



# Saint Mary MacKillop Catholic Parish

Birkdale · Thorneside · Wellington Point  
(This Parish is Child Safety Aware and also complies with Australian Privacy Laws)



## Easter Sunday - Year C 17<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Easter is the climax of holy week and announces a time of hope and assurance. It is humanity's turning point from utter destruction and death to glory and salvation. Christians are people of the resurrection, people of life not death. There is no suffering or death that can overwhelm the Christian belief, because Christ lives, we live!

The fact is Christianity is dead without the resurrection. The challenge for followers of Christ is to experience the Easter hope in the great compassion and love of God.

The celebration of Easter invites us to become partakers in the resurrection of Jesus by undergoing self-transformation and becoming agents of transformation in the society in view of building the Kingdom of God characterized by peace, Joy, and Justice.

Let the "New Life" flourish in all of us. I wish you all a Joyful and Blessed Easter.



*Lord's Blessings, Fr Regi*

### ***This Week's Readings:***

*F*

*Psalm Response:* This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad.

*r* This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad.

*{Alternative Psalm Response if spoken):* This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad.

*Second Reading: Col 3:1-4 – Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.*

### ***Gospel Acclamation***

*Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;*

*let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!*

*Gospel: John 20:1-9 – The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.*



### ***Next week's Readings***

***First: Acts 5:12-16***

***Second: Apoc 1:9-13, 17-19***

***Gospel: John 20:19-31***

<b>Roster</b>	<b>Readers</b> 6:15pm (1st) Cathy M 8:00am (2nd) Martin M (Welcome & POF) Matty M	<b>First</b> 8:00am (1st) Tim F 8:00am (2nd) Peter M (Welcome & POF) Hilda A	<b>Second</b> 8:00am April M	<b>Counting</b> Group 4	<b>Music</b> 6:15pm Gp 3 8:00am Gp 2	<b>PowerPoint</b> 6:15pm Emma M 8:00am David C
---------------	---	--	------------------------------	-------------------------	---	---

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

**Reconciliation:** Thursday 5:30pm

**Parish Office Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:00am to 2:00pm.

**Parish Council Members:** Chris Mahoney, Therese Evans, Cathy McGrath, Lorraine Kumar, John Spillane

**Pastor:** Fr Regimon Gervasis [gervasisr@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:gervasisr@bne.catholic.net.au)

**Associate Pastor:** Fr Prem Rethnamony

12 Hardy Rd, Birkdale Q 4159 ☎ 3822 2139 Fax 3822 4060.

[birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au) [www.stmarymackillopparish.org.au](http://www.stmarymackillopparish.org.au)

Emergency Contact: 3207 4566

**Safeguarding Officer:** Lisa Knight ☎ 3822 2139

**STOPLINE Contact:** [AOb@stoline.com.au](mailto:AOb@stoline.com.au)

### ***A VOCATION VIEW:***

We're no longer nobodies. Jesus rose from the dead.  
He promises to take us to heaven too.  
Our Ultimate Vocation: Union with God!  
*Vocation Brisbane. P: (07) 3336 9392 E: [vocation@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:vocation@bne.catholic.net.au)*

### **Parish Primary School**

Principal: Mr John Spillane

10 Hardy Rd, Birkdale Q 4159

☎ 3822 5500 Fax 3822 5690

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

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

**Please be mindful of our sick & all who care for them:** Patricia Smith, Lynne Gage, John Jorna, Agatha Ravaneschi, Liana Lo Presti, Andrew Hodgson, Amanda Ward, Ed Moloney, Colleen Van den Bosch, Rebecca Harvey, Clara Elms, Beth Riegler, Henk Hoonhout, Tony Dickinson, Elizabeth Smit, Pat Cochrane, Paul McKean, Geoffrey Whall, Kevin Harrop, Judy Mullan, Charles Lilley, Ann Brown, Sally Legarda, Gemma Paxman, James Thomas, Cindy Cummins, John Bacon, Jodie Bromiley, Casey Whitby, Trish Swan, Ian Splatt, Steven West, Ava Loda, Joan Thorpe, Patricia Haines, Belinda Wheeler, Cely Salisbury, The Bade Family, Brian Crimmins, Brian Johnston, Lucia Camelli, Hazel Foster, Dan Mullan, Stana Matic, Page Brosnan, Dot Abrahams, Amelia Ramsay, Jeanette Moore, Nola Murphy, Christiana Becker, Pauline McNamee, Pat Crimmins, Gina Mather.

**May God embrace all who have recently died:** Glenn Harrop, Janice McAnalen, Martin Devine, Patricia Briscoe, Ian MacLellan.

**Anniversaries & Remembrances April:** Raffaele Topatigh, Les Richards, Unis Eather, Corrie Rosa, Mark Fallon, Jim Fagan, Peter Swart, Graham Smith, Toribia Reyes, Rosemary Marr, Maureen McCarthy, Johanna Jorna, Marilyn McDonald, Maria Andrews, Margaret Schleeauf, Catherine Chambers, Theresa Gormley, Pat Gormley, John Gormley, Malcolm Simpson, Catherine and John Gablonski, Pat McGowan, Neville Hume, David Foley, Ian Swann, Daphne Leighton, Maria Poloniato, Kevin Moore, James Maxwell, Sam Sciacca, Brian Lane, Mick & Livia Cencig, Daisy Johnson, Maurice Pye, Sidney Ahrens, Ian Stuart, Ralph Webster, Tony Morrissey, Kay Whitby, Evelyn O'Sullivan, Vivian and Rodello Cabigquez, James Leonard, Aldo Bandiero, Kathleen Stone, Ismael Padilla, John Henry, George Montgomery, Georgia Higgins, Eugenia De Monte, Fred Hudson, Ian Stuart, Ross Prove, Aurora Tan, Doug Risson, Irene Gall, Harry Elliott, Dennis Davey, Helen Sherrin, Jim Maclean, Patricia Stuart, Georgette Ferre, Alan McGrath, John Beers.

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

**Support Your Parish:** Thank you so much to all the Parishioners who continue to support our Parish financially. Our planned giving bank account details for Electronic Funds Transfer deposits are as follows: **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 if you have one.

**Thank you** To make this Holy Week a special time of prayer and celebration many have worked hard in different ministers. A big thank you to all parishioners who have dedicated their time and talents in preparing our Easter Liturgies this year. The choir, readers, sacristans, ministers of Holy Communion, our parish volunteers have worked with dedication and commitment. Thank you also to all those who offered their help but now have been unable to attend celebrations due to isolation. Our thoughts and prayers are will all of you. A big thank you also to the parishioners who have filled the gaps at the last minute. Your generosity is appreciated.

**Weekday Masses** there will be no Parish Mass on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April**. Please note the Parish Office will be closed from **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**.

**Opening School Mass** will be celebrated in the Church at **9:30am** on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April with the whole school community. All parishioners are welcome. Seating will be reserved for Parishioners in the 2 back rows of the centre aisles

**Divine Mercy Sunday** Devine Mercy will be prayed at St Mary MacKillop, Birkdale on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 1:00pm. All welcome.

**Cathedral of St Stephen, Guides and Welcomers** You are invited to an information day for prospective guides and welcomers at the Cathedral of St Stephen. **Thursday 28 April 2022 9:30am-1:00pm Hanly Room, Cathedral of St Stephen, 249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane.**

Training will cover the architecture, history, artwork and the unique and beautiful stained glass windows and their significance. You'll learn how to share this knowledge with all the many visitors and tour groups who come to the Cathedral. The Information day is open to anyone, who desires becoming part of a friendly and supportive team of Cathedral guides and welcomers. Please register your interest with Carmel Devery at the Cathedral Office on 07 3324 3006 or by email [cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au) by Friday 22 April 2022.

**Parish Diary:**

**Parish Office closed this week**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April**

1:00pm Rosary Group and Private Prayer

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April**

7:30pm Baptism Preparation

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April**

7:30am HEARTfit  
11:00am Rosary Group

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April**

**No Reconciliation or Mass for this week**

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**

**9:30am Mass** (Opening School Mass)

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**

3:00pm Baptism Celebration

**6:15pm Mass**

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April**

**8:00am Mass**

1:00pm Devine Mercy Prayer

**Easter Sunday – Year C**

**First Reading A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil.' Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

**Second Reading A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians**

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

**Gospel A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**

On the first day of the week, at the first sign of dawn, the women went to the tomb with the spices they had prepared. They found that the stone had been rolled away from the tomb, but on entering discovered that the body of the Lord Jesus was not there. As they stood there not knowing what to think, two men in brilliant clothes suddenly appeared at their side. Terrified, the women lowered their eyes. But the two men said to them, 'Why look among the dead for someone who is alive? He is not here; he is risen. Remember what he told you when he was still in Galilee: that the Son of Man had to be handed over into the power of sinful men and be crucified, and rise again on the third day?' And they remembered his words. When the women returned from the tomb they told all this to the Eleven and to all the others. The women were Mary of Magdala, Joanna, and Mary the mother of James. The other women with them also told the apostles, but this story of theirs seemed pure nonsense, and they did not believe them. Peter, however, went running to the tomb. He bent down and saw the binding cloths, but nothings else; he then went back home, amazed at what had happened.