



# Saint Mary MacKillop Catholic Parish

Birkdale · Thorneside · Wellington Point

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## 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B - 19<sup>th</sup> August 2018

### Dear friends

Next week is we will celebrate the sacrament of confirmation in our Parish. This is a momentous occasion for the life of those to be Confirmed and also for their sponsors, family, friends and the life of the Church.

The sacraments of baptism, confirmation & holy orders are all sacraments that cannot be repeated. These sacraments change our very being and therefore our relationship to God and the world. Perhaps, baptism is the most dynamic change that we ever experience. In baptism we are born into eternity, we are refreshed and washed in the life-giving waters of the Trinity, we become the Church; the mystical Body of Christ.

In the sacrament of Confirmation our candidates will receive a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit. The sacrament "does" what it says, it confirms the candidates' baptism. That is why the renewal of the candidates' baptismal promises is so important. The renewal of baptismal promises is a significant event in the life of the Church and the candidates are further initiated into the Church as they speak for themselves. These promises made in a public forum in front of a bishop is a moment of great joy.

The candidates will receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit and like the Pentecost event will be commissioned to go and, "spread the Good News to all nations".

Let us pray this week for all our candidates, their sponsors and their families.

**God bless**

**Fr Thomas**

### Parish Diary:

#### Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August

*St Maximilian*

2:00pm Activities Group

7:00pm Rosary

#### Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August

*St Pius X*

10:30am **Mass** at Sylvan Woods

5:00pm Music Practice

7:00pm SVdP Meeting

7:30pm Baptism Preparation

#### Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August

*The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

10:00am Prayer Group

6:00pm Rehearsal for Confirmation

#### Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August

NO Reconciliation or Mass

6:00pm Confirmation Celebration

#### Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August

*St Bartholomew*

9:30am **Mass**

#### Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> August

3:30pm Baptism Celebrations

6:15pm **Mass**

#### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August

8:00am **Mass**

*I believe though I do not comprehend,  
and I hold by faith what I cannot grasp  
with the mind - St Bernard*

### ***This Week's Readings:***

***First Reading: Prov 9:1-6 – Come and eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared.***

***Psalms Response: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord, the goodness of the Lord.***

***(Alternative Psalm Response if spoken): Taste and see the goodness of the Lord, the goodness of the Lord.***

***Second Reading: Eph 5:15-20 – Be watchful that you may know the will of God.***

### **Gospel Acclamation**

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

***Gospel: John 6:51-58 – My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.***



***Next week's Readings***

***First: Josh 24:1-2, 15-18***

***Second: Eph 5:21-32***

***Gospel: John 6:60-69***

**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:***

John's Gospel reveals God's promise of the Word made flesh. This is revealed through the sacrifice made by Christ: "I am the living bread, come down from heaven ... the bread I give is my flesh for the life of the world ...".

Do this in memory of Him

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**Please be mindful of our sick & all who care for them:** Lesley West, 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:** Michael Mossop, Paul Claussen, Tina Koevoets (Linck), Leonie Tonkin, Josie Romero, Ray Murphy.

**Anniversaries & Remembrances August:** Ernesto Zanatta, Peg Devlin, Maureen Garty, Joel Casley, Greg Dwyer, Steve Toon, Mitchell Montgomery, Martin Walsh, Neil Bryson, Helena Szwajczak, Patrick O'Connor, Giuseffina Garbuio, Valda Montgomery, Robert Peters, George Hayes, Ernie Mullan, Tom Power, Patricia Thomsen, Roxanne Allam, Peter Quinn, Christine McQuillan, Hugh Magee, Doreen Webb, Max Ferris, Ragagnin Antonio, Ellen Hume, Michael Wellington, Rosa Rominelli, Margaret Ansell-Vosti, Mary Ward, Thomas McNamee, Helen McNamee, Modesta Santarossa, Raniero Citeroni, Angela Citeroni, Hazel Padget, Eileen Doherty, John Howard, Basilio Poloniato, Doris and Ray Sharp, Michael Czapkowski.

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

**Roster 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> August**

<b>Junior Ministers</b>		<b>Readers</b>		<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</b>		<b>Music</b>	
<b>6:15pm</b>	Volunteers needed	<b>6:15pm</b>	(1st) Suzanne G (2nd) Matty M (POF) Martin M	<b>6:15pm</b>	John E, Therese E, Tom M	<b>6:15pm</b>	Gp 3 8:00am Gp 2
<b>8:00am</b>	Douglas M Volunteers	<b>8:00am</b>	(1st) Hilda A (2nd) Lorraine K (POF) Peter L	<b>8:00am</b>	Lena B, April M, Brian C, Walter G, Mark C	<b>Powerpoint</b>	
				<b>*** Fewer ministers will be required during flu season*****</b>		<b>6:15pm</b>	Emma M 8:00am Chris M
						<b>Counters:</b>	Gp 4 Stanis D & Jeff C
						<b>Cleaning:</b>	Gp 4 Christian P

  

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

**THANK YOU FEAST DAY HELPERS** Thank you to everyone who helped prepare and run our Feast Day Celebrations. Special thanks to St Mary MacKillop School and P & F for the sausage sizzle and jumping castle. Thank you also to everyone who supported the Parish raffle, which was drawn by Fr Thomas last Sunday at the Feast Day celebrations. \$350.00 was raised. First prize went to Thomas T (C89), second prize to Dennis R (C81) and third prize to Betty P (D74). Congratulations to all winners.

**WELCOME Samoan Choir** We welcome Fr Epati and his Samoan Choir this Sunday and thank them for sharing Mass with us.

**Sacramental Journey** Confirmation Celebrations will be held on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm. Rehearsal is on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August at 6:00pm.

**St MMK Social Golf Club** will play their next game on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> August at Howeston Golf Course. Tee off 10am. Any enquiries, phone Steve on 0417 195 571.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** Monsignor Peter Meneely will celebrate Confirmation for our Sacramental children on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August. **There will be no Mass or Reconciliation on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August.**

**Centralised safeguarding training** for September 2018 is now available. Register using the website link & invitation code below, with 100 places available per session. This face-to-face training is only applicable to those registered volunteers who are:

- providing services for children & vulnerable adults
- engaging in activities mainly with children & vulnerable adults
- in a leadership/council/finance position
- also employed by their parish, faith community or the Archdiocese

All other volunteers are to defer training until online options become available by the end of 2018.

**Upcoming Session: Date:** Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. **Time:** 12:30pm – 2:30pm. **Location:** Hanly Room – Francis Rush Centre, 277 Elizabeth St Brisbane Qld 4000. Website Link: <https://www.trybooking.com/VAWT> Invitation Code: safeguardspring. Please printout individual tickets and either distribute in the lead up to each training session **or** retain the individual tickets and distribute at each training session. **Please note, attendees are required to produce their individual tickets for scanned entry.** To facilitate this process, attendees are requested to arrive 15 minutes prior to commencement. If you have any queries regarding the Safeguarding Training session, please do not hesitate to contact us via email or on 07 3324 3752.

**FINANCE OFFICER POSITION:** this position has become vacant at Star of the Sea Parish Cleveland. Applications are invited from suitable qualified people to undertake the recording, updating and reporting of financial transactions of the parish. The position is for 6 hours weekly and reports to the Parish Priest and Finance Committee. Applicants should submit their resume through the Parish Office **by Friday 24 August 2018.**

**From the Archdiocese of Brisbane:** For the second time in two years, the Queensland Parliament will debate whether to make abortion legal. The draft bill will allow abortion until the day that a baby is born – late-term abortions will be legal in Queensland as long as two doctors agree that it “in all the circumstances, the termination should be performed”. This will mean that social reasons will be enough for a legal abortion of a full-term baby. The Archdiocese wants to ensure that Queenslanders understand this new bill and have time to consider it. We believe both lives matter and the bill should not go ahead. We have a petition for signing on the Welcome Desk. Please visit our website to learn more: <https://community.actonit.com.au/aob/>

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