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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

Diocese of Broken Bay
Ancestral home of the
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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
22nd November 2026, Year A

Readings: Ezek 34:11-22, 15-17
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

Response:
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there is nothing I shall want.

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Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessing on the coming kingdom of our father David!

Alleluia!

Reflection

As we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, we are reminded that Christ's kingship is unlike any earthly kingdom. Jesus does not rule through power, wealth or authority, but through love, humility, mercy and selfless service.

In today's Gospel, we encounter Christ the King in His glory, identifying Himself with those who are hungry, thirsty, strangers, sick and in need. He teaches us that whatever we do for the least of our brothers and sisters, we do for Him. This feast invites us to reflect on how we welcome Christ into our daily lives and how we recognise His presence in those around us. As we bring the Church's liturgical year to a close, may we allow Christ to reign in our hearts, guiding our words and actions, so that through acts of compassion, generosity and love, we may share in His eternal Kingdom.

Pastoral Works Broken Bay (PWBB) Appeal

Envelopes are still be available at the back of the Church if you would like to donate to the PWBB Appeal. All donations over $2 are tax deductible.

Donation envelopes can be placed in any of the collections on the weekend or put in the church donation box outside the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Donations can also be completed online at bbcatholic.org.au/giving/pastoral-works-broken-bay/pastoralworks

Special Mass

All families who have lost a loved one are warmly invited to join us for a **special Memorial Mass on Wednesday, 25 November at 7:00 pm in the Church.**

This Mass will be a special opportunity for us, as a parish community, to come together in prayer and remembrance of those we hold dear who have passed away. It can be difficult to navigate the journey of grief, particularly during times when we feel the absence of those we love. Through the celebration of the Eucharist, we gather to find comfort, strength and hope in the promise of Christ's resurrection and the gift of eternal life.

Together, we will remember our departed loved ones, offer prayers for the repose of their souls and entrust them to the loving mercy of God. We also pray for all who mourn, that they may find consolation, peace and strength in the knowledge that they are not alone.

All parishioners and families are welcome to attend as we come together in faith, united in prayer and the hope of the Resurrection.

November Prayer

November is a special time to remember our departed loved ones and pray for God's blessings upon our families. Prayer intention envelopes will be available at the back of the church.

To request a Mass for your dearly departed, please place your offering in a Mass Intention envelope and give it to the Priest or place it in any of the collection plates.

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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Safeguarding: ***When safeguarding is embedded in Parish leadership, governanceand culture; members of the Parish recognise that it is a shared responsibility to safeguard children, young people and adults at risk.*** 'Safeguardingiseveryone'sresponsibility'

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

Upcoming Dates

There are several upcoming events in our parish calendar, and we encourage everyone to take note of the following dates and add them to your diary:

- **Thursday 17 December** – Volunteers' Thank You Christmas Dinner, commencing at 6:30pm.
- **Friday 18 December** – First Rite of Reconciliation, commencing at 6:30pm.

We look forward to celebrating these special occasions together as a parish community!

Carols by Candlelight – Thursday 10 December 2026

Join St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Parish and MacKillop Catholic College for a wonderful evening of Christmas celebration at our **annual Carols by Candlelight on Thursday, 10 December 2026, at the College Hall.**

The evening will commence at 6:30pm, with a sausage sizzle, Russell's Ice Cream Van and candles available for purchase (2 for $5).

Gather with family and friends as we come together to sing our favourite Christmas carols, with the carols commencing at 7:30pm.

We are also delighted to welcome a very special guest – Santa Claus!

Everyone is warmly invited to join us for this joyful evening as we celebrate the spirit of Christmas and prepare our hearts for the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. We look forward to seeing you there!



Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for NOVEMBER 2026

For the proper use of wealth

Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.



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CatholicCare – Free Financial Counselling Services

Are you experiencing financial difficulties or struggling to manage your money?

CatholicCare Diocese of Broken Bay offers free, independent and confidential financial counselling to help individuals and families get back on track.

Support is available with budgeting, managing debt, setting financial goals and negotiating with creditors. Counsellors provide caring, non-judgemental assistance to help you plan for a better financial future.

For further information or assistance:
Phone: 1800 324 924
Email: info@catholiccaredbb.org.au
Website: www.catholiccaredbb.org.au

Rosary Prayer Group



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

Our parish Rosary prayer meetings will be held on **Thursday 26th November at 7:00 pm** at the home of Bill and Dianne, 56 Irving Court, Hamlyn Terrace.

All are warmly invited to join us in prayer and devotion to Our Blessed Mother.

For further information, please contact Dianne on 0413 454 547.

Salesian Thought

The practice of self-purification cannot and should not come to an end as long as we live. Therefore, let us not be disturbed by our imperfections, because our perfection consists in fighting them.



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Saints Days

Monday 23 November
St Clement I & St Columban
Tuesday 24 November
St Andrew Dung-Lac
Wednesday 25 November
St Catherine of Alexandria
Thursday 26 November
Friday 27 November
Saturday 28 November
Sunday 29 November
First Sunday of Advent

Return and Earn

This week we raised $57.30

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!

MacKillop Online Newsletter

Please scan the QR code to subscribe to our weekly email MacKillop Online newsletter, sent each Friday.



Please remember our sick: Bill Rawling, Angelo Rene Mabaquiao, John Firmstone, Harrison Aitken, Hetti Damanik, Cesar Raque Martinez, Edgar Ramon Savichez, Vincent Abela, Corazon Armonio, Julie Granero, Mary Swift, Ivan Dzido, Barry Bateson, Cecelia Henry, Joset Gatt, Sheila Marquez.

Anniversaries: John O'Reilly, Neville Pikulich, Zlatka Pikulich, Karl Klein, Alan Hardcastle, Mayan Joseph Mohanras, Chris Cleary, Mayan Joseph Mohanaraj, Christine Burns, Kathleen Nolan, Eugenia Aquino Cruz, Alejandro Mabaquiao Jnr.

Recently Deceased: Ross Fogarty, Andre Hiep, Benjamin Indolos, George Charlton, Anita Visintin, Aubrey Croker.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, Year A

First Reading:

Prophet Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

You, my flick, I judge between sheep and sheep.

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest - it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.
As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose. **R.**

Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.
He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name. **R.**

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **R.**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. **R.**

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Second Reading
St Paul to the Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that God may be all in all.

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in the proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

Alleluia!

Gospel
Matthew 25:31-46

He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.