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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

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 18TH AUGUST 2024, YEAR B

Readings: Prov 9:1-6; Eph 5:15-20
Jn 6:51-58

Response:

Taste and see the goodness
of the Lord

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who eat my flesh and drink my blood
live in me and I in them, says the Lord

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Reflection

Our faith teaches us that when we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, Jesus himself is present to us. Through the actions of the Mass, the bread and wine truly become the Body and Blood of Christ. This is what we mean by the word transubstantiation. Jesus makes himself present to all who receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

If there are children in your family who have already celebrated their First Holy Communion, invite them to share their memories of this special day. If you have family photos from this occasion, bring them out and share them. Adults in the family may also share memories or photos of their First Holy Communion. Then read together today's Gospel. Reflect together on what Jesus means when he calls himself the "living bread." Recall that every time we receive the Eucharist, Jesus keeps the promise he made in today's Gospel. Perhaps family members can share what it means for them to receive Jesus in the Eucharist. Together, pray and thank God for this gift of Holy Communion.

Santa Maria Feast Day



Central Coast Santa Maria Committee would like to invite all parishioners to celebrate the feast of Santa Maria on **Sunday 18th August in our parish.** Mass will be celebrated at 3pm followed by a procession at 4pm with benediction after. There will be fireworks at 6pm. **Please note there will be NO 5pm Mass Sunday evening.**

Fr Philip annual leave

This week, we warmly welcome Fr. Alex Peter from Woy Woy Parish, who will be providing spiritual guidance and support to our community while Fr. Philip is on leave from August 19th to September 20th to visit family and friends in India. Please keep Fr. Philip in your prayers while he is away.

Prayer for Fr Philip's safe travels.

Heavenly Father, we entrust Fr. Philip to Your care as he embarks on his journey. Grant him protection from all harm and guidance in every step. May Your angels accompany him, shielding him from danger and bringing him safely to his destination. Bless those he meets along the way, and may his presence be a reflection of Your love and peace. Grant him restful moments and joyful encounters, and bring him back home safely, renewed in spirit and health. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Diocese of Broken Bay
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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

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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

Thank you—CatholicCare Homelessness Appeal



We extend our sincere gratitude to everyone who supported the CatholicCare Homelessness Appeal last weekend. Your

contributions help CatholicCare provide vital services such as women's refuges, transitional housing, young parents' homelessness services, and street outreach programs. Additionally, we operate Dom's Place in Hornsby and Mary Mac's Place in Woy Woy, offering meals, showers, laundry facilities, and community support.

If you would still like to donate, CatholicCare donation envelopes are available at the back of the Church. These can be placed in any collection spot or the donation box outside.

Salesian Thought

We should really live in this world as though our spirit were already in heaven.

(The Spirit of St. François de Sales, IV, 6)

Rosary Prayer Group



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

The prayer meetings for **August 22nd, Thursday evening at 7pm**, in the home of Bill & Dianne 56 Irving Court, Hamlyn Terrace. Phone 0413 454 547. Everyone is welcomed.

Bible Study Group

We are excited to announce that Robert Madafiglio will commence a Bible **study group on Wednesday, August 28th, at 9:30am**, following the 8:45 am Mass. The study will focus on the "Letters of John" by John Stott. Everyone is welcome to attend and join us for this enriching and insightful journey through the Scriptures.

Wedding Anniversary



The parish would like to congratulate **Agerico & Maria Miclat** on 30 years of Marriage, **Markus and Hetti Lake** on 17 years of Marriage and **Adolphe and Suzy Parfait** on 60 years of Marriage in August.

SAINTS DAYS

Monday 19 August
St John Eudes

Tuesday 20 August
St Bernard

Wednesday 21 August
St Pius

Thursday 22 August
The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday 23 August
St Rose of Lima

Saturday 24 August
St Bartholomew

Return and Earn

This fortnight we raised \$61.80



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!

Join us for the **Monthly Youth Group & Mass**

Sunday 25 August 2024
Youth Group at 4pm and Mass at 5pm
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Parish, Warnervale

Fun Games, followed by Mass and BBQ!
BRING A FRIEND AND HAVE SOME FUN!

For more information email maisie.teney@dbb.catholic.edu.au or lucy.marien@dbb.catholic.edu.au

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

Anniversaries: Francina, Sunan Maria Cokrosontono, Huw Edwards, Bartolome Santos, Araluen Mary Kelly, Dorothy McGinlay, Charlie Xuereb, Darrell Travers, Frank Costa, Gladys De Lange, Maureen Hassan.

Recently Deceased: Thomas Kolencheri, Neville Whitfield, Mackenzie Astorga, Jane Fenech, Maureen Fenner, Denis James Ryan, Annabelle Bryant, Robert Curry Snr, Chris Henry, Christine Nemes.



Parish Accounts

Having been approved by the Parish Finance Committee, the following operating accounts are presented to the parish for last year and this year.

	2023/2024 Actual	2024/2025 Budget
Income		
Envelopes, Credit Cards, EFTs	\$58,226	\$60,000
Unplanned Giving	\$52,093	\$52,800
Fundraising	\$325	\$0
Rebates, Interest, etc.	\$3,304	\$3,600
Other income, rent received	\$15,559	\$17,000
Total Income	\$129,507	\$133,400
Expenditure		
Church, Altar, Donations	\$4,166	\$4,500
Office	\$7,289	\$7,200
Employment	\$60,857	\$58,225
Insurance	\$19,447	\$19,800
Pastoral	\$8,053	\$8,400
Repairs & Maintenance	\$11,052	\$12,000
Administration	\$2,110	\$2,100
Telecommunication	\$2,753	\$2,700
Motor Vehicle	\$8,691	\$9,000
Superannuation (clergy)	\$3,272	\$3,500
Total Expenditure	\$127,690	\$127,425
Deficit	\$1,817	
Parish Liabilities (Interest-free loans from the Diocese)	\$525,000	\$525,000

The Parish also have a term deposit of \$50,000 for contingencies.

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*

CHRIST OUR LIGHT



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

ALCOHOL FREE EVENT



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First Reading

Book of Proverbs 9:1-6

Come and eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared.

Wisdom has built herself a house, she has erected her seven pillars, she has slaughtered her beasts, prepared her wine, she has laid her table. She has despatched her maidservants and proclaimed from the city's heights: 'Who is ignorant? Let him step this way.' To the fool she says, 'Come and eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared! Leave your folly and you will live, walk in the ways of perception.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**

Revere the Lord, you his saints.
They lack nothing, those who revere him.
Strong lions suffer want and go hungry
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing. **R.**

Come, children, and hear me
that I may teach you the fear of the Lord.
Who is he who longs for life
and many days, to enjoy his prosperity? **R.**

Then keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from speaking deceit.
Turn aside from evil and do good;
seek and strive after peace. **R.**

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Second Reading

Letter to St Paul to the Ephesians 5:15-20

Be watchful that you may know the will of God.

Be very careful about the sort of lives you lead, like intelligent and not like senseless people. This may be a wicked age, but your lives should redeem it. And do not be thoughtless but recognize what is the will of the Lord. Do not drug yourselves with wine, this is simply dissipation; be filled with the Spirit, Sing the words and tunes of the psalms and hymns when you are together, and go on singing and chanting to the Lord in your hearts, so that always and everywhere you are giving thanks to God who is our Father in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who eat my flesh and drink my blood
live in me and I in them, says the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

John 6:51-58

My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

Jesus said to the crowd:

‘I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.’

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: ‘How can this man give us his flesh to eat?’ they said.

Jesus replied:

‘I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat the flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For the flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.’

The Gospel of the Lord