

6^{aint} 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

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C 25 August 2019

Image by Sr Dorothy Woodward rsj

Readings:

Is 66:18-21; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

Response:

Go out to all the world; and tell the Good News

First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion preparation classes continue this Sunday with 10am Mass. NB: There is no class on Sunday 1 September as it is Father's Day. Classes resume 8/9. With the final class on 15 September there will be a rehearsal after

Mass. The sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated on 22nd September at 10am and 12 noon



Reflection

Entering God's Kingdom. It is frustrating to arrive at a shop a few minutes after it has closed, or at an event only to discover that all tickets have been sold. There is nothing we can do about it. We have no automatic right of entry. The same applied to God's kingdom. To join the many people from east to west at the heavenly banquet we must strive to follow Jesus along the narrow and sometimes difficult path of love.

Father's Day Mass 7:45am 30/8

To celebrate Father's Day with the school

community there will be Mass at 7:45am on Friday 30 August. The school will have BBQ breakfast for families serving from 7:15am in the canteen area.



Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me.

Alleluia!

Collections

The regular collections at Sunday Mass are essential for the parish to function.

Contributions to the First Collection support the priests.

Contributions to the Second Collection pay for the running of the parish.

Credit Card or weekly planned giving envelopes are the best ways to contribute to the parish since they give us a more regular income and so help us to plan. Application forms are available at the back of the church.

Feast Days this week

This week we remember St Monica (patron of wives & abuse victims) and her son St Augustine (patron of brewers). Monica's Christian deeds and prayers for 19 years brought about the conversion of her wayward son Augustine. His complete turnaround from his life of sin and partying is an inspiration to those struggling with a vice. He was baptised, became a priest, a bishop a famous catholic writer and founder religious priests.

It is also the feast of the Passion of St John Baptist The Church, having celebrated the earthly birthday of St. John the Baptist on June 24, today honours the anniversary of his martyrdom. Besides our Lord and our Lady, St. John the Baptist is the only one whose birth and death are thus celebrated. **Diocese of Broken Bay** Ancestral home of the Darkinjung people

Sunday Mass Saturday: 5pm Sunday: 8am, 10am, 5pm

Weekday Mass 9.15am Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 7.30am Wed

> Reconciliation Saturday @ 4.00pm

Family Mass Every Sunday @ 10am Includes children's liturgy

Youth Mass Every Sunday @ 5pm

Seniors Anointing Mass Third Saturday of the month at 9.15am.

Men's Breakfast Fourth Saturday of the month at Warnies Café.

Baptisms

Most Sundays @ 11.30am Attendance at Information Evening is required

> 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 \$90.40. From Steve...PLEASE BRING ONE CAN OR BOTTLE TO MASS EACH WEEK!!



Letter From Fr David Ranson Copies of the Pastoral Letter Fr David has written to the people of the Diocese in relation to the Cardinal Pell Appeal are in the church foyer.

Liturgy of Inclusion & Care

All clergy, parishioners and wider community are invited to our Liturgy. September is Safeguarding month. This year the Diocese of Broken Bay is celebrating the theme 'A safe community is one in which everyone experiences a sense of belonging'.

Tuesday 3 September 2019 - 7:00pm Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara



The Leadership for Mission program is now open for Catholic women aged between 25-35 A joint initiative which has been designed by women, for women who are inspired by the Gospel. https://www.opw.catholic.org.au/ projects/leadership-for-mission

Women for the World Luncheon The annual *Women for the World* luncheon to be held 13 Sep in Sydney. www.womenfortheworld.org.au/

GENESIS^{To}JESUS

This course continues in the parish each Monday at 10am sharp and repeated at 7pm that evening. Finishing 7 October. Further details SMS Terry Pate on 0408 973 316 and he will return your call.

SENIORS NEWS

First Thursday of the month Lunch at Doylo 12 midday

Second Wednesday -Wyee Games Day Contact Christine 4357 2197

Third Saturday - Healing Mass 9:15am Followed by morning tea

Our Seniors retreat is on October 7 and 8, with father John Frauenfelder, more details later.

Contact Marie Wilde 4397 2935 if you need transport to any of our outings.

God's blessings to you all,

Ria 💭 Judy, Marie W, Marie F, Colleen S and Annie.

Salesian Missions

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www.salesianmissionaustralia.org.au Heavy monsoon rains have caused extensive damage across Asia. Urgent relief is need across Cambodia, Myanmar and India. Donations are tax deductible.

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation Sunday 1 September

Season of Creation between 1 September and 4 October – the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. This year's theme is "The Web of Life: Biodiversity as God's Blessing". We pray that all people may learn to respect and celebrate the goodness of God's gift of creation in all of its variety. For further information and re-

sources please visit SeasonofCreation.org.



Men's Retreat Weekend: 30 Aug – 1 Sept 2019–\$230

Join other men of faith. Come, relax and enjoy God in tranquility at St. Mary's Towers Retreat Centre, Douglas Park, RSVP Ph:4630 0233 OR email <u>contact@towersretreat.org.au</u>

THIS WEEK

Monday 26 August 9:15am Mass Fr Philip

Tuesday 27 August St Monica 9:15am Mass with Kindy, Yrs 1,5 & 6 Fr Philip

Wednesday 28 August St Augustine 7:30am Mass Fr Philip 9:15am Communion Service

Thursday 29 August Passion of St John the Baptist 9:15am Mass with Yrs 2, 3 & 4 Fr Philip

Friday 30 August 7:30am Fathers Day Mass Fr Philip 9.15am Mass Fr Philip

Next Weekend 31 Aug /1 Sep Sat 4pm Reconciliation Fr Philip Sat 5pm Mass Fr Philip

8:00am Mass Fr Carmelo 10:00am Mass Fr Philip No First Holy Communion class 11:30am Baptisms Fr Philip 5pm Mass Fr Philip 7pm Syro Malabar Mass Fr Bineesh

Social Justice

Why Is Domestic Abuse An Issue For Men?

Men can be victims and perpetrators of domestic abuse. **95%** of violence is perpetrated by men. Strong men need to become positive role models by showing respect to women **and** other men. How? By reflecting on their own behaviour and language, challenging abusive statement and disrespectful language of mates.

Pick up some strategies at the Domestic Abuse Workshop.

18th September, The Entrance 'Our Lady of the Rosary' Church Centre. 10:00a.m. Till 12:30. Domestic Abuse workshop.



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Please remember our sick: Vincent Shea, Koby Bourke, Michael Hunt, Betty Mecelli, Sharon King, Adeline de Silva, Neville Brown, Zenaida Ambait.

Deceased: Lily Wood, George Portelli, David Roberts, Nancy Kerr, Ellen Murral, Catazon Cummis, Trevor Woods, Frederick Wilesmith, Conchita Nacua Roberts, Linda Bond, Fr Ian Abbott, Alexandra Dedera, Sophie Kounelis, Deacon Jim Caulfield, Rose Knight, Frances Fuller, Joan Walter, Catherine McGrath, Luis Oliveira, Kerry Sammut, Kay Taylor, Steve McDonald, Annette Twiss, Warwick Jones.



Mass Intentions: Connie & George Drover, Sharjan & Doly, Bethel & Roopa, Maureen Hassan, Michael Hunt, Richard Calphy, Leah/Jessica Carroll, Frank Feliciotto, Kevin/Dona San Pedro & Family, Joseph Buhagier, Fran Nolan sgs, Baby John Sharkey, Helen Pantazopoulas, Ted Swift, Angelija, Adam & David Lauraitis, George Drover, Jack & Mrs Kilduff.