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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

## 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER 22 MAY 2022, YEAR C

**Readings:** Acts 15:1-2, 22-29;  
Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

**Response:**  
O God, let all the nations praise you!

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them.

**Alleluia!**



### Reflection

‘THE HOLY SPIRIT WILL TEACH YOU.’ Shortly before his death Jesus assured his disciples that he would not abandon them. In his name, the Father will send the Holy Spirit to be with them and guide them. The early Christian community experienced the ‘Spirit’s presence as they sought to discern God’s will on various issues: ‘it has been decided by the Holy Spirit and ourselves’, the apostles and elders would say. As we face difficult decisions today we also can be at peace, confident that God’s Spirit is with us.

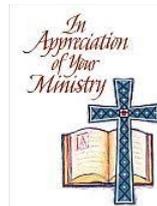
### Pastoral Works Broken Bay May Appeal

Our last appeal for this financial year was held last weekend. Thank you to everyone who donated. Envelopes are still available at the back of the church or donations can also be made by direct debit:

**St Mary of the Cross MacKillop**  
**BSB: 062-784, A/C: 10000 5628**  
**Add your name and PWBB as reference.**

### Farewell Fr Lourduwamy

This weekend will be last weekend that Fr Lourduwamy will be with us. Fr Philip will return on Saturday 28th May. We thank Fr Lourduwamy wholeheartedly for the caring way he has administered to the needs of the parish. We hope you have enjoyed your time with us.



### David the King Course



The sessions will continue this **Monday 23rd May** as normal at 10am.

*Please note that the session normally held at 7pm, is no longer being presented.* This week the topic is titled ‘Gathered in Jerusalem’ and deals with the uniting of all the tribes in Jerusalem. Come along and enjoy some lively discussion!

No need to pre-register, just come and start the course and let your enthusiasm take over. If you are interested and need more information, contact me by email at [tpate2@bigpond.com](mailto:tpate2@bigpond.com) or call me on 0408 973 316, or just grab me after mass!

### Sacrament of Confirmation

Confirmation will be celebrated on 30th July at 10am or 12:30pm. More information will be available in the coming weeks.

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Ancestral home of the  
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### 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

**1st & 3rd Sat 9:15am**

### Devotions

Rosary after weekday Mass

### Anointing Mass

Third 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

Fourth 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

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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](mailto:bill@earthgold.com.au)) 0412 051 839





## **MEDIA RELEASE**

19 May 2022

### **State Assisted Suicide – Bishop Expresses Disappointment as Bill Passes Upper House**

Broken Bay Bishop Most Rev Anthony Randazzo has expressed his disappointment after a marathon debate in the Upper House of the NSW Parliament effectively legalised voluntary assisted dying in this state.

The Bishop joined other church leaders, religious healthcare providers and pro-life groups in expressing his concern, saying it was an extremely disappointing situation when we accepted the sanction of the state to determine who lives and who dies.

“Assisted suicide is a completely unacceptable solution to the problem of suffering,” Bishop Randazzo said.

“A genuinely human society is not how we decide to eliminate those who suffer, but how we care for them.

“While deeply moved by many comments aired during the years of this debate, it is clear the social mood and the narrative has evolved in a way that the language of personal rights now dominates our concern for the common good.

“We should be considering and caring for the rights of all citizens to be well, to have the care they need, and not lost to the margins.

“We now have to consider what this means to our health care and aged care, the vulnerable and confused.

“Now more than ever we must ensure members of our family, friends, those who are alone, the vulnerable in our community know and understand that they are loved, that we will be with them in their journey, and that they are not a burden.”

NSW State MPs voted down a voluntary assisted dying bill in 2017.

The Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill (2021) was introduced into the NSW Parliament by Independent MP Alex Greenwich.

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## 6th Sunday of Easter, Year C

### First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 15:1-2, 22-29

**It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and ourselves not to burden you beyond what is essential.**

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, ‘Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.’ This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

‘The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greeting to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.’

The word of the Lord.

### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:8-13

**R. O God, let all the nations praise you!**

O God, be gracious and bless us  
and let your face shed its light upon us.  
So will your ways be known upon earth  
and all nations learn by saving help. **R.**

Let the nations be glad and exult  
for you rule the world with justice.  
With fairness you rule the peoples,  
you guide the nations on earth. **R.**

Let the people praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
May God still give us his blessing  
till the ends of the earth revere him. **R.**

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## Second Reading

Apocalypse 21:10-14, 22-23

**He showed me the holy city coming down out of heaven.**

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

The word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

Jn 14:23

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

All who love me will keep my words,  
and my Father will love them, and we will come to them.

**Alleluia!**

## Gospel

John 14:23-29

**The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.**

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own; it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you. Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say:

I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.’

The Gospel of the Lord.