



Saint Mary MacKillop Catholic Parish

Birkdale · Thorneside · Wellington Point

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The Ascension of the Lord Year C – 2nd June 2019

Dear friends

On this feast of the Ascension, we take heed of the words of St Paul to live lives worthy of our vocation and to enhance the charity and unity amongst ourselves.

We know that Our Lord is always with us, until the last day. We acknowledge that for all of us, our love for Jesus is the way to find Him. The knowledge of the heart, the desire and longing for God are enough for us to encounter Him. Our faith in Christ cannot be maintained through cold intellectual assent. Love and service are the means to really find Him. "Why are you standing here, looking into the sky?"

This very question given to the disciples can also be the same for us. Jesus is not just found above but He is truly present here amongst us. The way to find Him is through love.

Christians are people who serve. In serving others we find Christ, especially in the sick and wounded. Our families are the first encounter with Him. The old phrase, "Charity begins at home" is very true. Basic service and care of the needs of our own family is essential for the upbuilding of unity and joy for any family.

The feast of the Ascension is meant to lift us up to the reality of our vocation to love and form families, built upon respect and care for each member. One way which is essential for this unity is to be very careful in the manner of our speech and criticism. The next step is to anticipate the needs of others and be ready to take the first step. To listen and take time for each other. To ensure that our work load does not interfere with healthy family time and above all to do what we are all doing now – to pray and find Jesus lifted up for us in every Mass we celebrate.

God love you

Fr Frank

Parish Diary:

Monday 3rd June

Charles Lwanga & companions
2:00pm Activities
7:00pm Rosary

Tuesday 4th June

Wednesday 5th June

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

Thursday 6th June

5:30pm Reconciliation
6:00pm Mass

Friday 7th June

9:30am Anointing Mass
followed by morning tea
10:30am Mass at Regis Grange

Saturday 8th June

6:15pm Mass (with St Mary MacKillop school Reed House)

Sunday 9th June

Pentecost Sunday
8:00am Mass

*"Give every day the chance to become the most beautiful day of your life."
— Mark Twain*

This Week's Readings:

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11 – *Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.*

Psalm Response: God mounts his throne to shouts of joy, a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

(Alternative Psalm Response if spoken): God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Second Reading: Eph 1:17-23 – *He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.*

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel.
I am with you always until the end of the world. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 24:46-53 – *While blessing them, he was taken to heaven.*



Next week's Readings First: Acts 2:1-11 Second: Rom 8:8-17 Gospel: John 14:15-16, 23-26

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

Reconciliation: Thursday 5:30pm

Parish Office Hours:

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

A VOCATION VIEW:

Our Spiritual Life is a Journey - following the Call of the Master to "Go and teach all people my Gospel."
Say "Yes" over and over again

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Please be mindful of our sick & all who care for them: Kevin Harrop, 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.

May God embrace all who have recently died: Nell Elliott, Alfonso Laner, 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 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 8th & 9th June

Junior Ministers		Readers	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Music
6:15pm Volunteer	6:15pm	(1st) Don F (2nd) Mary S (POF) Carolyn W	6:15pm Mary D, Tom M, Anne-Maree C	6:15pm Gp 3 8:00am Gp 2
8:00am Theresa W	8:00am	(1st) Loretta M (2nd) Julie C (POF) Jane W	8:00am Lena B, April M, Walter G, Mark C, Anthony W *** Fewer ministers will be required during flu season*****	Powerpoint 6:15pm Emma M 8:00am Chris M
				Counters: Gp 2 Maria S & Lisa K Cleaning:

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		

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to all who helped out at Nell's Funeral, to those assisted setting up tables and chairs, to the providers of food, to those who helped serve and those of you who with the cleaning up afterwards also to those who do the laundering of the tablecloths and tea towels, many, many thanks. A reminder to all to collect their plates/dishes if they have left them in the Parish Centre.

Mass of Anointing – will be celebrated at 9.30am in the church on **Friday 7 June**. Morning tea to follow in the parish centre. All are welcome to give support to the sick, elderly and housebound of the parish.

Readers, Communion Ministers, Junior Ministers: The current rosters finish at the end of June and new rosters will be prepared shortly. We will assume you will continue in these roles, but if you require any changes, please contact Mary or the Parish Office soon. **Thank you all for supporting our Parish in this manner.**

STOPLine is an external service provided by the Archdiocese of Brisbane to receive confidential information about 'reportable conduct' under the Archdiocesan Whistleblower Policy. Reportable conduct includes suspected abuse, misconduct, mismanagement and policy breaches. The Whistleblower policy applies to the Archdiocese, Brisbane Catholic Education and Centacare Brisbane. Information can be shared anonymously.

Redland Bayside Deanery Appeal 2019 With winter upon us and the nights getting colder, spare a thought for those in our Redland Bayside Deanery community who are most at risk. We wish to collect the following items to provide Rosies, BABI and Night Ninjas with some basic resources which they require to fulfill their mission:

Cup-a-soup, Cup of noodles, Coffee, Cordial, Sugar, Milo, Long-life Milk, Biscuits, Muesli bars, Non-perishables such as: Tinned Meals and Vegetables (ring pull cans), Tinned spaghetti (ring pull cans), Tinned baked beans (ring pull cans), Tinned soup (ring pull cans), Tinned fruit, Cup of fruit in juice (125g), Weetbix, Cornflakes, Pasta, Rice, Pasta sauce, Rice meals, Pasta meals, Crackers/Snacks, Tea, Milo, Salt/Pepper, Sauces, Roll on deodorant (no glass please), Safety razors and shaving cream, Serviettes (packs of 100 please), Plastic spoons, Cleaning products, Washing up liquid. The appeal will run from Saturday **1 June to Sunday 9th June** in our Parish. If you can help by placing an item from the list in the baskets that will be provided in the Church or to the Parish Office it will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Manly Parish East Timor Fundraising Breakfast Winners of the Raffle – 1st Ash Botha Ticket 1703 (GEN 6 iPad), 2nd Mario Baudur Ticket 1036 (\$200.00 Cash), 3rd Alan Worling Ticket 12 01 (Bunnings Voucher \$100.00). Thank you for your support. **The final figure raise was \$5,868.**

Corpus Christi Procession Sunday 23rd June 2019 from 2:00pm. Cathedral of St Stephen, 249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane, QLD. www.corpuschristibrisbane.com **Flower girls for the Corpus Christi procession:** For girls (10-18 years). The girls would have to wear, either a white dress or a black skirt and white top. We would meet just outside the 'Francis Rush Centre' (which is right beside the Cathedral - on the left hand side when facing the front entrance) at approx 1:15pm. To volunteer for the procession or to receive further information, please contact Kylie on 0413 218 673.

St Rita's Bus Trip: on **Wednesday, 19th June** to the beautiful Roma Street Gardens for a guided talk and walk, or a ride on the trackless train to view these magnificent gardens. Lunch will be at the historic Brekky Creek Hotel. Later we can view the Brekky Creek Museum and have some retail therapy at nearby wholesalers. Phone **Ann on 0411 966 216 for bookings.**

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: _____