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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

## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER 27TH APRIL 2025, YEAR C

**Readings:** Acts 5:12-16  
Rev 1:9-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

### Response:

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
his love is everlasting

### Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you  
have seen me; happy those who have not  
seen me, but still believe!

### Alleluia, alleluia!



Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the  
Sunday after Easter Sunday.

The Parish will have **Rosary and  
Adoration** from **2.30pm TO 3.30pm** and  
then **Divine Mercy Chaplet** at **3:30pm**  
(the Hour of great mercy).

**Message to St. Faustina** – *I desire that the  
Feast of Mercy is a refuge for all souls,  
especially for poor sinners. On that day,  
the very depths of My tender mercy are  
open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces  
upon those souls who approach the Feast  
of My Mercy.*

*The souls that go to Confession & receive  
Holy Communion shall complete  
forgiveness of sins & punishment.*

### Requiem Mass for Pope Francis

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at the  
Cathedral Parish, Hornsby at 7:00pm on  
Monday 28th April by our Vicar General  
Fr David Ranson on behalf of Bishop  
Anthony Randazzo, who has travelled to  
Rome for the funeral of Pope Francis.

Our Parish will celebrate a special  
memorial Mass at 9:15am on Tuesday 29th  
April. Please come and pray for our late  
Pope Francis and his eternal reward.

### Piety Stall

The newly installed *Deacon Jim Piety Stall*  
will be open for **First Holy Communion  
gift purchases** on **Sunday, 4th May,**  
**before and after the Mass.** A beautiful  
selection of gifts is available. The stall  
accepts both **cash** and **EFTPOS.**

We are also seeking **volunteers** to assist  
with the piety stall:

- Before and after the 5:00pm Mass on  
Saturdays
- Before and after the 10:00am Mass on  
Sundays

Additionally, if you are available to assist  
on Sunday, 4th May, from 11:00am to  
approximately 1:00pm, or would like to  
volunteer on a weekly or fortnightly basis,  
please contact the Parish Office on 8379  
1740. Your support is greatly appreciated.

### School Resumes for Term 2

School will resume on **Wednesday, April  
30th.** We hope that all teachers, staff, and  
students enjoyed a well-deserved and  
restful break. As we return to our regular  
schedule, we kindly remind all drivers to  
prioritise safety within the school grounds.  
In particular, we ask that:

- All vehicles observe a **maximum  
speed limit of 10km per hour** in the  
school car park.
- Parishioners **refrain from parking in  
reserved spaces** at all times.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

**Diocese of Broken Bay**  
Ancestral home of the  
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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### 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

**Bookkeeper:** Johnson Mani

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**Web:** [www.bbcatholic.org.au/warnervale](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/warnervale)

## Jubilee Year—Pilgrimage

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) has proposed a monthly pilgrimage to the various Pilgrim Centres within our Diocese, taking place on the second Saturday of each month.

We will commence on **Saturday, 10th May**, with a visit to **East Gosford Parish** and the **Shrine of St John Paul II**.

All participants are asked to meet in the parish carpark at **7:45am** for an **8:00am departure**, in order to attend **9:00am Mass at St Patrick's, Gosford**.

A **sign-up sheet** is available at the back of the Church. Kindly provide your **name, contact number**, and indicate whether you are able to **offer or require a lift**, to assist with car-pooling arrangements.

We hope you will join us in this opportunity for prayer, fellowship, and spiritual enrichment.



Caritas Australia would like to **THANK YOU** for supporting Project Compassion 2025.

If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week and put the boxes and envelopes in the box near the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

**Your generosity will empower the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and lift themselves out of poverty.**



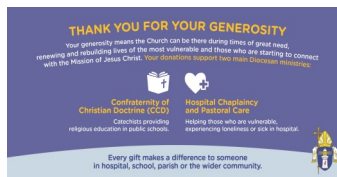
## Pastoral Works Broken Bay

We need your generosity and support!

Our Diocese of Broken Bay will be **launching at the start of May the Pastoral Works (PWBB) May Appeal**. The Appeal supports various charities in our Diocesan community.

This financial year, 2025/2026, (Warnervale Parish has been asked to contribute to the charity works of our Diocese with \$17,467. These ministries need our community's generosity as they get little or no Government funding. Please consider donating to help us reach this year's goal.

You can donate at any time, not only during May or November. Envelopes are available where you collect your bulletins and will be available at the end of each pew from the weekend of 3/4 May for the month. Or you can donate online at <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/giving/pastoral-works-broken-bay/pastoralworks>



ALL DONATIONS OVER \$2 ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE!

## Salesian Thought

*Let your speech be gentle, frank, sincere, straightforward, candid and faithful.*

*(Introduction to the Devout Life, Part III, Chapter 30)*



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## SAINTS DAYS

**Monday 28 April**  
St Peter Chanel

**Tuesday 29 April**  
St Catherine of Siena

**Wednesday 30 April**

**Thursday 1 May**

**Friday 2 May**  
St Athanasius

**Saturday 3 May**  
St Philip and St James



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## Return and Earn

**This week we raised: \$42**

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;
- ♦ cans and bottles must have 10c refund logo.
- ♦ Please place glass bottles in crates



**Thank you for your continued support!**

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**Please remember our sick:** Finn McConnon, Pili Menardo Leal, Judy White, Cecelia Henry, Jacqui, Joset Gatt, Magdalena Santos, Sheila Marquez, Charity M. Macapagal.

**Anniversaries:** Jack Gill, Anne Firmstone, Rick Walters, Grahame Lesha, Elizabeth Walker, Patricia Frankham, Maria Lledon, William Sy, Jason Calphy, Magdalena Laka, Nina Gatt, Magdalena Santos.

**Recently Deceased:** Pope Francis, Ada Smith, Leo Moloney, Violet Gove, Sharon Barnes, Alijandro Pagaran Jnr.



# Second Sunday of Easter, Year C

## First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16

**The numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily.**

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured. The word of the Lord.

## Responsorial Psalm

**Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
his love is everlasting**

Let the sons of Israel say:

‘His love has no end.’

Let the Sons of Aaron say:

‘His love has no end.’

Let those who fear the Lord say:

‘His love has no end.’ **R**

The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.

This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;  
we rejoice and are glad. **R**

O Lord, grant us salvation;

O Lord grant success.

Blessed in the name of the Lord  
is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord;  
The Lord God is our light. **R**

# Second Sunday of Easter, Year C

## Second Reading

Book of Apocalypse 1:9-13, 17-19

**I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever.**

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

The word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;  
happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

## Gospel

John 20:19-31

**After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.**

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me  
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,

they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain,

they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.