

gaint 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

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD 12 JANUARY 2020, YEAR A

Diocese of Broken Bay Ancestral home of the Darkinjung people

Readings:

Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

Response:

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Alleluia, alleluia!

The heavens were opened and the Father's voice was heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Alleluia!

Prayer for those affected by bushfire and drought:

Eternal God, in wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us

We turn to you now in faith, hope and love, asking you to look with favour on our fire-ravaged and drought-stricken land, on our starving and displaced animals, on our failing crops and burning farms, towns and forests.

Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought; be with those who support them.

Strengthen and comfort the victims of the fires, those who have lost family, friends, property and stock.

Protect our volunteer firefighters and all members of essential services.

In your loving providence, send abundant rain to quench the fires and to restore our parched earth.

Father of all compassion, hear our prayer through Jesus Christ your Son, in whom the promise of new life has dawned, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life: Renew your faithful people; Renew the face of the earth.

Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Mary, help of Christians – Pray for us.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop - Pray for us.

Return and Earn Help Needed

Steve Roll, the parishioner who looks after this fundraiser for the parish has a neck injury (not from his work for the parish) and cannot take the cans and bottles to the collection point for the

next few months. For the last six weeks Fr Vince and Fr Philip have done this. We are looking for other



volunteers who would be able to assist. We will provide you with a key to the gates so it can be done at any time. For more information, speak with Fr Vince.

When you bring the cans and bottles to the church it is easier for us if you leave them near the crates and large white bags at the back of the church; and even easier is you sort the glass from the plastic and aluminium. Remember wine and milk bottles are not accepted. To check, look for the "10c Refundable" logo on the label.

For some people it may be easier to take the bottles and cans directly to a depot. If this is your situation and you would like to continue to donate to the parish, put the voucher you receive in an envelope and place it on the collection plate.

Currently this activity is raising more that \$5,000 a year for the parish. A big thanks to everyone who collects the cans and bottles for us.

Bookkeeper: Johnson Mani

Mail: PO Box 4367, Lake Haven, 2263

Parish Mobile: (out of hours) 0498 036 713

And best wishes to Steve for a speedy recovery.

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

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.

Exposition Of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursdays after 9:15am Mass

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Wed 8:30am - 4pm, Thurs 8.30am - 2pm, Fri 8.30am - 2.30pm Office hours:

PPC: Ann Jackson, Glenn d'Cruz, Antony Joseph, Bob Madafiglio, Michael McCarthy, Bill Mifsud, Paul Moir,

Maureen Mulheron, Christine Owen.

Return and Earn This week we raised \$ 91.10

Bags are available near the grassed area or under the table in the church foyer. Take a bag home for recyclable bottles and cans.

Thank you for Must state 10c refund!

RECYCLING THANK YOU!

How should we, as Catholics, read the Bible?

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Pope Francis has instituted Word of God Sunday to be celebrated on 26th January this year.

To celebrate this, we will commence a new bible study course: "How 'Nones' can misread the Bible", by Anthony Pagliarini, Professor of Sacred Scripture, University of Notre Dame, Indiana, USA. ('Nones' are those who put 'no religion' on the census.) The title sounds negative; however the course is very positive! The course is ultimately directed towards evangelisation; but our objective is to learn more about Scripture and, for those who attended the 'Genesis to Jesus' course, building on what we learned then.

The course is over seven lessons which will follow the same format as 'Genesis to Jesus' - a short introduction, 20min video and then discussion, all lasting for about one hour, commencing Monday 3rd February at 10am and again at 7pm, in the church. Some course material will be provided.

If you would like to attend, please list your name on the sheet at the back of the church. This is not a registration but to give an idea of the numbers.

If you have any questions, please speak to me, Terry Pate, either in person or on 0408 973 316.

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Plenary Council 2020

How is God call us to be a Christ-Centred Church This month's theme is "Prayerful and Eucharistic." Please take a handout from the table at the back of the church to reflect upon. this theme. A box is available for you to share your views on what action we can take to become more Prayerful and Eucharistic.



The Children's Liturgy are having a break and will return next Sunday 19 January 2020. Thank you to Cath and the team for your contribution to this special ministry.

WE NEED YOUR HELP if you want to share your faith during 10am Mass with children eager learn about God. Resources are provided and you will be supported. Roster means you help every 3 to 4 weeks. Contact Cath 0419 617 136.

Life of St Thomas Aquinas

A video of the life and teachings of St Thomas Aquinas will be presented in the church on his feastday, Tuesday 28th January at 7.00pm.

The evening will last about one hour and all are welcome to attend.

Prayer Intention Box

There is a prayer intention box at the back of the church. If you would like a prayer said for you please write it on a piece of paper and put in the box.

The location of Musicians in the Church will move from the left side to the right side of the altar this week. This will allow them easier access to the PA and the data projector and make wireless connections better since the distances is shorter. The 'square' will be set up on the left hand side of the church, near the doors.

Presbyterian Aid Toukley (PAT) cnr Hargraves Street & Victoria Avenue

Toukley

A new outreach assistance to the community is now available each Thursday, 1 pm - 3 pm. The main role of P.A.T. is to provide emergency food for those struggling, some other essentials, and offer general information to other church and community service etc Phone number available soon

THIS WEEK

Monday 13 January 9:15am Communion Service

Tuesday 14 January 9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Wednesday 15 January 7:30am Mass Fr Vince 9:15am Communion Service

Thursday 16 January 9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Friday 17 January St Anthony 9.15am Mass Fr Vince

Next Weekend 18/19 January Sat 4pm Reconciliation Fr Vince 5pm Mass Fr Vince

8:00am Mass Fr Vince 10:00am Mass Fr Vince 11:30am Baptism Fr Vince 5pm Mass Fr Vince 7pm Syro-Malabar Fr Bineesh

Social Justice



What Happened To That Car!

Imagine your child desperately needed a car. The child had just found a part-time job but could not access it by public transport. Through love the parent bought and gave the child a car. Due to the low pay it had to be a gift as the child had no way of meeting the cost. As time went by, the car was neglected; the child's driving was careless, leaving dints; the inside smelt of animals and smoke. The value was lost and its function was lessened.

How would the parent feel? How would you feel as the parent? God gave us His creation as a free gift; we cannot repay but we could maintain it as He would wish.

Do we actively work to maintain God's gift? Do we, like the Wise Men, seek out the truth about God's creation?

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Please remember our sick: Elliot (5 weeks), Neil Seabrook, Teddy Watkins, Denis Evans, Gen Jereb, Steve Roll, Dr Louis Fourier, Evelyne Pavlides, Victor Carreon, Luzviminda San Pedro, Cara De Guzman, Vincent Shea.

Deceased: Trevor Anthony Norman, Marjorie Hartley (from Loreto Gardens), Angelija Laukaitis, Pat Tanian, Glen Evans, Paul Evans, David Kershaw, Geoffrey Ranson, Colin Randazzo, Mary Mahoney, Barry Howe, Helen McKeon, Delene Menzies, Kevin May, Kelvin McGuinness, Lorna Hancock, Alberto Go, Mary Mahoney, Alex



Mass Intentions: Jack Kildioff & family, Lance/Mavis Davis, Mnsg Peter Butkus, Sue Warren, Dianne Yannapaulo, Angelija, Adam & David Lankaitis, Nacua, Panoncillo, Sedicol, Langbid, Disierto & Echevaria families, Arthur Armstrong, Joan Walter, Fr Peter Dwyer, Michael McQueen, Weiss Family, Sue Lauder, Peter Larkin.