



# Saint Mary MacKillop Catholic Parish

Birkdale · Thorneside · Wellington Point

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## The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Year B - 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2018

### Dear friends

This Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi (Body of Christ). In today's gospel we hear something that would have sounded quite strange, even to Jesus' earliest followers.

And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. "Take it", he said "this is my body". Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, he said to them. "This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many." (Mk 14:22-24)

Some of us might ask, why did Jesus make the sacrament of communion with him a meal?

All of us hunger. All of us thirst. It is a part of what makes us human. All of us too, experience a hunger and a thirst that goes far beyond the physical reality. We hunger for friendship, we thirst to belong, we hunger for love, we thirst for forgiveness.

The Body and Blood of Jesus Christ satisfies the hungry heart, it is food for the soul. It is the spiritual food and drink from heaven that satisfies our deepest spiritual desires and brings us into union with each other, *common-union* and with Jesus Christ.

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in them, says the Lord" (Jn 6:57)

**God bless**

**Deacon Tom**

### Parish Diary:

#### Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June

2:00pm Activities Group  
7:00pm Rosary

#### Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June

*St Boniface*

#### Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June

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

#### Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June

5:30pm Reconciliation  
6:00pm Mass

#### Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June

*The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*

9:30am Mass (with Grade 1)

#### Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June

*The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

6:15pm Mass

#### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June

8:00am Mass  
10:00am Golf at Howeston followed by BBQ in the Parish Centre

*"Jesus speaks in the silence of the mystery of the Eucharist and reminds us each time that following him means going out of ourselves and making our lives not something we 'possess,' but a gift to him and to others."* - Pope Francis

### This Week's Readings:

**First Reading:** *Exod 24:3-8* - This is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you.

**Psalm Response:** Our blessing cup is a communion with the Blood of the Lord.

(Alternative Psalm Response if spoken): I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

**Second Reading:** *Heb 9:11-15* - The blood of Christ will purify our inner selves.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** *Mark 14:12-16, 22-26* - This is my body. This is my blood.

**Next week's Readings**

**First: Gen 3:9-15**

**Second: 2 Cor 4:13 - 5:1**

**Gospel: Mark 3:20-35**

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

**Reconciliation:** Thursday 5:30pm

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

**Pastor:** Fr Frank Jones

**Associate Pastor:** Fr Epati Tamati

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### A VOCATION VIEW:

Through the ministry of our ordained priests, we receive Holy Communion. Through the Body and Blood of Christ, we are made one body: to become Christ-like ... purified ... ready to serve.  
Pray for Vocations

**Please be mindful of our sick & all who care for them:** Rod Adams, 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, Christiana Becker, Cathy Leane, Pauline McNamee, Pat Crimmins, Gina Mather, Paul McKean, Marina Weightman.

**May God embrace all who have recently died:** Leonie Tonkin, Josie Romero, Gina Rosa, Iris Dyer, Hazel Webster, Neville Davis, Ray Murphy.

**Anniversaries & Remembrances June:** Maria Topatig, Mary Lawes, Angelo Garbuio, Marjorie Tough, Tess Pellow, June Flynn, Veronika Wagner, Molly Kennedy, Rosalia Biscontin, Jack MacNamara, Des O'Connor, May Morrison, James Hume, Levina White, Luigina Basso, Trevor Bignell, Marguerita Freeman, Nellie Sheehan, Ray Bandiera, Peter Potts, Amedio Aquili, Billy Abrahams, Michael Hickey, Rita Freeman, Mary McCourt, William Webster, Evelyn Newman, Waclaw Kupidura, Paul Sklyarov, Ayda Daboin, Charlie Barry, Margaret Crichton, Richard Ashton, Lenore Thompson, Ernie McCullagh, Dick Curran.

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

**Roster 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> June**

<u>Junior Ministers</u>		<u>Readers</u>		<u>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</u>		<u>Music</u>	
<b>6:15pm</b>	Ivan J Volunteer	<b>6:15pm</b>	(1st) Volunteer (2nd) Emma M (POF) Mary S	<b>6:15pm</b>	Dcn Tom John E, Therese E, Mary D, Tom M	<b>6:15pm</b>	Gp 3 <b>8:00am</b> Gp 2
<b>8:00am</b>	Theresa W Volunteer	<b>8:00am</b>	(1st) Loretta M (2nd) Julie C (POF) Jane W	<b>8:00am</b>	Dcn Tom, Lena B, April M, Brian C, Walter G, Mark C, Anthony W	<b>Powerpoint</b> <b>6:15pm</b> Lisa K <b>8:00am</b> Chris M	<b>Counters:</b> Gp 2 Maria S & Tania M
						<b>Cleaning:</b> Gp 1 Carole C & Marie P	

  

<u>Weekend Mass Times</u>		<u>Week Day Mass Times</u>		<u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u>	
<b>Saturday</b>	Manly - 5:00pm Birkdale - 6:15pm	<b>St John Vianney Manly</b> Ph 3131 2610 Tuesday - 6:00pm and Wednesday - 9:30am	<b>St Mary MacKillop Birkdale</b> Ph 3822 2139 Thursday - 6:00pm and Friday - 9:30am	<b>St Mary MacKillop Birkdale</b> Thursday 5.30pm to 6:00pm	
<b>Sunday</b>	Gumdale - 7:00am Birkdale - 8:00am Manly - 9:30am	<b>Carmelite Monastery</b> 7:00am Monday to Saturday		<b>St John Vianney Manly</b> Saturday 4.30pm to 5:00pm	
				<b>St Jude Gumdale</b> Sunday following 7:00am Mass	

**SACRAMENTAL THANK YOU** we would like to thank all the sacristans, teachers, supper volunteers and all who helped throughout the First Eucharist Celebrations for the children.

**Deacon Thomas' Ordination** will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St Stephen, Brisbane on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 7:00pm. All parishioners are welcome. Dcn Tom will remain with the Parishes of Birkdale and Manly until the end of this year.

**St MMK Social Golf Club** will play their next game on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June at Howeston Golf Course. Tee off 10am. BBQ in the Parish Centre follows. Any enquiries, phone Steve on 0417 195 571.

**Planned Giving Weekly Envelopes** for July 2018 to June 2019 will soon be available. Should you wish to join the Planned Giving Scheme or change to using either direct debit or credit card deductions, please phone the parish office on 3822 2139.

**We thank you for your generosity and ongoing support of our Parish.**

**Small Coins for East Timor** The collection jar for your SMALL COINS will be at the Welcome Desk each week. Total collected to date is **\$11,599.15**.

**Columbarium** We are now taking reservations for niches or plaques. If you would like to discuss your requirements or have any questions about the process, please contact the Parish Office on 3822 2139 to arrange a suitable time.

**Catholic Mission Church Appeal on June 9-10, 2018** - Next weekend our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission Church Appeal. This year we are invited to help to heal a nation through education in Myanmar. Led by Cardinal Charles Maung Bo, the Church is developing an alternative system of quality education, with comprehensive teacher training programs and the establishment of new schools, especially in remote areas. Please come prepared next weekend and give generously to this important work. You will have an opportunity to become an integral part of this inspiring work by joining as a monthly giving partner.

**Year of Youth Retreat Day:** Facilitated by Youth Evangelisation Office for Young adults 18-30; High schoolers (in group bookings led by their youth leader). Monday June 25 from 9:30am – 3:30pm. Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, 267 Wellington St. Ormiston. Cost: Free (gifted by Archbishop Mark Coleridge), includes lunch, tea & coffee.

**SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENTION & PROTECTION POLICY STATEMENT** ...for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Mark 10:14. Children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded. This means that everyone in the church must ensure that the fundamental rights of children, young people and vulnerable adults are respected. This will be achieved through the development of respectful relationships and a commitment to safety embracing appropriate boundaries, behaviours and practices, in accordance with the Archdiocese of Brisbane *Code of Ethical Behaviour for employees and volunteers who work in service of the Church* as well as adherence to the legislative imperatives of the State. Local Safeguarding Officer for Birkdale Parish is Lisa Knight: 3822 2139 [birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au)

**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: \_\_\_\_\_