

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

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

30 AUGUST 2020, YEAR A

Image by Sr Dorothy Woodward rsj

Readings: Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

Response:

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Personal Message from Vince

Thank you for all the prayers and condolences on the recent death of my mother, Maureen. Knowing I had your support was very helpful for me. Mum always welcomed prayers.

I will be in the parish this weekend and will take Monday to Friday off for some time for myself. I will be back, as normal, from Saturday 5 September.

Charitable Works Fund-September Appeal

Your generous donation will support five Catholic agencies and ministries helping families and neighbours in our Broken Bay Diocese. The Charitable Works Fund Appeal is 100% tax deductible.

Donations can be made online or by direct debit

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Parish BSB: 062-784, A/C: 2138 8001.

Add your name and CWF as reference.

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Message from Bishop Anthony

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, In the past, the topic of mental health and wellbeing tended to have a negative label attached to it. That is an unfortunate situation and hopefully one that is consigned to the history books. For the full message click <u>here</u>

Alleluia Alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hop to which we are called. **Alleluia!**

Social Justice Sunday

is today, 30 August. The Bishops' Social Justice Statement 2020-21, *To Live Life to the Full: Mental health in Australia today*, encourages us to make mental health a priority. Parishes are called to be places of welcome and inclusion, overcoming the barriers and stigma often faced by people experiencing mental ill-health. Policy-makers are urged to prevent so many people falling through the cracks and especially consider First Australians, refugees and asylum-seekers. Download the statement

The Spiritual Rosary Pilgrimage

This virtual pilgrimage begins on 8 September, the birthday of Mary, and concludes on 7 October, the Feast of the Holy Rosary. To register go to: <u>https://www.parousiamedia.com/the-</u> <u>spiritual-rosary-pilgrimage/</u>



Safeguarding Month

is September. The first event is a **Liturgy** of Lament which will be celebrated at the Cathedral at Watara on Tuesday 1st September at 7pm. You are invited to attend or watch it live via this link: <u>https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/liturgy-of-lament-live-stream</u>

Diocese of Broken Bay Ancestral home of the Darkinjung people

Sunday Mass Sat (Vigil) 5pm , Sun 8am, 10am, 5pm

Weekday Mass Mon - Fri 9.15am Wed 7.30am

Reconciliation Sat 4 - 4.30 pm

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

Anointing Mass Third Saturday of the month at 9.15am.

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

Baptisms Sunday 11.30am Contact the Parish Office for details.

> 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

We raised \$83 last week. Thank you for your continued support!

Please remember containers need to be empty of liquid; and not crushed or broken.

Please place glass in the crates.



Cans and bottles must have 10c refund logo! THANK YOU!

Social Justice To Live Life to the Full

Today we celebrate Social Justice Sunday when our Australian Catholic Bishops invite us to remember to care for the mental health of each other as an important social justice issue.

Today and over the next few months we shall look at extracts from the Social Justice Statement which our bishops have produced.

Mental health has been defined by the World Health Organisation as "a state of well-being in which the individual realises his/her own abilities, can cope with the normal stresses of life, can work productively and fruitfully, and is able to make a contribution to his/ her community".

The Bishops affirm that an abundant life to which Jesus invites us (John 10:10) "engages our whole selves, physically, psychologically, and spiritually. It touches all aspects of our life together in community - social, economic and cultural - because God created us out of love and for loving relationships...

As creatures made in the image and likeness of God we stand before the mystery of the Transcendent. We feel deeply connected to something, and indeed Someone, beyond ourselves. These bonds of loving relationship to one another, to all of creation, and to the Creator of all that is, help us to experience meaning in life, even in its suffering and limitations... and promote the fullness of life for all".

Our next meeting is on 15 September at 2.30 pm. All are welcome.

Social Justice Committee Warnervale Catholic Church www.marymackillopsocialjustice.wor dpress.com

Coronavirus restrictions

The number of people permitted to attend a church service is 100.

All other restrictions continue for hygiene and social distancing. Please use hand sanitiser and keep 1.5 metres apart when entering and leaving the church, when queuing for communion and when chatting before and after Mass.

We are all encouraged to wear a mask when visiting the church.

Sign in sheets for Mass are in the two folders in the breezeway. Please ensure you are signing in for the Mass you are attending.

The sign in sheet for visits to the church are on the table at the back of the church. Please ensure the date and time are also recorded.

The Sacraments

This course will continue on Monday 23rd August 2020 at 10am and again at 7pm in the church.

This third sessions concerns the Eucharist, arguably the most important of the seven sacraments. The Vatican described it as 'the source and summit of our faith observance'.

Please bring a pencil and paper as time will be available at the end for questions and discussion.

You are very welcome to join us. If you have any questions contact Terry Pate on 0408 973 316.

Catholic Youth of Broken Bay (CYBB)

invites you to our next young adult (18+) Zoom Gathering. This month we



will be focusing on "What do we do in Mass?" presented by Deacon Vala from Sydney. Date: 10 Septem-

ber at 7pm via Zoom (link to

follow on Facebook event page)

RSVP to the Facebook link here. https:// www.facebook.com/ events/220850422623897

THIS WEEK

Monday 31 Aug 9:15am Communion Service

Tuesday 1 September 9:15am Communion Service

Wednesday 2 September 7:30am Communion Service 9:15am Communion Service

Thursday 3 September St Gregory the Great 9:15am Communion Service

Friday 4 September 9.15am Communion Service

Saturday 5 September 4pm Reconciliation 5pm Mass

Sunday 6 September Fathers Day 8am Mass 10am Mass 11:30am Baptism 5pm Mass 7pm Syro Malabar Fr Bineesh

First Communion 2020

First Communion will be celebrated in November this year for those in Year 4 or older who have made their Reconciliation.

Enrolment forms will be available through the College and the Parish Office before the end of Term 3.

Classes will begin at MacKillop in Term 4, with Sr Ji Ji teaching special classes to the Year 4 students. She will also run classes on two Sunday mornings in October for students at MacKillop who are not in Year 4 or students who attend other schools. These dates and times are yet to be arranged. Much of the preparation may have to be done at home, with parents.

First Communion will be celebrated at special Masses at 2pm on Saturday Nov 7th and Sunday Nov 8th; and then at 2pm on the following weekend, Saturday Nov 14th and Sunday Nov 15th. There will need to be a limit of guests for each child (possibly four people). Those who want to have more guests will need to arrange a weekday Mass (9.15am Monday to Friday; also 7.30am on Wednesday) with Fr Vince.

Please remember our sick: Marites Lawry, Terry Hardman, Mary Anne Larkin, Tracey Mulheron, Ursula Barker, Anna Savia, Helen Elliot, Peter Dormer, Sheila Lyons, Charlie Radford, Ray Slucher, Jim Swanson.

Deceased: Maureen Casey (Fr Vince's Mum), Margot Beckett, Fred Butterfield, Darrell Travis, Dorothy McGinlay (Karen's mother), Graham Moulder, Brian Shanks, Mary Kelly, Anne Bonnici, Amanda Perriotte, Don Chapman, Therese Hardman, Paulo, Maureen Hassan, George and Annie Vassallo.



Mass Intentions: Joan Firmstone, Ruben Nunez, Dulce Gica, George Pantos, Peter & Frank Walsh, Rosemary and Noel Flowers, Sedicol, Medina, & Nacua families.

Readings at Mass

First reading

Jeremiah 20:7-9

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced; you have overpowered me: you were the stronger. I am a daily laughing-stock, everybody's butt. Each time I speak the word, I have to howl and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!' The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long. I used to say, 'I will not think about him, I will not speak in his name any more.' Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones. The effort to restrain it wearied me, I could not bear it.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 62:2-6, 8-9

R My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. **R**.

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. R.

So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. R.

For you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast. **R**.

Second reading

Romans 12:1-2

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do. The word of the Lord

Alleluia, alleluia!

Eph 1:17, 18

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 16:21-27

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said. 'This must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

The Gospel of the Lord.