. God said, "let there be light", and there was light. Genesis 1:1-3

OVERVIEW

In 1866 Julian Tenison Woods co-founded the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart with Mary MacKillop, our first Australian saint. Julian had a great love and respect for creation.

*Every rock, every leaf, every insect has something, nay wonderful, to tell.
Julian Tenison Woods 1880*

ACTIVITIES

Students will:

- Listen to key aspects of the story of Julian Tenison Woods
- Engage in activities that provide knowledge into Julian's broad experience in science
- Examine and compare items found in the natural environment
- Engage in creation prayers in the chapel

LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the conclusion of this program students will have:

- Knowledge that Julian was a priest, co-founder of the Sisters of St Joseph and was an advocate for sustainability
- A deeper appreciation of the environment and the need to be sustainable
- Created and shared prayers of thanks and petition for our environment