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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

## 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 30 JANUARY 2022, YEAR C

Diocese of Broken Bay  
Ancestral home of the  
Darkinjung people

**Readings:** Jer 1:4-5, 17-19;  
1Cor 12:31-13:13; Lk 4:21-30

**Response:**  
I will sing of your salvation.

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to  
the poor and freedom to prisoners.

**Alleluia!**

### Luke 4:21-30

Like Elijah and Elisha, Jesus was not  
sent only to the Jews.

#### Reflection

The Rejection of Jesus. At the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, some people of his hometown try unsuccessfully to do away with him. Later, other people will try to destroy him on the cross. Again their efforts fail when he rises from the dead. The forces of evil continue to oppose the body of Christ, but we can be sure that nothing can ever destroy the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus.

#### RCIA Course Thursdays 7pm

For those interested in becoming a catholic or renewing their faith Fr Philip has started a RCIA course (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) on Thursday nights at 7-8pm in the church. It is the hope that all catechumen will be baptised and receive the other sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil.

R.C.I.A.



Rite of Christian  
Initiation of Adults

Do you  
BELIEVE?

Maybe it's  
time to  
belong

#### RCIC Course Saturdays 3pm

For those children interested in becoming a catholic, classes are starting for RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation of Children) This Saturday 29 January at 3pm in the church. It is the hope if the children are prepared they will be baptised and receive the other sacraments of initiation at the Easter vigil



RCIC  
Rite of  
Christian  
Initiation of  
Children

#### Air Conditioning

We have been feeling the cool comfort and warmth of the new air conditioning system which has been a great addition to our church. The system cost \$36,000. If any parishioners would like to make a donation towards this cost to help the parish, it would be most gratefully received. Thank you to several people who have donated.

Account details: Warnervale Parish, BSB  
062 784

A/c number 10000 5628

Ref: Air Con

#### Pastoral Discernment Project

Thank you for your input last week and written responses. We will keep you updated.

#### Sunday Mass

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

#### Family Mass

Every Sunday at 10am  
Includes Children's Liturgy

#### Weekday Mass

Mon—Communion Service  
Tues - Fri 9.15am  
Wed 7.30am

**1st & 3rd Sat 9:15am**

#### Devotions

Rosary after weekday Mass

#### Anointing Mass

Third Saturday of the Month  
at 9:15am

#### Reconciliation

Sat 4 - 4.30 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 Fri 8am to 9am

#### RCIA/Faith Renewal

Thurs 7-8pm with Fr Philip

#### Parish Luncheon

2nd Thursday of the month  
12noon at Doylo

#### Men's Breakfast

Fourth Saturday of the month  
at Warnies Café.

#### Syro-Malabar Mass

1st Friday at 6pm  
2nd & 4th Saturday at 9:15am  
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.

If you have any concerns please contact our Safeguarding officer - Bill Mifsud ([bill@earthgold.com.au](mailto:bill@earthgold.com.au)) 0412 051 839

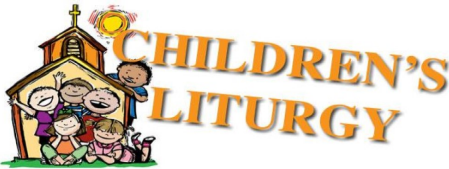
## Welcome our new College Principal



Welcome to the new college principle Mr Jason Hanrahan. Please warmly welcome Jason to our parish community.

## Children's Liturgy

Held with 10am Mass is returning this Sunday. Thank you to Cath Kyle and the team for bringing the Word of God to the children



## Have you heard about Catholic-Care's Family Connect & Support Service?

Family Connect and Support (FCS) is a state wide voluntary service for children, young people and families who need support to maintain a safe and positive family environment. It helps families who may be experiencing vulnerability or who require some level of support before issues escalate. It works on a networking model, connecting families with local services with expertise in areas such as:

- Parenting challenges
- Financial stress
- Substance use
- Family breakdown
- Housing issues
- Mental health
- Domestic and family violence and more

We stay connected with you until you're matched to the right services or support.

To access this service please call [1800 066 757](tel:1800066757) or visit [CatholicCare Broken Bay](http://CatholicCareBrokenBay.com)

**CatholicCare**  
Diocese of Broken Bay

## Social Justice

### The Laudato Si Action Platform

During the Special Laudato Si Anniversary Year, which concluded on 25 May 2021, the Dicastery for the Promotion of Integral Human Development announced a Laudato Si Action Platform. Its aim is to put Pope Francis' encyclical into practice, making communities around the world totally sustainable in the spirit of the integral ecology of Laudato Si.

The Platform invites people and organisations in seven sectors to embark on a seven-year journey towards seven Laudato Si Goals. The Goals are:

1. Responding to the cry of the earth.
2. Responding to the cry of the poor.
3. Ecological economics
4. Adopting simple lifestyles
5. Ecological education
6. Ecological spirituality
7. Community involvement and participatory action.

Families, parishes, dioceses, schools, universities and colleges, hospitals and healthcare organisations, businesses and farms, and religious orders from all over the world are all invited to join the journey.

**If you wish to come to our meetings please email Chris Firmstone on [chrisfirmstone@gmail.com](mailto:chrisfirmstone@gmail.com).**

Social Justice Committee  
Warnervale Catholic Church



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## Evangelisation Challenge

This month we ask parishioners to: *Share with somebody how the parish has welcomed you into the church community.*

## Find us on Facebook

Keep up with parish happenings on Facebook at [St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Parish, Warnervale](https://www.facebook.com/StMaryoftheCrossMacKillopParish), please "like" our page.

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## THIS WEEK

**Monday 31 January**  
**St John Bosco**

**Wednesday 2 February**  
**Presentation of the Lord**  
**7:30am Mass resumes**

**Saturday**  
**St Agatha**  
**Anointing Mass 9:15am**

## Counting Rosters

Are available in the breezeway.

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for January



### True Human Fraternity

We pray for all those suffering religious discrimination and persecution, may their own rights and dignity be recognized which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

## Return and Earn

**This week we raised \$79.50**

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

Please place glass the crates. Cans and Bottles must have the 10c refund logo.



## Coronavirus restrictions

All public Masses have been reinstated. There are no density limits within the church.

Social Distancing is recommended

Face masks are mandatory particularly when social distancing is not possible.

Please remember to **always use the QR code** when entering the Church

Please continue to use **hand sanitiser**.

If you or any family member are feeling any cold or flu like symptoms **please stay at home.**

**Please remember our sick:** Anne Firmstone, Con Pantos, Terence McBride, Allan Curtis, Jim Swanson, Finn McConnon, Cara De Guzman, Olga White.

**Deceased/Anniversary:** Thomas Antony, Trinidad, Emilio Sr, Alberta, Alfonso, Ian Okon, Nola Mansfield, Dave Pennings, Angelya & Adam Laukaitis, VC Maru, Chris Cleary, Trinidad, Alberta, Genina, Clive & Family, Alex Robinson, Sue Lauder, Michael McQueen, Michael McQueen (Snr), Peter Larkin,

**Mass Intentions:** Ana Ison, Rebecca & Amelia, Peter & Frank Walsh, George & Helen Pantos, Connie Claramunt, Mary & Nicholas Gatte, Mary Spiteri, Polito & Aloisi Families, Hector Serpes.



## 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

### First Reading

Jer 1:4-5, 17-19

#### 'I have appointed you prophet to the nations'

In the days of Josiah, the word of the Lord was addressed to me, saying:  
'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you;  
before you came to birth I consecrated you;  
I have appointed you as prophet to the nations.  
'So now brace yourself for action.  
Stand up and tell them  
all I command you.  
Do not be dismayed at their presence,  
or in their presence I will make you dismayed.  
'I, for my part, today will make you  
into a fortified city,  
a pillar of iron,  
and a wall of bronze  
to confront all this land:  
the kings of Judah, its princes,  
its priests and the country people.  
They will fight against you  
but shall not overcome you,  
for I am with you to deliver you –  
it is the Lord who speaks.'

The word of the Lord.

### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 70:1-6, 15, 17

#### I will sing of your salvation

In you, O Lord, I take refuge;  
Let me never be put to shame.  
In your justice rescue me, free me:  
Pay heed to me and save me. **R**

Be a rock where I can take refuge,  
Amighty stronghold to save me;  
For you are my rock, my stronghold.  
Freeme from the hand of the wicked. **R**

It is you, O Lord who are my hope,  
My trust, O Lord, since my youth.  
On you I have leaned from my birth,  
From my mother's womb you have been my help. **R**

My lips will tell of your justice  
and day by day of your help.  
O God, you have taught me from my youth  
And I proclaim your wonders still. **R**

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## Second Reading

1 Cor 12:31-13:13

### The supremacy of charity

Be ambitious for the higher gifts. And I am going to show you a way that is better than any of them.

If I have all the eloquence of men or of angels, but speak without love, I am simply a gong booming or a cymbal clashing. If I have the gift of prophecy, understanding all the mysteries there are, and knowing everything, and if I have faith in all its fullness, to move mountains, but without love, then I am nothing at all. If I give away all that I possess, piece by piece, and if I even let them take my body to burn it, but am without love, it will do me no good whatever.

Love is always patient and kind; it is never jealous; love is never boastful or conceited; it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence, and is not resentful. Love takes no pleasure in other people's sins but delights in the truth; it is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes.

Love does not come to an end. But if there are gifts of prophecy, the time will come when they must fail; or the gift of languages, it will not continue for ever; and knowledge – for this, too, the time will come when it must fail. For our knowledge is imperfect and our prophesying is imperfect; but once perfection comes, all imperfect things will disappear. When I was a child, I used to talk like a child, and think like a child, and argue like a child, but now I am a man, all childish ways are put behind me. Now we are seeing a dim reflection in a mirror; but then we shall be seeing face to face. The knowledge that I have now is imperfect; but then I shall know as fully as I am known.

In short, there are three things that last: faith, hope and love; and the greatest of these is love.

The word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

**Alleluia**

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**Gospel**

**Luke 4:21-30**

**No prophet is ever accepted in his own country**

Jesus began to speak in the synagogue: ‘This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.’ And he won the approval of all, and they were astonished by the gracious words that came from his lips. They said, ‘This is Joseph’s son, surely?’

But he replied, ‘No doubt you will quote me the saying, “Physician, heal yourself” and tell me, “We have heard all that happened in Capernaum, do the same here in your own countryside.”’

And he went on, ‘I tell you solemnly, no prophet is ever accepted in his own country.

‘There were many widows in Israel, I can assure you, in Elijah’s day, when heaven remained shut for three years and six months and a great famine raged throughout the land, but Elijah was not sent to any one of these: he was sent to a widow at Zarephath, a Sidonian town. And in the prophet Elisha’s time there were many lepers in Israel, but none of these was cured, except the Syrian, Naaman.’

When they heard this everyone in the synagogue was enraged. They sprang to their feet and hustled him out of the town; and they took him up to the brow of the hill their town was built on, intending to throw him down the cliff, but he slipped through the crowd and walked away.

The Gospel of the Lord.