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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

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR C , 16 DECEMBER 2018

Diocese of Broken Bay
Ancestral home of the
Darkinjung people

Readings: Zeph 3:14-18; Phil 4:4-7;
Lk 3:10-18

Response:

Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

Alleluia Alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.

Alleluia!

Third Sunday of Advent

God of hope,
you call us from
the exile of our sin
with the good news
of restoration; you
build a highway
through the
wilderness; you
come to us and
bring us home.

Comfort us with the expectation of your saving power, made known to us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Christmas Timetable

Second Rite of Reconciliation

Tues 18th Dec 7pm at The Entrance.

Wed 19th Dec 6pm at Wyong.
7pm at Toukley.

Thur 20th Dec 7pm at Warnervale.

First Rite of Reconciliation is celebrated on Saturdays from 4 - 4.30pm.

Warnervale Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve – 5pm Children’s Mass in the hall; 8pm Youth Mass; 12pm Midnight Mass

Masses Christmas Day – 8am Mass; 10am Mass. NO EVENING Mass.

Votive Candle



Place a coin in the offering slot to light a ‘candle’. The practice is then to say a prayer. If you put a second coin in immediately, it may not work.

Advent Program

The Parish Advent program is now well underway. The first two sessions on the 7th and 14th Dec were well attended and enjoyed by all. The group, led by Sam French, has been exploring how we can prepare our hearts to receive Christ this Christmas.

It’s not too late to join us! If you would like to attend the final session, it will be held on Fri 21st Dec at 10:30-11:30am in the Church.

Thank You

Thank you for everyone who helped with the cleaning bee and decorating of the Church for Christmas. Our Church is looking great.

The Story of the Candy Cane

There once was a candy maker who noticed that at Christmas time the people around him had become so busy with buying gifts that they had forgotten the real meaning of Christmas – that it was Jesus’ birthday. He made a piece of candy in the shape of a “J”. He made it white with red stripes. The white reminding the people that Jesus was perfect and the red to remind them that Jesus died for them.

Every time you see a candy cane give thanks to God for His indescribable gift of His Son Jesus Christ, who came so that we may live.



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

Seniors 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.

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SENIORS NEWS

THANK YOU

The committee would like to thank all the seniors and parishioners for your support over the last 12 months. We have had some very successful events.

We especially thank Ann & Anthony Murphy for opening their home to us for our annual Melbourne Cup event. Also MacKillop College for our two day retreat at the school library.

We wish you all a Happy and Holy Christmas and Peaceful 2019. See you in February 2019.

Ria, Judy, Colleen, Marie F, Marie W, Jan and Anne R.

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal

Vinnies in the Parish is requesting your support this Christmas season. Hamper items such as tinned fruit and vegetables, tinned ham, fruit cakes, Christmas pudding, puddings, jellies, long life custard and cream, cordials, pasta and pasta sauces. Please do not donate toys, but donations of gift cards and cash are greatly appreciated.



Free e-book (with church imprimatur) for your computer/tablet/phone:

Son of God: The Daily Gospel Year C-1

This e-book, which may be downloaded **free of charge** to a computer/tablet/phone, offers the Gospel for every day of the coming Liturgical Year C-1 beginning with the First Sunday of Advent (Dec 2, 2018). Each daily Gospel has with it a reflection of some 750 words. The e-book may be passed on for downloading to friends or acquaintances as desired. It carries the Imprimatur of Archbishop Anthony Fisher given when he was Bishop of Parramatta. *Son of God: The Daily Gospel Year C-1* may be accessed at the following:

www.catholic-thoughts.info/ebook/

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for December

That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.



SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE

During this Advent Season let us be reminded that Jesus sees children as recipients and models, and even the measure of the Kingdom (Gundry-Volf & Kelly)

Farewell

John Saliba has sold his house in Blue Haven and is going on a holiday to Malta. When he returns he will be living with his brother on the South Coast. We thank John for his work in the parish giving out bulletins and taking up the collections and wish him well for the future.



Welcome

Jenice Liou will be baptised, confirmed and make her First Holy Communion at the 8am Mass this weekend. Congratulations and welcome!

Anniversaries

During the week we celebrate the anniversary of the deaths of Peter Larkin and Sue Lauder. We continue to pray for them and their families.

THIS WEEK

Monday 17 December

9:15am Mass + primary students
Fr Ken

Tuesday 18 December

9:15am Mass + primary students
Fr Vince

Wednesday 19 December

7.10 am Morning Prayer
7:30am Mass Fr Vince
9.15am Communion Service Joan

Thursday 20 December

9:15am Mass Fr Vince
After Mass - Eucharistic Adoration
7pm Second Rite of Reconciliation

Friday 21 December

9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Next Weekend 22/23 December

Sat 4pm Reconciliation Fr Ken
Sat 5pm Mass Fr Ken
8:00am Mass Fr Vince
10.00am Family Mass Fr Carmelo
5pm Youth Mass Fr Vince

Social Justice

Thank You For All Your Support

The Warnervale Social Justice Committee would like to extend their great thanks to you for all the support you have given for the homeless and those facing housing stress in the Central Coast Community.

Your generosity in listening, sharing with your family and friends, signing petitions and logging onto the council webpage reflected your concern for the needs of our community.

We pray that your Christmass will renew your closeness to Christ in His World.

Margaret Hagan

Chairperson

Social Justice Committee

Warnervale Catholic Church

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

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Catholic Social Justice

Return & Earn

This week we raised \$77.50. The amount is increasing slightly each week. Thanks.

Remember us when you are cleaning up after your Christmas party.

Please remember our sick: Koby Bourke, Conchita Claramunt, Guy Nucifora, Elton Gort, Natalie Blood, Pat Crook, Garnet Standing, Dick McCulloch, Alan Lucas, Jan Allen, Stephen Sweeney.

Deceased: Sue Lauder, Peter Larkin, Annette & Frank Creagh, Anselmo, Paulita, Enrico, Pio, Elma, Hermigildo, Romualda, Pantaleon, Temotea, Nives Morlin, Clint Donaldson, Sid Manns, Adam Zammit, Charlie Gatt, John Dormer, Scott Baker, Rose Flack, Kay Richardson, George Richardson, Stanley Redden.

Mass Intentions: Annette Creagh, Frank Creagh, Helen Pantazopoulos, George Pantos, Peter Walsh, Muclat family, Christopher Dormer, Ettup & Mary Uttup, Cheviyan & Mary Aphvem, Varghese Matthew, Emma Campbell, Guy Breuer, Harry Grech, Frank Casson, Angelo, Mary, Louis and Peter Speteri, Mary and Nicholas Gatt, Victor and Joan, Phillip Gatt, Kathleen Nolan.

