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# 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

## 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Diocese of Broken Bay  
Ancestral home of the  
Darkinjung people

**Readings:** Is 24:6-10; Phil 4:12-14;  
Mt 22:1-14

**Response:**

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

**Alleluia Alleluia!**

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

**Alleluia!**

**Reflection**

Our God invites all people to the banquet of the kingdom, a banquet characterised by joy, integrity, and true peace. Sometimes, however, we decline this invitation preferring the lesser banquets that we know. May God enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.



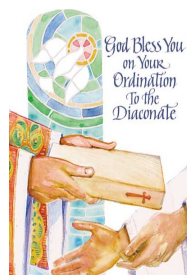
**Holidays**

Fr Vince will be on holiday leave from Monday 18 October to Friday 30 October. There will be communion services during the week and supply priests to celebrate Masses on the weekend.

**Ordinations**

Please remember in your prayers the following men who are being ordained as deacons, on their last step towards priesthood for the diocese of Broken Bay.

- Roger Delmonte, 7 October
- Aldrin Valdehueza, 14 October
- Sam French, 22 October



**St Mary of the Cross**

**The 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the canonisation of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop**

is 17 October 2020. The Sisters of St Joseph invite us to celebrate the life and legacy of our first Saint. The theme for this celebration is "Take Fresh Courage", a quote written by Mary MacKillop on 21 May 1877. A "Courage Hour" will be held on Friday 16 October at 8pm where all can participate online via the Sisters of St Joseph website.

Details and resources can be found at <https://www.sosj.org.au/10th-anniversary/>

The parish has purchased 10 beautiful commemorative rosary beads. You can purchase them for the cost price of \$30, proceeds go to aid the church in need.

**Peter's Pence**

Thanks to all who donated to the Peter's Pence appeal last week to support the charitable works of the Vatican around the world. We raised \$763.70.

**Thank you**

Thank you to Fr Carmelo Sciberras, Fr Kenneth Hagan, Fr Jack Robson and Fr John Frauenfelder for celebrating weekend Mass whilst I am on leave. Also many thanks to parishioners who will lead the Communion Services through the week. *Vince.*



**Sunday Mass**

Sat (Vigil) 5pm,  
Sun 8am, 10am, 5pm

**Weekday Mass**

Mon - Fri 9.15am  
Wed 7.30am

**Reconciliation**

Sat 4 - 4.30 pm

**Family Mass**

Every Sunday @ 10am  
Includes children's liturgy

**Anointing Mass**

Third Saturday of the month  
at 9.15am.

**Men's Breakfast**

Fourth Saturday of the month  
at Warnies Café.

**Baptisms**

Sunday 11.30am Contact the  
Parish Office for details.

**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.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

Thursdays after 9:15am Mass

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## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE YEAR 12 STUDENTS

As they prepare for the HSC exams.

## Social Justice Mental Health Month

10 October, was World Mental Health Day and this month is Mental Health Month. *To Live Life to the Full* then deals with Mental Health and Family Life.

We are mindful of those stresses that have an impact on family life.

The birth of a child is a great joy, but for many parents it can also be a difficult time. Up to 20 per cent of women experience depression during pregnancy and following childbirth. This can have severe and prolonged effects on daily routines and the care of a child according to a study by the Black Dog Institute.

We know that the increasing demands of work can deprive families of valuable time together. More and more workers are employed on a casual or contract basis, some working two or more jobs with irregular hours. These pressures can place terrible stress on relationships. Three million workers have/or are caring for someone with mental ill-health issues. There are also over 450,000 people struggling on meagre income support who have mental ill-health or are their carers.

We are all aware of the mental and emotional impact of separation and divorce. The breakdown of a relationship is distressing for each partner and can have a lasting impact on children.

An especially acute problem is the impact of domestic violence and abuse on women. They are the most likely to suffer mental ill-health, with far higher levels of trauma, anxiety, depression and suicidal thoughts than the general population”.

**Our next meeting is on 17 November at 2.30 pm. All are welcome.**

Social Justice Committee  
Warnervale Catholic Church



[www.marymackillopsocialjustice.wordpress.com](http://www.marymackillopsocialjustice.wordpress.com)

## Coronavirus restrictions

The **number of people** permitted to attend a church service is **100**.

**All other restrictions continue** for hygiene and social distancing. Please use **hand sanitiser** and **keep 1.5 metres apart** when entering and leaving the church, when queuing for communion and when chatting before and after Mass. We are all encouraged to **wear a mask** when visiting the church.

**Sign in sheets for Mass** are in the two folders in the breezeway. Please ensure you are signing in for the Mass you are attending.

The sign in sheet for **visits to the church** are on the table at the back of the church. Please ensure the date and time are also recorded.

## Catholicism

After this course was enjoyed several years ago, we will be presenting it again. Continuing on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm and continuing on successive Mondays over the next nine weeks.

The series explores the whole faith in light of the Transcendental Virtues – Truth, Goodness and Beauty. The beauty of the filming makes these very attractive, visible and presents examples from all around the world. Bishop Barron’s commentary illustrates the points very well. You will be most welcome to attend any or all sessions.

Any questions, call Terry Pate  
0408 973 316.

## ACU Lecture:

### "Liturgy, Prayer, Pastoral Care and Pandemics"

Parish Staff, clergy and parishioners may be interested in the free public lecture “Liturgy, Prayer, Pastoral Care and Pandemics” to be given via Zoom on Monday, 12 October 2020, 10.30am, by Sr. Prof. Julia Upton, RSM. [Download Flyer](#) for more information.

## International Day of Older Persons

was celebrated Thursday 1 October 2020. The NSW Ageing & Disability Commission have produced an online learning module to equip those involved with the skills to respond to concerns of abuse. Click [here](#) to learn more and access the online module.

## THIS WEEK

### Monday 12 October

9:15am Communion service

### Tuesday 13 October

9:15am Communion Service

### Wednesday 14 October

7:30am Communion Service

9:15am Communion Service

### Thursday 15 October

**St Teresa of Jesus**

9:15am Communion Service

### Friday 16 October

9.15am Mass Communion Service

### Saturday 17 October

4pm Reconciliation Fr Carmello

5pm Mass Fr Carmello

### Sunday 18 October

8am Mass Fr Jack Robson

10am Mass Fr John Frauenfelder

5pm Mass Fr Ken

## First Holy Communion

Preparing for First  
HOLY COMMUNION



Will be celebrated for those in Year 4 or older who have made their Reconciliation. **Enrolment forms** are available now through the College and the Parish Office or at the back of the church.

### Classes for MacKillop

**students in Year 4** will begin at MCC in Term 4, with Sr Ji Ji.

### Classes for students older than

**Year 4 or attending other schools**

will be run by Sr Ji Ji after Sunday 10am Mass on 25 October and 1 November. Much of the preparation will be done at home, with parents using the booklet you will receive when the enrolment form is lodged with the parish.

First Communion will be celebrated at **special Masses** at 2pm on Sat 7/11 and Sun 8/11; and then at 2pm on the following weekend, Sat 14/11 and Sun 15/11

There will need to be a limit of four guests for each child. Those who want to have more guests will need to arrange a weekday or another Sunday Mass. Any questions please contact the parish office 8379 1740 or email [warnervaleparish@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:warnervaleparish@bbcatholic.org.au)

**Please remember our sick:** Kathy Outlaw, Finn McConnon, Judy Powell, Amelia Wenn, Mary Swift, John Ledger, Amelia Wenn, Marites Lawry, Terry Hardman, Tracey Mulheron, Ursula Barker, Anna Savia, Helen Elliot.

**Deceased:** Bobby Fardy, Francis Rooney, John Paul, Joel Dark, Maureen Casey, Margot Beckett, Fred Butterfield, Darrell Travis, Dorothy McGinlay (Karen’s mother), Brian Shanks, Mary Kelly, Anne Bonnici.

**Mass Intentions:** Leo & Dominic Galea, Carmel Borg, Leah & Jessica Carroll, Tricia, Kylie, Amelia & Rebecca, Joan Firmstone, Ruben Nunez, Dulce Gica, George Pantos, Peter & Frank Walsh.



# Readings at Mass

**First reading**

**Is 25:6-10**

**The Lord will prepare a banquet for every nation**

On this mountain,  
the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples  
a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines,  
of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines.

On this mountain he will remove  
the mourning veil covering all peoples,  
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,  
he will destroy Death for ever.

The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek;  
he will take away his people's shame  
everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so.

That day, it will be said: See, this is our God  
in whom we hoped for salvation;  
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.

We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us;  
For the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain

The word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Psalm 22**

**R** I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.  
Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **R**

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.  
If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.  
You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. **R**

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **R**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **R**

**Second reading****Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20****With the help of the One who gives me strength, there is nothing I cannot master**

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord

**Alleluia, alleluia!****Eph 1:17,18**

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart,  
That we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

**Alleluia!****Gospel****Matthew 22:1-14****Invite everyone you can to the wedding**

Jesus began to speak to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables: ‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son’s wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. “Tell those who have been invited” he said “that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding.” But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, “The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding.” So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, “How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?” And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, “Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.” For many are called, but few are chosen.’

The Gospel of the Lord.