

Important dates for the Sacramental journey for First Holy Communion.

**Sunday 4th June:** Workshop 2 in the Southern Cross Centre at 9:15am (following the 8:00am Mass)

**First Communion Celebration:** At Parish Masses on Saturday 10th June at 6:15pm and Sunday 11th June at 8:00am.

## Corpus Christi 2023

Are you proud of your Catholic faith? Are you looking for an opportunity to bear witness and help "make disciples of all nations" (Matt 28:19)?

On the Feast of Corpus Christi, June 11, join with over 4000 other Catholics making a public testimony of faith by walking in a Eucharistic procession through the streets of Brisbane city. It will be a colourful display as groups gather from all across the Archdiocese of Brisbane to represent their parish or cultural community.

The Corpus Christi Procession will start and end at the Cathedral of St Stephen and feature prayers, rosary, hymns and Benediction with proceedings led by Archbishop Mark Coleridge.

The weekend will also feature a Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition (10th – 11th June in the Cathedral precinct's Francis Rush Centre) and a vigil night of adoration (10th June from 7pm – 11th June 8am, in the Mary MacKillop Chapel).

When: Sunday 11 June, 2pm  
Where: Cathedral of St Stephen, Brisbane City

Find out more at [www.corpuschristibrisbane.com](http://www.corpuschristibrisbane.com)



## INTEREST

## Faith leaders condemn ACT plan to take over hospital

Andrew Barr's takeover of Canberra's Calvary Public Hospital Bruce will create a dangerous precedent and pave the way for government intervention in other faith-based community services, according to new warnings from religious leaders and Catholic educators. Read the full story: [Cathnews.com](http://Cathnews.com)

## Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane from 2023

1. TEACHING PRAYER
2. RESHAPING PARISH COMMUNITIES
3. BRINGING CULTURAL COMMUNITIES TO THE CENTRE
4. RESPONDING TO ABUSE AND THE ABUSED
5. ENGAGING ANEW WITH FIRST NATIONS PEOPLES
6. IMPLEMENTING INTEGRAL ECOLOGY
7. EMBEDDING SYNODAL GOVERNANCE



FOR MORE DETAILS [lamps-ablaze-a4-doc-e.pdf](http://lamps-ablaze-a4-doc-e.pdf) ([evangelisationbrisbane.org.au](http://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au))

## 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

Fr Regimon Gervasis Mcbs  
(Parish Priest)  
Email: [gervasisr@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:gervasisr@bne.catholic.net.au)  
Fr Prem Kumar  
(Associate Parish Priest)  
Emergency Contact: 3822 2139,  
Option 3

## 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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[www.marymackillop.qld.edu.au](http://www.marymackillop.qld.edu.au)  
**St Mary MacKillop OSHC**  
(Before - After School/Vacation Care)  
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.  
Date of next meeting 6th June 2023.

## 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

## 4th June 2023

## The Most Holy Trinity

Dear Parishioners and visitors,

God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, the church celebrates the feast of the Holy Trinity. Our prayers begin and end with the invocation 'in the name of the father and the son and the holy spirit', as we make the sign of the Cross. The sacraments are celebrated in the name of Trinity. At the beginning of Holy Mass, we listen to the Pauline greeting "the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all"



Three persons in one God? What is the nature of God? How can we explain God? Centuries ago, as God gave a new mission to Moses to lead Israel to freedom, Moses asked God "who are you"? How can I explain you and your name to the people? God said to Moses I AM WHO I AM (Exodus 3:14). God is the one who always Is.

God created us in God's own image and likeness (Genesis 1:27). The Catholic Church teaches, and we profess in the creed, "I believe in God the Father, I believe in Jesus Christ his son, I believe in the Holy Spirit". God is the communion of these three persons.

There are 73 books in the Bible, and the Old Testament or the first 46 books present God as a loving, guiding and protecting father. The Gospels, the first four books of the New Testament, present Jesus as the living presence of God among us. The rest of the 23 books of the New Testament reassures the active presence of God, continuing the effect of salvation through the works of the Holy spirit.

God's nature is love. We pray, daily, calling him our father in heaven. Our God loves us as the parents love their children, unconditionally. God loves us for whom we are, we are sons and daughters of God.

The Father, sent us the son who saved us. Jesus became one of us, while remaining One with the Father. The loving son came to the world to unite us again to God, through his blood and death on the cross.

The outpouring of the Holy Spirit, took place on Pentecost. We have the Presence and Power of God within us and we can make God Present to others. We can make a huge difference in our lives and in the world.


God does not exist in isolated individualism but in a community of relationships. They are not three gods, but only One God; they are of one nature and indivisible. We too cannot live as islands, we are given the ability to commit ourselves in the everyday events in order to be the leaven of communion, consolation, and mercy.

We as a loving parish community share the nature of God. We are the people, who are loved, forgiven and empowered. Let us find our meaning in life in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Lord's Blessing, Fr Regi






MASS TIMES		5th to 11th June
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 (ANOINTING MASS)
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>
<b>MONDAY</b> , 8.30 am: St Luke's Church, Capalaba <b>TUESDAY</b> , 5.30pm: St Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale <b>SATURDAY</b> , 4.00pm: St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills. <i>OR by appointment (phone 3822 2139 or 3820 0100)</i>	 <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>
<b>For recently died:</b> Edna Corbett, John Bass, Tony Kelly. <b>Anniversaries for Remembrances May:</b> Josephine Romero, Babs Gilhooley, Amber Rose (birthday) daughter of Celina and David McGovern, Michael Czapkowski (birthday), Anastacia Wieland, Bill Kluck, Matha Kluck, Flo Conway, Aristeo Avenia, Denis Glanville, Edward Bartlett, Barbara McGhee, Denise Hodgson, Alma Maclean, Jessie Maclean, Kerry Powell, Norma Cowsell, Simon Bromley, Peter Harman, Giovanni Ragagnin, Betty Avenia, Sr Anne Pulling RSH, Dr Salolatore Vitali, Margaret Duryea, Laureen Smith, Maureen McNab, Nell Elliott, Bede Ryan, Jessie Micaller, Aldo Bandiera, James Harrison, Ann Hockings, Nellie Modral, Saul David, Alberto Bandiera, Patricia Watson, Noel & Role Gablonski, Luigi Basso, Irma Moroney, Moira Peterson, John Duryea, Margaret Knights, Jessie Maclean, James King.	Menuli Perera, Michelle Russell, Helen Meade , Ned Robinson, Hilda Adam, Geoff Lovett, Ava Voorn, Finn Voorn, Mike Quilty, Heather Voigt, Maureen Phillips, Terry Coles, Jo Murphy, 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 Platt, 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.

<i>Roster 10th &amp; 11th June</i>		
Readers	6:15pm	8:00am
First Reading	Tom M	Eddie M
Second Reading	Brigid B	Therese T
Welcome & POF	Suzy P	Loretta M
Communion Ministers	Anne Maree C, Janet B, Vern B	David M, April M, Kayla S
Music	Group 1	Group 4
PowerPoint	Lisa K	Chris M
Counting	-----	Group 2

<i>Scripture Readings</i>
<b><u>This Sunday, The Most Holy Trinity</u></b> First Reading: Exo 34:4-6, 8-9 Psalm: Daniel 3:52-56 Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 Gospel: John 3:16-18  <b><u>Next Sunday, The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ</u></b> First Reading: Deut 8:2-3, 14-16 Psalm: Ps 147:12-15, 19-20 Second Reading: 1 Cor 10:16-17 Gospel: John 6:51-58

<i>Parish Diary</i>	<i>Communion Distribution Change:</i>
<b>Monday 5th June</b> 1:00pm Rosary Group 2:00pm Activities Group <b>Tuesday 6th June</b> 7:00pm St Vincent de Paul Meeting <b>Wednesday 7th June</b> 11:00am Rosary Group <b>Friday 9th June</b> 9:00am Rosary 10:00am Devine Mercy Prayers	<p><b>A reminder of the change in procedure for receiving Holy Communion, now that we are distributing under both species. Parishioners sitting in the front rows of the <u>centre sections</u> will move first (as before) towards the centre aisle, followed by the second row, etc, up to the back row, THEN parishioners in the <u>front rows of the side sections</u> will walk to the back and follow the other parishioners down the centre aisle, and so on.</b></p>
<i>Parish Office</i>	<i>Happy Birthday</i>
The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday 6th June for a Staff Professional Development Day. If you need a priest in the event of an emergency, please phone 3822 2139 and select Option 3.	<p><b>We thank God for the gift of life. We wish all the blessings to those who are celebrating their birthdays in the month of June.</b></p> 
<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>	<i>St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal</i>
Adoration from 10:00am - 11:00am (following the 9:30am Mass) on Friday 2nd June <i>and the first Friday of every month.</i>	<p>The annual Vinnies Winter Appeal will be held in our Parish on the weekend of <b>Saturday 17th &amp; Sunday 18th June</b>. The Appeal is to raise much needed funds for our local Birkdale Parish Conference to distribute to the needy within our parish area. Envelopes will be available in the Church. In the coming weeks we will be “retiring” the SVdP Collection Box in the Church. Donations can still be made using the giving envelopes available at the SVdP stall or by EFT to:- BSB: 064 786            Account: 100026127            Account Name: SVDP St Mary MacKillop  <b><i>We thank you for your continued support.</i></b></p>
<i>Mass of Anointing</i>	<div>  <div> <b>Mass Intentions</b> </div> </div> <p><i>Envelopes are available from the Parish Office and at the entrance of the Church. Please PRINT the NAME and date.</i></p>
 <p>Our Parish is looking for more volunteers to assist as:- Sacristans, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Power point Operators, gardening, hospitality and Counters, etc. If you would are able to help with any of these Parish duties please let the parish office know by registering at <a href="http://archbne.org/welcome">http://archbne.org/welcome</a> and complete the relevant sections.</p> <p><i>Our parish has implemented the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy. We are committed to high standards of recruitment, screening and selection of all of our employees and volunteers and undertake intentional strategies to maintain a safe and healthy ministry environment for all.</i></p>	

		<p><b>Are you New to the Parish?</b></p> <p>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, <a href="mailto:birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au">birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au</a></p> <p>The Parish Office will then be in touch with you to send you our weekly newsletter.</p> <p>NAME: _____</p> <p>PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____</p>
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