



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

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 23RD APRIL 2023, YEAR A

Diocese of Broken Bay
Ancestral home of the
Darkinjung people

Image by Sr Dorothy Woodward rsj

Readings: Acts 2:14, 22-33;
1Pet 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

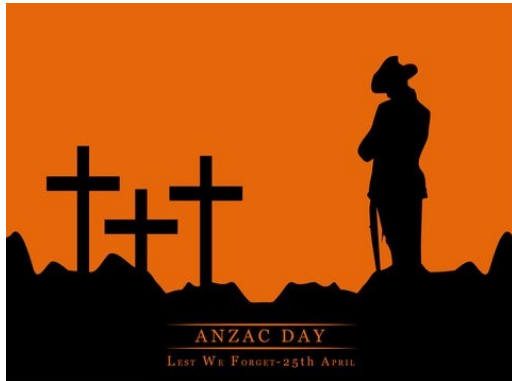
Response:

Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us, make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia!



Vox Populi—19 April 2023

Service and sacrifice are words well known to the Catholic faithful. They also speak to the solemn day of commemoration we call Anzac Day. A day of history and tradition when we honour those who fought on the Gallipoli Peninsula in WW1 and lost their lives. With the passing of decades we have come to honour the service and sacrifice of thousands of men and women who have battled through many theatres of war, and have not returned to family and friends. We also remember the peacekeeping missions where the same Anzac spirit has been borne-out in defence of the defenceless and the fight for freedom. Anzac Day is an important and much loved national day. It is not about glorifying war but acknowledging our past and paying tribute to those who fought. We pray for all those who have died or

were wounded in all conflicts, and for those who are still haunted by their memories. We pray for their families and carers. We pray in gratitude and we pray for peace everywhere.

Join Bishop Anthony next Tuesday 25 April for our Anzac Day Mass of commemoration at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral at 10.30am when we pray that the service and sacrifice offered by so many has not been in vain and that their spirit may live on in us, and in generations to come.

Sacrament of Confirmation



A parent information and enrolment evening will take place on **Thursday 18th May at 7pm in the Church**. It is essential that at least one parent comes to this session to enroll their child and collect the information, please ensure you bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate if they were not baptised at our parish. Confirmation classes will then commence Sunday 28th May during 10am Mass, and continue on 4th June, 18th June and 25th June. Confirmation Ceremony will be **celebrated in our Parish on Saturday 1st July at 9am and 11am**.

Please contact the parish office if you have any questions.

- 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, Thurs & Fri 9.15am
Wednesday 8:45am
1st & 3rd Sat 9:15am
- Monthly BBQ**
4th Sunday of each month
after 5pm Mass
- Devotions**
Rosary after weekday Mass
Tues 6pm Rosary
- Anointing Mass**
3rd 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
- Parish Luncheon**
2nd Thursday of the month
12noon at Wallarah Bay Club
- Men's Breakfast**
4th Saturday of the month at
Warnies Café.
- Syro-Malabar Mass**
1st Friday at 6pm
1st & 3rd Sunday at 7pm
2nd and 4th Saturday 9.15am

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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

Salesian Thought

Earth is no farther from heaven than the supernatural ways of God from our earthly ways.

(The Spirit of St. François de Sales, XXI, 9)

MacKillop Catholic College

We are recently looking for funding to assist all our students who need some assistance with their language development in English. Basically, it is identifying students where English is a 2nd language. The school will attract funding from the government for each of these students and allow us to provide extra tutoring.

To do this we ask all our families to complete a survey which sounds fine except if the parents do not have strong English reading and written skills, they may miss out on completing the survey.

We need the following survey completed but we need to get the word out to the parents to do this and to ask for help if they are unable to complete it by themselves

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MACKILLOP
Catholic College
WARNERVALE

Rosary Prayer Group



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

The prayer meetings for **April and May will be on Thursday evenings 27th April, 11th May, 25th May at 7pm**, in the home of Bill & Dianne 56 Irving Court, Hamlyn Terrace. Phone 0413 454 547. Everyone is welcome.

Catechist News

A big Congratulations to Amelia for completing the CCD ministry induction course. Amelia is our new helper.

We have a lovely class of Year 3 and 4 students who will be without a catechist for the new term.

Wednesdays 12.25pm to 12.55 Warnervale Public School. For more information please contact Kerrie Dederer 0402815633 or Fr Philip.

As our catechists return to the schools Term 2 please pray for them and the students they teach that they may encounter and receive the love and light of Christ.

If you are unable to be a catechist or an assistant there are some things you can do:

Become a prayer partner. Pray for our catechists. Mention them in your prayer groups.

Show your support by encouraging them and thanking them for their ministry when you see them.

If you can sew, draw or are crafty items for the lessons and sacred spaces used in the classrooms eg tablecloths, decorate candles, pictures for different themes. Please come forward and again let Kerrie know or one of the teachers Maureen, Paul, Lorette and Kerrie.

Diocesan Pastoral Discernment Project Facilitator - looking for the ideal candidate

The appointment of the **Diocesan Pastoral Discernment Project Facilitator** will:

1. act as an **Executive Officer**, assisting the newly appointed **Pastoral Discernment Central Coast Implementation Task Group** in the formulation and implementation of the recommendations from the Central Coast Discernment Project; and

2. coordinate and facilitate strategic planning in preparation for the **Northern Beaches Pastoral Discernment Project.**

This is a **full-time position** for a **maximum term of two years.**

For more information please contact recruitment@bbcatholic.org.au for an **Information Pack** including for details on how to apply.

Applications close **Thursday, 18 May 2023**

SAINTS DAYS

Monday 24 April
St Fidelis of Sigmaringen

Tuesday 25 April
ANZAC Day

Wednesday 26 April
St Mark

Thursday 27 April
St Louis Grignon de Montfort

Friday 28 April
St Peter Chanel

Saturday 29 April
St Catherine of Siena

Sunday 30 April
World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Return and Earn

This week we raised \$28.70



Please remember containers need to be empty of liquid; not crushed or broken. Please place glass containers in the crates. Cans and Bottles must have 10c re-fund logo.

Thank you for your continued support!



Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April

For a culture of peace and non violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

20th Anniversary of the Parish Celebrations

Envelopes will be available for the 20th Anniversary celebrations and gift to the Church. Envelopes can be placed in any collection or put in the donation box outside the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.



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Please remember our sick: Jeff Gill, Finn McConnon, Salvacion Mabaquiao, Martin Duffy, Robert Seddon, Rommell, Toni Grace, Christina Edwards.

Anniversaries: Anne Firmstone, Rick Walters, Jack Gill, Daniel Whelm, Roy Curtis, Christine Elfes, John Mulheron, Beryl Moloney, Agnes Rodger, Elizabeth Walker, Rose Calleja, Carmen Dee.

Recently Deceased: Isaias Seki, Fr Bob Maguire, Dominic Toomey, Fr John Keeble, Pauline Bramble, Betty Denehy.



Third Sunday of Easter, Year A

First Reading:

Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 22-33

It was impossible for him to be held by the power of Hades.

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: ‘Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him: I saw the Lord before me always, for with him at the right hand nothing can shake me. So my heart was glad and my tongue cried out with joy: my body, too, will rest in the hope that you will not abandon my soul to Hades nor allow your holy one to experience corruption. You have made known the way of life to me, you will fill me with gladness through your presence.

‘Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn him an oath to make one of his descendants succeed him on the throne, Christ: he is the one who was not abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the heights by God’s right hand, he was received by the Father the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you see and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.’

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

I say to the Lord: ‘You are my God.’

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize. **R.**

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,
who even at night directs my heart.

I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **R.**

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.

For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay. **R.**

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever. **R.**

Third Sunday of Easter, Year A

Second Reading

St Peter 1:17-21

The ransom that was paid to free you was the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ.

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favorites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, that end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason—so that you would have faith and hope in God the word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

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Gospel

Luke 24:13-35

The recognized him at the breaking of the bread.

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognizing him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast. Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' He asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets he explained to them the passage throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at the table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognized him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?'

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognized him at the breaking of the bread.

The Gospel of the Lord.