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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

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 6 SEPTEMBER 2020, YEAR A

Diocese of Broken Bay
Ancestral home of the
Darkinjung people

Readings: Ezek 33:7-9;
Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

Response:

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Harden not your hearts.

Alleluia Alleluia!

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Alleluia!

Happy Fathers Day

WHAT IS A FATHER?

When you are small, a FATHER is two huge hands. These hands help you cross the street. They put worms on hooks better than any other hands in the world. A FATHER is nice to be near when there is thunder and lightning ... or trouble.

A FATHER comforts your Mother when you aren't home on time. A FATHER is a person you want to be like when you grow up. You can ignore him, but you can't forget him.



Message from Bishop Anthony

This week marks the beginning of the Safeguarding Month of September for the Diocese of Broken Bay. Our theme this year is "Focusing on the Rights of the Child". For the full message click [here](#)

Holy Land Collection 13/9

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land normally takes place on Good Friday. This year, it could not take place because of the COVID-19 restrictions. Pope Francis moved the date for this collection to Sunday 13 September to coincide with the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross on 14 September.

Charitable Works Fund Appeal This Weekend



All cash given in the collection bag at the door of the church will go to our CWF Appeal. Envelopes available at the back of the church. 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.
www.bbcatholic.org.au/give/charitable-works-fund

National Child Protection Week

NCPW starts on 6th Septembers until 12th September. This years theme is 'Putting children first.' Visit the website <https://www.napcan.org.au/> for more details.

Co-founder made a Servant of Christ

Eileen O'Connor co-founder of Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor in Coogee was recently made a Servant of God by The Vatican. Also known as the brown nurses - to provide free nursing services to the poor. So she is one step closer to beatification and canonisation. If you wish to purchase holy cards or books see the letter on the noticeboard, p: 9665 6331 or e: monica@ourladysnurses.org.au.

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

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!

The Sacraments

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

This fourth sessions which is on the Anointing of the Sick

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.

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.

Catholic Youth of Broken Bay (CYBB)

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

Date: 10 September at 7pm via Zoom (link to follow on Facebook event page) RSVP to the Facebook link here. <https://www.facebook.com/events/220850422623897>

First Communion 2020

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 for MacKillop students in Year 4 will begin in Term 4, with Sr Ji Ji teaching special classes.

Classes for students older than Year 4 or attending other schools will be run by Sr Ji Ji after Sunday 10am Mass on 25 October and 1 November. Much of the preparation may have to be done at home, with parents using the booklet you will receive when the enrolment form is lodged with the parish..

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.

Any questions please contact the parish office 8379 1740 or warnervaleparish@bbcatholic.org.au

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:

<https://www.parousiamedia.com/the-spiritual-rosary-pilgrimage/>



Ask RUOK and Listen see the notice board for more information.

THIS WEEK

Monday 7 September
9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Tuesday 8 September
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin
9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Wednesday 9 September
7:30am Mass Fr Vince
9:15am Mass Fr Vince

Thursday 10 September
9:15am Communion Service

Friday 11 September
9.15am Mass Fr Vince

Saturday 12 September
4pm Reconciliation Fr Vince
5pm Mass Fr Ken

Sunday 13 September
8am Mass
10am Mass
11:30am Baptism
5pm Mass

Social Justice

Young Australians-Mental Health

Three-quarters of people who develop ill-health first experience its symptoms before they are 25 years old.

There is the pressures of education then finding work. Lack of affordable housing, significant debt early in life, and the 'gig economy' can cause huge pressures. This is a time when the 'at risk' can withdraw from family and friends, engage in risk-taking behaviours and form a reliance on drugs and alcohol. Over 3,000 people are lost to suicide each year and those aged 15 to 24 are the most vulnerable. Around 90 per cent of victims experiencing mental ill-health.

If you have younger people in your life, talk to them, make links with mental health networks in our local area, advocate for the rights of individuals and their families and encourage peer-to-peer support.

See the Bishop's Social Justice statement socialjustice.catholic.org.au/

Next Meeting Tues 15/9 at 2:30pm.



Social Justice Committee holic Social Just
Warnervale Catholic Church
www.marymackillopsocialjustice.wardpress.com

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

Ezekiel 33:7-9

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, ‘son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways to repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.’

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 94:1-2, 6-9

R O that day you would listen to his voice!
Harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our job to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks
with songs let us hail the Lord. **R.**

Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that led by his hand.. **R.**

O that day you would listen to his voice!
‘Harden not your hearts as a Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when you tried me, though they saw my work.’ **R.**

Second reading

Romans 13 8-10

Avoid getting into debt, expect the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

The word of the Lord

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2 Cor 5:19

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Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples: "If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

"I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

"I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them."

The Gospel of the Lord.