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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

## 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 12TH NOVEMBER 2023, YEAR A

Diocese of Broken Bay  
Ancestral home of the  
Darkinjung people

**Readings:** Wis 6:12-16;  
1Thess 4:13-18; Mt 25:1-13

**Response:**

My soul is thirsting for you,  
O Lord my God.

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Be watchful and ready:

you know not where the Son of Man is  
coming.

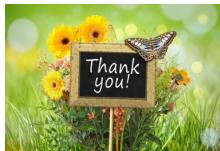
**Alleluia!**

### Parish Anniversary Fundraisers 100s Board—WINNERS



We are thrilled to  
announce the winners  
for the 100s Board  
fundraiser is **Rebecca  
Sellwood and Fr**

**Baby Thomas congratulations to them.**  
Thank you to everyone who supported the  
fundraiser.



We wanted to express  
our heartfelt thanks to  
Ed, Ann, Rita and  
Christine for your  
dedicated efforts and  
contributions to the plant

stall and cake stall last weekend. Your  
hard work and commitment made these  
stalls a great success, and we are truly  
grateful for your support. Your  
involvement played a significant role in  
the success of our event, and your  
contributions were much appreciated by  
all. We have raised \$1,028 towards our  
20th anniversary gift and celebration.

### 20th Anniversary Dinner

Everyone is invite to join us as we  
celebrate the 20th anniversary of our  
Parish with a dinner on **Saturday 25th  
November from 6:30pm in the School  
Hall.** Tickets are available through try  
booking at [www.trybooking.com/CLVWE](http://www.trybooking.com/CLVWE).  
Ticket prices are \$20 per adult, \$10 per  
child (6-12 years old) and under 6s free.

### 20th Anniversary Celebration Mass

*This Thursday, 16th November  
at 6:30pm. Everyone welcome to  
join us for this celebration.*

### Parish Pet Blessing—Sunday

Bring your creatures, great and small, to the



We have our special pet blessing event this  
Sunday after 10am Mass. Whether you  
have a furry friend, a feathery compassion  
or any other beloved pet, all are welcome  
to receive a blessing.

Here are a few important details:

- Please make sure your pets are securely leashed or in a carrier.
- Bring your pets' favorite treats and water to keep them comfortable.
- If you cannot bring your pet, you're welcome to bring a photo or a special item that represents them.

Let's come together as a community and  
celebrate the bond we share with our pets.

### Sunday Mass

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

### Family Mass

Every Sunday at 10am  
Includes Children's Liturgy

### Weekday Mass

Mon—Communion Service  
Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat  
9.15am  
Wednesday 8:45am

### Monthly BBQ

4th Sunday of each month  
after 5pm Mass

### Devotions

Rosary after weekday Mass  
Tues 6pm Rosary

### St Joseph's Men's Group

2nd & 4th Wednesday at 7pm

### Anointing Mass

3rd Saturday of the Month  
at 9:15am

### Reconciliation

Sat 4 - 4.45 pm

### Baptisms

Sunday 11.30am Contact the  
Parish Office for details.

### Baptisms Preparation

3rd Tuesday of each month at  
7pm in the church

### Weddings

By appointment

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tues to Sat/ 8am to 9am

### Parish Luncheon

2nd Thursday of the month  
12noon at Wallarah Bay Club

### Men's & Women's Breakfast

4th Saturday of the month at  
8am at Warnies Café.

### Syro-Malabar Mass

1st Friday at 6pm  
1st & 3rd Sunday at 7pm

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**Office hours:** Tues—Fri 8:30am—3:00pm

**Safeguarding:** When safeguarding is embedded in Parish leadership, governance and culture; members of the Parish recognise that it is a shared responsibility to safeguard children, young people and adults at risk.

'Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility'

If you have any concerns please contact our Safeguarding officer - Bill Mifsud ([bill@earthgold.com.au](mailto:bill@earthgold.com.au)) 0412 051 839

## Talk on the Mass by Shayne

- ◆ How does the mass relate to my life?
- ◆ How can I get more out of the mass?

Our seminarian, Shayne, will address these questions as he explores *how we can participate more fully at mass*.

When: **6:15pm-7:15pm** (with time for Questions) on **Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> November**.

Finger foods and drinks will be provided after 5pm mass. For more information please see Bro Shayne or contact the parish office on 8379 1740. Everyone is welcome to come along.

## Monthly Youth Mass

On Sunday 26th November the parish will hold its last Youth Group and Mass for this year.

Whether you've been part of our youth group for a while or are considering joining us for the first time, you are most welcome! Bring your friends and don't forget to invite other young individuals who may be interested.

This is a fantastic way to connect with your peers, and have some fun.

We can't wait to see you at our Monthly Youth Group from 4pm and Mass at 5pm, with a sausage sizzle after mass for everyone to enjoy

If you have any questions or need more information, feel free to message us or contact the parish office.

## Salesian Thought

*Mere silence is not wisdom, for wisdom consists in knowing when and how to speak and when and where to keep silent.*

The Spirit of St. François de Sales, XX 2)

## Farewell to Loretta

This weekend we say farewell to Loretta. Loretta will sing and play for the last time on Sunday (12th November) at 10am Mass.

## MacKillop Catholic College Mini Vinnie Appeal

MacKillop Catholic College Mini Vinnies are launching the Xmas Appeal in the Secondary next week, they are selling beautiful earrings and Christ Our Light tree ornaments.

These will be available for purchase at the Youth Mass on 26th November. Prices range from \$3 - \$5. Cash or Eftpos available.

All money raised will be used to buy gift vouchers for fresh fruit, veggies and meat to accompany the Christmas Hampers. Thank you for your support.  
Michelle Baxter



## Central Coast Santa Maria and Parish Christmas Lunch

**Central Coast Santa Maria Committee and St Mary of the Cross Mackillop Parish, Warnervale, invite you to their Christmas lunch at Toukley Gold Club, Key Street, Toukley from 12.00 noon to 4.00 pm on Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023.**

Tickets, \$45 per person, available till 19<sup>th</sup> November.

For tickets and information please phone a member of the committee, Charlie Scicluna on 0404 194 020 or Joyce on 4332 9963 or Connie and Charlie on 4396 3704 or Rita and Tony on 0448 742 591.

## Rosary Prayer Group



Come pray with us for our families, the parish and the world, every **Tuesday at 6pm in the Church**.

The prayer meetings for **November on 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>, Thursday evening at 7pm**, in the home of Bill & Dianne 56 Irving Court, Hamlyn Terrace. Phone 0413 454 547. Everyone is welcomed.

## SAINTS DAYS

**Monday 13 November**

**Tuesday 14 November**

**Wednesday 15 November**  
St Albert the Great

**Thursday 16 November**  
St Margaret of Scotland  
St Gertrude

**Friday 17 November**  
St Elizabeth of Hungary

**Saturday 18 November**  
Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter and St Paul

## Return and Earn

This week we raised \$61



Thank you to all the parishioners who continually support our Return and Earn fundraising project. Just a few reminders as we come into the BBQ and socialising weather.

### Please remember:

- ◆ containers need to be empty of all liquid
- ◆ not crushed or broken.
- ◆ labels must be on the containers
- ◆ glass containers need to be separated in the crates or individual bags.
- ◆ cans and bottles must have 10c refund logo.



## Thank you for your continued support!



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**Please remember our sick:** Joel Diaz, Finn McConnon, Betty Scicluna, Robyn Donnelly, Helen Cohen, Lucy Hardman, Bill McGuinness, Len Carlos, Caterina Allen.

**Anniversaries:** Abraham K, Bill Rogers, C.V Vincent, Kathleen Nolan, Christine Burns, Baker Travers, Jill and Bob Mulheron, Alejandro Mabaquiao Jnr, Joseph Garcia, Victor Gatt.

**Recently Deceased:** Ronnie O'Loughlan, Peter Banfield, Charlie Xuereb, Ursula Paul, Maria Grundy.







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Or go online by scanning the QR code or visiting: [bbcatholic.org.au/pastoralworks](http://bbcatholic.org.au/pastoralworks). Thank you.





# Little Lighthouse Playgroup

*Fridays during term time, 9.30 am- 11.00 am  
Primary multi-purpose room*

*Little Lighthouse welcomes families with children aged 0 - 6. Our playgroup is a safe and friendly environment run by parent/carer volunteers. Please bring your own morning tea and sun hat.*

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# 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

**First Reading:**

**Wisdom 6:12-16**

**Wisdom is found by those who look for it.**

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.  
The word of the Lord.

## **Responsorial Psalm**

**R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.**

O God, you are my God, for you I long;  
for you my soul is thirsting.  
My body pines for you  
like a dry, weary land without water. **R.**

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary  
to see your strength and your glory.  
For your love is better than life,  
my lips will speak your praise. **R.**

So I will bless you all my life,  
in your name I will lift up my hands.  
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,  
my mouth shall praise you with joy. **R.**

On my bed I remember you.  
On you I muse through the night  
for you have been my help;  
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. **R.**

# 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

## Second Reading

## St Paul to the Thessalonians 4:13-18

**These who died as Christians, God will bring to life with Jesus.**

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him.

We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

The word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Be watchful and ready:  
you know not when the Son of Man is coming.

**Alleluia!**

## Gospel

## Matthew 25:1-13

**Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.**

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him."

At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "there may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said "open the door for us." But he replied. "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.

The Gospel of the Lord.