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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

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 1ST SEPTEMBER 2024, YEAR B

Readings: Deut 4:1-2, 6-8
James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Response:

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Happy Fathers Day!

Honouring the men who guide us with wisdom and love.

God our Father, we give you thanks and ask you to bless these men who are our fathers, grandfathers, step fathers, foster fathers and spiritual fathers.

Bless our young fathers as they embrace their vocation. Help them to balance work and family as their gift of love to their children.

Bless our older fathers, step-fathers and grandfathers with wisdom and gentle strength to guide those in their care.

We remember our own father and ask you to bless him for giving us life and love.

We lift up all fathers who are lost or suffering that they may know the compassion of God.

We ask your blessing for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice.

May you also bless and sustain our priests, our spiritual fathers.

For the gift of fathers - loving God we thank you! Amen.

National Child Protection Week



National Child Protection Week, taking place from 1-7 September, begins this week. The theme for this year, "Every Conversation Matters," highlights the essential role of open dialogue in

combating the national crisis of child abuse and neglect. The launch of National Child Protection Week aims to inspire, educate, and mobilize individuals, communities, and organizations to engage in conversations that protect and support our children. NAPCAN is offering webinars on various topics. For more information and to register, please visit www.napcan.org.au/final-official-program-webinars-events-2024.

Bible Study Group

Join us this Wednesday, September 4th, at 9:30am for an enriching Bible Study Group led by Robert Madafiglio, right after the 8:45am Mass. We'll be exploring the "Letters of John" with insights from John Stott's work. Everyone is warmly invited to participate—come and deepen your faith with us! journey through the Scriptures.

Welcome to Spring!

Diocese of Broken Bay
Ancestral home of the
Darkinjung people

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, 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

Priest: Fr Philip Thottam MSFS, Parish Priest (philip.thottam@bbcatholic.org.au)

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Office hours: Tues—Fri 8:30am—3:00pm

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

Catechist News



DESCRIPTION:

Training the vine to produce a bountiful harvest in the future.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Love children.
Love of God.
Strong Faith.

REWARDS:

Many blessings from God. Smiling children who can't wait to see you. Learn more about your faith, gain confidence. Meet new people.

CURIOUS:

Please call our Chief Vineyard Worker, Kerrie Dederer, 0402815633 or kerrie.dederer@bbcatholic.org.au

Funeral - Raymond White

The funeral service for Raymond White will be held at the Church on **Tuesday, 3rd September, at 11am.** Raymond, along with his beloved late wife, Barbara, has been a cherished member of our parish community for many years.

Funeral - Leonard Carlos

The funeral service for the late Leonard Carlos will be held on **Thursday, September 5th, at 11am.** at the Hillside Chapel at Palmdale.

Leonard was a deeply respected member of our parish community for many years.

We kindly ask that you keep Raymond and Leonard and their families in your prayers during this time.

Salesian Thought

Finding God in creatures and creatures in God, great souls love God, not the creatures.

(Treatise on the Love of God, Book 10, Chapter 5)

Rosary Prayer Group



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

Please note the following schedule for our upcoming prayer meetings:
September: Meetings will be held on the 5th and 19th, Thursdays, at 7:00pm

October: Meetings will take place every Thursday at the home of Bill and Dianne, located at 56 Irving Court, Hamlyn Terrace.

For more information, you may contact Bill and Dianne at 0413 454 547. All are welcome to join.

Pilgrimage to the Philippines 16th—24th February 2025

Join the Diocese of Broken Bay pilgrimage and immerse yourselves in a spiritual journey through the rich and vibrant culture of the Philippines! Explore renowned churches and sacred sites, guided by our chaplain, Fr David Ranson. Price: AU\$3,500 (subject to change depending on number of participants)

To reserve your place we require a deposit of 10% or \$350 (refundable)

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SAINTS DAYS

Monday 2 September

St Maxima of Rome

Tuesday 3 September

St Gregory the Great

Wednesday 4 September

St Rosalia

Thursday 5 September

Friday 6 September

St Eleutherius

Saturday 7 September

Return and Earn

This week we raised \$58.10



Thank you to everyone who continually supports our Return and Earn fundraising 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;
- ♦ cans and bottles must have 10c refund logo.
- ♦ Please place glass bottles in crates



Thank you for your continued support!

Find us on Facebook



Keep up with parish happenings on Facebook at [St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Parish, Warnervale](#), please "like" our page.

Please remember our sick: Georgia Harten, Finn McConnon, Abigail Aquilos, Jacquie Thomas, Lara Young, Catherine, Elizabeth, Monika, Antonio L. Macapaqal, Maria C Edwards, Cody Mann.

Anniversaries: Victor Gatt, Ken White, Terence McBride OCDS, Joan Firmstone, Francina, Sunan Maria Cokrosontono, Huw Edwards, Bartolome Santos, Araluen Mary Kelly, Dorothy McGinlay, Charlie Xuereb.

Recently Deceased: Judy Bergen, Leonard Carlos, Raymond White, Thomas Kolencheri.



SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER

MACKILLOP PRESENTS:

STARLIGHT CINEMA

Join us for a night under
the stars watching

TICKETS \$10 each
\$35 FAMILY PASS (up to 6)

No ticket sales will be available at the gates.
<https://www.trybooking.com/CUBPT>



GATES OPEN 5PM
MOVIE STARTS 6.30PM

VARIETY OF FOOD TRUCKS
OR BRING YOUR PICNIC BASKET

MACKILLOP CATHOLIC COLLEGE SCHOOL OVAL
91 SPARKS ROAD, WOONGARRAH

Tickets are limited
don't miss out!

BRING YOUR PICNIC RUG OR CAMP CHAIRS
AND GET READY TO HAVE A SUPER NIGHT!



*An exciting night with family and friends
for the Central Coast Community*



MACKILLOP
Catholic College
WARNERVALE



This is a Community event and
therefore child supervision is the
responsibility of parents / carers

ALCOHOL FREE EVENT



22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

First Reading

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

You may add nothing to the word which I speak to you—keep the commands of the Lord.

Moses said to the people: ‘Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, “No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation.” And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?’

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R. The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?
He who walks without fault;
he who acts with justice
and speaks the truth from the heart. **R.**

He who does no wrong to his brother,
who casts no slur on his neighbour,
who holds the godless in disdain,
but honours those who fear the Lord. **R.**

He who keeps his pledge, come what may;
who takes no interest on a loan
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.
Such a man will stand firm for ever. **R.**

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Second Reading

Letter of St James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

Be doers of the word.

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created.

Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves.

Pure un-spoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

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Gospel

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

You forgot the commandments of God to hold on to human tradition.

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observance which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' he answered, 'It was of your hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, so the doctrines they teach are only human regulations.

You put aside the commandments of God to cling to human traditions.'

He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intention emerge; fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.

The Gospel of the Lord