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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*

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA 9TH NOVEMBER 2025, YEAR C

Readings: Ezek 47:1-2, 8-9, 12;
1 Cor 3:9-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Response:

The waters of the river gladden the city of God.

Alleluia, alleluia!

I have chosen and sanctified this house, says the Lord, that my name may remain in it for all time.

Alleluia, alleluia!

November Prayer Cards

During November, we remember and pray for all the faithful departed. Prayer cards are available at the back of the church to record the names of loved ones you wish to include in our prayers; these may be placed in the basket on the altar. If you would like to offer a Mass for the departed, please use the provided envelope with an offering for the priest.



Eternal rest, grant to them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace Amen.

Tabernacle Relocation

We sincerely thank all parishioners who attended the recent parish consultation regarding the relocation of the Tabernacle.

The discussion thoughtfully addressed aspects of faith formation, catechesis, and the practical considerations involved in this proposed change.

Following the consultation, all attendees participated in a ballot vote, which resulted in 78% in favor and 22% against the relocation of the Tabernacle.

Fr Philip will now engage in further consultation with the Diocesan Liturgical Commission as the next steps are prayerfully considered in moving forward with this important matter.

Pastoral Works Broken Bay

This weekend we will continue the Pastoral Works (PWBB) November Appeal.

This financial year, 2025/2026, our parish has been asked to contribute to the charity works of our Diocese with **\$16,551**. These ministries need our community's generosity as they get little or no Government funding. Please consider donating to help us reach this year's goal. All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

Envelopes are available at the back of the Church and can be placed in any collection plate or in the donation box outside the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.



Communion from the Chalice



Commencing on the weekend of **22-23 November**, the **Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus**

Christ, King of the Universe, Bishop Anthony Randazzo has lifted the restriction on receiving **Holy Communion from the Chalice**. Accordingly, from that weekend onward, our parish will **reintroduce the distribution of the Precious Blood** during Holy Communion.

Diocese of Broken Bay
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Darkinjung people

Sunday Mass

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

Family Mass

Every Sunday at 10am
Includes Children's Liturgy

Weekday Mass

Mon 7:30am
Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat
9.15am
Wednesday 8:45am

Monthly BBQ

4th Sunday of each month
after 5pm Mass

Devotions

Rosary after weekday Mass
Tues 6pm Rosary

St Joseph's Men's Group

2nd & 4th Wednesday at 7pm

Anointing Mass

3rd Saturday of the Month
at 9:15am

Reconciliation

Sat 4pm - 4.45 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 Sat/ 8am to 9am

Parish Luncheon

2nd Thursday of the month
12noon at The Ary (Ziva),
Main Rd, Toukley

Men's & Women's Breakfast

4th Saturday of the month at
8am at Warnies Café.

Syro-Malabar Mass

1st Friday at 6pm
1st & 3rd Sunday at 7pm

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Parent Engagement Co-ordinator: Lucy Marien Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday (lucy.marien@dbb.catholic.edu.au)

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.

'Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility'

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

Bookkeeper: Johnson Mani

Mail: PO Box 4367, Lake Haven, 2263

Parish Mobile: (out of hours) 0423 279 263

Web: www.bbcatholic.org.au/warnervale



Rosary Prayer Group

Come pray with us for our families, the parish and the world, every **Tuesday at 6pm in the Church.**

November: Prayer meetings will be on Thursday the 6th and 20th at 7pm at the home of Bill and Dianne at 56 Irving Court, Hamlyn Terrace.

For more information, you may contact Dianne on 0413 454 547. All are welcome to come.

Parish Dinner—22 November

Join us for our Parish Dinner following the 5:00pm Mass in the school hall.

Tickets: Adults \$25 | Children (6–10) \$15 | Under 6 Free. Bookings close **Friday 14 November.**

How to Book:



Online: Scan the QR code and select *5. Parish Dinner* under “Payment for.” Include your name, ticket details, and number attending.

Direct Deposit: *St Mary MacKillop Parish* BSB: 062-784 | Acc: 10000 5628 | Ref: Dinner

After payment, please email warner-valeparish@bbcatholic.org.au with names and ticket details.

Come and enjoy an evening of faith, fellowship, and celebration!

Salesian Thought

To give alms and to forgive insults are both acts of charity. The first is honoured by everyone but the second is despised by the world. (Introduction to the Devout Life, Part 3, Chapter 11)



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Central Coast Santa Maria Committee invite you to their Christmas lunch

Location: Toukley Golf Club,

Time: 12.00 noon to 4:00pm

When: Sunday, 7th December 2025

Tickets: \$45 per person. Book and pay by 22nd November 2025.

For tickets and information please phone a member of the committee,

- Charlie Scicluna on 0404 194 020
- Rita 0448 74 2591

WANTED

Small Heavy-Duty Cardboard Boxes

We're creating a **cardboard fireplace** for our upcoming **Christmas assemblies at our local Government Schools**, and we need your help!

If you have any **small, sturdy boxes** (around **43cm wide x 61cm high**), we'd love to take them off your hands.

Please contact me on **0402 815 633**, and I'll be happy to arrange collection. Boxes are needed soon, as the assemblies will take place at the **beginning of December.**

Your support will help bring a little extra Christmas cheer to our students!

*Thank you Kerrie Dederer
Catechist Coordinator*

Special Mass

Special Mass for Families Who Have Lost a Loved One on Thursday, 20th November at 7:00pm in the Church.

We warmly invite families who have experienced the loss of a loved one to join us for this Mass.

Together, we will pray, remember, and support one another in faith, entrusting our dearly departed to the loving mercy of God.



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SAINTS DAYS

Monday 10 November

St Leo the Great

Tuesday 11 November

St Martin of Tours

Wednesday 12 November

St Josaphat

Thursday 13 November

Friday 14 November

Saturday 8 November



Premium
Pure Water

Exclusive Offer 10% Off & \$1 per unit
Donated to SMOTC MacKillop Parish
Use Promo Code MACKCP
More info go to earthgold.com.au

Return and Earn

This week we raised: \$



Thank you to everyone who continually supports our Return and Earn fund-raising project and commitment to sustainability and environmental responsibility for our community.

Please remember:

- ♦ containers need to be empty of all liquid;
- ♦ not crushed or broken;
- ♦ labels must be on the containers;
- ♦ No wine bottles or spirit bottles.
- ♦ Please place glass bottles in crates

Thank you for your continued support!

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

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Please remember our sick: Julie Granero, Mary Swift, Alan Smith, Anne Levett, Ivan Dzido, Barry Bateson, Chiara Wallace, Jo O'Loughlin, Cecelia Henry, Joset Gatt, Sheila Marquez.

Anniversaries: Neville Pikulich, Leticia Gomez, Zlatka Pikulich, Elizabeth Akunne, Alan Hardcastle, Christine Burns, Emmanuel (Billy) Zammit, Les & Nonie Chappell, Kevin & Janette Chappell.

Recently Deceased: Betty Scicluna, Teuila Kelly, Jessy Edwards, Bill McGuinness, Pamela Noble, Lillian Derbyshire, Claire Otoole, Elizabeth Kellman, John Wallace, Barbara 'Jackie' Wellham.



Social Media and Online Safety for Children & Vulnerable Persons

Social Media Changes Are Coming – 1 Month to Go

Safeguarding today also means helping children, young people, and vulnerable adults stay safe in the digital world. From 10 December 2025, new Australian laws will restrict social-media platforms from allowing children under 16 to create or maintain an account. These reforms follow the Online Safety Amendment (Social Media Minimum Age) Bill 2024 and are overseen by the eSafety Commissioner, Australia's independent regulator for online safety.

Major platforms such as Instagram, Facebook, TikTok, Snapchat, X (Twitter), YouTube, and Reddit are expected to be included. Apps designed specifically for children or communication, such as Messenger Kids, WhatsApp, and YouTube Kids, are not currently affected. Social-media companies could face fines of up to \$50 million if they fail to take reasonable steps to prevent under-age use.

The eSafety Commissioner will assess and authorise platforms that comply with the new legal standards, ensuring that online environments for children and families are safer, more transparent, and more responsible.

Things to Try

- Share eSafety Commissioner updates through your parish bulletin or social channels, reminding families that the new laws take effect in December 2025.
- Encourage parents and carers to join a free eSafety webinar and download the latest information flyers.
- Talk with children and teens about digital wellbeing, privacy, and respectful behaviour online.
- Review parish social-media and communication practices to ensure they reflect diocesan safeguarding principles.

Direct parishioners to the eSafety Kids and eSafety Young People pages for age-appropriate learning.

Explore and Learn More



Overview of the new legislation, guidance for families, and free webinars.

[eSafety Commissioner – Social Media Age Restrictions Hub](#)

Answers to common questions about the new laws, age verification, and enforcement.

[Frequently Asked Questions – Social Media Age Restrictions](#)

Explains how eSafety will assess and approve platforms under the new standards.

[How Platforms Will Be Assessed – eSafety Commissioner](#)

Social Media Age Restrictions Explained – A Guide for Parents and Carers

[Free Webinars for Parents and Carers](#)

Practical tools, online safety resources and games, to assist with learning for safe, respectful online experiences for young people and primary-aged children,

[eSafety for Young People](#) and [eSafety Kids](#)

- Topics and descriptions of eSafety's parents and carers webinars.

[Term 4 2025 - eSafety parents and carers webinars](#)



Overview of what the new laws mean for young people and families.

[UNICEF Australia – Social Media Ban Explainer](#)



How these changes might impact wellbeing and ways to stay balanced online.

[Headspace – Social Media Ban and Your Mental Health](#)

CHRISTMAS MARKET



Mary MacKillop Spirituality Centre,
8 Humphreys Rd, Kincumber South.

2251

**FRIDAY 28
NOVEMBER FROM
5.30PM**



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QR code, ringing us on 4368 2805 or
emailing

reception.sjr@sosjspirit.org.au

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, Year C

First Reading

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

I saw water flowing from the temple and all who were touched by it were saved.

The angel brought me to the entrance of the Temple, where a stream came out from under the Temple threshold and flowed eastwards, since the Temple faced east. The water flowed from under the right side of the Temple, south of the altar. He took me out by the north gate and led me right round outside as far as the outer east gate where the water flowed out on the right-hand side. He said, 'This water flows east down to the Arabah and to the sea; and flowing into the sea it makes its waters wholesome. Wherever the river flows, all living creatures teeming in it will live. Fish will be very plentiful, for wherever the water goes it brings health, and life teems wherever the river flows. Along the river, on either bank, will grow every kind of fruit tree with leaves that never wither and fruit that never fails; they will bear new fruit every month, because this water comes from the sanctuary. And their fruit will be good to eat and the leaves medicinal.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

The waters of the river gladden the city of God.

God is for us a refuge and strength,
a helper close at hand, in time of distress:
so we shall not fear though the earth should rock,
though the mountains fall into the depth of the sea. **R**

The waters of a river give joy to God's city,
the holy place where the Most High dwells.
God is within, it cannot be shaken;
God will help it at the dawning of the day. **R**

The Lord of hosts is with us:
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
Come, consider the works of the Lord
the redoubtable deeds he has done on the earth. **R**

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, Year C

Second Reading

Letter of St Paul to Corinthians 3:9-11. 16-17

You are the temple of God.

You are God's building. By the grace God gave me, I succeeded as an architect and laid the foundations, on which someone else is doing the building. Everyone doing the building must work carefully. For the foundation, nobody can lay any other than the one which has already been laid, that is Jesus Christ. Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I have chosen and sanctified this house; says the Lord,
that my name may remain in it for all time.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

John 2:13-22

He spoke about the temple of his own body.

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market'. Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up'. The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

The Gospel of the Lord.