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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*

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME , 18 JULY 2021, YEAR B

Diocese of Broken Bay
Ancestral home of the
Darkinjung people

Readings: Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18;
Mk 6:30-34

Response:

The Lord is my shepherd; There is nothing I shall want.

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!



Reflection

The readings this week offer a welcome invitation to spend more time with our loving Lord who is our shepherd, and in whom we find nourishment, shelter, and peace for our minds and bodies.

The **Gospel** scene is a perfect example of the Spirit at work in Jesus, as he compassionately responds to both the needs of his disciples and of his needy flock. Jesus recognises both the need for his beloved followers to be refreshed and restored in the stillness of his presence, and the need to respond with compassion to those who feel lost and are in need of his guidance.

Perhaps we can recognise this same dynamic in the expression of our own faith, as we ourselves need to make time to be still with the Lord, yet are also called to be active participants in his ongoing mission.

Let us pray for each other. May we have the wisdom to spend our time in a sustaining balance of both contemplation and action as we live out our faith, trusting that Jesus the Good Shepherd will be our guide. 'Come ... rest for a while in his presence ...'

Mass Online

Mass is available to watch online from the our Cathedral on Sunday mornings at 9.30AM as well as weekdays at 7AM (<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/hornsby/mass-times/mass-live>)

Evangelisation Challenge—July

This month we ask parishioners to: **Tell a friend or family member why you attend Church.**

Response to Coronavirus

As many of you are aware, the current situation for the parish is as follows;

All public Masses have been suspended until 31st July.

The **Church is closed** to the public and is not available for private prayer.

Baptism have been postponed for this weekend.

Funerals maybe celebrated with 10 people including the celebrant.

End of Financial Year

Receipts have been posted for CWF donations. Thanks to all who have contributed over the past financial year. If you have not given us your address, please contact the Parish office via phone or email.



Sunday Mass

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

Family Mass

Every Sunday at 10am
Includes Children's Liturgy

Weekday Mass

Tues - Fri 9.15am
Wed 7.30am

Anointing Mass

Third Saturday of the Month
at 9:15am

Reconciliation

Sat 4 - 4.30 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 Fri 8am to 9am

RCIA/Faith Renewal

~~Thurs 7-8pm with Fr Philip~~

Devotions

Rosary after weekday Mass

Parish Luncheon

2nd Thursday of the month
12noon at Doylo

Men's Breakfast

Fourth Saturday of the month
at Warnies Café.

**Thinking of becoming
a Catholic?**

Please contact Parish staff
for more information.

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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.

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

Social Justice

NATSICC Statement

Although NAIDOC Week ended last week the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC) issued a statement adopting the Heal Country theme of NAIDOC Week.

The statement examined, in summary, the issue of reconciliation in the Church for First Australians given past injustices related to Church-supported colonisation and lack of respect for First Nations peoples with a Eurocentric worldview. Pope John Paul II, who visited Australia in 1986, said that "Whenever the truth has been suppressed by governments and their agencies or even by Christian communities, the wrongs done to the indigenous peoples need to be acknowledged...The past cannot be undone, but honest recognition of past injustices can lead to measures and attitudes which will help to rectify the damaging effects for both the Indigenous community and the wider society. The Church expresses deep regret and asks forgiveness where her children have been or still are party to these wrongs...especially where children were forcibly separated from their families".

The word Country is vital to the reconciliation process and encompasses the values, places, resources, stories and cultural obligations of an area and describes the entirety of ancestral domains of First Australians.

Central to reconciliation is the adoption by our Church of liturgical celebrations including hymns for the Entrance and Communion parts of the Mass which are prepared by NATSICC. A Galong retreat run by NATSICC is also planned.

The mission of the Church is to be at the service of the whole of humanity in making the unity of achieved in Christ a living reality. This must be demonstrated in the quality of relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Catholics themselves.

If you wish to come to our meetings please email Chris Firmstone on chrisfirmstone@gmail.com.

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



Baptism Information Evening—CANCELLED

The Baptism information and preparation evening that was due to be held on **Tuesday 20th July at 7pm** in the Church has been **CANCELLED** due to the current covid restrictions.



The next information session will be on **Tuesday 17th August 2021 at 7pm in the Church.**

CatholicCare Foster Care Campaign

There are children in our community who have been through experiences few of us could begin to imagine and without our help, will go through a childhood without the love and support of a family.

CatholicCare are looking for families across our parishes who might consider taking a child or young person into their home - to love and support them whether for one or two nights, a few weeks, months, or long term. All carers receive 24/7 support, ongoing training and financial support to cover the care and living costs of the child or young person.

If you have space in your home and room in your heart, please reach out now. Call (02) 4320 7777 or visit www.fostering.org.au.

CatholicCare
Diocese of Broken Bay



Coronavirus Prayer

Jesus Christ, you travelled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness." At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love. Heal those who have the Coronavirus. Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbours from helping one another. Amen



THIS WEEK

Monday 19 July
9:15am Communion Service

Tuesday 20 July
St Apollinaris
9:15am Mass

Wednesday 21 July
St Lawrence of Brindisi
7:30am Mass
9:15am Mass

Thursday 22 July
St Mary Magdalene
9:15am Mass

Friday 23 July
St Bridget
9:15am Mass

Saturday 24 July
4pm Reconciliation
5pm Mass—Fr Carmelo

Sunday 25 July
8am Mass
10am Mass
5pm Mass

Return and Earn Help Needed

We need an extra person to back up once a month please call Steve 0427 401 666 for more information. Perhaps you and a friend could help.



*Please remember containers to be empty of liquid; not crushed or broken; and **must display 10c refund logo for scanning**. Please place glass in the crates provided.*

Thank you for your support!

Coronavirus restrictions

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Weddings are not permitted to take place..

Funerals maybe celebrated with a limit 10 people including the celebrant.

Please remember our sick: David Caire, Terence McBride, Allan Curtis, Jim Swanson, Finn McConnon, Jean Ganly, Justin Lonergan, Cara De Guzman, Olga White, Neville White, Kaysen Jill, Tracey Mulheron, Dallas Reichal.

Deceased/Anniversary: Anthony Attard, George Radacic, Alekutty Joseph, Joseph Buhagier, Therese Ann Hardman, Richard Murphy, Sira Raveane, Maryanne Xuerub, Wendy McLean, Lina Phillips, Charles Firmstone, Emilio Nacua snr.

Mass Intentions: Brandi & Jessica Lozario, Peter Walsh, Frank Walsh, George & Helen Pantazopoulos, Dulce Gica, Frank Filciotto, Leanne Portman, Maria & Edward, Anna Ison, John & Julia Christian.



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year B

First Reading

Jeremiah 23:1-6

The remnant of my flock I will gather to me, and bring them back to their pastures.

‘Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered—it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds - it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost—it is the Lord who speaks!

‘See, the days are coming—it is the Lord who speaks—when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practicing honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. And this is the name he will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.’

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 22

R: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **R**
2. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. **R**
3. You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **R**
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.
In the Lord’s own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **R**

Second Reading

St Paul to the Ephesians 2:13-18

Christ, our peace, has made us one.

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far apart from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Late he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn 10:27

Alleluia, Alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 6:30-34

They were as sheep without a shepherd.

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

The Gospel of the Lord.