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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*

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 13th September 2026, Year A

Readings: Sirach 27:30-28:7;
Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

Response:

The Lord is kind and merciful; slow
to anger and rich in compassion.

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have loved you.
Alleluia!

Thank you - Relic of St Carlo Acutis

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated in and supported the visit of the Relic of St Carlo Acutis to our parish. We are grateful to all those who helped prepare and organise this special occasion, as well as to everyone who came to pray and honour this inspiring young saint.

May the example and intercession of St Carlo Acutis continue to inspire us to grow in our love for the Eucharist and to live our faith with joy and courage.



*Thank
you!*

RCIA Program

*Are you or someone you know interested in
learning more about the Catholic faith or
considering becoming Catholic?*

Our parish will commence the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program on Thursday, 8 October at 7.00pm in the Church. The program is open to adults aged 16 years and over who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or becoming Catholic. For more information or to register, please contact the Parish Office. We warmly welcome you to join us on this journey of faith.

St Joseph's Appeal

The St Joseph's Appeal for the Care and Support of our Retired Priests will be held this weekend, 13 September.

This year, the Diocese has set a goal of \$50,000 to help provide care and support for our retired priests who have faithfully served our communities and the Church.

We warmly invite all parishioners to support this important appeal. Every contribution, large or small, makes a difference and is a meaningful way of expressing our gratitude for the many years of service given by our retired priests.

Appeal envelopes are available at the end of each pew and where you collect your parish bulletin.

Envelopes can be placed in any collection plate or in the donation box next to the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Thank you for your generosity and support.



Diocese of Broken Bay
Ancestral home of the
Darkinjung people

Sunday Mass

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

Family Mass

Every Sunday at 10am
Includes Children's Liturgy

Weekday Mass

Mon 7:30am
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 4pm - 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 The Ary (Ziva),
Main Rd, Toukley

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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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) 0412 051 839

One Communion of Faith with MacKillop Catholic College

Sacrament of Confirmation

Confirmation (Year 3 and older)

The Sacrament of Confirmation is available to baptised Catholic children who are in **Year 3 or above**.

Fr Philip will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on **Saturday, 14 November at 10:00 am**.

A **Parent Information Evening** will be held on **Thursday, 15 October at 7:00 pm in the Church**. Preparation classes will commence on **Sunday, 18 October**, during the **10:00 am Mass**, and will continue for four weeks. Enrolment forms and further details will be available by first week of October.

ACBC Research into the First 10 Years of Marriage September 2026

Couples in their first 10 years of marriage are asked to contribute their valuable insights to a professional survey being funded by the Australian Catholic Bishops.

All answers are anonymous and confidential, and participants can contact the researchers directly with any questions via the survey link at <https://thepmrc.org/survey>

The information gathered will inform pastoral responses and the development of resources for this vital stage of married life.

Salesian Thought

Charity is amongst the virtues, as the sun amongst the stars; she distributes to all their lustre and beauty.

(Treatise on the Love of God, Book 9, Chapter 9)



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Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for SEPTEMBER

For the care of water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

Rosary Prayer Group



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

SEPTEMBER 2026: The prayer meetings will be held on **Thursday, 17th at 7:00pm**, at the home of **Bill and Dianne**, 56 Irving Court, Hamlyn Terrace. For further information, please contact Dianne on 0413 454 547. All are welcome.

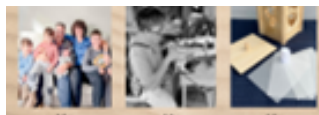
Fundraising

Handcrafted unique Family Treasures

Ray Stanton of Stanton Wood Works is a skilled craftsman and proud member of our parish, with a passion for creating beautiful, personalized wooden treasures for families, friends, and special occasions. Every item is handcrafted with care—and when you order, 10% of your purchase will be donated back to MacKillop Parish.

This is a great opportunity to start thinking about Christmas gifts for family and friends.

Browse Ray's work at stantonwoodworks.au



Be sure to mention you're from MacKillop Parish!



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Saints Days

Monday 14 September

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Tuesday 15 September

Our Lady of Sorrow

Wednesday 16 September

St Cornelius and St Cyprian

Thursday 17 September

Friday 18 September

Saturday 19 September

Return and Earn

This week we raised \$54.60

Thank you to everyone who continually supports our Return and Earn fundraising project and commitment to sustainability and environmental responsibility for our community.

Please remember;

- containers need to be empty of all liquid;
- not crushed or broken;
- labels must be on the containers;
- No wine bottles or spirit bottles.
- Please place glass bottles in crates



Thank you for your continued support!

MacKillop Online Newsletter



Please scan the QR code to subscribe to our weekly email MacKillop Online newsletter, sent each Friday.



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Please remember our sick: John Firmstone, Harrison Aitken, Hetti Damanik, Cesar Raque Martinez, Edgar Ramon Savichez, Vincent Abela, Corazon Armonio, Julie Granero, Mary Swift, Ivan Dzido, Barry Bateson, Cecelia Henry, Joset Gatt, Sheila Marquez.

Anniversaries: Alejandro Mabaquiao Jr, Joan Firmstone, Terence McBride OCDS, George Walters, Maisie Walters.

Recently Deceased: George Charlton, Anita Visintin, Aubrey Croker, Manuel Gatt, Joe Refalo.

Invoking Self-Discovery



25 – 27 SEP 2026
\$550 incl GST



This will be a time for growth and transformation through developing understandings of and engaging in experiences for self-discovery. There will be opportunities to invoke personal freeing and harmony in relationships. You'll appreciate more your gifts and the giftedness of others. Allow yourself to be open to the wisdom within by being with emotional realities, and engaging in poetry, gentle movement, relaxation, meditation and music- all for your wellbeing. There will be space for personal reflection in tranquil surrounds.

Vicki Hancock

Vicki is passionate about nurturing people to well-being and inner wisdom through offering experiential reflective retreats. She has experience and qualifications in meditation, relaxation, movement, mindfulness, contemplation, imagery, soul collage and teaching. She's a practising spiritual director who is committed to her own spiritual journey.



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First Reading:

Book of Ecclesiasticus 27:30-28:7

Forgive your neighbour's fault and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.

Resentment and anger, these are foul things,
and both are found with the sinner.
He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord,
who keeps strict account of sin.
Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you,
and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.
If a man nurses anger against another,
can he then demand compassion from the Lord?
Showing no pity for a man like himself,
can he then plead for his own sins?
Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment;
who will forgive him his sins?
Remember the last things, and stop hating,
remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments.
Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will;
remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.
The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

**R. The Lord is kind and merciful;
slow to anger and rich in compassion.**

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings.

R.

It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love
and compassion.

R

His wrath will come to an end;
he will not be angry for ever.
He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults.

R

For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins

R

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Second Reading

St Paul to the Romans 14:7-9

Whether alive or dead, we belong to the Lord.

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:
love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

I tell you that forgive not seven times but seventy times seven.

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.'

'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time," he said, "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me," he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said, "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.