

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 \$18,674.50. Thank you for your generosity.

Plenary Council

For information regarding the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia visit
[Plenary Council \(catholic.org.au\)](http://Plenary Council (catholic.org.au))

The Reception of Holy Communion

Given that the COVID virus is still highly active and the pandemic is not over, the Bishops of Queensland would prefer that the faithful continue to receive Holy Communion in the hand. However, for those who wish to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, this is now permitted. The Bishops would prefer that those wishing to receive Holy Communion on the tongue come forward after the rest of the faithful in the Communion procession.

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Concert

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Concert is a celebration for all Australians. The concert features the world-class choirs of St John's Cathedral, Brisbane and St Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney. The concert's proceeds will be donated to Australian Red Cross, to support Australians battling emergencies. There are two performances of the concert on 6th August: a matinee at 2:00pm and an evening concert at 7:00pm. Tickets for the concert are on sale from www.platinumjubileeconcert.org

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"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.



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
 Fr Prema Kumar
 (Associate Parish Priest)
 Emergency Contact: 3207 4566

Parish Office

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www.stmarymackillopparish.org.au,
 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
 Phone: 3822 5500
 Email: pbirkdale@bne.catholic.edu.au
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
catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au

Welfare groups

St Vincent De Paul Society
 1800 846 643. Meets every second Tuesday at 7:00pm.
 Next meeting 19th July 2022

STOPline

To report 'reportable conduct' under the Archdiocesan Whistleblower Policy email to: aob@stopline.com.au
 Phone: 1300 30 45 50

10th July 2022 **15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Dear Parishioners and visitors,

God's love and mercy extends to all

Jesus told a parable to show how wide God's love and mercy is towards every fellow human being. Jesus' story of a brutal highway robbery was all too familiar to his audience. The road from Jerusalem to Jericho went through a narrow winding valley surrounded by steep rocky cliffs. Many wealthy Jews from Jerusalem had winter homes in Jerico. This narrow highway was dangerous and notorious for its robbers who could easily ambush their victim and escape into the hills. No one in his right mind would think of traveling through this dangerous highway alone. It was far safer to travel with others for protection and defence.

Our prejudice gets in the way of mercy

So why did the religious leaders refuse to give any help when they saw a half-dead victim lying by the roadside? Didn't they recognize that this victim was their neighbour? And why did a Samaritan, an outsider who was despised by the Jews, treat this victim with special care at his own expense as he would care for his own family? Who was the real neighbour who showed brotherly compassion and mercy? Jesus makes the supposed villain, the despised Samaritan, the merciful one as an example for the status conscious Jews. Why didn't the priest and Levite stop to help? The priest probably didn't want to risk the possibility of ritual impurity. His piety got in the way of charity. The Levite approached close to the victim, but stopped short of actually helping him. Perhaps he feared that bandits were using a decoy to ambush him. The Levite put personal safety ahead of saving his neighbour.

God expects us to be merciful as he is merciful

What does Jesus' story tell us about true love for one's neighbour? First, we must be willing to help even if others brought trouble on themselves through their own fault or negligence. Second, our love and concern to help others in need must be practical. Good intentions and showing pity, or empathising with others, are not enough. And lastly, our love for others must be as wide and as inclusive as God's love. God excludes no one from his care and concern. God's love is unconditional. So we must be ready to do good to others for their sake, just as God is good to us.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, may your love always be the foundation of my life. Free me from every fear and selfish concern that I may freely give myself in loving service to others, even to the point of laying my life down for their sake.

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Mass Times



11 July — 17 July 2022

MONDAY
NO MASS

WEDNESDAY
5.00 pm St Anthony's Church, ALEXANDRA HILLS

THURSDAY
9.00 am St Anthony's Church, ALEXANDRA HILLS
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 11th July
1:00pm Rosary Group
2:00pm Activities Group
2:00pm Conversation Group

Wednesday 13th July
7:30am HEARTfit
11:00am Rosary Group

Friday 14th July
9:00am Rosary

We remember and pray

For recently died: Sam Sciacca, Frank Falabella, Tony Dickinson, Tony Daigle

Anniversaries: 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, Dulcie Perera, 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, Rose Mills, 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, Gino Lippi, Kannika Bagster, Concetta Ragonesi, Doris Sharpe, Peg Knight, William Daley, Harry Kirkman, Jose Mangana .

We pray for the Sick

Ava Voorn, Michael McGrath, Rosita Ganac, Patricia Smith, Lynne Gage, John Jorna, Agatha Ravaneschi, Lianna 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.

Roster 16th & 17th July

Readers	6:15pm	8:00am
First Reading	Roisin B	Louise W
Second Reading	Vern D	Matthew K
Welcome & POF	Tanina D	Lorraine K
Communion Ministers	Paulina P	Elaine H
Music	Group 1	Volunteer needed
PowerPoint	Alan B	Clinton T
Counting	-----	Group 3

Scripture Readings

This Sunday, 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
First Reading: Deut 30:10-14
Psalm: Ps 68:14,17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37
Second Reading : Col 1:15-20
Gospel : Luke 10:25-37

Next Sunday, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
First Reading: Gen 18:1-10
Psalm: Ps 14:2-5
Second Reading : Col 1:24-28
Gospel : Luke 10:38-42

Welcome back Altar Servers

Altar Servers or Junior Ministers play a very important role by assisting with the celebration of Mass. Some of the tasks are carrying the candles and thurible, holding the book, and performing other duties at Mass and other liturgical rites. Servers assist the priest during processions, rituals, gestures, at the chair and at the altar. We Welcome back our Altar servers and also invite those who would like to join this wonderful team. For more details please meet the priest after the Mass or contact the Parish office. Call: 3822 2139 or email: birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au



Sacramental Journey 2022



If you would like to enrol your child for the Sacrament of Confirmation being celebrated in our Parish in September 2022 you will need to attend the Parent Information session in the St Mary MacKillop Church on Wednesday 13th July 2022 at 5:30pm.

You will receive the Confirmation pack which includes the Enrolment form and other resources for the journey.

To be eligible for the Sacrament of Confirmation, your child must be Baptised and it is important that they attend Masses and workshops. For any further enquiries please contact Lisa Knight at the Parish Office on 3822 2139 or by email birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au

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.

St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal — 9th & 10th July

THIS WEEKEND

The cold winter months are particularly hard for the most disadvantaged people in our community. Vinnies Changes Lives Every Day. Be part of that change by donating to the annual Vinnies Winter Appeal held in our Parish THIS weekend - 9th & 10th July. The Appeal is to raise much needed funds for our local Birkdale Parish Conference to distribute to the needy within our parish area.

Envelopes are available in the church. Please donate generously and place your completed envelope on the collection plate as you leave the Church. Donations over \$2 are tax deductible, please fill out your details on the envelope, if you require a tax receipt. EFT donations can be made to the following account (not for over the counter deposits at the bank)

BSB: 064 786
Account Number:1000 26127
Account Name: SVDP St Mary MacKillop

Scam Emails

Many of our priests are currently the victims of being spammed by false emails which are prolific at the moment. Please be assured that our Clergy would never send you email requests that ask you to provide them with cash or store cards to get them out of a bind. Make sure you check ALL email addresses before you respond and do not click on any links provided in emails that you are unsure of. Feel free to contact the Parish Office if you receive an email purporting to be from one of our Clergy that seems suspicious.



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

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, birkmmack@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: _____