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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*

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 3RD AUGUST 2025, YEAR C

Readings: Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23 ;
Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

Response:

In every age, O Lord, you have
been our refuge.

Alleluia, alleluia!

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the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia, alleluia!

Confirmation Congratulations



We extend our heartfelt congratulations to the children who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, 31st July. May

the grace of the Holy Spirit continue to guide and strengthen you as you grow in faith, hope, and love.

We express our deep gratitude to the dedicated educators Mrs. Kerry Power, Mr. Tim Snelling, and Mrs. Christine Hibbard for their unwavering commitment in preparing the children for the sacrament. We also thank the PPC members who generously facilitated the parent engagement sessions. Our sincere appreciation goes to the parents, sponsors, and families whose support and witness to the faith have nurtured and accompanied these young people on their journey.

We are especially grateful to Bishop Anthony for his pastoral presence and spiritual leadership in conferring the sacrament.

Thank you to the musicians whose gifts enriched the liturgy so beautifully, and to the altar servers, readers and volunteers who contributed to the reverence and joy of the celebration.

Well done to all involved in making this a truly memorable and faith-filled occasion.

Homelessness Appeal

Next weekend, our parish will hold the annual Homelessness Appeal for CatholicCare. Many in our community are without a safe place to call home. CatholicCare supports them through services, including local programs like Dom's Place (Hornsby) and Mary Mac's Place (Woy Woy). Donation envelopes will be available in pews and at the back of the Church, and can be placed in the collection or donation box near the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

New Weekly Mailout

In the coming weeks, our parish will transition away from using Mailchimp to distribute our weekly emails. Due to ongoing issues—such as emails not being received or properly displayed—we will instead be moving to a new platform called **PACEM**, which also serves as our updated parish database system.



To continue receiving weekly updates from the parish, we kindly ask you to **scan the QR code provided and complete your registration.**

Please note: **Mailchimp will be deactivated on 30th August**, and beginning in **September**, all communications will be sent via the new PACEM system.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation during this transition.

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) 0412 051 839

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
FR JOSHI FOR
WEDNESDAY
6TH AUGUST**

Funeral for Royce Wright

Funeral service held for Ronald 'Royce' Wright on Thursday 7th August at 11am in the Church. Please keep Royce and his family in your prayers.

St Mary MacKillop Feast Day 10 August

You're Invited to Our Parish Feast Day Celebration!

On **Sunday, August 10th**, we warmly invite all parishioners to come together as a community to celebrate the **Feast Day of our patron saint** — a joyful and meaningful occasion for our parish. We'll begin with a **special Mass at 10:00am**, followed by a **bring-a-plate lunch** in the school canteen area. This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with one another, share delicious food, and celebrate the spirit of our community.

Please bring a dish to share and join us in making this a truly memorable day for everyone.

We look forward to celebrating with you!

Rosary Prayer Group

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

Prayer meetings for the month of **AUGUST** will be on **Thursday 7th and 21st** at 7pm at the home of Bill and Dianne at 56 Irving Court, Hamlyn Terrace. For more information, you may contact Dianne on 0413 454 547. Everyone is welcome to come.

CATECHISTS AND ASSISTANTS ARE NEEDED!

**We are planning for 2026.
ANSWER GOD'S CALLING
WITH US!**



Join us now
to be ready to start in 2026.
Full training is provided and you will be with an experienced Catechist.
For information please contact our
Coordinator, Kerrie Dederer.
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Salesian Thought

**So gentle is God's hand in
the handling of our hearts!**
(Treatise on the Love of God, Book 2,
Chapter 12)

Santa Maria Festa (Our Lady of Mary Feast)

Central Coast Santa Maria Committee would like to invite all parishioners to celebrate the feast of Santa Maria on **Sunday 17th August in our parish**. Mass will be celebrated at 3pm followed by a procession at 4pm with benediction after. There will be fireworks at 6pm.

Please note there will be NO 5pm Mass on this day.

SAINTS DAYS

Monday 4 August

St John Vianney

Tuesday 5 August

Wednesday 6 August

The Transfiguration of the Lord

Thursday 7 August

Friday 8 August

St Mary of the Cross

Saturday 9 August



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Return and Earn

This week we raised: \$47.00



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;
- ♦ No wine bottles or spirit bottles.
- ♦ Please place glass bottles in crates

**Thank you for your
continued support!**

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Please remember our sick: Barry Bateson, Ken Grigg, Olivia Curtis, Ruby Huerto, Chiara Wallace, William (Billy) Hardman, Jo O'Loughlin, Pili Menardo Leal, Judy White, Cecelia Henry, Joset Gatt, Magdalena Santos, Sheila Marquez, Charity M. Macapagal.

Anniversaries: Darrell Travers, Terence McBride OCDS, Dorothy McGinlay, Gladys De Lange, Thomas Kavanattu, Stanley Nolan, Aleykutty Joseph, Maureen Hassan, Anne Bonnici, Paul Mifsud, Charlie Gatt.

Recently Deceased: Eliamma Chacko, Ronald (Royce) Wright, Emmanuel Francis, Tonci Kalebic, Adam Death, Lissy Thankachan, Rhonda Loader, Violet Gove, Finn McConnon, Jacqueline Thomas,



Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

First Reading

Book of Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23

What do people gain by all their work?

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity!

For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skillfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You turn men back into dust
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'

To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night.

R

You sweep men away like a dream,
like grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades.

R

Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants.

R

In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands.

R

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Second Reading

Letter of St Paul to the Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Seek the things that are above, where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and, in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

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the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 12:13-21

To whom will all this wealth of yours go?

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do: I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say, to my soul: 'My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time.'" But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.