



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

**8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR C, 3 MARCH 2019**

Diocese of Broken Bay
Ancestral home of the
Darkinjung people

Image by Sr Dorothy Woodward rsj

Readings:

Sirach 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58;
Lk 6:39-45

Response:

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

Alleluia Alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars; you
are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!



Ash Wednesday March 6

The liturgical timetable for the Parish is

7:30am Mass with distribution of ashes

9:15am Communion Service with ashes

10am College Mass in hall, with ashes

7:30pm Mass with distribution of ashes.

Ash Wednesday is a day of **fasting** (two small meals, one main meal, no snacks) for those 18 to 60 years of age and **abstinence** (from eating meat) for those over 14 years of age.

The Light is ON for you

All churches in the Broken Bay Diocese will be open from 7pm to 8pm on Fridays in Lent and a priest will be available to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. At MacKillop, on most of these Fridays, (expect the first Friday) we will also celebrate the Stations of the Cross. Everyone is welcome, especially if it has been a while since you have been to 'confession'.

We warmly invite you to renew your relationship with Jesus.
www.thelightisonforyou.org.au

Discerning the Way of Jesus

is a *lectio divina* Lenten program prepared by the Diocese. It can be done on your own or in a small group. Books are available at the door of the church.

Project Compassion Sunday

Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lent.
www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion

Catechist Sunday

Thank you to the people who volunteer their time in this ministry of spreading God's word. If you would like to pray for those who go into our schools, please leave your name and contact details on the list at the door of the Church.

Confirmation Classes

Preparation classes start this Sunday 3rd March at 10am Mass and continue for the next 4 weeks - 10, 17 & 24 March
The sacrament will be celebrated on Saturday 30th March at 10am or 12 noon.

Pastoral Council

The PPC collaborates with the Parish Priest to foster the spiritual and pastoral life of everyone in the Parish. At MacKillop the PPC meet ten times a year on the third Wednesday of the month.

There are currently two vacancies on the Council. If you would like to fill one of these positions, we ask you to nominate yourself and write a brief paragraph describing what you have done in this or other parishes. Please give or email this to Fr Vince or Ann Jackson before 6pm on Sunday 10th March, who will share them with the Executive of the PPC. If there are more than two suitable candidates, this will be followed by an election.

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.

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PPC: Ann Jackson, Antony Joseph, Michael McCarthy, Bill Mifsud, Paul Moir, Maureen Mulheron and Christine Owen.

SENIORS NEWS

We had a lovely time for our first luncheon at Doyalson RSL on 7 February and it was good to welcome some new faces. Our next luncheon will be held at the same venue from 12 noon on Thursday 7 March. Come along and bring a friend, the cuisine is delicious.


Our healing Mass and morning tea was also very successful with plenty of laughs with a cake to celebrate four birthdays between January & February. The next healing Mass will be held on Saturday 16 March.

Calendars have been printed highlighting our activities for 2019

Did you notice our friendly "Coffee Courtyard" at the church for the use of all parishioners. Keep watching as we intend some further touches over time.

Another diary note to keep in mind is Monday 8 April for our Sausage Sizzle at MacKenzie Reserve Budgewoi, for a nominal charge.

Ring Marie Wilde if you need a lift
4397 2935

God Bless,
Ria  and Committee

Lenten Program starting

This year the Lenten program will consist of four sessions spread over the first four weeks of Lent starting on Monday 11th March from 10am to 11am and again from 7pm to 8pm. The program will continue in the three following weeks at the same times. The theme will be the Seven Deadly Sins and their appropriate Virtues. Each session will include a prayer, two short videos and discussion to follow each.

Please register your name on the list in the foyer for either the morning or evening sessions.

Return & Earn

We raised \$71.60 last week!
Thank-you to everyone who are supporting the return and earn program.

Music at Sunday Masses

In our Parish we have some generous and talented musicians, but not enough to provide music for every Mass.

Our 'Plan B' is to prepare music, singing and words as a PowerPoint presentation. These are prepared by another generous and talented parishioner, but we need people who are confident enough with computers to find and open the PowerPoint for the day, turn on the amplifier and data projectors and to control the 'clicker' to move the slides forward.



If you could take on the ministry, please contact Fr Vince or Murray Swanston (mpjs@bigpond.net.au). Minimal training is needed and it will be provided at a time that suits you.

Bible Study: The Acts of the Apostles

Bob Madafiglio will lead session 4 of the Bible study group on Wednesday 6 March from 10am to 11.30am in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Interested? Call the parish office.

Letter from Fr David Ranson about George Pell

Fr David Ranson has written a letter to us about the conviction and remand into custody of the Cardinal. Copies are at the door of the church.

He includes contact details for:
Melinda Rixon, Office of Safeguarding,
Broken Bay on 8379 1605
or safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au

1800 Respect on 1800 737 732 or
www.1800respect.org.au

Lifeline on 131 114 or
www.lifeline.org.au

THIS WEEK

Monday 4 March
9:15am Communion Service Ursula

Tuesday 5 March
9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Wednesday 6 March
ASH WEDNESDAY
7:10 am Morning Prayer
7:30 am Mass Fr Vince
9:15 am Communion Service
Pam & Paul
10:00 am College Mass in Hall
Fr Vince
7:30pm Mass Fr Carmelo

Thursday 7 March
9:15am Mass Fr Vince
After – Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 8 March
9:15am Mass Fr Vince
7pm to 8pm The light is ON

Next Weekend 9/10 March
Sat 4pm Reconciliation Fr Vince
Sat 5pm Mass Fr Vince
8:00am Mass Fr Carmelo
10:00am Mass Fr Vince
Confirmation #2
5pm Youth Mass Fr Vince

Social Justice

**Christian Charity must start with
God**

Lismore Bishop Greg Homeming, speaking at the National Social Service conference said: "Christian Charity must start with God....Salvation is not just about saving your own soul, though that's part of it. It's about the reign of God, here and now."

Frank Brennan SJ commented that "We can do this better by breaking down the silos (compartments) and binding together our 'concern for nature, justice for the poor, commitment to society, and interior peace'. Let's do more to harness the collective capability of our Church to support those on the margins of our society."

Margaret Hagan
Chairperson,
Social Justice Committee
Warnervale Catholic Church



Catholic Social Justice

www.marymackillopsocialjustice.wordpress.com

Please remember our sick: Ellen Murrall, Zenaida Ambait, Koby Bourke, Margaret Williams, Darlene McMillan, Margaret Williams, Sabbina Wani, Deacon Jim Caulfield, Sean Shanks, Koby Bourke.

Deceased: Shirley Jones, Gavin Driscoll, Conchita Nacua Roberts, Muriel Jackson, Marlie Cartmer, Coralie Rasmussen, Sally Currey, Chris King, Joan Walter, Filippa Vella, Charlie Gatt, Alan Underwood, Helen Young, Fr Alan Hart, David Galea, Steve Tamone.

Mass Intentions: Mary and Anglo Spiteri, Leah and Jessical Carroll, Anselmo, Paulita, Enrico, Arturo, Pio Edwin, Pantaleono, Temotea Ambait, Elma Capacite, Hermigildo, Romualda Giba, Donna Monsuere, Helen Pantazopoulos, George Pantos.

