

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

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 19 SEPTEMBER 2021, YEAR B

Readings: Wis 2:12, 17-20; James 3:16-4:3; Mk 9:30-37

Response:

The Lord upholds my life.

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia!

Livestream Mass Resumes

All attendees at the funeral have tested negative. Fr Philip is now out of 14 day isolation after two negative Covid tests. The church and admin area in the office have been deep cleaned. Online Mass will be available from this weekend.

MacKillop Connect

We invite you to join us over Zoom every Tuesday and Friday evening at 6.30pm for MACKILLOP CONNECT: a time to open the Holy Scriptures, join together in prayer and catch up with our Parish family.

- Register here for Friday: https://bbcatholic.us19.list-manage.com/track/clicku=00ab08fbb22404b5c168f0223&id=6bff22a0df&e=1022b41733
- Register here for Tuesday: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAvdeiqqzovH9GUwtjRgcn1jNl6Z5d YiwGr

World Day for Migrants and Refugees—Sunday 26th Sept.

This year let us remember the vast numbers of people who are at any one time traversing our world as migrants and refugees and open our hearts towards an ever wider 'we' in our disposition to all people. Click here for more information and resources, including a Migrant and Refugee Kit.

Become a Catechist—Yes, you can be a leader or a helper

"Let the children come to Me" - Jesus



Jesus loves children and views them as precious. So why not spend some time with them and tell them all about Jesus' life and his love for them.

To be able to share the gifts of faith, hope and love to the children and watching them grow in knowing all about our faith and knowing that Jesus loves them is the best gift we can give to God and the children.

So if you hear the call of the Holy Spirit don't say **NO** because you think you don't have the skills or experience to become a catechist or a helper in the classroom.

REMEMBER

God doesn't call the equipped. He equips the called.

For more information please contact Kerrie Dedera, CCD Co-ordinator, 0402815633.

e: kandadedera@westnet.com.au or the Parish office.

Thank vou

A big thank you to Mary Webster who has volunteered for over 3+ years to ensure our church and toilets were cleaned regularly. We are very blessed to have such wonderful volunteers.

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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

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.

Priest: Fr Philip Thottam MSFS, Administrator (philip.thottam@bbcatholic.org.au)

Secretaries: Kate Clark & Kim McCarthy

Bookkeeper: Johnson Mani

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Office hours: Wed 8:30am - 4pm, Thurs 8.30am - 2pm, Fri 8.30am - 2.30pm

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

New Account Details

Since we are no longer having collections each Sunday, we need help with our parish finances. If you wish to assist, you can contribute directly to the parish account:

Warnervale Parish

BSB: 062 784, A/C: 100005628

Add your surname and if you have an envelope include the number **as reference** e.g., Smith 21. Otherwise you can write 'donation' or surname CWF.

Foundations of Missionary Leadership Course – Sponsorships Available

The Areté Centre for Missionary Leadership offers a Foundations for Missionary Leadership course designed to empower and equip participants through a unique blend of theological knowledge, human development, spiritual formation, and practical skills to be effective missionary leaders in our Australian parishes and communities today.

Evangelisation Broken Bay is offering **subsidies** for parishioners from the Diocese who would like to undertake this Course. For further information about the application process, please contact Pina Bernard on 0432 682 239 or email at

pina.bernard@bbcatholic.org.au. Applications for sponsorships close 8 October.



A Virtual Open Night, with Areté Director Fr Chris Ryan MGL, along

with Archbishop Peter Comensoli and Daniel Ang, will be held on 23 September at 7:30pm. Further information about the Course and Open Night can be found at www.aretecentre.org

Connect in Christ Resource



Each week the Evangelisation Broken Bay team will provide Gospel readings, prayers, reflections and chil-

dren's activities for families to worship and pray at home in this extended period of lockdown. Click here view.

Social Justice

Listening to Creation

Every creature speaks to us of the Creator, but human beings do not always listen. The First Nations people remind us of the interconnectedness of people and the rest of creation:

"The Aborigines and the environment are but one, and all things on earth have a cycle, and they recycle. All rivers, trees, creatures, and plants are alive just as we are, today and in the beginning. They are part of nature as we are, and our connection to all things natural is spiritual". Pat Dodson.

We forget that it is not all about us. It is estimated that nearly three billion native animals were in the path of the 2019-2020 bushfires. Media coverage of this loss was deeply moving and disturbing.

But at other times, when there isn't extensive reporting on a crisis, we have to listen a little harder to hear the pain of the acceleration of extinction rates.

The suffering of our rivers and waterways, our groundwater, reefs, and oceans, is plain to see. Successive bleaching events in the Great Barrier Reef send a loud message, and mass fish deaths in the Menindee Lakes, caused by inadequate water flowing in the river, poor water quality, and a sudden change in temperature, have shocked the nation.

The Vatican Dicastery for the Promotion of Integral Human Development says, "the COVID-19 crisis is part and parcel of recent warnings from the natural world".

We do not have to understand all these signs of the times completely and with certainty before responding. Our faith provides wisdom sources that can help us to take our next steps now.

If you wish to come to our meetings please email Chris Firmstone on chrisfirm-

stone@gmail.com.

Social Justice Committee Warnervale

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THIS WEEK

Monday 20 September St Andrew Kim Tae-gon 9:15am Mass

Tuesday 21 September St Matthew 9:15am Mass

Wednesday 22 September 7:30 am Mass 9:15am Mass

Thursday 23 September St Pius of Pietrelcina 9:15am Mass

Friday 24 September 9:15am Mass

Saturday 25 September 4pm Reconciliation 5pm Mass

Sunday 26 September World Day for Migrants and Refugees 8am Mass 9:15am <u>Livestreaming Mass</u> 10am Mass 5pm Mass

Return and Earn

Please leave the containers for recycling near the recycling bins. Just collect them in a plastic bag, or a container and either drop them at the church or give Steve Roll a call, 0427 401 666, and he can pick them up from you.

Thank you everyone who continues to support the return and earn.

Evangelisation Challenge

This month we ask parishioners to: Reassure a friend or family member that the Church will always be there for them.

Coronavirus restrictions

All public Masses have been suspended until 18 October. The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains lifted during the Stay at Home Order.

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

Baptism have been postponed until further noticed.

Weddings are not permitted to take place.

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

Please remember our sick: Anne Firmstone, Anne Byrne, Con Pantos, Terence McBride, Allan Curtis, Jim Swanson, Finn McConnon, Jean Ganly, Justin Lonergan, Cara De Guzman, Olga White.

Deceased/Anniversary: Doris Attard, Fr Eugene McCaffrey OCD, David Caire, Ken White, Joan Firmstone, Terry Quinnell, Deborah Dickerson, Anthony Attard, George Radacic, Alekutty Joseph, Joseph Buhagier.

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



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

First Reading Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

Let us condemn him to a most shameful death.

The godless say to themselves, 'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.

Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.

If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies. Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore his gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will look after—we have his word for it.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord upholds my life.

O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause. O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth. R

For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life.
They have no regard for God. R

But I have God for my help.
The Lord upholds my life.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good. R

Ps 53:3-6, 8

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Second Reading St James 3:16-4:3

Justice is the harvest of peacemakers from seeds sown in a spirit of peace.

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that come down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; not is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have n ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something ot indulge your own desires.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
God has called us with the gospel
to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia

Gospel Mark 9:30-37

The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of humanity.... All who wish to be first must make themselves the servants of all.

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. Se he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.