

01/04/2023 SATURDAY	4.30 pm	St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills	
PALM SUNDAY Vigil Mass	6.15 pm	St Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale	
02/04/2023 SUNDAY PALM 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	
06/04/2023 HOLY THURSDAY	6.00 pm	St Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale	
	7.00 pm	St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills	
07/04/2023 GOOD FRIDAY Stations of the Cross	10.00 am	St Luke's Church, Capalaba	
Passion of the Lord	3.00 pm	3.00 pm St Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale	
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08/04/2023 SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL	6.00 pm	St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills	
	7.00 pm	St Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale	
09/04/2023 EASTER 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 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)
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Fr Prem Kumar
(Associate Parish Priest)
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#### Parish Office

12 Hardy Rd Birkdale, Qld 4159, Phone: 3822 2139 Email: birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au www.stmarymackillopparish.org.au, Facebook: 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 Spillan

#### Education

St Mary MacKillop Primary School
Principal: John Spillane
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10 Hardy Rd, Birkdale QLD 4159
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# Welfare groups

St Vincent De Paul Society 1800 846 643. Meets every second Tuesday at 7:00pm. Date of next meeting 11th April.

#### *STOPline*

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

# Dear Parishioners and visitors.

2nd April 2023

Hosanna to the son of David! The Lenten journey has reached to the Holy week. The Palm Sunday reminds the triumphant entry of Jesus in



PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD

the city of Jerusalem accompanied by a rejoicing crowd. It is the entry point to an eventful week. We begin to witness the unfolding of the greatest story ever told – the suffering, the death and the resurrection of Jesus.

As we join the people of Jerusalem singing Hosanna and carrying palm leaves in our hands we are bound to experience an inner tension, a conflict of thoughts and feelings. This conflict is ingrained into all the events we are going to experience during this Holy Week.

During these days we will find ourselves tossed between the extremes of humiliation and glory, ugliness and beauty, suffering and joy. It is the mystery of the cross that repels us and at the same time attracts us. These conflicting aspects of the cross overshadow the triumphant entry of Jesus in Jerusalem.

The Palm Sunday awakens us to this hard reality of Jesus which is manifested in these two extreme experiences which transforms us and renews us from within. We can definitely see our own lives reflected on the human face of Jesus with all its deformities, weaknesses, sins and sufferings. At the same time, we can see the divine light reflected on his face. The vision of the face of Jesus is our motivation to follow him carrying our crosses.

Our Christian life is a "way" we walk with Jesus. Faith is not simply the acceptance of some truths and holding fast to some dogmas and commandments. Faith is a journey, a pilgrimage which progresses through different terrains and landscapes of life. Our deep human experiences of suffering and joy, frustration and hope, failure and success are not wasted, if we walk the way of faith with Jesus till the end.

The Holy Week is the time to experience our humanity in depth. Let us come together to immerse ourselves into the most important week of our Christian lives by participating in all the liturgies, including the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, Good Friday liturgy, Saturday Easter Vigil and of course Easter Sunday.



Lord's Blessing, Fr Regi

MASS·TIMES······3—9·APRIL·2023¤				
MONDAY¤	9:00∙am¤	ST·LUKE'S·CHURCH,·CAPALABA¤		
TUESDAY¤	6.00·pm¤	ST·MARY·MACKILLOP·CHURCH,·BIRKDALEX		
WEDNESDAY¤	5:00·pm¤	ST-ANTHONY'S-CHURCH,-ALEXANDRA-HILLS¤		
THURSDAY¤	6.00·pm¤	ST·MARY·MACKILLOP·CHURCH,·BIRKDALEX		
Ħ	7.00·pm¤	ST-ANTHONY'S-CHURCH,-ALEXANDRA-HILLS¤		
SATURDAY¤	6.00·pm¤	ST-ANTHONY'S-CHURCH, ALEXANDRA-HILLSX		
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SUNDAY¤	7:00∙am¤	ST·LUKE'S·CHURCH,·CAPALABA¤		
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#### The Sacrament of Reconciliation

MONDAY, 8.30 am: St Luke's Church, Capalaba TUESDAY, 5.30pm: St Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale SATURDAY, 4.00pm: St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills. OR by appointment (phone 3822 2139 or 3820 0100)

## **Eucharistic Adoration**



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

## We remember and pray

For recently died: Betty Poloni, Leslie Gurney, Joan Rooney. Anniversaries for 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 Schleehauf, 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 Cabigguez, 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.

# We pray for the sick

Helen Meade . Ned Robinson. Matthew Scott. Hilda Adam, Geoff Lovett, Ava Voorn, Finn Voorn, Mike Quilty, Heather Voigt, Maureen Phillips, Terry Coles, Jo Murphy, Bronwyn Craig, Michael McGrath, Rosita Ganac, Patricia Smith, Lynne Gage, John Jorna, Agatha Ravaneschi, Liana Lo Presti, Amanda Ward, Ed Moloney, Colleen Van den Bosch, Rebecca Harvey, Clara Elms, Beth Riegler, Henk Hoonhout, Elizabeth Smit, Paul McKean, Geoffrey Whall, Kevin Harrop, Judy Mullan, Charles Lilley, Ann Brown, Sally Legarda, Gemma Paxman, James Thomas, Cindy Cummins, John Bacon, Jodie Bromiley, 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, Amelia Ramsay, Jeanette Moore, Nola Murphy, Christiana Becker, Pauline McNamee, Gina Mather.

# Roster 8th & 9th April

## **Scripture Readings**

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Readers	7:00pm	8:00am		
First Reading	Brigid B	Therese T		
Second Reading	Suzy P	Volunteer		
Welcome & POF	Tom M	Eddie M		
Communion Ministers	John E	David M		
Music	Group 1	Group 2		
PowerPoint	Lisa K	Chris M		
Counting		Group 2		

This Sunday, Palm Sunday Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11 First Reading: Isa 50:4-7 Psalm: Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24 Second Reading: Phil 2:6-11 Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27:66

Next Sunday, Sunday of the Resurrection First Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43 Psalm: Ps 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 Second Reading: Col 3:1-4 Gospel: John 20:1-9

## Parish Diary

Monday 3rd April

1:00pm **Rosary Group** 2:00pm **Activities Group** 

Tuesday 4th April

12 noon Funeral—Betty Poloni

Wednesday 5th April

7:30am HEARTfit

11:00am Lenten Programme

#### Parish Office

The Parish Office will be closed from Friday 7th April until 13th April (reopen on 14 April). Wishing you all a very Blessed Easter

#### Funeral Notice

Funeral for Betty Poloni will be celebrated at St Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale on Tuesday 4th April at midday. All welcome. Please keep Betty and her family in your prayers

### Good Friday Collection 2023

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land takes place on Good Friday. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land rely on assistance from the Good Friday Collection. This collection is also used to maintain over 70 Churches and

Shrines associated with the life of Jesus.

Your generosity is appreciated. Please also pray for peace and harmony in the birthplace of Jesus.

### Archbishop's Dinner for Men

connect with each other.

This year's dinner will be held on April 13th at Wynberg in New Farm. Archbishop Mark Coleridge (Archbishop of Brisbane) will share his personal journey to the priesthood to help you gain insight and wisdom into your own discernment and the questions you're currently facing.

This event is a great opportunity for men to be inspired, ask questions, and continue their discernment journey.

When: Thursday 13 April 2023, 6.00pm

Where: Archbishop's Residence - Wynberg, New Farm

RSVP: To express interest in attending, email <a href="mailto:vocation@bne.catholic.net.au">vocation@bne.catholic.net.au</a>



#### MAY 18-20, 2023 RIVERLIFE CENTRE Seventeen Mile Rocks

## BE EMPOWERED, INSPIRED AND **EQUIPPED TO ENGAGE IN THE** MISSION OF THE CHURCH.

The principal gathering of the Archdiocese of Brisbane in 2023.

Summit 2023 is a three-day event for all who belong to the faith community of the Archdiocese: parishioners, educators, parents, support staff, catechists, lay leaders religious and clergy - this event is for everyone

The Summit is a key step in the implementation phase of the Plenary Council and

#### The Summit will include:

- Keynote presentations
- Masterclasses
- Panel discussions with a focus
- with Christ through prayer
- Earlybird registration from \$170,

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# 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.

NAME:	 
PHONE:	EMAIL:

