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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 IN ORDINARY TIME, 16TH FEBRUARY 2025, YEAR C

Readings: Jer 17:5-8;
1 Cor 15:12, 16-20;
Lk 6:17, 20-26

Response:

Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad;
your reward will be great in heaven.

Alleluia, alleluia!



First Fruits Offering

This weekend will be the start of our First Fruits Offering. This program aims to ease the financial burden on our Parish through special regular gifts from our Parishioners. Our Pope has been calling on us to be a more missionary church—to renew our faith, become better stewards of what we own, and care deeply for each other.

Please collect the envelope and take copies of the printed material we created for our First Fruits Offering. Pray for God's guidance to help you discern your offering. Once you've read the material and considered your financial position, join our program by considering regular giving and/or leaving a gift in your Will (bequest). What a wonderful way to make a lasting contribution to our Parish.

Please speak with Fr Philip about whether you can contribute this way.

Warnervale Parish is grateful for your offering. God Bless you.

Monday Mass

Commencing **Monday, March 3rd**, we warmly invite you to join us for **Mass at 7:30am**. Please note that the 9:15am Communion Service will no longer be held. We look forward to celebrating the Eucharist with you!

Sacrament 2025 (Year 4 and older)

First Holy Communion: The Sacrament will be celebrated on **Sunday, 4th May, at 11:45 am**.

Reconciliation: The Sacrament will take place on **Tuesday, 8th April, between 3pm and 6 pm**.

A parent information night for First Holy Communion and Reconciliation will be held on **Thursday, 20th February, at 7:00 pm** in the Church, with classes starting on **Sunday, 2nd March, during the 10:00 am Mass** for 6 weeks. Enrolment forms are available at the information night.

We are looking for volunteer teachers and assistants to help prepare children for the sacraments. No experience is needed—all resources and support are provided. If you have a heart for sharing your faith and guiding young hearts closer to God, we'd love to have you join us.

Please contact the parish office to learn more about this rewarding opportunity!

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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

Parish Priest: Fr Philip Thottam MSFS (philip.thottam@bbcatholic.org.au) **Assistant Priest:** Fr Joshi Naduppura

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Office hours: Tues—Fri 8:30am—3:00pm

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

Central Coast Santa Maria Mothers Day Lunch

The Central Coast Santa Maria Committee warmly invites you to celebrate **Mother's Day 2025** with a special luncheon!

Date: Sunday, 4th May

Venue: Toukley Golf Club, Key St, Toukley

Time: 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Cost: \$40 per person

Enjoy a **delicious 2-course meal** served to your table, featuring:
Chicken Schnitzel with chips, salad & gravy **OR** Fish & Chips with salad (alternative drop)
Fresh bread roll

Tea, coffee & dessert

Live entertainment to make the day extra special!

Bookings & Payment Due by 20th April 2025.

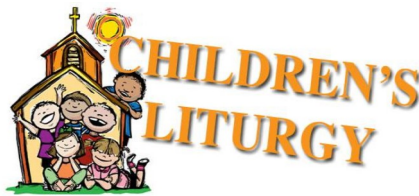
For tickets, please contact:

•**Charlie:** 4393 9998
or 0404 194 020

•**Tony & Rita:** 0448 742 591

•**Charlie & Connie:** 4396 3704

Come along and celebrate the wonderful mothers in our lives!



This Sunday, 16th February during 10am Mass we will recommence Children's Liturgy for 2025.

Children's Liturgy of the Word offers primary age children the opportunity to hear and reflect on the Sunday Gospel in a way that is meaningful to them.

During this time, the children leave Mass to participate in prayers, songs, and readings adapted to their level of understanding in the Parish Meeting Room.

If anyone would like to join this ministry as a volunteer, please contact the parish office for more information or speak to one of the facilitators

Bible Study

Join us Wednesday's after 8:45am Mass for an enriching Bible Study Group led by Robert Madafiglio. We'll be exploring the "*Revelation: The Triumph of Christ*" with insights from John Stott's work.

Everyone is warmly invited to participate—come and deepen your faith with us! Journey through the Scriptures.

Rosary Prayer Group



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

Prayer meetings for February will be on Thursday 13th & 27th, 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.

SAINTS DAYS

Monday 17 February

Tuesday 18 February

Wednesday 19 February

Thursday 20 February

Friday 21 February

St Peter Damian

Saturday 22 February

St Chair of St Peter



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Return and Earn

This week we raised: \$30.20



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!

Ordination of Shayne Hyland as Deacon

Shane, Leanne, and family were members of our parish before moving to Port Macquarie for work. After years of dedicated training, Shane will be ordained as a **Permanent Deacon** on **February 23rd** during the **5 PM Mass at St Agnes Parish, Port Macquarie**. All are warmly invited to attend. Please RSVP to Leanne at leanne_hyland@hotmail.com.

Kindly keep Shane and his family in your prayers.

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Please remember our sick: Finn McConnon, Magdalena Santos, Sheila Marquez, Allan Clark, Charity M. Macapagal, Frances Glanz, Ruby Huerto, John Draper, Lisa Jackson, John Burgess.

Anniversaries: Modesto Ramon, Mary and Angelo Spiteri, Mark Weiss, Victoria M, Clive Levido, V.C Mani, Pelesala Tuaimau, Victor Gatt, Nicholas Gatt, Michael McQueen (Snr), Mike McQueen, Alwyn O'Connor.

Recently Deceased: Eric Rogers, Philomena Pamel, Lisa Jackson, Josie Hawkesford, Rita Timbrell.





St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Catholic Parish Warnervale

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Blessings in this year of Jubilee! As members of the Parish of Warnervale, we are blessed to come together in faith to experience God's love in the celebration of the Mass, and through one another as a community of faith. I am deeply grateful for your meaningful participation, contributions and support in the life of our parish.

As we continue to journey together as the People of God, I invite you to prayerfully consider becoming an ongoing Planned Giver as part of our First Fruits Offering, taking place over the next two weeks.

Planned Giving is a prayerful commitment to dedicate a portion of your financial income to God and His Church in gratitude for His many blessings. It helps ensure the mission and ministries of our parish continue to thrive for both our present community and future generations.

Your contributions remain within our parish and support:

- Liturgical needs (vestments, bread, wine)
- Ongoing ministries (RCIA, RCIC)
- Special ministries (Catechetics, sacramental programs, aged care visits)
- Equipment and resources (computers, photocopiers)
- Rising utility costs, insurance, repairs, and staff wages

To assist you in prayerfully reflecting on this important decision, we have prepared materials and resources that are available for you to take home. These include information about First Fruits Offering and pledge envelopes. We encourage you to take some time to review these resources, pray, and discern how you can support our parish in sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Becoming a Planned Giver is a simple yet profound way to demonstrate your faith and commitment to God's work. ***If you are not yet a Planned Giver, can I encourage you to take this step and consider your support to our parish prayerfully with any amount within your reach.*** If you are already contributing on an ongoing basis to the Parish, thank you. I invite you to prayerfully consider increasing your offering as you are able.

For more information or assistance with Planned Giving, please contact the parish office. We are happy to help.

Thank you for your generous support. May God bless you abundantly as you continue to live out your faith and share in His mission.

In Christ's peace and love,

Fr Philip Thottam
Parish Priest





SERVE YOUR PARISH

THROUGH PLANNED GIVING

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Just like our family households, our parish communities need financial resources to operate, serve and minister. God provides for these needs through you - you are the Parish.

Giving to your Parish is also an expression of our thankfulness and praise to God for all He has given us. It comes from the recognition that everything we have and can give, pales in comparison to His sacrifice on the cross.

Our giving should not merely be quantitative, but qualitative. It should be a prayerful interior reflection on the gratitude I wish to show God, for all He has given me.

The amount is never as important as the spirit of generosity and love.

Thank you for your new or increased commitment to the First Fruits Offering through Parish Planned Giving.

May your offering to the Lord bear much fruit.

In Christ,



+ Anthony Randazzo

Most Rev Anthony Randazzo DD JCL
Bishop of Broken Bay

GIVING INFORMATION

I would like my giving to be:

Weekly Fortnightly Monthly

I would like to give:

\$25 \$50
 \$100 \$250 \$500

Other: \$



I would also like to serve the needs of our clergy:

Weekly Fortnightly Monthly

Amount: \$

Title	First Name	Surname
Address		
Suburb	Post Code	Mobile
Email		
Credit Card Number	Expiry Date	CVV
Signature Cardholder		Date

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

First Reading

Prophet Jeremiah 17:5-8

A curse on those who trust in humanity; a blessing on those who trust in the Lord.

The Lord says this:

'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man,
who relies on things of flesh,
whose heart turns from the Lord.
He is like dry scrub in the wastelands:
if good comes, he has no eyes for it,
he settles in the parched places of the wilderness,
a salt land, uninhabited.

'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord,
with the Lord for his hope.

He is like a tree by the waterside
that thrusts its roots to the stream:
when the heat comes it feels no alarm,
its foliage stays green;
it has no worries in a year of drought,
and never ceases to bear fruit.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Happy indeed is the man
who follows not the counsel of the wicked;
nor lingers in the way of sinners
nor sits in the company of scorners,
but whose delight is the law of the Lord
and who ponders his law day and night. **R**

He is like a tree that is planted
beside the flowing waters,
that yields its fruit in due season
and whose leaves shall never fade;
and all that he does shall prosper. **R**

Not so are the wicked, not so!
For they like winnowed chaff
shall be driven away by the wind.
For the Lord guards the way of the just
but the way of the wicked leads to doom. **R**

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Second Reading

St Paul to the Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

If Christ is not raised from the dead, your faith is in vain.

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people.

But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad;
your reward will be great in heaven.

Alleluia

Gospel

Luke 6:17, 20-26

Happy are the poor. Woe to the rich!

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:

'How happy are you who are poor; yours is the kingdom of God.

Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied.

Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

'Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry.

Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep.

'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'

The Gospel of the Lord.