

Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop Parish, Warnervale.

We gather as a community of believers in Jesus. to grow as his disciples. using our gifts, to proclaim the Gospel

> 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT **YEAR C, 10 MARCH 2019**

Diocese of Broken Bay Ancestral home of the Darkinjung people

Image by Sr Dorothy Woodward rsj

Readings:

Deut 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

Response:

Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Parish Pastoral Council

The PPC collaborates with the Parish Priest to foster the spiritual and pastoral life of everyone in the Parish and meet on the third Wednesday of the month.

We have two vacancies on the Council. If you could fill one of these positions, please nominate yourself and write a brief paragraph describing what you have done in this or other parishes and give or email this to Fr Vince or Ann Jackson before 6pm on Sunday 10th March, who will share them with the Executive of the PPC. If there are more than two suitable candidates, this will be followed by an election.

Planned Giving

Thanks to everyone who contributes to the parish in this regular way. It is our largest source of

income, raising nearly \$60,000 last year. New planned giving envelopes are available at the back of the church.

This year we had to reallocate some of the higher numbered envelopes as we had a lot of lower numbers not being used. Those with a new number allocated have your old number in red in the bottom We apologise for any corner. inconvenience but this will reduced our stationery costs significantly.

If you would like to join us as a Planned Giver - forms for a set of envelopes or to authorise direct debit donations are available at the back of the church.

Sunday Mass

Saturday: 5pm Sunday: 8am, 10am, 5pm

Weekday Mass

9.15am Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 7.30am Wed

Reconciliation

Saturday @ 4.00pm

Family Mass

Every Sunday @ 10am Includes children's liturgy

Youth Mass

Every Sunday @ 5pm

Seniors Anointing Mass

Third Saturday of the month at 9.15am.

Men's Breakfast

Fourth Saturday of the month at Warnies Café.

Baptisms

Most Sundays @ 11.30am Attendance at Information Evening is required

Weddings

By Appointment

Thinking of becoming a Catholic?

Please contact Parish staff for more information.

Devotions

Divine Mercy before Mass at 9am; Rosary after Mass.

Lenten Program Starting The Lenten program starts this Monday

11 March and continues for four weeks till 1 April. There are two sessions 10am to 11am and 7pm to 8pm. The theme will be the Seven Deadly Sins and their appropriate Virtues. Each session will include a prayer, two short videos and discussion to follow each.

If you wish to join add you name to the list at the back of the church

Two Lenten Reflection Mornings 'The Call to Holiness in Today's World' Friday 15 & 22 March 10 - 11:30am.

Spend some time this Lent with Jesus to explore Pope Francis' 2018 Apostolic Exhortation "Rejoice and Be Glad". Presented by Pina Bernard from the Catholic Life & Faith Formation Team of These two sessions will the Diocese. make a space to deepen our understanding of the universal call to holiness, and what it means to be holy in everyday life. We will draw on the Scriptures, Church teaching, and the lives of the Saints; and learn some spiritual tools that can help us on our personal journey towards holiness this Lent.

Please note your interest on the clipboard at the back of the church, so Pina has an idea of numbers. Or just come along.

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PPC: Ann Jackson, Antony Joseph, Michael McCarthy, Bill Mifsud, Paul Moir, Maureen Mulheron and

Christine Owen.

The Light is ON for you

From 7pm to 8pm on Fridays in Lent a priest will be available to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Next Friday we will also have St Paul's Stations of the Cross at 7pm. Everyone is welcome, especially if you have not been to confession for a while.

www.thelightisonforyou.org.au

Discerning the Way of Jesus

is a lectio divina Lenten program prepared by the Diocese. It can be done on your own or in a small group. Books are available at the door of the church.

Pope Francis

The Pope has issued his message for Lent, it is available on the Diocese website and copies at the back of the church.



Confirmation Classes

The second preparation class is today at 10am Mass and continue for the next 2 weeks - 17 & 24 March. The sacrament will be celebrated on Saturday 30th March at 10am or 12 noon.

Thanks

to the parishioners who painted the wood and the new tables and chairs in the coffee area.

Have a seat and a chat some time after Mass.

SENIORS NEWS

Our healing Mass and morning tea will be held next Saturday 16 March.

Keep our picnic in your diary Monday 8 April Sausage Sizzle at MacKenzie Reserve Budgewoi, for a nominal charge.

Reserve the first Thursday of each month for our usual luncheon.

Ring Marie Wilde if you need a lift 4397 2935

God Bless,

Ria and Committee

Music at Sunday Masses

In our Parish we have some generous and talented musicians, but not enough to provide music for every Mass.

Our 'Plan B' is to prepare music, singing and words as a PowerPoint presentation. For this to work we need people

to go on a roster who are confident enough Psal with computers to find and open the Power-Point for the day, turn on the amplifier and data projectors and to control the 'clicker' to move the slides.



If you could take on the ministry, please contact Fr Vince or Murray Swanston

(mpjs@bigpond.net.au).

Minimal training is needed and it will be provided at a time that suits you.

New Catholics

Welcome to Karishma Mary Kaushal and Mark Geoffrey Grundy who were baptised, confirmed and received first communion last week; and to Charlie and Ava who were received into the church in preparation for their confirmation in a few weeks.

Project Compassion Boxes Will remain available at the back of the church throughout Lent.

MARCH SAFEGUARDING **MESSAGE**

A culture of Safeguarding values SERV-ANT LEADERSHIP..."Like good stewards of the manifold of grace of god, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received." - 1 Peter 4:10

Return & Earn

We raised \$77.90 last week! Thank-you to everyone who are supporting the return and earn program.

THIS WEEK

Monday 11 March 9:15am Communion Service Chris

Tuesday 12 March 9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Wednesday 13 March 7.10 am Morning Prayer 7:30 am Mass Fr Vince 9:15 am Communion Service Pam & Paul

Thursday 14 March 9:15am Mass Fr Vince After Mass - Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 15 March 9:15am Mass Fr Vince 7pm to 8pm The light is ON for you. Reconciliation & Stations of the Cross

Saturday 16 March 9:15am Seniors Anointing Mass

Next Weekend 16/17 March Sat 4pm Reconciliation Fr Carmelo Sat 5pm Mass Fr Carmelo 8:00am Mass Fr Vince (+Sr Marea) 10.00am Mass Fr Vince Confirmation #3 (+ Sr Marea) 5pm Youth Mass `Fr Vince 7pm Syro Malabar Mass Fr Leonse

Sr Marea will be speaking about St Joseph at the 8am 10am Masses.

Social Justice Australia's Shame.

Everybody's Home 37,000people are sleeping in their cars, couch surfing or without permanent housing in N.S.W.

They advocate:

- 1. 5,000 more social housing Properties to reduce 15+ years waiting list.
- 2. A ban on unfair evictions for NSW renters; and
- 3. A properly funded plan for sup porting people experiencing homelessness into with the wrap around services they need to stay housed.

Margaret Hagan Chairperson, Social Justice Committee Warnervale Catholic Church

www.marymackillopsocialjustice. wordpress.com

Please remember our sick: Linda Bond, Adeline de Silva; Neville Brown; Fr Jim McGee (Wagga Diocese) Ellen Murral, Zenaida Ambait, Koby Bourke, Margaret Williams, Darlene McMillan, Margaret Williams, Sabbina Wani, Deacon Jim Caulfield, Sean Shanks, Koby Bourke.

Deceased: Annette Creagh, Joan Walter, Damien Michael Stecko; Ann Brauer, Mark Geoffrey Grundy, Shirley Jones, Gavin Driscol, Conchita Nacua Roberts, Muriel Jackson, Marlie Cartmer, Coralie Rasmussen, Sally Currey, Chris King, Filippa Vella, Charlie Gatt, Alan Underwood, Helen Young, Fr Alan Hart, David Galea, Steve Tamone.



Mass Intentions: Mary and Anglo Spiteri, Leah and Jessical Carroll, Anselmo, Paulita, Enrico, Arturo, Pio Edwin, Pantaleono, Temotea Ambait, Elma Capacite, Hermigildo, Romualda Giba, Donna Monsuere, Helen Pantazopoulos,