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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

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, 9TH MAY 2021, YEAR B

Diocese of Broken Bay
Ancestral home of the
Darkinjung people

Readings: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48;
1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17

Response:

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them

Alleluia!



Reflection Do we think of Jesus, as he thinks of us, as a friend? In Jesus we have both the best teacher and the best friend we could ever hope to have.

This week John's gospel continues the true vine narrative. The vine is a strong metaphor for community. God is the owner of the vine, Jesus is the vine. All those who respond to the call of God become grafted to the vine in the universal love of God.

Pope Francis has three social encyclicals. The first 'Evangelii Gaudium' was restoring our relationship with God, then 'Laudato Si' was restoring relationship with the earth. 'Fratelli Tutti' restores our relationship with each other. Love builds bridges to cross boundaries and sow seeds of peace. It helps us walk alongside the poor, the abandoned, infirm and outcast.

Anointing Mass This Saturday

On the third Saturday of each month starting 15 May Fr Philip will celebrate an anointing Mass at 9:15am.

CWF Appeal This Weekend

This year's theme is "Thank you" and highlights the life-changing support that our parish contributions make possible. Charitable works Fund supports:

St Lucy's Primary School & St Edwards High School who educate developmentally delayed children.

CCD—Catechists

Ephpheta Centre supporting the deaf.

Please give generously to the final CWF appeal of the Financial Year 2020/21. Donations are 100% tax deductible.

You can donate in three ways:

- *CWF collection envelope in your pew;
- *Online at www.bbcatholic.org.au/give;
- *Scan the QR code available on the next page and on the noticeboard.

Happy Mother's Day!

This Sunday in celebration of Mothers Day you may like to learn about and pray the Novena to Mary who unties Knots. Click here - <https://m.theholynosary.org/maryundoerknots/>

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Amen.



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 at 10am
Includes Children's Liturgy

Anointing Mass

Third Saturday of the Month
at 9:15am

Parish Luncheon

2nd Thursday of the month
12noon at Doylo

Men's Breakfast

Fourth Saturday of the month
at Warnies Café.

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

Thinking of becoming a Catholic?

Please contact Parish staff
for more information.

Devotions

Divine Mercy before Mass
Rosary after weekday Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursdays after 9:15am Mass

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Vox Populi

The Voice of the People

This week's *Vox Populi* comes from Sr Jennifer Canillas OSA - our own Sr JiJi. Sr Jennifer is an Augustinian Sister of Our Lady of Consolation. Along with Sr Josie Malibi OSA, she works as Pastoral Support at MacKillop Catholic College, Warnervale

The Month of May is the Month of the Blessed Mother Mary

Read full message [here](#)

International Nurses Day 12/5

On the anniversary of Florence Nightingale's birth this Wednesday we give thanks

for our nurses especially for supporting us through Covid 19.



Social Justice

Coercive Control Explained

Police in Australia would have dealt with, on average **277 domestic violence matters today.**

Experts say more middle-aged, older women are fleeing relationships. Angie Jordan, 60, was subjected to 40 years of controlling, abusive and manipulative behaviour. She tried to leave this relationship several times unsuccessfully.

After her husband died, she found a eulogy he had written for her, along with life insurance documents.

Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month runs throughout May. With many DV cases in the news, five states are looking at the best ways to criminalise coercive control. *Beyond DV*, a DV help agency, says reach out for help. Also recognise the signs of DV and coercive control. **Do you know someone you can help?**

There are brochures at the back of the church.

Next meeting Tues 22/6 @ 7pm in the church.



Social Justice Committee
Warnervale Catholic Church

www.marvmackillopsocialjustice.wordpress.com

First Holy Communion

Our parish will celebrate first eucharist on 12 September for all children in year 4 or older. Details of preparation will be available in the coming weeks.

The children **must have had made their first Reconciliation** to be able to make their first Communion. Direct any questions to the parish office 8379 1740.

ROMANS- Scripture Study

Paul the Jewish convert, not looking forward to martyrdom himself, he shipped off to the relative safety of Rome and told his story: the story of Jesus - in his letters to the Romans.

When and how did you first come in contact with the power of the gospel? Join Bob Madafiglio from 19 May each Wednesday at 10am. For more details call Bob 0451 955 223.

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The Mystery of God-Bible Study Who God Is & Why He Matters

This week : 'Exploring the Trinity.' This session builds on the previous sessions and will help us towards a good understanding of this seemingly mysterious teaching of the Church.

Mondays at 10am and repeated at 7pm for 6 weeks till 17 May. For more details call Terry Pate on 0408 973 316.

Return and Earn

This week we raised \$83.90

Please remember containers to be empty of liquid; not crushed or broken; and **must display 10c refund logo for scanning.** Please place glass in the crates provided.

Thank you for your support!



THIS WEEK

Monday 10 May
9:15am Communion Service

Tuesday 11 May
9:15am Mass

Wednesday 12 May
7:30am Mass
9:15am Mass

Thursday 13 May
9:15am Mass

Friday 14 May
9:15am Mass

Saturday 15 May
9:15am Anointing Mass
4pm Reconciliation
5pm Mass

Sunday 16 May
The Ascension of the Lord
8am Mass
10am Mass
5pm Mass
7pm Syro Malabar Mass

Covid Safe - Check in QR

Code Displayed on entry to the church this provides an easy check in system for people who have a smart phone. There are still sign in sheets only for those who do not have a smart phone.

Diocesan Mass Count

During the month of May we will be counting the number of people attending weekend Masses for the Diocese.

Coronavirus restrictions

The **number of people** permitted to attend a church service is **264.**

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.

Masks are not mandatory.

QR Code to scan with smart phones Available on church doors and notice board.

For those without a smart phone Sign in sheets for Mass are in the breezeway - the sign in sheet for **visits to the church other than Mass** are on the table at the back of the church.

Please remember our sick: Cara De Guzman, Olga White, Neville White, Kaysen Jill, Tracey Mulheron, Dallas Reichal, Margaret Bailey, Sharon King, Richard Murphy, Nancy Foster, Anne Johnson, Doreen Winning, David O'Connell, Kathy Outlaw, Finn McConnon.

Recently Deceased/Anniversary: Frank Walsh, Corazon Carreon, Darrin Gallardo, Joy O'Leary, Belinda Clements, Angela & Adam Laukaitis, Archibold Crippin, Jason Calphy, Olga Bakina, Trisha Noble.

Mass Intentions: Charity Macapagal, Maria Edwards, Kevin & Dona San Pedro, Edric Alejo, Gavin Lowing, George & Helen Pantos, Peter & Frank Walsh, Connie Claramunt, Linda Bond, Marie Dunphy, Sr Josie Mabini OSA, Andrew Hood, Rocco, Domenic, Marco & Benjamin Pasqale.

