



Saint Mary MacKillop Catholic Parish

Birkdale · Thorneside · Wellington Point

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C - 10th February 2019

Dear friends

Jesus tells his disciples to push the boat out further into deeper water. This is quite a challenge for the weary disciples after they had been exhausted from working all night and having had no success with a catch of fish.

It seems like just when you have had enough, you may be challenged to keep going and persevere until you have achieved what you fought for in the first place. Perseverance is a virtue that is sorely needed today.

It is quite easy to be enthusiastic to help or begin a project at first glance. It is not until the long night appears after an extended time of sheer hard work that we are called to go that extra mile. Fewer people reach the finishing line compared to those who began. Time, effort, hardship and sacrifice seem to be the cause of so many who fall out of the race.

Perseverance is that steady persistence in a course of action, a purpose, a state of life or commitment especially in spite of difficulties, obstacles or discouragement. In our Christian faith, perseverance means continuing to live in a state of grace to the end which leads to our eternal reward.

Putting out into the deep requires a real relationship with Jesus, true faith in spite of the fog and darkness of night. Dawn always arrives, endurance always conquers. It is the tenacity to keep going, like being glued and determined against all the odds. This type of faith will always make us winners. The character of any man or woman or child is found in their perseverance.

Believing in Jesus despite all the difficulties will create a person who is never overcome. A person who will resolutely find joy in being faithful and true. Faith can only be won through perseverance. Keep going, never give up.

God love you

Fr Frank

Parish Diary:

Monday 11th February

2:00pm Activities Group

7:00pm Rosary

Tuesday 12th February

Wednesday 13th February

10:00am Prayer Group

5:00pm Music Practice

Thursday 14th February

Sts Cyril and Methodius

5:30pm Reconciliation

6:00pm **Mass**

Friday 15th February

9:00am **Mass** (note change of time for this week only)

10:40am **Mass at Dutch Village**

Saturday 16th February

6:15pm **Mass**

Sunday 17th February

8:00am **Mass**

9:00am Sacramental information session

*"If you are humble
nothing will touch you,
neither praise nor disgrace,
because you know what you are."*

— Mother Teresa

This Week's Readings:

First Reading: Isa 6:1-8 - Here am I! Send me.

Psalm Response: In the presence of the angels, O Lord,
may we praise your name, may we praise your name.

(Alternative Psalm Response if spoken): In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Cor 15:1-11 - I preach what they preach, and this is what you believe.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Come follow me, says the Lord, and I will make you fishers of my people.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11 - They left everything and followed him.



Next week's Readings

First: Jer 17:5-8

Second: 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20

Gospel: Luke 6:17, 20-26

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

Reconciliation: Thursday 5:30pm

Parish Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9am to 1pm.

Wednesday Closed.

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A VOCATION VIEW:

God does not ask you to be successful:
God does ask you to be faithful.
Come and follow him.

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Please be mindful of our sick & all who care for them: Judy Mullan, Charles Lilley, Ann Brown, Sally Legarda, Kade Battersby, Lesley West, Gemma Paxman, James Thomas, Cindy Cummins, John Bacon, Winifred Linton, Jodie Bromiley, Casey Whitby, 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: Jackie Watkins, Brian Cannon, Jack Rosa, Rod Adams.

Anniversaries & Remembrances February: Gladys Wicks, Maria Otilia Patelesio, Kelly Delaney, Pearl Montgomery, Elva Park, Gaetano Cameli, Thelma Rubach, Giovanni Patti, Monica Evans, Ian Jackson, Br Kevin McGhee MSC, William Davies, Sheila Evans, Ned Matic, Patrick Conroy, Balbena Montgomery, Celeste Quinn, Jos Peters, Vicente Reyes Sr, Christine Leane, Alan Wyatt, Harry Ball-Wilson, Bob Lough, John McIntyre, Jill Martin, Bill Kelly, Ida Garbuio, Tony Alcock, Robert Montgomery, Daphne Weeks, Gina Biscontin, Adrian Delacour, Alan Wyatt, Joseph McNamee, Peter Sherry, Doreen Bergin, Nadia Sklyarova, Geoffrey Scandrett, Warren Smith, Margaret Silveira, Evelyn Holmes, Greg Lawler, Beryl McNulty, Vincent Webster.

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

Roster 16th & 17th February

Junior Ministers		Readers		Extraordinary Ministers of Communion		Music					
6:15pm	Molly H	6:15pm	(1st) Vern D (2nd) Tanina D (POF) Michael L	6:15pm	Lesley L, Alan B, Roisin B, Paulina P, Matty M	6:15pm	Gp 1	8:00am	Gp 3		
8:00am	Robert M Sarah M	8:00am	(1st) Peter M (2nd) Margaret C (POF) Lorraine K	8:00am	Julie C, Elaine H, Michael D, Kerry B, Monica O, 2 <i>Volunteers</i>	Powerpoint		6:15pm	Lisa K	8:00am	Clinton T
				Counters:				Gp 3		Matty M, Gilbert B, Dawn M, Nina M	
				Cleaning:				Gp 3		Jodie M & Therese B	
Weekend Mass Times			Week Day Mass Times			Sacrament of Reconciliation					
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					

The Cannon Family would like to thank friends and parishioners for many expressions of sympathy in their recent loss of Brian. Your support is much appreciated.

Opening School Mass will be celebrated in the Church at **9:00am** (NOTE CHANGE OF TIME FOR THIS WEEK ONLY) on Friday 15th February. All welcome.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND AND ROME Fr Frank will be accompanying a 15 Night/18 Day pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Rome departing 29th September 2019 and returning Wednesday 16th October 2019. The tour is being organised by Harvest Journeys and will be visiting Amman, Jerash, Dead Sea, Bethany Beyond the Jordan, Sea of Galilee, Nazareth, Cana, Mt Tabor, Mt Carmel, Haifa, Jericho, Jerusalem and Rome. Brochures available from the Parish Office. **For more information see Fr Frank.**

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

Vitae – for At Risk Youth. This weekend Monsignor Butler will be celebrating Masses at St Mary MacKillop and will be conducting an Appeal for his work with Vitae (www.vitae.org.au). Vitae offers lads, who are struggling to make a fist of life, the opportunity to do better by putting them through 10 days of a Bush Phase followed by one year of mentoring in the Mateship Phase. Your support will be appreciated.

Sacramental Journey 2019 The Sacramental journey, for baptised and Confirmed Catholic children in Grade 4 commences on **Sunday 17th February** at the 8:00am Mass. Parents/guardians and children wishing to enrol for Reconciliation and 1st Eucharist **must attend** Mass which will be followed by a short information meeting. For children currently in Grade 3 we will offer the Sacrament of Confirmation only in September 2019 and these children will receive Reconciliation and 1st Eucharist in 2020 in accordance with the Archdiocese Sacramental Guidelines. Enrolment for Confirmation will be in July 2019.

Plenary Council 2020 Meeting for Redland and Bayside Deanery – Thursday 21st February 2019 at 6:30pm (following the 6:00pm Parish Mass) at St Mary MacKillop Parish Centre, 12 Hardy Rd, Birkdale. Preparation for the Plenary Council 2020 begins with **open Listening and Dialogue**. It is the first step to preparing the agenda for the Plenary Council. Your experience of faith and church is important. To prepare, we all are invited to reflect on the question: **“What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?”** Everyone is invited to attend the meeting and is encouraged to speak freely and honestly, sharing from your heart. Pope Francis speaks of our Church being a *synodal* Church – a listening Church – and in this process of Listening and Dialogue, we are called to listen to one another, and in doing this try to listen to God. For it is in encountering one another that we encounter Jesus. This meeting is open to all parishioners of the Redland-Bayside Deanery. For further information please contact the St Mary MacKillop Parish office on 3822 2139.

World Day of Prayer Service Friday 1st March at 10:30am the local World Day of Prayer service will be hosted at Redlands Church of Christ, 51 Allenby Road, Alexandra Hills QLD 4161. Lunch is provided following the service. We hope you will be able to join us for the service and the lunch.

Iona College Enrolment Applications are now being accepted for 2021 Year 7 and Year 5. To complete an Enrolment Form, book a College Tour and find out about Iona's Open Day go to: <http://enrol.iona.qld.edu.au/>. For further assistance, contact the College Registrar, Mrs Sharon Young on 3893 8801 or at enrol@iona.qld.edu.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: _____