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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 21ST SEPTEMBER 2025, YEAR C

Readings: Amos 8:4-7
1 Tim 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13

Response:

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Year 12 Charity Day 2025

On Tuesday, 23 September, from 7am to 9am, MacKillop College's Year 12 students will be hosting their Charity Day. The event will feature fun activities, fancy dress, and music, providing a great opportunity for the Year 12 Class of 2025 to give back to the community. Students will be stopping traffic and collecting donations as cars and buses enter the College grounds. Please support their fundraising efforts by bringing any loose change and allowing extra travel time. All proceeds will go to CatholicCare.

Thank you for your support!

Congratulations



On Wednesday, 24th September, our Year 12 students will bring to completion 13 years of schooling with a Thanksgiving Mass and their Year 12 Awards Night. We pray God's blessings upon them as they step forward into the next chapter of their lives. May the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen them in the weeks ahead, especially as they prepare for their HSC examinations in October.



We are pleased to announce that our Parish Dinner will be held on **Saturday, 22 November**, following the 5:00pm Mass, in the school hall. Tickets are **\$25 per adult, \$15 for children aged 6–10, and free for children under 6.**

Further details about the menu and ticket sales will be shared in the coming weeks.

*Please mark the date in your calendars—
We look forward to celebrating together!*

Funeral - 22nd September

It is with deep sadness that we share the passing of **Olivia Curtis**, a much-loved member of community, and wider community, who died peacefully on Friday, 12th September. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated in our parish on **Monday, 22nd September at 11:00am.**

Olivia is the beloved mother of three beautiful children who attend MacKillop Catholic College. To support the large number of people expected to gather in prayer and thanksgiving for Olivia's life, the school will coordinate the closure of a significant portion of the car park on Monday to allow for funeral parking.

May the Lord grant Olivia eternal rest, and may perpetual light shine upon her.

Diocese of Broken Bay
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Darkinjung people

Sunday Mass

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

Family Mass

Every Sunday at 10am
Includes Children's Liturgy

Weekday Mass

Mon 7:30am
Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat
9.15am
Wednesday 8:45am

Monthly BBQ

4th Sunday of each month
after 5pm Mass

Devotions

Rosary after weekday Mass
Tues 6pm Rosary

St Joseph's Men's Group

2nd & 4th Wednesday at 7pm

Anointing Mass

3rd Saturday of the Month
at 9:15am

Reconciliation

Sat 4pm - 4.45 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 Sat/ 8am to 9am

Parish Luncheon

2nd Thursday of the month
12noon at The Ary (Ziva),
Main Rd, Toukley

Men's & Women's Breakfast

4th Saturday of the month at
8am at Warnies Café.

Syro-Malabar Mass

1st Friday at 6pm
1st & 3rd Sunday at 7pm

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Parent Engagement Co-ordinator: Lucy Marien Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday (lucy.marien@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

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

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Mail: PO Box 4367, Lake Haven, 2263

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Web: www.bbcatholic.org.au/warnervale

Pastoral Letter from Bishop Randazzo

Copies of Bishop Anthony Randazzo's *Pastoral Letter – The Mystery of Faith: Encountering Jesus Christ in the Eucharist* are available on the table at the back of the Church.

Parishioners are warmly encouraged to take a copy home for prayerful reading and reflection.

Salesian Thought

Charity is the root, the source of all a man's holiness; it gives virtues their value, in such a way as not to deprive them of their own individual value, of the perfection natural to each one.

(Treatise on the Love of God, Book 11, Chapter 5)

Parish Collections

1st Collection: Contributions support the Clergy Remuneration Fund, providing financial aid to our priests.

2nd Collection: Funds the parish's operational management. Donations made through our tap-and-go terminals also go towards the 2nd collection.

PWBB: The Pastoral Works Broken Bay provides funding for charities that directly support the people of our Diocese. **Please note** that only PWBB donations are tax deductible.



You can also donate by scanning the QR code for secure online payments.

Thank you for your generous support of our parish.

Rosary Prayer Group



Come pray with us for our families, the parish and the world, every **Tuesday at 6pm in the Church.**

October

Month of the Holy Rosary

In honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we will gather for Rosary prayer meetings every Thursday during the month of October at 7:00pm, hosted at the home of Bill and Dianne, 56 Irving Court, Hamlyn Terrace. All are warmly invited to join us in prayer and devotion. For further information, please contact Dianne on 0413 454 547.

Memorial Wall

The Parish Pastoral Council is progressing with plans to establish a **Memorial Wall** along the retaining wall beside the Church driveway. Each plaque (size 16cm by 10.5cm) will include: Name of the deceased, Date of birth and place, Date of death, Resting place, Donated by.

A registration sheet is available at the back of the Church for parishioners wishing to register their interest and indicate the number of plaques required. The cost is a one-off fee of **\$100 per plaque**, payable by bank transfer or cash. Further details regarding payment will be provided soon.

MacKillop Online Newsletter



Please scan the QR code to subscribe to our weekly *MacKillop Online* newsletter. Sent each Friday, this email keeps parishioners informed of upcoming events, important notices, and news from both our Parish and the wider Diocese.

Email: admin@centreofcare.com.au
Phone: 9188 9448 or 0494 169 308



SAINTS DAYS

Monday 22 September

Tuesday 23 September

St Pius of Pietrelcina

Wednesday 24 September

Thursday 25 September

Friday 26 September

Saturday 27 September

St Vincent de Paul



Premium Pure Water

Exclusive Offer 10% Off & \$1 per unit Donated to SMOTC MacKillop Parish

Use Promo Code MACKCP

More info go to earthgold.com.au

Return and Earn

This week we raised: \$62.70



Thank you to everyone who continually supports our Return and Earn fundraising project and commitment to sustainability and environmental responsibility for our community.

Please remember:

- ♦ containers need to be empty of all liquid;
- ♦ not crushed or broken;
- ♦ labels must be on the containers;
- ♦ No wine bottles or spirit bottles.
- ♦ Please place glass bottles in crates

Thank you for your continued support!

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Please remember our sick: Ivan Dzido, Bill McGuinness, Barry Bateson, Chiara Wallace, Jo O'Loughlin, Pili Menardo Leal, Cecelia Henry, Joset Gatt, Sheila Marquez.

Anniversaries: Julianna Dalli, Alejandro Mabaquiao jnr, Joan Firmstone, Victor Gatt, Joyce Nord, T.D Varghese, Darrell Travers, Terence McBride OCDS, Dorothy McGinlay, Gladys De Lange.

Recently Deceased: Ken Grigg, Olivia Curtis, Dionisio Tolentino, Magdalena Santos, Shannon Murray, William (Billy) Hardman, Praveen Thomas, Eliamma Chacko, Ronald (Royce) Wright,



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First Reading

Prophet Amos 8:4-7

The Lord spoke against those who buy the poor for money.

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy
and try to suppress the poor people of the country,
you who say, 'When will New Moon be over
so that we can sell our corn,
and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat?
Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel,
by swindling and tampering with the scales,
we can buy up the poor for money,
and the needy for a pair of sandals,
and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.'
The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob,
'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'
The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Praise the Lord, who lifts up the poor.

Praise, O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord!
May the name of the Lord be blessed
both now and for evermore! **R**

High above all nations is the Lord,
above the heavens his glory.
Who is like the Lord, our God,
who has risen on high on his throne
yet stoops from the heights to look down,
to look down upon heaven and earth? **R**

From the dust he lifts up the lowly,
from the dungheap he raises the poor
to set him in the company of princes,
yes, with the princes of his people. **R**

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Second Reading

Letter of St Paul to Timothy 2:1-8

Let prayers be offered to God for everyone; he wants all people to be saved.

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone - petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving - and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and - I am telling the truth and no lie - a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,
to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 16:1-13

You cannot be slaves both of God and of money

Jesus said to his disciples, 'There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes."

'Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat" was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty."

'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

The Gospel of the Lord.