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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

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2 AUGUST 2020, YEAR A

Diocese of Broken Bay
Ancestral home of the
Darkinjung people

Readings: Is 55:1-3; Rom 8:35, 37-39;
Mt 14:13-21

Response:

The hand of the Lord feeds us, he answers all our needs.

Alleluia Alleluia!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God

Alleluia!

The Transfiguration of the Lord

This Thursday 6 August we celebrate this feast of the Lord. In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spirit appeared. The Father's voice was heard: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him.

Message from Bishop Anthony

Over the past fortnight, we have seen an escalation of COVID cases, not just in the State of Victoria, but also in parts of Sydney.....

My dear people, now is not the time to relax our vigilance as a community of the Church. The Government measures that have been in place and that we have adopted as a Diocese are for the protection and well-being of all. I would like to thank you for implementing these measures and I urge you to continue to be observant and respectful of them. As a Catholic community, it is important that we take a leading role in good citizenship.

Click [here](#) for the whole message.



Confirmation & First Communion

Bishop Anthony has advised the sacrament of Confirmation will not be celebrated in 2020. First Holy Communion will be celebrated for those in year 4 and above who have made their first Reconciliation later this year. More details next week.

First Reconciliation

Congratulations to the students who celebrated their first Reconciliation during week. The children were all very well prepared and celebrated the sacrament with great reverence. Well done to children and to the parents and teachers who prepared them. Thanks-you. Special thanks to the many parents and family members who also celebrated the sacrament. You are a wonderful witness to your children.



Feast of Mary MacKillop

To celebrate our patronal feast day next Saturday 8 August we will be having a parish Mass at 9.15am in the church. Our relic book will be opened at the page with Mary's inscription at this Mass and will remain open for the month of August.



"WHATEVER TROUBLES MAY BE BEFORE YOU, ACCEPT THEM BRAVELY, REMEMBERING WHOM YOU ARE TRYING TO FOLLOW. DO NOT BE AFRAID. LOVE ONE ANOTHER, BEAR WITH ONE ANOTHER, AND LET CHARITY GUIDE YOU ALL YOUR LIFE. GOD WILL REWARD YOU AS ONLY HE CAN."

-ST. MARY MACKILLOP

Sunday Mass

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

Weekday Mass

Mon - Fri 9.15am
Wed 7.30am

Reconciliation

Sat 4 - 4.30 pm

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

Sunday 11.30am Contact the
Parish Office for details.

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

We raised **\$14.90** last week. Thank you for your continued support!

Please remember containers need to be empty of liquid; and not crushed or broken.

Please place glass in the crates.



Cans and bottles must have 10c refund logo!

THANK YOU!

Social Justice Homelessness Week

Once again our focus turns to housing for those in need as we begin **Homelessness Week** this Sunday. We have **116,427** homeless in our country. We are fortunate that Central Coast Council is committed the Affordable and Alternate Housing Strategy. <https://cdn.centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/>

Our politicians need to be reminded of the desperate need to reduce the unacceptable delays in providing suitable housing for the most vulnerable in our society.

A recent article suggests that the workplace changes caused by many working from home may mean that many unused offices may be surplus to requirements – to convert into affordable housing at a reasonable cost. This could ease the burden on those struggling to find shelter in a post-Covid country.

Our next meeting is on **15 September** at **2.30 pm**. All are welcome.



Social Justice Committee
Warnervale Catholic Church

www.marymackillopsocialjustice.wordpress.com

Coronavirus restrictions

The number of people permitted to attend a church service has been **reduced to 100**.

All other restrictions continue, as in past weeks.

We still need to leave our **names and contact details** when attending the church.

Click [here](#) for the letter from the Vicar General and [here](#) for the latest fact sheet from the Diocese.

Happy Feast Day

The Sacraments

A new course on The Sacraments will commence on Monday 10th August 2020 at 10am and again at 7pm in the church.

There is no need for you to register for this course – just come! Bishop Barron is the presenter. Please bring a pencil and paper as time will be available at the end for questions and discussion.

The first of the six sessions is titled 'Introduction and Baptism'. You are very welcome to join us. If you have any questions contact Terry Pate 0408 973 316.

Vocations Awareness Week

This week for the Church considers, supports and prays for those searching for their vocations in life. The Lord calls each of us to a particular vocation (marriage, consecrated life, priesthood or a single life of service). We might especially think about and pray for those in our community and in our families this week. In prayer, ask the Lord to enlighten them and give them the grace and courage to respond to His call.



BROKEN BAY NEWS New edition available

CFW Receipts

Receipts for parishioners who have donated to the Charitable Works Fund are available in the breeze-way of the church. Thank you for your generosity.

If you donated to **Planned Giving** and you would like a **record of giving**, please contact the parish office.

Thank you!

The National Catholic Men's Gathering for 2020

The ACBC National Catholic Men's Gathering for 2020 is being offered as a **free event for registered participants**. Online Program, available from Saturday 15 August 2020. [Registration will be free and will be available from Monday 29th June.](#)

THIS WEEK

Monday 3 Aug St Dominic
9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Tuesday 4 Aug St John Vianney
9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Wednesday 5 August
7:30am Mass Fr Vince
9:15am Mass Fr Vince
11am Funeral for Dorothy McGinlay

Thursday 6 Aug Transfiguration
9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Friday 7 August
9:15am Mass

Saturday 8 August Mary MacKillop
9:15am Mass Fr Vince

4pm Reconciliation Fr Vince
5pm Mass Fr Ken

Sunday 9 August
8am Mass Fr Vince
10am Mass Fr Vince
11:30am Baptism
5pm Mass Fr Vince
7pm Syro Malabar Fr Bineesh

Feast of the Assumption

is on Saturday 15 August and we will be having a parish Mass at 9.15am in the church.



Santa Maria Festival

has been cancelled for 2020 but it will be celebrated on Sunday 15th August 2021.

Catechist helpers

We are looking for relief catechists or helpers. If you might be able to assist please speak with Fr Vince. Click [here](#) to see a short recruitment video *Be There For Me*.

A Catholic Response to Domestic Violence

has for the Diocese of Broken Bay has been refreshed including a message from Bishop Anthony Randazzo who reminds us that *through this, may we together become better educated so as to work against the various personal and social factors that contribute to all forms of abuse within our homes.*

View and download the booklet from: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/parish-community/catholic-life-faith-formation/social-justice/domestic-violence>

Please remember our sick: Bill McGuinness, Helen Elliot, Peter Dormer, Sheila Lyons, Charlie Radford, Ray Slewcher, Jimmy Casey, Helen Elliot, Peter Dormer, Joanne McSherry, Gaie Stansberry, David Caire, Helen Kennedy (sister of Fr Carmelo), Stacey Pollach, Jim Swanson.

Deceased: Dorothy McGinlay (Karen's mother), Amanda Perriotte, Don Chapman, Therese Hardman, Paulo, Maureen Hassan, George and Annie Vassallo, Tony and Doris Attard, John Dormer, Allan Dent, Anne Bonnici.

Mass Intentions: Rosemary and Noel Flowers, Mark and Trish Sedicol, Fatima and Rodney Medina, Joselito Jr and Josef Nacua,



Readings at Mass

First reading

Is 55:1-3

Thus says the Lord: Oh, come to the water all you who are thirsty; though you have no money, come! Buy corn without money, and eat, and, at no cost, wine and milk. Why spend money on what is not bread, your wages on what fails to satisfy? Listen, listen to me and you will have good things to eat and rich food to enjoy. Pay attention, come to me; listen, and your soul will live. With you I will make an everlasting covenant out of the favours promised to David.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:8-9, 15-18

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us, he answers all our needs.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
Slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
Compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**

The eyes of all creatures look to you
And you give them their food in due time.
You open wide your hand.
Grant the desires of all who live. **R.**

The Lord is just in all his ways
And loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
Call on him from their hearts. **R.**

Second reading

Romans 8:35, 37-39

Nothing can come between us and the love of Christ, even if we are troubled or worried, or being persecuted, or lacking food or clothes, or being threatened or even attacked. These are the trials through which we triumph, by the power of him who loved us. For I am certain of this: neither death nor life, no angel, no prince, nothing that exists, nothing still to come, not any power, or height or depth, nor any created thing, can ever come between us and the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The word of the Lord

Alleluia, alleluia!

Mt 4:4

No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes
from the mouth of God,
Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

When Jesus received the news of John the Baptist's death he withdrew by boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But the people heard of this and, leaving the towns, went after him on foot. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them and healed their sick. When evening came, the disciples went to him and said, 'This is a lonely place, and the time has slipped by; so send the people away, and they can go to the villages to buy themselves some food.' Jesus replied, 'There is no need for them to go: give them something to eat yourselves.' But they answered, 'All we have with us is five loaves and two fish.' 'Bring them here to me,' he said. He gave orders that the people were to sit down on the grass; then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven and said the blessing. And breaking the loaves he handed them to his disciples who gave them to the crowds. They all ate as much as they wanted, and they collected the scraps remaining, twelve baskets full, Those who ate numbered about five thousand men, to say nothing of women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord.