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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*

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 28TH SEPTEMBER 2025, YEAR C

Readings: Amos 8:4-7
1 Tim 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13

Response:

Praise the Lord, who lifts up the poor.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jubilee of Catechists

26TH SEPTEMBER – 28TH SEPTEMBER



The Jubilee of Catechists is an opportunity to recognise the important role that catechists play in passing on the faith and to express our gratitude for their efforts. Our catechists ask that you say this prayer for them.

PRAYER:

Loving Father, we pray today for our catechists. We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church.

Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word. Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word and lead others to love you.

Pour forth your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them the wisdom to know what to teach; knowledge of the truths of faith; understanding of their meaning; right judgement about how to apply them in life; courage to persevere even in the face of adversity; reverence before all that is sacred and holy; and that loving zeal which leads others to a transforming encounter with your Son.

*We pray this through Christ, our Lord.
Amen.*

(From the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn)

Parish Dinner—22 November



We are delighted to invite you to our **Parish Dinner on Saturday, 22 November,** following the

5:00pm Mass, in the school hall.

Tickets: Adults: \$25, Children (6–10 years): \$15, Children under 6: Free

How to Book:



Online Payment: Simply scan the QR code to access our secure payment site. Select *5. Parish Dinner under Payment for*, enter the ticket amount (e.g., \$25 for

one adult ticket), and ensure you untick *I wish to remain anonymous*. Please include your name and, in the message section, indicate the number of tickets purchased and the total number of attendees (including children under 6).

Direct Deposit: Payments can also be made to: *Account Name:* St Mary MacKillop Parish *BSB:* 062-784 *Account Number:* 10000 5628 *Reference:* Dinner

After making your payment, please email warnervaleparish@bbcatholic.org.au with the number of tickets purchased and the names of those attending.

We look forward to coming together as a parish family for an evening of faith, fellowship, and celebration!

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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 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

Parish Priest: Fr Philip Thottam MSFS (philip.thottam@bbcatholic.org.au)

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Parent Engagement Co-ordinator: Lucy Marien Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday (lucy.marien@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

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

One Communion of Faith with MacKillop Catholic College

Important Parish Announcement

Please be advised that on **Thursday, 9th October**, there will be **NO morning Mass**. Ausgrid has scheduled urgent upgrade works, and power to the school and parish site will be unavailable from 9:00am to 3:00pm. In accordance with diocesan advice, and to ensure safety, Mass is cancelled and the Parish Office will be closed for the day. We thank you for your understanding.

Please note that on **Saturday, 11th October**, there will be **no morning Mass**. On this day, the Syro-Malabar community will be celebrating **First Holy Communion**. We invite you to keep the children and their community in your prayers as they receive this special sacrament.

Rosary Prayer Group



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

October

Month of the Holy Rosary

In honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we will gather for Rosary prayer meetings every Thursday during the month of October at 7:00pm, hosted at the home of Bill and Dianne, 56 Irving Court, Hamlyn Terrace. All are warmly invited to join us in prayer and devotion. For further information, please contact Dianne on 0413 454 547.

Salesian Thought

Sin is shameful only at the time we commit it. Changed into confession and repentance, it is honourable and brings salvation.

Introduction to the Devout Life, Part I, Chapter 19

Jubilee of Catechists 26th – 28th September



From Friday, 26th September to Sunday, 28th September, the Church will celebrate the Jubilee of Catechists, a part of the Holy Jubilee 2025.

This Jubilee of Catechists is a special event within the Holy Year celebrating catechists' vital role in passing on the faith and to express our gratitude for their efforts.

CCD catechists undertake a vital evangelising role, educating children and young people and forming them in the Catholic faith. For more and more people within our public school system, they have not heard of Jesus Christ or the Gospel, and so catechists can often represent their first encounter with the Good News.

If you haven't considered being a catechist, now may be the time to start thinking about it. Maybe you feel called to introduce the Gospel and Jesus Christ to children who have never heard of the Good News before?

We pray for all our catechists and teachers, who help instruct people in the faith and bring them into a more intimate relationship with Jesus Christ.

For more information on the catechists ministry please contact Catechist Coordinator Kerrie Dederer, 0402815633 or email kerriedederer@gmail.com

MacKillop Online Newsletter



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

SAINTS DAYS

Monday 29 September

St Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, archangels

Tuesday 30 September

St Jerome

Wednesday 1 October

St Therese of the Child Jesus

Thursday 2 October

The Holy Guardian Angels

Friday 3 October

Saturday 4 October

St Francis of Assisi



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Return and Earn

This week we raised: **\$80.50**



Thank you to everyone who continually supports our Return and Earn fund-raising 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!

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Anniversaries: Julianna Dalli, Alejandro Mabaquiao jnr, Joan Firmstone, Victor Gatt, Joyce Nord, T.D Varghese, Darrell Travers, Terence McBride OCDS, Dorothy McGinlay, Gladys De Lange.

Recently Deceased: Ken Grigg, Olivia Curtis, Dionisio Tolentino, Magdalena Santos, Shannon Murray, William (Billy) Hardman, Praveen Thomas, Eliamma Chacko, Ronald (Royce) Wright,



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

First Reading

Prophet Amos 6:1, 4-7

You who give yourself to licentiousness and revelry will be exiled.

The almighty Lord says this:

Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria. Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock, and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent new instruments of music like David, they drink wine by the bowlful, and use the finest oil of anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all. That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawler's revelry is over.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.

It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R**

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down.

It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R**

He upholds the widow and orphan
but thwarts the path of the wicked.

The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age. **R**

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Second Reading

Letter of St Paul to Timothy 6:11-16

Obey the commandments until the coming of the Lord.

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 16:19-31

During your life good things came your way just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted while you are in agony.

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours."

'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham, "let them listen to them." "Ah, no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead."

The Gospel of the Lord.