Saint Mary MacKillop Catholic Parish

Birkdale · Thorneside · Wellington Point

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C – 13th October 2019

Dear friends

When I was a missionary in Guayaquil, Ecuador, I would work once a week amongst the people who suffered from Hansen 's disease (Leprosy).

This infectious disease is found in the tropics amongst the very poor who usually manifest severe malnutrition. It is treatable today and yet we still find people suffering from Hansen's in areas of the world where poverty is at first stage level. This stage is where no sanitation, poor water supply and malnutrition are rife.

The disease can leave people disfigured. The disfiguring skin sores, lumps or bumps (multibacillary leprosy) can be very distressing for these people.

It was always very sad to see young, beautiful women and men hiding away from family and friends because of their disfigurement.

Gaining the confidence of these people who suffer such shame and pain is the first step to recovery.

Like Jesus in the Gospel of today, we are called to be people of mercy and love. To bring confidence and respect to those who suffer other forms of isolation and rejection due to mental illness, physical disability and old age.

Our call is to go out and begin the contact that will bring those who feel abandoned to realise they are not alone and are welcomed to be part of our community.

The marginalised are very special to Christ.

God love you ***Fr. Frank***

Parish Diary:

Monday 14th October
2:00pm Activities Group
7:00pm Rosary

Tuesday 15th October
St Theresa of Jesus
7:00pm SVdP Meeting

Wednesday 16th October
7:30am HeartFIT
10:00am Prayer Group
5:00pm Music Practice

Thursday 17th October
St Ignatius of Antioch
No Reconciliation
6:00pm Liturgy

Friday 18th October
St Luke
9:30am Liturgy

Saturday 19th October
6:15pm Mass

Sunday 20th October
8:00am Mass

"What is impossible with men is possible with God."
- St Luke

This Week's Readings:

***First Reading**: 2 Kgs 5:14-17 - Naaman returned to Elisha, the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord.*

Psalm Response: - All the ends of the earth, have seen the power of God,
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(Alternative Psalm Response if spoken) **-** The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Second Reading: 2 Tim 2:8-13 - If we hold firm, we shall reign with Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! For all things give thanks to God,
because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19 - It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except this foreigner

Next week's Readings First: Exo 17:8-13 Second: 2 Tim 3:14-4:2 Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

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:

If faith can move mountains, it can remove hardness of heart. Faith does move mountains, so faith removes mountains also.
May the Lord reveal His saving power in your life.

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Please be mindful of our sick & all who care for them: Paul McKean, Geoffrey Whall, 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: Pauline Boevink, Avis Moores, Kathy MacLellan, Dulcie Perera, Maria Alsemgeest, Hazel Quilty.

Anniversaries & Remembrances October: William Watson, Sarah Ahrens, Alberto De Monte, Vin Williams, Marian Dobunski, Fr John McGhee msc, Marjorie White, Sydney Rozario, John Chambers, Bob Garth, Candido Balito, Martin Curran ,Paul Hayes, Bill Allam, John Sheehan, Alice Groeger, Horrie Tranter, Joseph McNamee, Mary Leane, Pat Fitzpatrick, Leslie Marks, Galiano Tesser, Ronald Cowsell, Therese Bratic, Flo Mossop, Kay Cook, Helen Masade, Margaret Price, Jan Campbell, Kathleen Kearney, Maria Nguyen–Thi-Dieu, Keith Donelly, Salvatore Ragonesi, Kathy Walsh, David Hines, Laureen Smith, Dennis Manche, John McDonald, Susanne Conroy, Forbes Peters, Myrtle Peters, John Humphries, Mark Thiedecke, Giuseppe Citeroni, Bozica Puljic, Michael Wellington. ***Please record any further names in the Anniversaries & Remembrance Diary at the Welcome Desk***

Roster 19th & 20th October

Junior Ministers	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Music
6:15pm Volunteer	**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 **Powerpoint** **6:15pm** Lisa K **8:00am** Clinton T
8:00am Robert M	8:00am (1st) Lorraine K (2nd) Steven O (POF) Margaret C	**8:00am** Julie C, Elaine H, Kerry B, 4 *Volunteers*	**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

EUROPEAN PILGRIMAGE Fr Frank will be accompanying an 11 Night/14 Day pilgrimage departing **Friday 24th July and returning Thursday 6th August 2020**. The tour is being organised by Harvest Journeys and will be visiting Bologna, Ravenna, Padua, Venice, Ljubljana, Lake Bled, Salzburg, Innsbruck and the Oberammergau Passion Play. Brochures and booking forms can be obtained from the Parish Office. If you would like any further information, please speak with Fr Frank.

St MMK Social Golf Club will play their next game on Sunday **13th October** at Howeston Golf Course. Tee off 10am. Any enquiries, phone Steve on 0417 195 571.

Columbarium We are now taking reservations for niches or plaques. If you would like to discuss your requirements or have any questions about the process, please contact the Parish Office on 3822 2139 to arrange a suitable time.

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 **$13,947.35.**

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Star of the Sea Parish Mission will be held at Star of the Sea, 53 Passage St, Cleveland from Sunday 13 October to Friday 18 October 2019. Conducted by Fr Ray Sanchez CP. This time of prayer and renewal is not just of the regular church-goer. It's for those who may have drifted away from the church. It's for those who may have simply got lazy in practice of their faith. It's for those who may be interested in finding out a little more about what Catholics believe and teach. It's for you!

Session 1: **Sunday 13 October** - THE FAMILY & HOW WE COMMUNICATE (7-9PM)
Session 2: **Monday 14 October** - GRIEF, LOSS & THE MYSTERY OF HUMAN SUFFERING (9.15AM-12.15PM / 7-9PM)
Session 3: **Tuesday 15 October** - SHARING OUR FAITH WITH OUR CHILDREN (9.15AM-12.15PM / 7-9PM)
Rest Day – **Wednesday 16 October**
Session 4: **Thursday 17 October -** PRAYER SOLITUDE AND EVERYDAY SPIRITUALITY (9.15AM-12.15PM / 7-9PM)
Session 5: **Friday 18 October** - RECONCILIATION AND EUCHARIST (9.15AM-12.15PM / 7-9PM)
For information contact Star of the Sea, Cleveland on phone: 3821 4902

World Community Day will be celebrated at St Anthony's Church, St Anthony's Drv, Alexandra Hills on Friday 25th October at 10:30am. All Welcome.

Finding God in The Quiet Centre "God speaks and names us, knows our being, touches base……
A weekend opportunity for women to leave behind the chaos and clutter that can be a part of life and enter in to quiet in community. Come and experience a time of prayerful reflection in the beauty of God's good creation. Facilitated by Grace Harwood (Dragonfly Ministries). Dates: Friday 13 December 6pm to Sunday 15 December 3pm. Place: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Wellington Street, Ormiston. Cost: $370 ($340 for pensioners, f/t students and unemployed) includes all accommodation, meals, resources and facilitation. Santa Teresa requires an additional $30 fee for those with special diets. For more information contact, Grace at on 0409 524 283 or email grace@dragonflyministries.net.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:_____