

## Month of Remembering

November is the month in which we commemorate those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.

During November, the Book of Remembrance will be placed in the Church. You are invited to write the names of those you wish to be included in the Book of Remembrance on the list provided. You will also find

November Mass Offering envelopes to complete if you would like a commemoration Mass to be celebrated. Completed envelopes with offerings can be placed on the collection plates or returned to the Parish



## Children's Liturgy Begins Next Weekend! ✨

We're excited to announce that **Children's Liturgy of the Word** will begin **next weekend** during our Sunday 8:00am Mass!

All children (ages 4–11) are invited to join us for a special time of prayer and reflection designed just for them. During the Liturgy of the Word, children will gather to hear the Gospel in an age-appropriate way, explore its meaning through stories and activities, and grow in their friendship with Jesus.

**When:** Starting next weekend (Sunday 9 November at 8am Mass)

**Where:** During Sunday Mass (children will be invited to go with the leaders after the opening prayer and return before the Liturgy of the Eucharist)

Come and be part of this joyful experience as we help our children grow in faith and love!

For more information or to volunteer, contact Catherine in the Parish Office 07 3822 2319 or [pmc.birkdale@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:pmc.birkdale@bne.catholic.net.au).



## CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

## Children's Nativity Pageant

We are seeking the following donations:

Halo, wings and white dresses for angels, Costumes for Kings, Shepherds and Roman soldiers., Crowns for Kings (Adult sizes welcome).

**Can anyone assist with sewing new costumes?**

Please contact Catherine in the Parish

Office 3822 2139 or email [pmc.birkdale@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:pmc.birkdale@bne.catholic.net.au)



We are now taking reservations for niches or memorial plaques in our Columbarium. Please contact the Parish Office on 3822 2139 if you have any enquiries or to arrange a suitable time to discuss your requirements.

## Support Your Parish

Thank you so much to all who support our Parish financially. Our planned giving bank account details for Electronic Funds Transfer deposits are:

**BSB: 064 786 Account No: 1000 17027**

**Account Name: Birkdale Parish Planned Giving**

*(this account number is NOT for over the counter deposits at the Bank).*

Kindly reference your deposit with your surname and your planned giving number/envelope number.



The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that 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 by all.

## SUNDAY 2ND NOVEMBER ENCOUNTER NIGHT

5:00PM-8:00PM  
IONA COLLEGE CHAPEL  
AGES 15-25

FAITH. FUN. FRIENDS.

REGISTER NOW  
LINK IN BIO



## St Mary MacKillop Catholic Parish

### Birkdale

*"Mary MacKillop Catholic Parish is called to be a community of faith, hope and love centred on Christ, seeking to recognise the relevance of God in our lives., to live our Christian faith in a way that demonstrates and communicates the relevance of God in our lives, our Parish and the wider community"*

### Our Priests

Fr Regimon Gervasis Mcbs  
(Parish Priest)

Email: [gervasisr@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:gervasisr@bne.catholic.net.au)

Fr Prem Rethnamony  
(Associate Parish Priest)

**Priest Emergency Contact:**  
**Phone 3822 2139, Option 3**

### Parish Office

12 Hardy Rd Birkdale, Qld 4159,  
Phone: 3822 2139

Email: [birkmack@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:birkmack@bne.catholic.net.au)  
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Facebook: [stmarymackillopparishbirkdale](https://www.facebook.com/stmarymackillopparishbirkdale)

#### Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday:  
9am to 2pm

Lisa Knight (Parish Secretary, WH&S  
and Safeguarding officer)

Catherine Robinson (Pastoral Ministry  
Co-Ordinator)

Parish Finance Council

John Devine (Chair.)

Parish Pastoral Council

Chris Mahoney (Chair)

Therese Evans, Cathy McGrath, Kirsteen  
Devine, Rachael Chiang, Kayla Sciacca

### Education

St Mary MacKillop Primary School

Principal: Gabrielle Jansen

10 Hardy Rd, Birkdale Qld 4159

Phone: 3822 5500

Email: [pbirkdale@bne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:pbirkdale@bne.catholic.edu.au)

[www.marymackillop.qld.edu.au](http://www.marymackillop.qld.edu.au)

St Mary MacKillop OSHC

(Before - After School/Vacation Care)

10 Hardy Rd, Birkdale QLD 4159

Phone: 0477 550 445

Email:

[birkdaleoshc@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au](mailto:birkdaleoshc@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au)  
[catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au](mailto:catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au)

### Welfare groups

*St Vincent De Paul Society*

1800 846 643. Meets every

second Tuesday at 7:00pm.

**Next Meeting: 11th November**

### STOpline

To report 'reportable conduct' under  
the Archdiocesan Whistleblower Policy

Phone: 1300 30 45 50 or email to:  
[bnecatholic.stoplينerreport.com](mailto:bnecatholic.stoplينerreport.com)

2nd November 2025

### The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day)

Dear Parishioners and visitors,

*Remembering Our Loved Ones*  
All Saints' and All Souls' Day



This weekend we celebrate the saints and commemorate the beloved departed. In the Creed, we profess "I believe in the Communion of Saints". The term

"Communion of Saints" refers to the fellowship which exists among the members of Christ's mystical Body which, is the Church.

Our relationship with each other does not end with death. We are united in prayer. In Eucharistic Prayer II we pray, "Remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy: welcome them in the light of your face".

The resurrection of Jesus from the dead and his Ascension into heaven is a sure hope that for us Christians our destiny does not end in the four walls of the grave. That is why in the preface for the dead we say "... For your faithful, Lord, life is changed and not ended, and when this earthly dwelling turns to dust, an eternal dwelling is made ready for us in heaven".

However, the Church as we all know is made up of saints and sinners, the living and the dead. Therefore, "a perennial link of charity exists between the faithful who have already reached their heavenly home, those who are expiating their sins in purgatory and those who are still pilgrims on earth".

We believe that in this communion, the merciful love of God and his saints is always attentive to our prayers. The Church is thus made up of three states: the Church on earth (Church militant), in purgatory (Church suffering) and in heaven (Church triumphant).

The members of the Church triumphant are those who have overcome the temptations and sufferings of this life and are now in heaven enjoying the beatific vision. We celebrate these members of the Church on 1 November every year (All Saints Day).

We are the Church militant, the pilgrim Church. The Church on earth is on a journey, on the "way" to achieve our human destiny. God created us to know him, love him, serve him and live with him for eternity.

Pope Paul VI in his Apostolic Constitution Indulgentiarum Doctrina says this about the suffering Church. They rely on us and the Church triumphant for help. The only way we can help them is by praying for them. We celebrate these departed, on 2nd November every year (All Souls Day).

Let us journey with Christ, to Christ remembering our sisters and brothers, living and deceased.

Lord's blessings, Fr Regi

MASS TIMES 3rd - 9th November 2025		
MONDAY	9.00 AM	ST LUKE'S CHURCH, CAPALABA
TUESDAY	6:00PM	ST MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, BIRKDALE
WEDNESDAY	5:00PM	ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH, ALEXANDRA HILLS
THURSDAY	9:00AM	ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH, ALEXANDRA HILLS
FRIDAY	9:30AM	ST MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, BIRKDALE (Anointing Mass on 2nd Friday of each month)
SATURDAY	4.30 PM	ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH, ALEXANDRA HILLS
	6.15 PM	ST MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, BIRKDALE
SUNDAY	7.00 AM	ST LUKE'S CHURCH, CAPALABA
	8.00 AM	ST MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, BIRKDALE
	9.00 AM	ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH, ALEXANDRA HILLS

The Sacrament of Reconciliation	Eucharistic Adoration	Anointing Mass
<b>MONDAY</b> 8.30 am: St Luke's Church, Capalaba <b>TUESDAY</b> 5.30pm: St Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale <b>SATURDAY</b> 4.00pm: St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills. OR by appointment (phone 3822 2139 or 3820 0100)	<i>First Friday of the Month,            (10.00 am to 11.00 am) at            St Mary Mackillop Church,            BIRKDALE.</i> <b>Next Adoration            7th November</b>	Second Friday of each month at 9.30am. The next Anointing Mass will be on <b>Friday 14th November</b>

We remember and pray	We pray for the sick
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**For recently died:** Kaylene White, Ron Pokarier, John Wellington, Noela Murphy, Bill Welsh, Tessie Gorogo  
**Anniversaries for Remembrances November:** Mary Barry, Steve Raumer, Joan Brown, Michele Battel, Fiore Santarossa, Kathleen Wellington, Richard Wellington, Mona Irving, Anita Shellard, Paul Hayes, Catherine Moore, Michael Peterson, Brian Mullan, Damian Graves, Freda Graves, Ralph White, Anthony Lock, Greg Lawler, David Lopez, Clarence Wilcox, Doreen Heift, Frank Webb, Bill Maclean, Danuta Plantos, Georgina Fleming, Gordon Fleming, Geraldene Barry, Danuta Kupidura, Bill Conway, Emilia Battel, Marian Dodunski, Linda Pasqualini, Arthur Irving, Denise Irving, Raymond Vagg, Anthony Chivers, Steven Brigg, Phillip Phillips, Joseph Camilleri, Josephine Romero, Alex Parlato, Alice Harmey, Vincenza Sciacca, Felix Aguiar, Irene Rynne, Veronica Brown, Franseco Santarossa, Peter McGleenon, Amanda Bell, Jane Swann, William Groeger, Edward Briggs, Margaret Duncan, Tom Gall, Bruce Molloy, Mary Boyd, Hugh Kearney, Kevin Gilhooley, Nono Antonio, Rosmer Cartagena, Celena McGovern, Tarcisio Ragagnin, Dave Smith, Rita Fantov, John Richardson, Ian Raumer, Marie Steele, Bill & Martha Kluck, Anastacia Weiland, departed family and friends of Tess Zwolak, Sr. Joe Maria C.M.C

Lena Bandiera, Antoinette Lucy Lo Presti, Jack Maitland, Christine Dickinson, Tina Ryan, Steve Knight, Frank Thompson, Terence Walsh, Peter Murphy, John Tucker, Dawn Montgomery, Cody-Lea Knight, Gwen and John Dillon, Raymond Davis, Ned Robinson, Ava Voorn, Finn Voorn, Mike Quilty, Heather Voigt, Maureen Phillips, Terry Coles, Rosita Ganac, Liana Lo Presti, Amanda Ward, Ed Moloney, Colleen Van den Bosch, Clara Elms, Henk Hoonhout, Paul McKean, Kevin Harrop, Charles Lilley, Ann Brown, Sally Legarda, James Thomas, Cindy Cummins, John Bacon, Jodie Bromiley, Trish Swan, Ian Splatt, Ava Loda, Joan Thorpe, Belinda Wheeler, Cely Salisbury, Bade Family, Brian Crimmins, Brian Johnston, Stana Matic, Page Brosnan, Amelia Ramsay, Jeanette Moore, Christiana Becker, Pauline McNamee., Paulina Pitts.

**Roster 8th & 9th November**

Readers	6:15pm	8:00am
First Reading	Tom M	Maria S
Second Reading	Brigid B	Therese T
Welcome & POF	Suzy P	Louise W
Communion	Anne Maree C,	David M, April M,
Ministers	Betty A, Matty M	Kerry B
Music	Group 2	Group 4
PowerPoint	Jed T	Chris M
Counting	-----	Group 2

**Scripture Readings**

**This Sunday, The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)**  
 First Reading: 2 Maccabees 12:43-45  
 Psalm: Ps 27.1, 4, 13-14  
 Second Reading: Romans 5:17-21  
 Gospel: Luke 7:11-17  
**Next Sunday, The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**  
 First Reading: Ezek 47:1-2, 8-9, 12  
 Psalm: Ps 45:2-3  
 Second Reading: Romans 5:17-21  
 Gospel: Luke 7:11-17

**Parish Diary**

**Monday 3rd November**  
 1:00pm Rosary Group  
 2:00pm Activities Group  
**Wednesday 5th November**  
 10:00am Rosary  
**Friday 7th November**  
 9:00am Rosary  
 10:00am Adoration and Divine Mercy

**Feast Days for this week**

**Tue 4th Nov:** St Charles Boromeo, bishop  
**Sun 9th Nov:** The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

**Anointing Mass**

Anointing Mass will be celebrated on **Friday 14th November**  
 All are welcome to give support to the sick, elderly and housebound of the parish.  
 Please bring a plate of food to share for morning tea following the Mass.

**Mass Intentions:**  
 Envelopes are available from the Parish Office and at the entrance of the Church. Please PRINT the NAME and DATE.

Please join us for a cup of tea and refreshments following the weekend Masses on **1st and 2nd November** and on the first Sunday of every month (including the Saturday evening Mass).

**Sacramental Journey - Reconciliation**

**2nd November: Workshop 2**  
 Please contact the Parish Office on 3822 2139 or email pmc.birkdale@bne.catholic.net.au if you have any enquiries.  
 Please keep these families in your prayers.

**Happy Birthday**

We thank God for the gift of life. We wish all the blessings to those who are celebrating their birthdays in the month of November.

**Volunteer Thanksgiving Mass and Dinner**

**Volunteer Thanksgiving Mass and Dinner**  
**Tuesday 25th November 2025**  
 Mass at 6:00 pm followed by catered dinner in the Parish Centre.  
 More information and booking details will be advised in future newsletters.

YOU ARE INVITED TO A **Spiritual Morning**  
 led by **Fr. Prem**  
**Wednesday, 5th November, 2025**  
**9.00a.m.**  
 in the Community Hall at St. Anthony's  
*Quieten your mind  
 Open your heart  
 Enrich your spirit*  
**Morning Tea will follow**  
*Please bring a plate to share*  
**EVERYONE WELCOME**  
 Hosted by Ladies' Group

**Are you New to the Parish? ..... WELCOME!!**  
 You can register your family details at <https://stmarymackillop.flocknote.com/register> or by phone 3822 2139 or email birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au

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