



Saint Mary MacKillop Catholic Parish

Birkdale · Thorneside · Wellington Point

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Fourth Sunday of Easter Year C - 12th May 2019

Dear friends

Today is Mother's Day and we wish all our Mothers a beautiful day of peace and joy. What a gift is our Mother. No one can replace her. From her we receive everything. From her our human features and our character is formed. From our mother we receive the first taste of true love, unconditional and sacrificial. We place our trust in our mother who is at the beginning of our life "the guardian of our soul". There can be no higher vocation than that of a mother. The tenderness and constant care of a mother knows no boundaries or obstacles. A mother is always alert and constantly listening to the cry of her child. No more perfect image of God's love for us as creator and redeemer is found other than a Mother. Jesus himself refers to His love for us as that of a mother who wishes to gather her young ones under her wings. Today, may we remember with deep respect and honour, the gift of our own mother. She is worthy of our high esteem and gratitude. For in her, we hear and feel the tender love of God which has no limits. Happy Mother's Day to all women in our parish. For in every woman the gift of life and maternal love is found in her voice.

"Mothers hold their children's hands for a short while, but their hearts forever".
 "No gift to your Mother can ever equal Her gift to you - Life".

God love you

Fr Frank

Mother's Day Prayer

Loving God, You wrap your arms around your people and show your everlasting love in the same way a mother loves her children. We are grateful for the love you have taught us through the mothers in our lives: our own mother who brought us into this world, the mothers of friends who have welcomed us into their homes and families, our grandmothers who took time for us, and the mothers who have helped us even though we were not their children. Bless all the mothers in the world today. May they know the fullness of love they have shared and be blessed every day of their lives. Amen

Parish Diary:

Monday 13th May

2:00pm Activities
 2:00pm Conversation Group
 7:00pm Rosary

Tuesday 14th May

St Matthias

7:00pm SVdP Meeting
 7:30pm Baptism Preparation

Wednesday 15th May

7:30am HeartFIT
 10:00am Prayer Group
 5:00pm Music Practice

Thursday 16th May

5:30pm Reconciliation
 6:00pm Mass

Friday 17th May

9:30am Mass
 10:40am Mass at Dutch Village
 6:00pm Fete Art & Craft Group

Saturday 18th May

6:15pm Mass
 3:30pm Baptism Celebrations

Sunday 19th May

8:00am Mass

*Mother's love is peace.
 It need not be acquired,
 it need not be deserved.*

- Erich Fromm

This Week's Readings:

First Reading: Acts 13:14, 43-52 - We are now turning to the gentiles.

Psalms Response: We are God's people, the flock of the Lord.

(Alternative Psalm Response if spoken): We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Second Reading: Apoc 7:9, 14-17 - The lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord, I know my sheep and mine know me. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 10:27-30 - I give my sheep eternal life.



Next week's Readings First: Acts 14:21-27

Second: Apoc 21:1-5

Gospel: John 13:31-35

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

Reconciliation: Thursday 5:30pm

Parish Office Hours:

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

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A VOCATION VIEW:

Let people know that Jesus has the solution. Cast your net on the other side of life. Listen to God's Son. And tell the world what you hear!

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Please be mindful of our sick & all who care for them: Judy Mullan, Charles Lilley, Ann Brown, Sally Legarda, 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, Patricia Haines, Belinda Wheeler, Cely Salisbury, The Bade Family, Carol Parker, Brian Crimmins, Brian Johnston, Medi Camelli, Hazel Foster, Dan Mullan, Stana Matic, Page Brosnan, Dot Abrahams, 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: Denise Hodgson, Ann Armstrong, Kathy Stone, Frances Bristow, Justin Mullan, Jim Gair, John Kelly, Lesley West, Anne Delamere, Jackie Watkins, John Scholtes, Brian Cannon.

Anniversaries & Remembrances May: Josephine Romero, Babs Gilhooley, Amber Rose (birthday) daughter of Celina and David McGovern, Michael Czapkowski (birthday), Anastacia Wieland, Bill Cluck, Matha Cluck, Flo Conway, Denis Glanville, Edward Bartlett, Barbara McGhee, Alma Maclean, Jessie Maclean, Kerry Powell, Norma Cowsell, Simon Bromley, Giovanni Ragagnin, Betty Avenia, Sr Anne Pulling RSH, Dr Salolatore Vitali, Laureen Smith, Maureen McNab, Bede Ryan, Aldo Bandiera, James Harrison, Ann Hockings, Nellie Modral, Saul David, Alberto Bandiera, Patricia Watson, Noel & Role Gablonski, Luigi Basso, Irma Moroney, Moira Peterson, Margaret Knights, Jessie Maclean, James King.

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

Roster 18th & 19th May

Junior Ministers		Readers	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Music
6:15pm	Molly H	6:15pm (1st) Suzanne G (2nd) Vern D (POF) Tanina D	6:15pm Lesley L, Alan B, Roisin B, Paulina P, Matty M	6:15pm Gp 1 8:00am Gp 4
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, 3 <i>Volunteers</i>	Powerpoint 6:15pm Lisa K 8:00am Chris M Counters: Gp 3 Matty M, 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 Ph 3822 2139 Thursday - 6:00pm and Friday - 9:30am Carmelite Monastery 7:00am Monday to Saturday		St Mary MacKillop Birkdale Thursday 5.30pm to 6:00pm St John Vianney Manly Saturday 4.30pm to 5:00pm St Jude Gumdale Sunday following 7:00am Mass
Sunday	Gumdale - 7:00am Birkdale - 8:00am Manly - 9:30am			

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.**

Safeguarding for Volunteers to comply with the Archdiocese Safeguarding policy all volunteers must complete Level 1 Safeguarding Training. The training can be completed on line at <https://www.safeguardingaob.com.au/>. Once you have watched the presentation, you will need to complete the Confirmation of Completion for Safeguarding Essentials Presentation Form and return it to the Parish Office (or in a sealed envelope on the Collection Plates at Mass marked "SAFEGUARDING TRAINING"). **Thank you to all our volunteers.**

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 \$13,492.45.

Planned Giving Weekly Envelopes for July 2019 to June 2020 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.

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Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend 2nd to 4th August 2019 – relationship enrichment for married couples at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston Qld. **For bookings/details contact:** Maria and David Murphy, ph (07) 3342 1456, dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au Information website: www.wwme.org.au

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.

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: _____