

## 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. Your generosity is appreciated.



**Caritas AUSTRALIA**

**Easter Sunday.....**  
**9 April**

**Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!**

Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion — past, present and future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2023 Lenten appeal.

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You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800-024-413.

**Mass Intentions**

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

**Divine Mercy Celebration—St Rita's Parish**

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

Divine Mercy Sunday will be held at St Rita's, 37 Benfer Rd, Victoria Point on Sunday 16th April with 9am Mass followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Reconciliation and ending with Benediction.

**Advertise your business in the Parish Newsletter**

**12 months coverage on printed newsletter, emailed to parishioners and on the parish website.**

**Contact the Parish Office for more information. Ph: 3822 2139**

## 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.

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**      **9th April 2023**      **SUNDAY of the RESURRECTION**

**Fr Regimon Gervasis Mcbs**  
(Parish Priest)  
Email: [gervasisr@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:gervasisr@bne.catholic.net.au)  
**Fr Prem Kumar**  
(Associate Parish Priest)  
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### Parish Office

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**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  
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**St Mary MacKillop OSHC**  
 (Before - After School/Vacation Care)  
 10 Hardy Rd, Birkdale QLD 4159  
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[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.  
 Date of next meeting 11th April.

### STOPline

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

Dear Parishioners and visitors,



Peace be with you. Peace is the first gift of the risen Lord to the world. Yes, we are in need of peace, because the fear of death is all around us even as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. The first followers of Jesus thought that the 'Jesus chapter' was closed on Good Friday. The Easter day once again filled joy and peace in their lives. We may have our own personal experiences that speak volumes about God's salvific plan for us.

The dark days in life is not a time to push God aside, it is a time to get closer to God. Without God, without a spiritual life, our existence is limited to the experience just here and now. With God we have the celebration of hope and we share in the fullness of the New Life in Jesus.


May the new life of Easter lead us to freedom from all bondages and fill us with everlasting peace.

**Wish you all a happy and blessed Easter.**

**Lord's Blessing, Fr Regi**



MASS TIMES		10th to 16th APRIL
MONDAY	9.00 AM	ST LUKE’S CHURCH, CAPALABA
TUESDAY	6.00 PM	ST MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, BIRKDALE
WEDNESDAY	5.00 PM	ST ANTHONY’S CHURCH, ALEXANDRA HILLS
THURSDAY	9.00 AM	ST ANTHONY’S CHURCH, ALEXANDRA HILLS
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

<i>The Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
<p><u>MONDAY</u>, 8.30 am: St Luke’s Church, Capalaba</p> <p><u>TUESDAY</u>, 5.30pm: St Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale</p> <p><u>SATURDAY</u>, 4.00pm: St Anthony’s Church, Alexandra Hills.</p> <p><i>OR by appointment (phone 3822 2139 or 3820 0100)</i></p>	 <p><i>First Friday of the Month, (10.00 am to 11.00 am) at St Mary Mackillop Church, BIRKDALE</i></p>

<i>We remember and pray</i>	<i>We pray for the sick</i>
<p><u>For recently died:</u> Michael Duran, Betty Poloni.</p> <p><u>Anniversaries for Remembrances April:</u> 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 &amp; 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.</p>	<p>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.</p>

<i>Roster 15th &amp; 16th April</i>			Scripture Readings
Readers	6:15pm	8:00am	<p><u>This Sunday, Sunday of the Resurrection</u></p> <p>First Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43</p> <p>Psalm: Ps 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23</p> <p>Second Reading: Col 3:1-4</p> <p>Gospel: John 20:1-9</p> <p><u>Next Sunday, Second Sunday of Easter</u></p> <p>First Reading: Acts 2:42-47</p> <p>Psalm: Ps 117:2-4, 3-15, 22-24</p> <p>Second Reading: 1 Pet 1:3-9</p> <p>Gospel: John 20:19-31</p>
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	Group 4	
PowerPoint	Alan B	Clinton T	
Counting	-----	Group 3	

<i>Parish Diary</i>	<i>Happy Birthday</i>
<p><u>PARISH OFFICE REOPENS FRIDAY14TH APRIL</u></p> <p><u>Monday 10th April</u></p> <p>1:00pm Rosary Group</p> <p>2:00pm Activities Group</p> <p><u>Tuesday 11th April</u></p> <p>7:00pm St Vincent de Paul Meeting</p> <p><u>Wednesday 12th April</u></p> <p>7:30am HEARTfit</p> <p>11:00am Rosary Group</p> <p><u>Friday 14th April</u></p> <p>9:00am Rosary</p> <p>10:00am Divine Mercy</p>	<p><i>We thank God for the gift of life.</i></p> <p><i>We wish all the blessings to those who are celebrating their Birthdays in the month of April.</i></p>
<i>Parish Office</i>	<i>Little White Books</i>
<p><i>The Parish Office will be closed from Friday 7th April until 13th April (reopen on 14 April).</i></p> <p><i>Wishing you all a very Blessed Easter</i></p>	<p><i>The Little White Books</i> for Easter are available in the Church. The books cover the Easter period and walk you through the Sunday Gospels of Easter with explanations and reflections along the way. The cost of each book is \$5.00.</p>
	<i>Columbarium</i>
	<p>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 <i>3822 2139</i> to arrange a suitable time.</p>

<i>Archbishop's Dinner for Men</i>
<p>The Archbishops Dinner for Men is an evening event that provides a space for men who are discerning their vocation to gather and connect with each other.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>This event is a great opportunity for men to be inspired, ask questions, and continue their discernment journey.</p> <p>When: Thursday 13 April 2023, 6.00pm</p> <p>Where:Archbishop's Residence – Wynberg, New Farm</p> <p>RSVP: To express interest in attending, email <a href="mailto:vocation@bne.catholic.net.au">vocation@bne.catholic.net.au</a></p>



**Summit<sup>23</sup>**

**MAY 18–20, 2023**

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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 where Archbishop Mark will be sharing his priorities for the years to come.

**The Summit will include:**

- Keynote presentations
- Masterclasses
- Panel discussions with a focus on mission, faith communities, and prayer
- Moments for personal encounter with Christ through prayer and Eucharist
- Earlybird registration from \$170, group discounts are available

For costs and more information head to our website [brisbanesummit.com](https://brisbanesummit.com)





**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](mailto:birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au)

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

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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