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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

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 15TH FEBRUARY 2026, YEAR A

Readings: Sir 15:15-20;
1Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37

Response:

Happy are they who follow the
law of the Lord!

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven
and earth; you have revealed to little
ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

Welcome Mass

Welcome to our Parish Community

We warmly welcome all new students, families, Kindergarten and Year 7 students, and staff of MacKillop Catholic College who will be joining us for the 5.00pm Mass on Sunday. We look forward to walking together with you on a shared journey of faith, friendship, and belonging within our Parish community.

Catechist Sunday

Thank you to our Catechist!

We acknowledge the incredible work and dedication of volunteer catechists within our Parish including children's liturgy, RCIC, and Sacramental program teachers. We thank them very much for their generosity and willingness to share their love of God with our children. Please keep them all in your prayers.

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is on **Wednesday 18th February**. This is the beginning of Lent.

The liturgical timetable for the Parish is **9:15am** Mass with distribution of ashes (*Note: There will be no 8:45am Mass this day*).

7:00pm Mass with distribution of ashes

Ash Wednesday is a day of **fasting** (one main meal, no snacks)

for those 18 to 60 years of age and **abstinence** (from eating meat) for those over 14 years of age.

Way of the Cross

All welcome to join Fr Philip on Friday evenings at 6:30pm for Stations of the Cross. This will commence on **Friday 20th February in the Church**.

Lenten Reflection

Join us for a Lenten Reflection with Fr Philip, starting **Wednesday 25th February after 8:45am Mass**. This will be a weekly gathering every Wednesday throughout Lent, and everyone is warmly invited to participate. We look forward to sharing tis time of reflection together!

First Fruit Offering

This is the final week of our First Fruits focus period, but it is not the end of the initiative. First Fruits continues as an ongoing invitation to deepen our commitment to the mission of our parish through intentional Planned Giving. Together, we continue to grow as a community rooted in gratitude.

Thank you to all who have responded with prayer and generosity. If you haven't yet had the chance, we invite you to consider your First Fruits commitment for the year ahead.

Your offerings enable our parish to thrive and continue proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ!



Look out for the QR code for simple, easy planned giving! Or envelopes are available where you collect your bulletins.

Diocese of Broken Bay
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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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Parent Engagement Co-ordinator: Lucy Marien Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday (lucy.marien@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

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



Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for FEBRUARY

For children with incurable diseases.

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.



2026 Sacrament Date

Reconciliation & First Holy Communion (Year 4 and older)

- **First Holy Communion:** The Sacrament will be celebrated on **Sunday, 26th April at 11:45am**
- **Reconciliation:** The Sacrament will take place on **Tuesday, 31st March 2026, between 3:00 pm and 5:00 pm.**

A parent information night for First Holy Communion and Reconciliation will be held on **Thursday, 19th February at 7:00 pm** in the Church, with classes starting on **Sunday, 22nd February, during the 10:00 am Mass** for 5 weeks then on 6th week (19th April) class will commence at 4pm.

Please email the Parish Office at warnervaleparish@bbccatholic.org.au for an enrolment letter and form or collect one at the information night.



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Rosary Prayer Group

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

February 2026: The prayer meetings will be held on **Thursday 26th February 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 most welcome to attend.

MacKillop Fun Fest Community Fair We Need Your Help!

Our parish and school community are excited to host our very first **MacKillop Fun Fest Community Fair**, and we warmly invite you to be part of this joyful celebration.

We are currently seeking **market stall holders and small businesses** who would like to participate and showcase their goods and services on the day.

This is a wonderful opportunity to support our community and share your talents. If you don't have a stall but would still like to be involved, we would greatly appreciate your help.

Every helping hand makes a difference and helps us create a fun, welcoming day for families and friends.

If you would like to be involved, please complete the vendor forms below or contact Lucy Marien at email lucy.marien@dbb.catholic.edu.au.

We look forward to celebrating together as a community!

Salesian Thought

We must be prepared to see weeds growing in our garden and also have the courage to pull them up. (Spiritual Conferences, 9)



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SAINTS DAYS

Monday 16 February

Tuesday 17 February

Wednesday 18 February

Ash Wednesday

Thursday 19 February

Friday 20 February

Saturday 21 February

Sunday 22 February

First Sunday of Lent



Premium Pure Water

Exclusive Offer 10% Off & \$1 per unit
Donated to SMOTC MacKillop Parish
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More info go to earthgold.com.au

Return and Earn

This week we raised \$38.00

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!

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Anniversaries: Mary & Angelo Spiteri, Neville & Zlatka Pikulich, Sue & Dick Charleston, Lisa Jackos, Anita Delos Reyes, Richard Van Doorum, David Pennings, John O'Reilly.

Recently Deceased: Bebang Miro, Belen Roco, Calogero Jerry Picilli, V.C Mani, Bayne Geikie, Lachlan Carlow, Patrick Millsted, PJ John, Betty Scicluna, Kenneth Grigg, Teuila Kelly.



SAVE THE DATE SAT 21 MARCH

MacKillop Fun Fest

Community Fair

Open from 10 AM - 3 PM



MACKILLOP
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OPEN DAYS

Wednesday 4 March College Open Event

College Tours from 4:00am - 6:00pm

Thursday 5 March Kinder Connect

Fun morning from 9.30 am

At our College, we're passionately committed to supporting every student and family at every step of their educational journey. From Baptism to Post-School, we provide enriching Catholic education opportunities, fostering growth for the whole child and nurturing a lasting community connection.

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
Broken Bay

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

First Reading

Book of Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20

He never commanded anyone to be godless.

If you wish, you can keep the commandments,
to behave faithfully is within your power.
He has set fire and water before you;
put out your hand to whichever you prefer.
Man has life and death before him;
whichever a man likes better will be given him.
For vast is the wisdom of the Lord;
he is almighty and all-seeing.
His eyes are on those who fear him,
he notes every action of man.
He never commanded anyone to be godless,
he has given no one permission to sin.
The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

They are happy whose life is blameless,
who follow God's law!
They are happy those who do his will,
seeking him with all their hearts. **R.**

You have laid down your precepts
to be obeyed with care.
May my footsteps be firm
to obey your statutes. **R.**

Bless your servant and I shall live
and obey your word.
Open my eyes that I may consider
the wonders of your law. **R.**

Teach me the demands of your statutes
and I will keep them to the end.
Train me to observe your law,
to keep it with my heart. **R.**

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Second Reading

Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 2:6-10

God in his wisdom predestined our glory before the ages began.

We have a wisdom to offer those who have reached maturity: not a philosophy of our age, it is true, still less of the masters of our age, which are coming to their end. The hidden wisdom of God which we teach in our mysteries is the wisdom that God predestined to be for our glory before the ages began. It is a wisdom that none of the masters of this age have ever known, or they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory; we teach what scripture calls: the things that no eye has seen and no ear has heard, things beyond the mind of man, all that God has prepared for those who love him.

These are the very things that God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit reaches the depths of everything, even the depths of God.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 5:17-37

Such was said to your ancestors; but I am speaking to you.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not imagine that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets. I have come not to abolish them but to complete them. I tell you solemnly, till heaven and earth disappear, not one dot, one little stroke, shall disappear from the Law until its purpose is achieved. Therefore, the man who infringes even one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be considered the least in the kingdom of heaven; but the man who keeps them and teaches them will be considered great in the kingdom of heaven.

'For I tell you, if your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven.

'You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not kill; and if anyone does kill he must answer for it before the court. But I say this to you: anyone who is angry with his brother will answer for it before the court; if a man calls his brother "Fool" he will answer for it before the Sanhedrin; and if a man calls him "Renegade" he will answer for it in hell fire. So then, if you are bringing your offering to the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your offering there before the altar, go and be reconciled with your brother first, and then come back and present your offering. Come to terms with your opponent in good time while you are still on the way to the court with him, or he may hand you over to the judge and the judge to the officer, and you will be thrown into prison. I tell you solemnly, you will not get out till you have paid the last penny.

'You have learnt how it was said: You must not commit adultery. But I say this to you: if a man looks at a woman lustfully, he has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye should cause you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body thrown into hell. And if your right hand should cause you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body go to hell.

'It has also been said: Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a writ of dismissal. But I say this to you: everyone who divorces his wife, except for the case of fornication, makes her an adulteress; and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

'Again, you have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not break your oath, but must fulfil your oaths to the Lord. But I say this to you: do not swear at all, either by heaven, since that is God's throne; or by the earth, since that is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, since that is the city of the great king. Do not swear by your own head either, since you cannot turn a single hair white or black. All you need say is "Yes" if you mean yes, "No" if you mean no; anything more than this comes from the evil one.'

The Gospel of the Lord.