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# 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)*  
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*(Associate Parish Priest)*  
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### Parish Office

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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)*  
William Burton  
*(Chair, Parish Finance Council)*  
Chris Mahoney  
*(Chair, Parish Pastoral Council)*  
Members: Therese Evans, Cathy McGrath, Lorraine Kumar, John Spillane

### Education

**St Mary Mackillop Primary School**  
Principal: John Spillane  
10 Hardy Rd, Birkdale Qld 4159  
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[catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au](http://catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au)

### Welfare groups

*St Vincent De Paul Society*  
1800 846 643. Meets every second Tuesday at 7:00pm.  
Next meeting 21st June 2022

### 19th June 2022 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

Dear Parishioners and visitors,



Miracles always involve the impossible - otherwise they wouldn't be miracles! Impossible, however is a relative term. What may be impossible to one person may well be within the realm of capability of another.

The parents are miracle workers in the eyes of their little children. Then there are the supernatural miracles. It really requires divine intervention to bring about the solution. We have the miracle of the feeding of the 5,000. Feeding that many people without adequate resources is quite a challenge.

People always loved Jesus and gathered around him. Those who came to Jesus were really experienced a spiritual fullness in their lives. Today Jesus recognises their physical hunger too. The hungry people live in a hungry world. The apostles are asked to step up and provide the food, which is an 'impossible' task with the given conditions.

Nothing is impossible to God. The Lord likes to begin where we are. Often the Lord wants to show us that many of the problems we face are too big for us to handle but not for God. At the same time, he wants us to offer whatever resources we might have as a part of the solution.

There are 'five loaves and two fish' but there are more than 5000 people! God works through us. The miracle was not worked from nothing, but from a simple sharing. God does not ask us for what we do not have. Rather, he makes us see that if each person offers the little, he or she has the miracle can always be repeated. God is capable of multiplying our small acts of love and making us share in his gift.

The feeding of the 5,000 was more than a dinner miracle to impress the gathering. Jesus wanted to satisfy the human desires, the physical, spiritual and emotional hunger. He instituted the Holy Eucharist, to be with us as a memorial of His loving presence and to reassure the meaning and fulfilment in life. When we eat 'His Body' and drink 'His Blood' we are satisfied, and we can find comfort in God's love.

Jesus invites us to live a life of multiplication, taking what we have and trusting ourselves to Him. This begins with accepting and offering to God what we have until He calls us to His kingdom.

I wish all the blessings to the children of our Parish, who, after their preparation, receive the Holy Communion for the first time.

Lord's blessings, Fr Regi

**Mass Times**

20 June — 26 June 2022



**MONDAY**  
9.00 am St Luke's Church, CAPALABA

**WEDNESDAY**  
5.00 pm St Anthony's Church, ALEXANDRA HILLS

**THURSDAY**  
9.00 am St Anthony's Church, ALEXANDRA HILLS  
10:30am Regis Grange, BIRKDALE  
6.00 pm St Mary MacKillop Church, BIRKDALE

**FRIDAY**  
9.30 am St Mary MacKillop Church, BIRKDALE

**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**

**MONDAY**, 8.30 am: St Luke's Church, Capalaba  
**THURSDAY**, 5.30pm: St Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale  
**SATURDAY**, 4.00pm: St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills.  
*OR By Appointment (call :3820 0100)*

**Eucharistic Adoration**



*First Friday of the Month,  
(10.00 am to 11.00 am) at St  
Mary Mackillop Church,  
BIRKDALE*

**Parish Groups**

**Monday 20th June**  
1:00pm Rosary Group  
2:00pm Activities Group

**Tuesday 21st June**  
7:00pm SVdP Meeting  
7:30pm Baptism Preparation Session

**Wednesday 22nd June**  
7:30am HEARTfit  
11:00am Rosary Group

**Thursday 23rd June**

**Friday 24th June**  
9:00am Rosary

**We remember and pray**

For recently died: Sam Sciacca, Frank Falabella, Tony Dickinson, Tony Daigle, Glenn Harrop, Janice McAnalen

Anniversaries: Maria Topatig, Mary Lawes, Angelo Garbuio, Marjorie Tough, Tess Pellow, June Flynn, Veronika Wagner, Molly Kennedy, Tony Whitby, May Morrison, Rosalia Biscotin, Lillian Watts, Jack MacNamara, Des O'Connor, James Hume, Levina White, Luigina Basso, Trevor Bignell, Marguerita Freeman, Mona Quantock, Nellie Sheehan, Ray Bandiera, Peter Potts, Amedeo Aquili, Billy Abrahams, Michael Hickey, Rita Freeman, Mary McCourt, Kevin Micallef, William Webster, Evelyn Newman, Leslie Moroney, Waclaw Kupidura, Paul Sklyarov, Hazel Quilty, Ayda Daboin, Charlie Barry, Margaret Crichton, Richard Ashton, Lenore Thompson, Ernie McCullagh, Dick Curran., Sr Natalina Zammit OSU.

**Planned Giving Envelopes**

Envelopes for July 2022 to June 2023 are available for collection from the Church. Should you wish to join the Planned Giving Programme or change to using either direct debit or credit card deductions, please phone the parish office on 3822 2139.  
*We thank you for your generosity and ongoing support of our Parish.*

*To protect your privacy, we are required by the National privacy Act Australia to collect a written prayer intention form, which is available at the Entrance of the Church and from the Parish office..*



**Mass Intentions**

*Envelopes are available from the Parish Office and at the Entrance of the Church.  
Please PRINT the NAME and date.*

**We pray for the Sick**

Michael McGrath, Rosita Ganac, 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, 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.

**Scripture Readings**

**This Sunday.** The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ  
First Reading: Gen 14:18-20  
Psalm: Ps 109:1-4  
Second Reading : 1 Cor 11:23-26  
Gospel : Luke 9:11-17

**Next Sunday.** 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
First Reading: 1 Kings 19:16,19-21  
Psalm: Ps 15:11-2,5, 7-11  
Second Reading : Gal 5:1, 13-18  
Gospel : Luke 9:51-62

**First Holy Communion 2022**

**Congratulations to the candidates receiving their 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion this weekend**



**Carrigan B, Ava B, Hania B, Luciana C, Xavier C, Helaena C, Molly D, Lucinda D, Hayden D, Livia E Rory , Eli G, Zoë H, Amélie H, Finnley H, Lillian H, Lily H, Lenox H, Sienna J, Ciara J, Max K, Chelsea L, Natasha L, James L, Laila M, Indie M, Hayden M, Oliver M, Grace O, Hamish P, Isla P, Lucy P, Gabriel P, Kyla R, Erin R, Finn R, Graziella S, Hayley S, Hugo S, Max S, Maeve T, Jed T, Poppy T, Benjamin T, Elouise V, Mary W.**

*Please keep these children and their families in your prayers*

**Roster 25th & 26th June**

Readers	6:15pm	8:00am
First Reading	Matty M	Hilda A
Second Reading	Mary S	Tim F
Welcome & POF	Martin M	Peter M
Communion Ministers	Betty A	April M
Music	Group 3	Group 2
PowerPoint	Emma M	David C
Counting	-----	Group 4

**SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENTION & PROTECTION POLICY STATEMENT**

*...for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Mark 10:14. 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. This means that everyone in the church must ensure that the fundamental rights of children, young people and vulnerable adults are respected. This will be achieved through the development of respectful relationships and a commitment to safety embracing appropriate boundaries, behaviours and practices, in accordance with the Archdiocese of Brisbane Code of Ethical Behaviour for employees and volunteers who work in service of the Church as well as adherence to the legislative imperatives of the State. Local Safeguarding Officer for Birkdale Parish is Lisa Knight: 3822 2139 birkmack@bne.catholic.net.au*

**World Meeting of Families**

**Celebrating the "World Meeting of Families"**  
**11am to 2:30pm — Saturday 25th June**  
**St Stephen's Cathedral and grounds**  
**(249 Elizabeth St, Brisbane City)**  
**Join us for a Children's Mass with Archbishop Mark followed by activities on the green. To find out more about the Family Festival or to register for free, head to**  
[WMOF Family Festival - Evangelisation Brisbane](http://WMOF Family Festival - Evangelisation Brisbane)



**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 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.

**Are you New to the Parish?**

If you are new to the Parish, please fill this form and drop it in the collection box or give us your details by phone, on 3822 2139 or email, birkmack@bne.catholic.net.au

The Parish Office will then be in touch with you to send you our weekly newsletter.

We look forward to welcome you to our New Parishioners Welcome Night.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

