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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

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
2 OCTOBER 2022, YEAR C

Readings: Hab 1:2-3, 2:2-4;
2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-9

Response:

If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands for ever: it is
the word given to you, the Good News.

Alleluia!

Reflection on today's Gospel

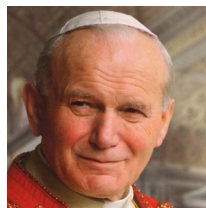


we are graced enough to cooperate with God, the work we do is nothing more than our obligation to God as faithful stewards. And yet, our faith enables us to believe that what we have offered in service to God, as his servants, can be made to produce a hundredfold.

No 7:30am Wednesday Mass

Please note that on *Wednesday 5th October there will be NO 7:30am Mass* as it is the School Holidays. *7:30am Mass will recommence on Wednesday 12th October.*

Shrine of St Pope John Paul II at St Patrick's—East Gosford



On Saturday October 22, 2022, the Most Rev Bishop Anthony will celebrate an installation Mass of a 1st class relic of St. Pope John Paul II at St. Patrick's Parish

Gosford. All are warmly welcome to join in this wonderful event.

Date: Saturday 22 October 2022

Time: 11:00 am

Venue: St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 76 York Street, East Gosford

It is necessary to register your attendance at via email JPPII.Centre@bbcatholic.org.au including your full name and the number of people attending with you, or call 0499 386 336.

Diocese of Broken Bay
Ancestral home of the
Darkinjung people

Sunday Mass

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

Family Mass

Every Sunday at 10am
Includes Children's Liturgy

Weekday Mass

Mon—Communion Service
Tues - Sat 9.15am
Wed 7.30am—College Mass
1st & 3rd Sat 9:15am

Monthly BBQ

4th Sunday of each month
after 5pm Mass

Devotions

Rosary after weekday Mass
Tues 6pm Rosary

Anointing Mass

3rd 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~~

Parish Luncheon

2nd Thursday of the month
12noon at Doylo

Men's Breakfast

4th Saturday of the month at
Warnies Café.

Syro-Malabar Mass

1st Friday at 6pm
1st & 3rd Sunday at 7pm
2nd and 4th Saturday 9.15 am

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

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Office hours: Tues—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.

'Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility'

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

One Communion of Faith with MacKillop Catholic College



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October

A Church Open to Everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

Parish Multicultural Dinner



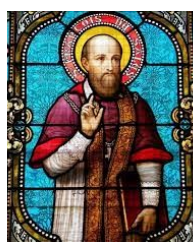
On Saturday evening 5th November after 5pm Mass, everyone is invited to join us for a parish multi-cultural dinner in the school hall. We will have a cultural food, performances and music to enjoy together as a whole parish community.

Rosary Prayer Group



October is the month of the most Holy Rosary, so we will be meeting each week. We will be having the Rosary every Thursday evening in October at 7pm, in the home of Bill & Dianne 56 Irving Court, Hamlyn Terrace. Phone 0413 454 547, and the rosary every Tuesday in the Church at 6pm. Everyone Welcome to attend.

Special Annual Collection for Missionaries of St Francis De Sales (MSFS)



On the weekend of 15/16 October, we will be having a special annual collection for the Missionaries of St Francis De Sales (MSFS). All money collected will go towards the formation of the seminarians to support Fr Philip's congregation. The collection has been approved and endorsed by the Dioceses.

Envelopes will be available at the back of the Church and at the end of each pews. Envelopes can be put in any collection or placed in the donation box outside the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Sacrament of First Holy Communion 2022

We are seeking teachers and helpers / assistance to help prepare the children for their First Holy Communion. Each teacher and helper will be required to have a volunteers working with children check (<https://ocg.nsw.gov.au/working-children-check>) and complete a online safeguarding course from the Diocese.

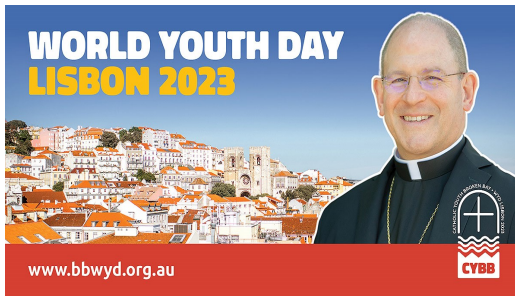
The First Holy Communion classes are set over 4 Sundays during 10am Mass, commencing Sunday 30th October, and continuing on 6, 13 and 20 November. All volunteers will have a lesson plan to assist them in preparing the children.

First Holy Communion will be *celebrated in our Parish on Sunday 27th November at 12noon.*

Our *parent information evening* will be held on *Thursday 20th October at 7pm in the Church* and we welcome all parents with children in year 4 and above to come to this session and enroll their child.

If you would like teach or assist, please email the parish office to register (warnervaleparish@bbcatholic.org.au)

WORLD YOUTH DAY LISBON 2023



World Youth Day 2023 Lisbon is fast approaching!

In just over 44 weeks Bishop Anthony will depart Sydney, along with youth and young adults, to pilgrimage through Italy before heading to Lisbon for WYD 2023. **Expressions of interest for a leadership role are now open!**

Chancery and Parish leaders are welcome to apply for a supervisory role in the WYD23 leadership structure. If you would like to be considered for one of the leadership roles, please visit the website <https://bbwyd.org.au/register-for-wyd/> to register. The expression of interest leadership applications will close on Monday 17th October.

Young adults 18-35yrs! It is now time to register for the Broken Bay WYD23 Pilgrimage. Visit <https://bbwyd.org.au/register-for-wyd/> to register

THIS WEEK

Monday 3 October
9:15am Communion Service

Tuesday 4 October
St Francis of Assisi
9:15am Mass
6pm Rosary

Wednesday 5 October
7:30am NO Mass—School Holidays
9:15am Mass

Thursday 6 October
9:15am Mass

Friday 7 October
Our Lady of the Rosary
9:15am Mass
6:00pm Syro Malabar

Saturday 8 October
9:15am Anointing Mass
4pm Reconciliation
5pm (Vigil) Mass

Return and Earn

This fortnight we raised \$96.50



Please remember containers need to be empty of liquid; not crushed or broken. Please place glass containers in the crates. Cans and Bottles must have 10c refund logo.

Thank you for your continued support!

The year of St. Francis de Sales

We retire to God because we aspire to Him, and we aspire to Him in order to retire to Him.

(Introduction to the Devout Life, Part II, Chapter 13)

Fundraising Raffle for Roof on Coffee Corner Area



This weekend tickets will be sold at each mass to fundraise for the roof on the coffee corner area. 3 Hamper prizes to be won. **\$2.00 a ticket or 3 tickets for \$5.00**, Thank you for your support.

Please remember our sick: Robert Seddon, Finn McConnon, Rommell, Toni Grace, Cara De Guzman, Christina Edwards, John Desmond Gill, Christian Caulfield, Joshua Caulfield.

Anniversary: Geoff Hannan, Mary & Frank Gatt, Tess Ann Hardman, Frank Feliciotto, Dulce Gica, Frank Walsh, Peter Walsh, Rose Calleja, Evelyn Magri, Ella Grace de Guzman, Trinidad C.S Leal, Sumy Joy, Joan Firmstone.

Recently Deceased: Ray Slucher, Shelia Marslon, Harrison Rufogarlis.



My Journey Glenn Arnold



I was born in Newcastle NSW the eldest of five children and I was baptised in the Anglican Church. My family had no close association with the church ,but I remember as a child wanting to know God as a loving Father .At age 18 I made a commitment to Jesus Christ as my Lord and went on to attend an evangelical missionary training college in Tasmania for 2 years.

I returned to Newcastle and became involved in a local Baptist Church as a deacon. Then in my late twenties I felt a call to ministry and began my 5 year theological training. I became an ordained minister of the Baptist Churches of New South Wales having studied at the NSW Baptist Theological College .I pastored churches in Newcastle, Sydney and the Central Coast.

As a protestant my understanding of the Catholic Church was more of thinking there was a lot of ritual without personal devotion to Christ. I was so wrong and for this I seek forgiveness .

My journey to become a Catholic has been influenced by several matters. My wife Crimy is from Peru and is Catholic as is her family. I have seen in her a deep personal devotion to Jesus Christ .

I have been able to study beliefs and traditions of the Church, as in the continuity of the Church over a period of 2,000 years . For me this is a clear message in contrast to around 40,000 protestant denominations in the world. To belong to a Church with 2,000 years of history that has kept the continuity of teaching and authority.

The witness of the Scriptures, the Tradition of the Church and in particular the Early Church Fathers and their witness to the unbroken tradition and authority has all spoken to me of truth.

A further challenge for me has been in accepting the Eucharist as the Real Presence of Christ . My protestant understanding was merely a memorial communion .The Church Fathers certainly believed and taught the Real Presence. I have attended Mass with my wife and came to realise how the Mass is saturated in Scripture and the service leads us in repentance, forgiveness and faith .

I have a deep sense of peace in my decision I have made to become a Catholic and I feel I belong .My evangelical tradition has presented to me the need for personal faith and repentance in Jesus Christ which is no different for the Catholic Church.

I think of Hebrews 12 verses 1 ,2 looking unto Jesus , fixing our eyes upon Him. My journey continues and I pray that in the fellowship of His Church I will do this. I understand that some of my protestant friends will not accept my decision and see me as a heretic .I need to be honest before my Saviour .I am thankful for the support of my Parish and Father Philip at St Mary Mackillop Church Warnervale.

Parish Accounts

Having been approved by the Parish Finance Committee, the following operating accounts are presented to the parish for last year and this year.

	2021/2022 Actual	2022/2023 Budget
Income		
Envelopes, Credit Cards, EFTs	\$65,630	\$78,000
Unplanned Giving	\$29,742	\$36,000
Fundraising		\$12,000
Rebates, Interest etc.	\$210	\$200
Other income, rent received	\$9,518	\$9,000
Total Income	\$105,100	\$135,200
 Expenditure		
Church and Altar	\$6,249	\$6,000
Office	\$10,950	13,500
Employment	\$50,408	\$57,845
Insurance	\$22,922	\$26,400
Pastoral	\$5,130	\$6,000
Repairs & Maintenance	\$12,029	\$12,000
Cars	\$7,792	\$8,400
Telecommunication	\$1,031	\$1,200
Superannuation (clergy)	\$2,160	\$2,196
Total Expenditure	\$118,671	\$133, 541
Deficit	-\$13,570	
 Parish Liabilities (Interest-free loans from the Diocese)	 \$525,000	 \$525,000

The Parish also have a term deposit of \$50,000 for contingencies.

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

First Reading

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

The just will live by faithfulness.

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen; to cry ‘Oppression!’ in your ear and you will not save?

Why do you set injustice before me, why do you look on where there is tyranny? Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is contention, and discord flourishes.

Then the Lord answered and said,

‘Write the vision down, inscribe it on tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its own time only: eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait, for come it will, without fail. See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.’

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R. If today you heart his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.

Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord.

R.

Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand.

R.

O that today you would listen to his voice!

‘Harden not your hearts as a Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.’

R.

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Second Reading

St Paul to Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Never be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord.

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the God News, replying on the power of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands for ever:
it is the word given to you, the Good News.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 17:5-10

If you had faith!

The Apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately?" Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards?" Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."

The Gospel of the Lord.