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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

## PALM SUNDAY, PASSION OF THE LORD 5 APRIL 2020, YEAR A

Diocese of Broken Bay  
Ancestral home of the  
Darkinjung people

**Readings:** Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11  
Mt 26:14-66

### Response:

My God, my God, why have you  
abandoned me?

### Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of  
endless glory!

Christ became obedient for us even to  
death, dying on the cross. Therefore God  
raised him on high and gave him a name  
above all other names.

### Response to the Coronavirus

As many of you are aware, the current  
situation for the parish is as follows:

**All public Masses have been suspended**  
until further notice.

The **church** is closed to the public and is not  
available for private prayer.

The **Confirmation program** is suspended  
and will be rescheduled.

**Reconciliation** may be celebrated  
individually, by appointment with the priest.

**Baptisms** may be celebrated, by  
appointment with the priest, with only the  
person to be baptised, parents and  
godparents to be present.

**Funerals** may be celebrated, with less than  
ten mourners present.

**Anointing of the Sick** may be celebrated  
individually, by appointment with the priest.

**Holy Week and Easter ceremonies** are to  
be celebrated by the priest and a minister in  
the parish church. Parishioners are  
encouraged to watch the ceremonies with  
Bishop Anthony at the cathedral. See back  
page for details.

### From Fr Vince

With public Masses and Holy Week  
ceremonies suspended, we are urged to do  
all we can to celebrate these special days  
of Holy Week and Easter at home.

More than being a stop-gap solution, this  
provides an opportunity us to rediscover  
the grace of the family home as the  
“domestic church”. It requires a shift in  
mentality: *We* are the Church. Our home is  
a holy place. Our table is a sacred  
gathering place. Our family Bible is the  
word of God. And we are ministers to each  
other.

A collective grassroots effort to re-set the  
Church’s compass to its domestic, familial  
heart may prove positively transformative  
in the long run. In this time of the  
Coronavirus we can reimagine ourselves  
as Church. As Pope Francis says, *The  
Lord’s presence dwells in real and  
concrete families, with all their daily  
troubles and struggles, joys and hopes.*

One way to be this domestic church is to  
use [this 'Holy Week at Home' resource](#)  
which has been prepared by our CSO. It  
describes itself as *simple steps for sharing  
your faith with your children*, but it could  
also be shared with your grandchildren,  
friend, spouse or done on your own. At this  
time of year some parishioners do the  
[Divine Mercy Novena](#) which begins on  
Good Friday and finishes on the second  
Sunday of Easter. The Diocese has also  
prepared a resource for today, Palm  
Sunday. [Download Connected in Christ for  
Palm Sunday](#)

### Sunday Mass

~~Saturday: 5pm~~  
Sunday: 8am, 10am, 5pm

### Weekday Mass

9.15am Tues, Thurs, Fri  
7.30am Wed

### Communion Service

9.15am Mon, Wed

### Reconciliation

By appointment

### 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 Cafe.

### Baptisms

By appointment

### 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 \$150.80 was raised this week

Thanks to those who are still bringing the cans and bottles to the church, even when not coming to Mass. The income is much appreciated.



**Cans and bottles  
must state 10c refund!  
THANK YOU!**

## Daylight Saving

Ends at 3am this Sunday 5 April.  
Clocks go back one hour

## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER FOR APRIL



Pope Francis asks everyone to **pray** for those who suffer from addiction, especially addiction to gambling, pornography, and the internet.

## Parish Income

Since we are no longer having a second collection each Sunday, we need help with our parish finances.

You can contribute directly to the parish account:

**St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Parish**

**BSB: 062 784**

**A/C: 2138 8001**

Add your surname as reference and contact the Parish Office if you would like a receipt. Thanks to those who have contributed already.

You can also have a set amount deducted from your credit card each month. Please contact the Parish office on 8379 1740 to make arrangements.

## Safeguarding Message

National Catholic Safeguarding Standards: Leadership, monitoring & improvement

**Standard 1 – Committed leadership, governance and culture**

Key Elements of Standard 1:

- A commitment to Safeguarding
- Promoting a Safeguarding culture
- Safeguarding Policies
- Code of Conduct

## Social Justice

### Domestic Abuse and the Coronavirus

As reported on [www.abc.net.au](http://www.abc.net.au) domestic violence services and refuges have been holding emergency meetings around the country as fears about the potential impacts of the coronavirus on those trapped in abusive relationships mount.

Following reports of domestic abuse as much as [tripling](#) in China during recent periods of isolation, advocacy groups have been urging state and federal governments to act swiftly to better protect the vulnerable.

Family and domestic violence support services:

[1800 Respect National Helpline:](#)

1800 737 732

[Women's Crisis Line \(NSW\):](#)

1800 811 811

[Safe Steps Crisis Line \(Vic\):](#)

1800 015 188

[Men's Referral Service:](#) 1300 766 491

[Lifeline](#) (24-hour Crisis Line): 131 114

[Relationships Australia:](#) 1300 364 277

Experts have also warned friends and family to be on alert for signs of coercive controlling behaviour during the pandemic: in other countries abusers who won't let partners leave the house have used the health emergency to control their partner's movements and daily activities.

We urge all parishioners to pray for all involved in this tragedy.

*Social Justice Committee*

*Warnervale Catholic Church*

[www.marymackillopsocialjustice.wordpress.com](http://www.marymackillopsocialjustice.wordpress.com)



## Welcome

to Scarlett and Mackenzie Wilkin and Isaac Bardsley who were baptised this week.



## THIS WEEK

The church will not be opened to the public.

**Reconciliation and Baptisms** are being celebrated in private. Please contact Fr Vince to make an appointment on the parish mobile 0498 036 713

## Easter Ceremonies

While the ceremonies will be celebrated in our parish church without parishioners present, you are invited to join us in prayer with Bishop Anthony at the Cathedral at Hornsby. Go to the cathedral website: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/hornsby> and then click onto the YouTube site on the top of the home page. Times are:

- **Palm Sunday** 5 April @ 8am
- **Holy Thursday** 9 April @ 7pm
- **Good Friday** 10 April  
Stations of the Cross @10am  
The Lord's Passion @ 3pm
- **Easter Vigil** 11 April @ 7pm



## Coronavirus Prayer

*Jesus Christ, you travelled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness." At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love. Heal those who have the Coronavirus. Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbours from helping one another.*

*Amen*



**Please remember our sick:** Janette Milroy, Noel Gray, Beryl O'Leary, Mrs. Thomas, Bill McGuinness, Koby Thomas Bourke, Shelly Gray, Arthus Baulkin, Peter Brennan, Maureen Mulheron, Charles Gillies, Percy Deguara, Ursula Paul, Josh Luppino.

**Deceased:** Leslie Cross, Joyce Brown, Gaye Northbridge, Mark Grundy, Jennifer Scarrabelotti, Christopher Dormer, Graham Joel, Beverley Coleman, Fr John Barry, Patricia Burns, Margaret Towlers, Johnene Giacomelli, Patricia Channell, George Pantos, Stef Junicic, Fr Denis Callahan.

**Mass Intentions:** Adam, Thomas, Carmen & Rosemay Flowers, Elena Cajigas, Anya Manuel, Cara Elizabeth De Guzman, Frank Feliciotto, Leah & Jess Carroll, Peter Walsh, Mary & Angelo & Luis Spiteri.

