



Saint Mary MacKillop Catholic Parish

Birkdale · Thorneside · Wellington Point

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C - 21st July 2019

Dear friends

This week, we find Jesus in the Gospel spending time in Bethany amongst his closest friends, Lazarus, Martha and Mary.

Here in Bethany Jesus could receive the healthy affection and love of his friends. He could be himself and feel at home. This friendship was so important for Jesus as He spent His life, giving to others. For ourselves too, we are blessed by God in our friends. Their love and affection fills us up when we are empty. Friendship is essential for a healthy sense of well being. It is love that renews, heals and provides energy when the difficulties of life face us.

Jesus puts it quite clearly to Martha that what He requires is the listening attentive heart of her sister Mary. The first step to love is to listen. True friendship can only be realised with one who listens with the heart. A great deal of healing and the relief of a heavy burden are achieved through the friend who gives time to listen to me. In order to listen we have to be quiet and attentive. We cannot be distracted by our own personal issues. My friend needs me to be centred on what they are feeling and experiencing. In order to be fully attentive to a friend, one must learn to listen with the heart. Few words are needed in a true conversation.

Jesus is asking all of us to take the time to become quiet from the noisy distractions of daily living when we come to Sunday Mass.

How can we possibly listen to His Word in the scriptures and feel His Presence in the Eucharist if we are absorbed in our own little world?

True prayer is being silent and attentive before Our Lord. It is important to arrive early for Mass, in order to quieten down and become calm; free from the distractions of daily life.

The better part is "to be still and know that I am God" says the Lord. Silence is golden because it provides the opening for grace and the presence of God.

Fr Frank's health is improving steadily. He is very grateful for all the prayers and well wishes. Please keep him in your prayers.

Parish Diary:

Monday 22nd July

St Mary Magdalene

2:00pm Activities Group

7:00pm Rosary

Tuesday 23rd July

7:00pm SVdP Meeting

Wednesday 24th July

7:30am HeartFIT

9:00am Fete Art & Craft

10:00am Prayer Group

5:00pm Music Practice

Thursday 25th July

St James

9:30am Finance Council Meeting

5:30pm Reconciliation

6:00pm Mass

Friday 26^h July

St Joachim and Anne

9:30am Mass

10:40am Mass at Dutch Village

6:00pm Fete Art & Craft Group

Saturday 27th July

6:15pm Mass

3:30pm Baptism Celebrations

Sunday 28th July

8:00am Mass

"The fruit of silence is prayer. The fruit of prayer is faith. The fruit of faith is love. The fruit of love is service. The fruit of service is peace."

- Mother Teresa.

This Week's Readings:

First Reading: Gen 18:1-10 – Lord, do not bypass your servant.

Psalms Response: The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading: Col 1: 24-28 – The mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart, and yield a harvest through perseverance.. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 10: 38-42 – Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.



Next week's Readings First: Gen 18:20-32

Second: Col 2:12-14

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

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:

How enjoyable to sit and talk with a friend. How vocational to sit and talk with your friend Jesus. Take time just to BE WITH Jesus. For the just will live in His presence

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Please be mindful of our sick & all who care for them: Ann Duran, 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: Maria Alsemgeest, Hazel Quilty, Les Moroney, Nell Elliott, Alfonso Laner, Denise Hodgson.

Anniversaries & Remembrances July: baby Belle Woolfe, Cliff Friswell, Kathleen Miles, Roy Longwill, Thomas Czapkowski, Kerry McPeake, Mary Baldacchino, Margaret Adkins, Alice Webster, Charles McCourt, Michael Mossop, Emilia Stephenson, Nancy Hogan, Harry Elliott, Trevor Myatt, Norah Butler, Antonio Giavedoni, Peter Trevethan, Mick McErlain, George Amown, Fre Celestno, Marie Welsh, Marco Peressini, Sr Mary Robinson OSU, Nugget and Thelma Sweeney, Val Tranter, Alex Crimmins, Anton Szwajczak, Ezilda Souza, Patricia Logan, Patricia Stevens, Francesca De Souza, Peggy Myatt, Noreen McGrath, Isabel Henry, Bart Szwajczak, Eileen Scanlan, Sydney Stone, Ranier Daboin, Fr Gerry Ronayne, Robert Bae, Concetta Ragonesi, Doris Sharpe, Peg Knight, William Daley, Harry Kirkman, Jose Mangana.

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

Roster 27th & 28th July

Junior Ministers		Readers		Extraordinary Ministers of Communion		Music			
6:15pm Volunteer	6:15pm (1st) Martin M (2nd) Mary S (POF) Matty M	6:15pm Lesley L, Alan B, Roisin B, Paulina P, Matty M	6:15pm Gp 3	8:00am Sarah M Eddie M	8:00am (1st) Peter L (2nd) Hilda A (POF) Jeff C	8:00am Lena B, April M, Walter G, Mark C	8:00am Gp 2		
		*** Fewer ministers will be required during flu season*****					Powerpoint 6:15pm Lisa K		
							8:00am David C		
							Counters: Gp 4 Clinton T, Stanis D, Jeff C		
							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 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					



St Mary of the Cross, MacKillop Feast Day - Sunday 4th August 2019

St Mary MacKillop Feast Day Celebrations commencing with

Mass at 8:00am (One Mass only for this weekend)

followed by cup of tea and Feast Day cake and St Mary MacKillop School fete.

Sacramental Journey Children in Grade 3 will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. In Year 4, they will receive their First Holy Communion and the Sacrament of Penance. To be eligible for the Sacrament of Confirmation, your child must be Baptised. To be eligible for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion, your child must be Confirmed. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at 6:00pm on Thursday **5th September**. Key dates for Confirmation preparation and enrolment forms can be accessed on the Parish Website: <http://www.stmarymackillopparish.org.au/sacraments.html> Please return your completed enrolment Form and a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate to either the School or Parish Office by **23rd July**. It is important that all masses and workshops are attended. For any further enquiries please contact Lisa Knight at the Parish Office on 3822 2139 or by email birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au

St Mary MacKillop School Fete this year the fete will be celebrated on **Sunday 4th August 2019**. Parish Volunteers are required on Saturday 3rd August and Sunday 4th August to help out with the Cake Stall and BBQ (BBQ volunteers needed for Sunday only). If you are able to help out for a one or two hour shift please contact Lisa at the Parish Office on 3822 2139 or email to birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au. The parish receives a generous donation from the proceeds raised at the school fete so your participation would be appreciated. ☺

St Mary MacKillop school fete Sunday 4th August - Art Union drawn at 3pm. Tickets \$5 each. 1st Prize: \$5000 cash. 2nd Prize: Vuly Trampoline (valued at \$750). 3rd Prize: Weber Q BBQ (valued at \$329). Selling them after church from weekend Saturday 29th June until Saturday 3rd August. (Or tickets can be purchased at the school office during school hours.)

Catholic Mission Thank you for supporting this year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal through your kind gifts and prayers, and for reaching out to children and communities in need in Ghana and throughout the world. Your generosity makes it possible for programs such as the Nazareth Home for God's Children to provide love and support for children rescued from life-threatening situations. Thank you also to so many parishioners who have become monthly giving partners through our Ghana Mission Partners Program. For more information about the work of Catholic Mission or the Extraordinary Missionary Month in October, please contact our friendly team at the **freecall: 1800 257 296 or catholicmission.org.au/Ghana**

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: National Theme for Discernment #6 – How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Open to conversion, Renewal and Reform? This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a desire to do things differently in response to Christ and the experience of our people, accepting that faithfulness to tradition requires change that is both personal and communal. Find out more at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.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: _____