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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

## 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 13TH OCTOBER 2024, YEAR B

Diocese of Broken Bay  
Ancestral home of the  
Darkinjung people

**Readings:** Wis 7:7-11  
Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-27

**Response:**  
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and we will sing for joy!

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Happy the poor in spirit;  
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!  
**Alleluia, alleluia!**

### Prayer for Year 12s HSC

Let's keep our Year 12 students in our thoughts and prayers as they embark on their HSC exams starting Tuesday, 15 October. May they face this important journey with confidence, focus, and peace

Lord,

*we come to You with hopeful hearts for our Year 12 students. As they prepare for their HSC exams, grant them guidance, strength, and peace. Give them clarity as they study and calm in stressful moments. May they trust in their abilities and know their worth is in Your love, not in results. Surround them with support and lift them up through our prayers. Bless their efforts, and remind them of Your constant presence and peace throughout their exams and beyond. Amen*

### Rite of Catholic Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Fr. Philip will be commencing the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) program on **Thursday, 7th November, at 6:30 p.m. in the church.**

This program is open to individuals aged 13 and above who wish to become Catholic or those seeking full initiation into the Catholic Church.

For further information or to register, please contact Fr. Philip, call the parish office at 8379 1740, or email your details to [warnervaleparish@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:warnervaleparish@bbcatholic.org.au).

### Catholic Mission Appeal



Freecall: 1800 257 296  
[catholicmission.org.au/mongolia](http://catholicmission.org.au/mongolia)

Next weekend 19-20 October we will be holding our annual Catholic Mission Appeal. Catholic Mission is the Pope's international Mission agency in Australia. An international organisation that partners with communities, helping them to flourish by supporting grassroots projects, including healthcare, education, and spiritual care. Our network of religious and lay missionaries operates in Africa, Asia, Europe, Oceania, the Americas. Envelopes will be available at the back of the Church and at the end of each pew. Donation envelopes can be placed in any collection or place in the Donation Box outside the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

### Save the Date Parish Community Dinner



Join us for our annual community dinner on Saturday, November 23rd, after the 5pm Mass. Details on ticket sales and the evening's menu will be available next week. We look forward to celebrating together!

#### 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](mailto: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](mailto:bill@earthgold.com.au)) 0412 051 839

## Rosary Prayer Group



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

**October:** Prayer meetings will take place every Thursday evening at 7pm at the home of Bill and Dianne at 56 Irving Court, Hamlyn Terrace.

**November:** Prayer meetings will be on Thursday the 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> 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.

## Central Coast Santa Maria Christmas Lunch

Central Coast Santa Maria Committee invite you to their Christmas lunch.

**Location:** Toukley Golf Club,

**Time:** 12.00 noon to 4:00pm

**When:** Sunday, 8th December 2024.

**Menu:** 2 course lunch prepared and served at your table which will include: baked ham, turkey, pork, baked potatoes, pumpkin, mixed vegetables, and a bread roll. **Desert:** Christmas pudding with custard or pavlova with ice-cream.

Drinks to purchase at the bar at your own expense.

Live entertainment, provided by Tony Remedios.

**Tickets:** \$45 per person. Book and pay by 23rd November 2024

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

- Charlie Scicluna on 0404 194 020
- Tony & Rita 0448 74 2591
- Charlie & Connie on 4396 3704
- Rita Meilak 0411 894 387.

## Salesian Thought

*To desire to love God is to love to desire Him, and hence to love Him; for love is the root of all desire. (The Spirit of St. François de Sales, I, 3)*

## Upcoming Monthly Youth Mass & BBQ

Join us for a great evening on Sunday, 27th October! Our youth group kicks off at 4pm, and it's a fantastic opportunity to connect, have fun, and grow in faith. Following that, we'll celebrate Mass together at 5pm, and then enjoy a relaxed sausage sizzle afterwards. Everyone is welcome—so bring a friend and be part of this awesome community!

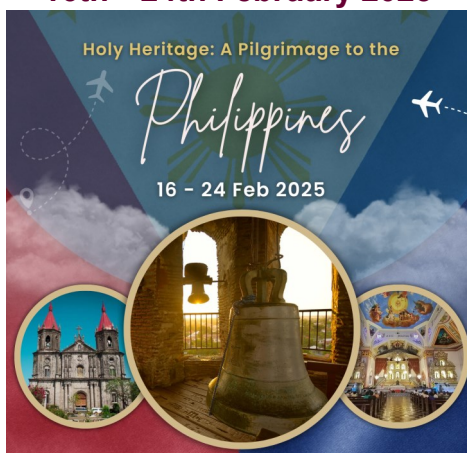
## St Cecilia's Relic Installation

Wyong Catholic Parish invites everyone, on Saturday, November 23rd, Wyong Parish will be installing a relic of their Patroness, St. Cecilia, in their Parish Church.

The parish of Wyong warmly invites our parish community to join them for this special occasion.

Please RSVP by October 23rd using the following link: <https://www.trybooking.com/CVOSC>, or by scanning the QR code on the poster displayed on the noticeboard outside the Church.

## 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!, 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% (refundable)

**Email:** philpilgrimage2025@gmail.com

## SAINTS DAYS

**Monday 14 October**  
St Callistus

**Tuesday 15 October**

**Wednesday 16 October**  
St Hedwig  
St Margaret Mary Alacoque

**Thursday 17 October**  
St Ignatius of Antioch

**Friday 18 October**  
St Luke

**Saturday 19 October**  
St Paul of the Cross

## Return and Earn

This week we raised \$74.20



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:** Finn McConnon, Lisa Jackson, John Burgess, Abigail Aquilos, Jacquie Thomas, Lara Young, Catherine, Elizabeth, Monika, Antonio L. Macapaqal, Maria C Edwards.

**Anniversaries:** Alan Hardcastle, Christine Burns, Santhosh V, Diana Le, Ray Stoves, Victor Gatt, Ken White, Terence McBride OCDS, Joan Firmstone, Francina, Sunan Maria Cokrosontono, Huw Edwards.

**Recently Deceased:** Maria Tabone, Georgia Mercer, Judy Bergen, Leonard Carlos, Raymond White.



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## First Reading

Book of Wisdom 7:7-11

**In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.**

I prayed, and understanding was given to me;

I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.

I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing.

I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud.

I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps.

In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

The word of the Lord.

## Responsorial Psalm

**R. Fill us with your love, O Lord,  
and we will sing for joy!**

Make us know the shortness of our life  
that we may gain wisdom of heart.

Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?

Show pity on your servants. **R.**

In the morning, fill us with your love;  
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.

Give us joy to balance our affliction  
for the years when we knew misfortune. **R.**

Show forth your work to your servants;  
let your glory shine on their children.

Let the favour of the Lord be upon us;  
give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

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### Second Reading

Letter to the Hebrews 4:12-13

**The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.**

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely; it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints form the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

The word of the Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

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the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

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### Gospel

Mark 10:17-30

**Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me.**

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land - not without persecutions - now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.