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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

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 16 FEBRUARY 2020, YEAR A

Diocese of Broken Bay
Ancestral home of the
Darkinjung people

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

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Response:

Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Alleluia!



Welcome Mass

This weekend we welcome all new students and staff to MacKillop Catholic College, including Year 7 and Kindergarten students and their parents. Everyone is invited to join us for Mass at 10am on Sunday and for a BBQ, drinks, tea and coffee after Mass.

CWF Thank you

Our February Appeal raised \$1,151.65. Thank you for your generosity at this time when so many other charities need support in our country. To help us meet our quota envelopes will remain available at the back of the church.



Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is on 26th February. This is the beginning of Lent.

The liturgical timetable for the Parish is
7:30am Mass with distribution of ashes
9:15am Mass with distribution of ashes
10:15am School Mass in the Hall
7:30pm Mass with distribution of ashes

Ash Wednesday is a day of **fasting** (two small meals, 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.

Children's Liturgy

is each Sunday during 10am Mass. All welcome. Inquiries to Cath (0419 617 136)



Plenary Council 2020

Plenary Council 2020 How is God calling us to be a Christ Centred Church? This month's theme is "**Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform.**" 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 *Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform.*

The Heavens Have Opened

Thank you Lord for answering our prayers. The much needed rain has gone to work relieving farmers, the land and extinguishing fires. We continue to pray for those affected by flooding and power outages.

Funerals

A funeral for Johnene Giacomelli (Ed's wife) will be held in the parish at 1pm on Monday 17 February; and for Margaret Towler (from Glenmere) on Wednesday at 11am. May they rest in peace.

Join our Planned Giving Program

Credit cards deductions can be made once a month or weekly envelopes can be issued for your donation to be put on the collection plate. Forms at the back of the church. **Thank-you!**

Sunday Mass

Saturday: 5pm
Sunday: 8am, 10am, 5pm

Weekday Mass

9.15am Tues, Thurs, Fri
7.30am Wed

Communion Service

9.15am Mon, Wed

Reconciliation

Saturday 4pm - 4.30pm

Family Mass

Every Sunday @ 10am
Includes children's liturgy

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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Return and Earn

This week we raised \$204.50

If possible, leave bottles and cans in the white bags and crates at the back of the church. It makes less work for those who are running this fundraiser.

Thank you for Cans and bottles
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THANK YOU!

How we, as Catholics, should read the bible Monday 10am and again at 7pm in the church

This lesson considers the link between the Scriptures and Tradition: the scriptures can only be understood in relation to the tradition that has produced, preserved and hand them on. We will look at various scripture passages and the Vatican II document *Dei Verbum* (The Word of God).

Sunday Market Thanks

Rita and Ed would like to thank everyone for supporting the Sunday Market this month \$170.00 was raised!



Sunday Ministries

Would you like to minister at Mass as a reader, senior or junior server, minister of Holy Communion, musician, collector, welcomer, preparing Power Point slides, etc. Training is provided. Rosters are now being prepared for the next three months. If interested, contact Murray Swanston mpjs@bigpond.net.au

Women at the Well is a new group that has been established in our area.

Mission: Women of Well creates sacred space to share story, listening to the Spirit's whisper in their lives. **Vision:** Women, authentically heard, fully alive, transformed by "Living Water". (John 4: 6-10).

The theme for 2020 is transitions and transformations. Their first retreat will be held at Kinumber Friday 6th March 4pm - Sunday 8th March 3pm for women to rest, reflect, release and reconnect. The cost is \$340 but there is full sponsorship available.

Contact tricia@womenofthewell.com.au or speak with Fr Vince for more details.

Social Justice

The Parish Social Justice Committee reconvened after the Christmas break. Regrettably Margaret Hagan has had to step down from her role as President but our work will continue. Margaret was a driving force in establishing the committee and steering its direction, and we are very grateful for the tireless work she performed.

We had success last year in taking an active role in seeing the Central Coast Council adopt a policy on homelessness, and this year we propose to continue our interest in the homeless by following Council's progress in implementing its policy and in other initiatives.

We also conducted a successful seminar last year on Domestic Abuse, and we propose to pursue that issue further. We are concerned about the incidence of elder abuse, not only in institutions but in the home, and we intend to draw more attention to that issue in 2020.

We also intend to comment, as appropriate on the plight of refugees, climate change and the quantum of social security payments, particularly Newstart.

Our next meeting will be at the Parish Church on Tuesday 18th February 2020 at 2pm. Anyone interested in finding our more about our work is most welcome to attend.

Social Justice Committee
Warnervale Catholic Church
www.marymackillopsocialjustice.wordpress.com



**Australian Pilgrimage
of the Relics of
St Therese of Lisieux
and her parents
Sts Louis & Zelig Martin**
will visit

**Our Lady of the Rosary Church
The Entrance
8pm Sunday 8 March to
5pm Monday 9 March 2020**

**See flyer on the notice board
For details**

THIS WEEK

Monday 17 Feb
9:15am Communion Service

Tuesday 18 February
9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Wednesday 19 February
7:30am Mass Fr Vince
9:15am Communion Service

Thursday 20 February
9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Friday 21 February
9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Next Weekend 22/23 February

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



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 17 February
Bible Study 10am & 7pm in the Church
How we, as Catholics, should read the bible continues

Tuesday 18 February
7pm Baptism Information session

Sunday 23 February
Catechist Sunday

Wednesday 26 February
Ash Wednesday

Tuesday 24 March
Confirmation Information 2pm

Thursday 26 March
Confirmation Information 7pm

Sunday 29 March
First of four Sunday Confirmation
Preparation classes

Sunday 24 May
The Sacrament of Confirmation
celebrated by Bishop Anthony 10am and
12 noon.

Rosary

Come and pray together for our families and friends.
Thursday 27 February at 7pm.
At Bill and Dianne Mifsud home,
56 Irving Court Hamlyn Terrace.
Ph 0413454547. All welcome!



Please remember our sick: Arthus Baulkin (Glenmere) Peter Brennan, Maureen Mulheron, Charles Gillies, Percy Deguara, Ursula Paul, Josh Luppino, Michael Hunt, Pat Howe, Mervyn Ridder, Pat Hurley, Neil Seabrook, Teddy Watkins, Denis Evans.

Deceased: Fr John Barry, Patricia Burns, Margaret Towlers (Glenmere), Johnene Giacomelli, Patricia Channell, George Pantos, Stef Junicic (Glenmere), Fr Denis Callahan, Leonard John Lester, Lorna Gray, Diane Yannopollo, Connie and George Drover.

Mass Intentions: Peter Walsh, Mary & Angelo & Luis Spiteri, Anselmo; Paulita; Enrico; Arturo; Pio Edwin Ambait; Elma Cpacite; Pamntaloeon; Temotea Ambait; Hermigildo; Romualda.

