


*A new life in Christ...*



**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday**

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Sunday is a special day for all people of the Torres Strait and Aboriginal communities. It is a day to celebrate our culture, our traditions, and our people. It is a day to come together and share our stories, our songs, and our dances. It is a day to be proud of who we are and where we come from.

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**men ALIVE**

BEHOLD! It's less than 2 weeks until MAX2023 BEHOLD! This is the last menALIVE MAX week-end in Brisbane! After 2023, MAX will be on tour to other capital cities and not be back for 3 years. Come along. 50% of starting prices. Engaging workshops. If you seek to be closer to our God and the key people in your life, just come along. You are invited. See options at --<https://app.tickets.org.au/MA/MAX2023BNE> or <https://www.menalive.org.au/> or Robert on 0412 745 734. LOOK?SEE?BEHOLD >> DON'T waste/miss this opportunity! Last days!!

**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.



**\*\*READERS NEEDED for Sunday morning Mass\*\***

Please contact the Parish Office. Training is available. If you would like to join our reading volunteers, please contact the Parish Office and register at <http://archbne.org/welcome> and complete the relevant sections.

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.


**MYSTERY & MISSION THE ART OF LITURGICAL CELEBRATION**

The Australian Pastoral Musicians Network & National Liturgical Council are hosting a joint national liturgy & liturgical music conference in Brisbane from 28 to 30 September 2023.

**Keynote Speakers:** Prof Timothy O'Malley (Liturgical & Sacramental Theologian, University of Notre Dame, USA), Sarah Hart (Acclaimed Contemporary Catholic composer, USA), Assoc Prof Maeve Louise Heaney (Theologian & Composer, ACU), Rev Dr Tom Elich (Renowned Liturgist, Liturgy Brisbane Director)


For full information and to register, visit <https://www.nationalconference2023.org.au>





**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	2nd July 2023	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
<b>Fr Regimon Gervasis Mcbs (Parish Priest)</b> Email: <a href="mailto:gervasisr@bne.catholic.net.au">gervasisr@bne.catholic.net.au</a> <b>Fr Prem Kumar (Associate Parish Priest)</b> Emergency Contact: 3822 2139, Option 3	<p><b>Dear Parishioners and visitors,</b></p> <p>We have heard the popular expression, "If you have your health you have it all." Jesus tells us: "If you have God, you have it all." We are always reminded of our call to love, to express our faith through actions of charity. We have the challenge before us to place the other first, in our thoughts, words and actions. The NAIDOC week too reminding us to have an inclusive love for everyone.</p> <p>When we read the instructions of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew, we are bit confused. "Anyone who prefers father or mother or children to me is not worthy of me!" Is Jesus demanding something that is not possible for us?</p> <p>The most important commandments are to love God, to love our neighbour. Even though we can't separate these, Jesus speaks about priority for God in one's life ..... love God more than anything or anyone. This statement never implies not loving our parents, sisters, brothers, children, etc., but simply tells us that God should be the corner stone on which we build our lives and nothing and no one should take us away from God.</p> <p>The priorities might have changed. People may be preoccupied with Self-maintenance, Self-preservation and Self-perpetuation. If that is the situation there is a need of renewal. The better alternative offered is, self-denial and taking up the cross. That is why Jesus said let all your actions and your life begin and end in God. When we do something, even giving a glass of water out of love, God becomes our reward.</p> <p>"Whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me." Christ's love is sacrificial love. He calls us to love by giving. This can be difficult. This can be a real cross. A person can have a serious illness. There can be deep pain and division within a family. Another person may experience a horrible life-changing tragedy. Someone might be in so much pain that he or she just wants to give up, even to the point of going to war with God. If we refuse to follow the Lord because we are convinced that our crosses are too much for us, then our problems are our priority than God, who is the source and strength. When other people or other things take priority in our life, our faith in God will be based on our relationship with others. There may be the strong temptation to move away from God to satisfy others. But it should be on the other way around. My love for my parents, my partner, my children, my friends should be a reflection of my love of God.</p> <p>Is God my priority? Do I have time for God in my life? Do I truly reflect God's Love? Let us make constant efforts to reflect, refresh and renew our priorities in life. .</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Lord's Blessing, Fr Regi</b></p>	
<b>Parish Office</b> 12 Hardy Rd Birkdale, Qld 4159, Phone: 3822 2139 Email: <a href="mailto:birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au">birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au</a> <a href="http://www.stmarymackillopparish.org.au">www.stmarymackillopparish.org.au</a> , Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/stmarymackillopparishbirkdale">stmarymackillopparishbirkdale</a> <b>Office Hours</b> 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		
<b>Education</b> <b>St Mary MacKillop Primary School</b> Principal: John Spillane 10 Hardy Rd, Birkdale Qld 4159 Phone: 3822 5500 Email: <a href="mailto:pbirkdale@bne.catholic.edu.au">pbirkdale@bne.catholic.edu.au</a> <a href="http://www.marymackillop.qld.edu.au">www.marymackillop.qld.edu.au</a> <b>St Mary MacKillop OSHC</b> (Before - After School/Vacation Care) 10 Hardy Rd, Birkdale QLD 4159 Phone: 0477 550 445 Email: <a href="mailto:birkdaleoshc@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au">birkdaleoshc@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au</a> <a href="http://catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au">catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au</a>	<b>Welfare groups</b> <b>St Vincent De Paul Society</b> 1800 846 643. Meets every second Tuesday at 7:00pm. Date of next meeting 4th July 2023.	
<b>STOpline</b> To report 'reportable conduct' under the Archdiocesan Whistleblower Policy email to: <a href="mailto:aob@stopline.com.au">aob@stopline.com.au</a> Phone: 1300 30 45 50		



MASS TIMES		3rd — 9th July
MONDAY	9.00 AM	ST LUKE'S CHURCH, CAPALABA
<b>TUESDAY</b>		<b>NO MASSES UNTIL 8TH AUGUST 2023</b>
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 ( <b>ANOINTING MASS</b> )
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>	<i>Anointing Mass</i>
<b>MONDAY</b> 8.30 am: St Luke's Church, Capalaba <b>SATURDAY</b> 4.00pm: St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills. <i>OR by appointment</i> <i>(phone 3822 2139 or 3820 0100)</i>	<i>First Friday of the Month,</i> <i>(10.00 am to 11.00 am) at</i> <i>St Mary Mackillop Church,</i> <i>BIRKDALE</i>	Second Friday of each month at 9.30am. The next Anointing Mass will be on Friday 14th July.
<i>We remember and pray</i>	<i>We pray for the sick</i>	




**For recently died:** Laura Cal, Derek Phillips, Menuli Perera, Peter McMahon.

**Anniversaries for Remembrances July:** 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, Peter Mills, 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, Mick Gauci, Peg Knight, William Daley, Harry Kirkman, Jose Mangana .

<i>Roster 8th &amp; 9th July</i>		
Readers	6:15pm	8:00am
First Reading	Brigid B	Therese T
Second Reading	Suzy P	Priya M
Welcome & POF	Tom M	Eddie M
Communion Ministers	Anne Maree C, Janet B, Vern B	David M, Volunteer, Kayla S
Music	Group 3	Group 4
PowerPoint	Emma M	Chris M
Counting	-----	Group 2

Shona Kwock-Sun, 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, 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, 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.

Scripture Readings
<b><u>This Sunday, 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u></b> First Reading: 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16 Psalm: Ps 88:2-3, 16-19 Second Reading: Rom 6:3-4, 8-11 Gospel: Matthew 10:37-42
<b><u>Next Sunday, 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u></b> First Reading: Zech 9:9-10 Psalm: Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14 Second Reading: Rom 8:9, 11-13 Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

<i>Parish Diary</i>	<i>Planned Giving</i>
1:00pm Rosary Group 2:00pm Activities Group <b><u>Tuesday 4th July</u></b> 7:00pm St Vincent de Paul Meeting <b><u>Wednesday 5th July</u></b> 11:00am Rosary Group <b><u>Friday 6th July</u></b> 9:00am Rosary 10:00am Eucharistic Adoration	Weekly Envelopes for July 2013 to June 2014 are available in the Church for your collection (in alphabetical order of surnames). Should you wish to change to using either direct debit or credit card deductions, please phone the parish office on 3822 2139. We thank you for generosity and ongoing support of our Parish.
<i>Mass of Anointing</i>	<i>Congratulations!!!</i>
Anointing Mass will be celebrated on the second Friday of each month at 9.30am. The next Anointing Mass will be on <b>Friday 14th July</b> . All are welcome to give support to the sick, elderly and housebound of the parish. Please bring a plate of food to share for morning tea following the Mass.	 <p>We extend our congratulations to Sadie Hayes, Lennon Borg, Lucas and Zana Pizzica, Isla and Bradley Greaves who were baptised in our parish in the month of June.</p> <p>We welcome them to the parish family. Let us appreciate their parents for sharing the flame of faith with their children.</p>
<i>RCIA Journey</i>	<i>Communion to Residential Care Facilities</i>
Our Parish will begin the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) programme very soon. To enrol and learn more about Catholic Faith and join the faith please contact the Parish office: 3822 2139 Email: birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au	There are several Residential Care facilities in our Parish and we are hoping to arrange to take Communion to the residents who no longer able to come to Mass on a regular basis. If you would like to be part of this important ministry, please contact Fr Regi at the Parish Office for full training. You will also need to register at our volunteer website: <a href="http://archbne.org/welcome">http://archbne.org/welcome</a> and complete the relevant sections. <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> 
<i>St MMK Social Golf Club</i>	
Next game is Sunday <b>9th July</b> at Howeston Golf Course. Tee off 10am.	
<i>Small Coins for East Timor</i>	
The collection box for your SMALL COINS is in the Church each week. Total collected to date is \$19,118.95. <i>Thank you for your generosity.</i>	 <div> <i>Mass Intentions</i> </div> <div> <i>Envelopes are available from the Parish Office and at the entrance of the Church. Please PRINT the NAME and date.</i> </div>



**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: \_\_\_\_\_