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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

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 20 SEPTEMBER 2020, YEAR A

Diocese of Broken Bay
Ancestral home of the
Darkinjung people

Readings: Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20-24, 27;
Mt 20:1-16

Response:

The Lord is near to all who call him.

Alleluia Alleluia!

Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.

Alleluia!

Reflection

‘My ways are above your ways.’
Those who had laboured in the vineyard all day were angry when the owner paid the latecomers the same wage. Like the story of the prodigal son, this parable reminds us that the kingdom of heaven is not characterized by our limited concepts of justice but by a compassion that knows no limits. May we not be envious at the good fortune of others but rejoice that we too are loved deeply by God.



Holy Land Collection Appeal

Thank you for your donations last week to support the Church in the Holy Land. Envelopes are still available if you would like to make a donation.

First Holy Communion

Will be celebrated for those in Year 4 or older who have made their Reconciliation:

Enrolment forms are available now

through the College and the Parish Office or at the back of the church. For more details regarding preparing for First Communion see the back of this bulletin.



Welcome to Bishop Anthony Randazzo

This Sunday we welcome Bishop Anthony Randazzo to our Parish to celebrate the 10am Mass.



Message from Bishop Anthony

Last Thursday evening we celebrated the Chrism Mass at the cathedral.

The Chrism Mass is an opportunity to focus particularly upon two areas of ecclesial life. The first is the unity of all the baptised who are anointed in the power of the Holy Spirit and who form one Body in Christ. The second focus is the gift of the ministerial priesthood which has been entrusted to our priests who have been anointed to teach, lead, and sanctify the one Body of Christ – the Church.

Click [here](#) to download the whole message.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for September

Respect for the planet's resources. We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a respectful way.



Congratulations Year 12

The Year 12 students who will be having their graduation Mass and awards this Wednesday as they finish school to prepare for the HSC.

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

This week we raised \$64.30

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!

Coronavirus restrictions

The number of people permitted to attend a church service is 100.

All other restrictions continue for hygiene and social distancing. Please use hand sanitiser and keep 1.5 metres apart when entering and leaving the church, when queuing for communion and when chatting before and after Mass.

We are all encouraged to wear a mask when visiting the church.

Sign in sheets for Mass are in the two folders in the breezeway. Please ensure you are signing in for the Mass you are attending.

The sign in sheet for visits to the church are on the table at the back of the church. Please ensure the date and time are also recorded.

Position Vacant

Administrative Assistant, Toukley - Lake Munmorah Parish (Casual)

wishes to employ a casual Administrative Assistant to provide general admin assistance in the Parish Office. For more information, please see the Diocesan website: bbcatholic.org.au/people/positions-vacant

SHARING GOD'S LIGHT

A Gift in your Will
Or
A Gift in Memory
of a Loved One

By leaving a Gift in your Will, or by honouring the memory of a loved one, you are supporting your family of faith. Bequest booklets with more information in the church foyer.

Child Protection Month

This week the Bishop launched the Rights of the Child Framework developed by the Diocese of Broken Bay. It addresses both the human and spiritual rights of the child and how they might be upheld and supported throughout our Diocese. These resources have been launched online via a video featuring Bishop Anthony. Click [here](#) to see the video and see the poster on the notice board.

Social Justice

Seasons of Creation

Have you ever stood on a beach wondering at a spectacular sunrise and felt that your God was part of you and the creation? At a time of loss or tragedy have you sought the peace of solitude, a quiet place?

We are aware of what Patriarch Bartholomew calls sin in Laudato Si as the human species overfishes the oceans and pollutes them with rivers of plastics. As the lungs of the earth, the great forests are clear-felled or burnt.

How can we expand our consciousness of the ways we continue to live unconcerned about waste, pollution, a "throw away culture", overuse of resources, inequality, and poverty?

Our next meeting is on 17 November at 2.30 pm. All are welcome

Social Justice Committee
Warnervale Catholic Church



www.marymackillopsocialjustice.wordpress.com

Serving a Wounded World in Interreligious Solidarity

A Christian Call to Reflection and Action During COVID-19 and Beyond

A co-publication of the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue and the World Council of Churches

As Christians, the basis for interreligious solidarity comes from the Trinity and from our belief that all human beings are creatures of the One God

Read the document at www.pcinterreligious.org



THIS WEEK

Monday 21 September
St Matthew

9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Tuesday 22 September

9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Wednesday 23 September
Padre Pio

7:30am Mass Fr Vince

9:15am Mass Communion Service

Thursday 24 September

9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Friday 25 September

9.15am Mass Fr Vince

Saturday 26 September

4pm Reconciliation Fr Vince

5pm Mass Fr Vince

Sunday 27 September

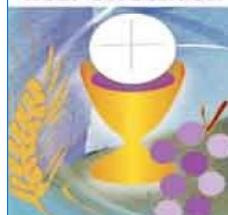
8am Mass Fr Ken

10am Mass Fr Vince

11:30am Baptism Fr Vince

5pm Mass Fr Vince

Preparing for First
HOLY COMMUNION



Classes for MacKillop students in Year 4 will

begin in Term 4, with Sr Ji Ji teaching special classes.

Classes for students older than Year 4 or attending other schools will be run by Sr Ji Ji after Sunday 10am Mass on 25 October and 1 November. Much of the preparation may have to be done at home, with parents using the booklet you will receive when the enrolment form is lodged with the parish.

First Communion will be celebrated at special Masses at 2pm on Saturday Nov 7th and Sunday Nov 8th; and then at 2pm on the following weekend, Saturday Nov 14th and Sunday Nov 15th.

There will need to be a limit of guests for each child (possibly four people). Those who want to have more guests will need to arrange a weekday Mass (9.15am Monday to Friday; also 7.30am on Wednesday) with Fr Vince.

Any questions please contact the parish office 8379 1740 or email warnervaleparish@bbcatholic.org.au

Please remember our sick: John Ledger, Marites Lawry, Terry Hardman, Tracey Mulheron, Ursula Barker, Anna Savia, Helen Elliot, Peter Dormer, Sheila Lyons, Charlie Radford, Ray Slucher, Jim Swanson.

Deceased: Joel Dark, Maureen Casey (Fr Vince's Mum), Margot Beckett, Fred Butterfield, Darrell Travis, Dorothy McGinlay (Karen's mother), Graham Moulder, Brian Shanks, Mary Kelly, Anne Bonnici.

Mass Intentions: Leo & Dominic Galea, Carmel Borg, Leah & Jessica Carroll, Tricia, Kylie, Amelia & Rebecca, Joan Firmstone, Ruben Nunez, Dulce Gica, George Pantos, Peter & Frank Walsh.



Readings at Mass

First reading

Isaiah 55:6-9

My thoughts are not your thoughts

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found,
call to him while he is still near.
Let the wicked man abandon his way,
the evil man his thoughts.
Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him,
to our God who is rich in forgiving;
for my thoughts are not your thoughts,
my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks.
Yes, the heavens are as high above earth
as my ways are above your ways,
my thoughts above your thoughts.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18

R The Lord is near to all who call him.

I will bless you day after day
And praise your name for ever.
The Lord is great, highly to be praised.
His greatness cannot be measured. **R.**

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

Second reading

Philippians 1:20-24, 27

Life to me is Christ; but death would bring me more

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

The word of the Lord

Alleluia, alleluia!

Acts 16:14

Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the word of your Son.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 20:1-16

Why be envious because I am generous?

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, “You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage.” So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, “Why have you been standing here idle all day?” “Because no one has hired us” they answered. He said to them, “You go into my vineyard too.” In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, “Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first.” So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. “The men who came last” they said “have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day’s work in all the heat.” He answered one of them and said, “My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?” Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.’

The Gospel of the Lord.