



Saint Mary MacKillop Catholic Parish

Birkdale · Thorneside · Wellington Point

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Third Sunday of Easter - Year B - 15th April 2018

Dear friends

You might have read that Pope Francis has written a new document. The type of document he released this week was an Apostolic Exhortation. An Apostolic Exhortation is a papal reflection on a particular topic which is intended to be read by all the faithful. We know that Pope Francis' appeal goes far beyond Catholics and I anticipate this will be true of his new document. The document is called, *Gaudete et Exultate* (Rejoice and be Glad). It's quite a lengthy document so it will take any reader some time to digest all the insights. One thing I would like to share in my early stages of reading "Rejoice and be Glad" is what Pope Francis beautifully calls "middle class of holiness".

Here is the short section where Pope Francis makes reference to "middle class of holiness". Another way I think you could phrase this concept is what I would call "neighbourhood holiness" and I think it is evident in our parishes:

"I like to contemplate the holiness present in the patience of God's people: in those parents who raise their children with immense love, in those men and women who work hard to support their families, in the sick, in elderly religious who never lose their smile. In their daily perseverance I see the holiness of the Church militant. Very often it is a holiness found in our next-door neighbours, those who, living in our midst, reflect God's presence. We might call them the middle class of holiness".

God bless

Deacon Tom

Parish Diary:

Monday 16th April

2:00pm Activities Group
7:00pm Rosary

Tuesday 17th April

10:30am Mass at Sylvan Wood
7:00pm SVdP Meeting
7:30pm Baptism Preparation

Wednesday 18th April

10:00am Prayer Group
5:00pm Music Practice

Thursday 19th April

5:30pm Reconciliation
6:00pm Mass

Friday 20th April

9:30am Mass
10:40am Mass at Dutch Village

Saturday 21st April

6:15pm Mass

Sunday 22nd April

Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00am Mass

*"Jesus is not a figure from the past: he continues now and always to light the way for us."
- Pope Francis*

This Week's Readings:

First Reading: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 – You killed the prince of life; God, however, raised him from the dead.

Psalm Response: I will praise you Lord, for you have rescued me.

(Alternative Psalm Response if spoken): Lord, let your face shine on us.

Second Reading: 1 John 2:1-5 – Jesus Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and those of the whole world.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:

Make our hearts burn with love when you speak Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48 – It is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.



Next week's Readings

First: Acts 4:8-12

Second: 1 John 3:1-2

Gospel: John 10:11-18

Mass Times: Saturday 6:15pm & Sunday 8:00am

Reconciliation: Thursday 5:30pm

Parish Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9am to 1pm.
Wednesday Closed.

A VOCATION VIEW:

What could convince someone to turn to God? That God became man and is the sacrifice that takes our sins away. Let us pray - Lord Jesus, make Your word plain to us and set our hearts on fire with love when You speak. Enable us to respond to the call to be witnesses of Your love.

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Please be mindful of our sick & all who care for them: Gemma Paxman, James Thomas, Cindy Cummins, John Bacon, Winifred Linton, Jodie Bromiley, Casey Whitby, Celsa Obligado, Trish Swan, Ian Splatt, Jan Hurst, Steven West, Ava Loda, Joan Thorpe, Denise Hodgson, Patricia Haines, Kathy Stone, Christine Inch, Belinda Wheeler, Jim Gair, Cely Salisbury, Anne Delamere, The Bade Family, Carol Parker, Brian Crimmins, Brian Johnston, Medi Camelli, Hazel Foster, Dan Mullan, Dianne Charlton, Stana Matic, Page Brosnan, Dot Abrahams, John Schoites, Corrie Roser, Amelia Ramsay, Betty Reagan, Mary Chylewski, Jeanette Moore, Nola Murphy, Jeanette McNamee, Christiana Becker, Cathy Leane, Pauline McNamee, Pat Crimmins, Gina Mather, Paul McKean, Marina Weightman.

May God embrace all who have recently died: Hazel Webster, Neville Davis, William Johannes, Ray Murphy.

Anniversaries & Remembrances April: Raffaele Topatigh, Les Richards, Mark Fallon, Jim Fagan, Peter Swart, Graham Smith, Toribia Reyes, Rosemary Marr, Maureen McCarthy, Johanna Jorna, Marilyn McDonald, Maria Andrews, Catherine Chambers, Theresa Gormley, Pat Gormley, John Gormley, Malcolm Simpson, Catherine and John Gablonski, Pat McGowan, Neville Hume, David Foley, Ian Swann, Daphne Leighton, Maria Poloniato, Kevin Moore, James Maxwell, Sam Sciacca, Brian Lane, Mick & Livia Cencig, Daisy Johnson, Maurice Pye, Sidney Ahrens, Ralph Webster, Tony Morrissey, Vivian and Rodello Cabigquez, James Leonard, Aldo Bandiero, Ismael Padilla, John Henry, George Montgomery, Georgia Higgins, Eugenia De Monte, Fred Hudson, Ian Stuart, Margaret Harrison, Aurora Tan, Doug Risson, Irene Gall, Harry Elliott, Dennis Davey, Jim Maclean, Patricia Stuart, Georgette Ferre, Alan McGrath, John Beers.

Please record any further names in the Anniversaries & Remembrance Diary at the Welcome Desk

Roster 21st & 22nd April

<u>Junior Ministers</u>		<u>Readers</u>		<u>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</u>		<u>Music</u>		
6:15pm	Molly H Volunteer	6:15pm	(1st) Michael L (2nd) Mike A (POF) Vern D	6:15pm	Dcn Tom, Lesley L, Alan B, Roisin B, Paulina P, Matty M	6:15pm	CD 8:00am CD	
8:00am	Douglas M Volunteer	8:00am	(1st) Peter L (2nd) Hilda A (POF) Lorraine K	8:00am	Dcn Tom, Lena B, April M, Brian C, Walter G, Mark C, Volunteer	6:15pm	Lisa K 8:00am Chris M	
						Counters: Gp 4 Clinton T, Stanis D, Jeff C		
<u>Weekend Mass Times</u>			<u>Week Day Mass Times</u>			<u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u>		
Saturday	Manly - 5:00pm Birkdale - 6:15pm		St John Vianney Manly Ph 3131 2610 Tuesday - 6:00pm and Wednesday - 9:30am			St Mary MacKillop Birkdale Thursday 5.30pm to 6:00pm		
Sunday	Gumdale - 7:00am Birkdale - 8:00am Manly - 9:30am		St Mary MacKillop Birkdale Ph 3822 2139 Thursday - 6:00pm and Friday - 9:30am			St John Vianney Manly Saturday 4.30pm to 5:00pm		
			Carmelite Monastery 7:00am Monday to Saturday			St Jude Gumdale Sunday following 7:00am Mass		

Mass for ANZAC Day will be celebrated at 9:00am on Wednesday 25th April.

Manly Parish Fundraiser 'Take Time for East Timor' - A fundraising breakfast will be held on Sunday 27th May 2018. All proceeds will go to our East Timor mission. Further details will be advertised in future newsletters.

Little White Books – are now available from the Welcome Desk. The books cover the Easter period and walk you through the Sunday Gospels of Easter with explanations and reflections along the way. The cost of each book is **\$5.00**.

Call For Volunteers the Parish is in need of volunteers at the weekend masses. If you would like to help with the following duties please let the parish office know by emailing your details to: birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au. Full training will be given to all interested people.

**** SACRISTAN DUTIES** (preparing the altar before and after mass)

**** READERS**

**** MINISTERS OF COMMUNION**

**** ALTAR SERVING**

**** POWER POINT SCREEN OPERATORS**

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for employees and volunteers to maintain a safe and healthy environment. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults.

Hazel Webster please pray for our past parishioner Hazel who died on Wednesday 11th April.

Anointing Mass will be celebrated at **St John Vianney Parish**, Cnr Kooralgin and Ernest Sts, Manly on Wednesday 9th May at 9.30am. Morning tea to follow in the Nano Nagle Hall. All parishioners are welcome to come and give support to the sick, elderly and housebound of the parish.

Project Compassion 2018 Thank you for all the donations so far. Please remember to bring back your compassion boxes and donations in the next couple of weeks. Project Compassion boxes can be placed in the basket provided in the Church, envelopes can be placed on the collection plates.

Volunteer with Palms Australia - Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. Palms volunteers don't do quick fixes, but immerse themselves in overseas communities for long-term skill exchange. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, share them with our global family! Contact Christine at Palms on 02 9560 5333 or go to www.palms.org.au/volunteer/

NEW PARISHIONER? WELCOME! If you are new to our Parish, you are most welcome. Please fill out the form below and place on one of the collection plates.

NAME(S): Mr / Mrs / Miss _____

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____