

**St Mary MacKillop Primary School Fete**  
**Sunday 6th August 9.30am - 3.30pm**  
 Books, plants, Art & Craft, rides, Devonshire tea, cakes & sweets.


Major Raffle: Tickets can be bought via this QR code.  
 Tickets \$10.  
 1st prize: \$3000 cash  
 2nd prize: Vuly trampoline  
 3rd prize: Weber baby q BBQ




**We recommend if you or anyone who know receives a suspicious text, to not engage with the sender and instead forward the message to 0429 999 888 (this is the Australian Government's spam reporting line).**

**IT'S A SCAM! BE AWARE! BE INFORMED!**

An information session on phone and computer scams will be held at the St Anthony's and St Luke's Parish Hall, 1 St Anthony's Drv, Alexandra Hills. The tentative date is **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August**. Morning tea will be served at 9:00am followed by the presentation. There will be plenty of opportunity to ask questions. Please bring a pen and paper. All welcome.




**The Annual Catholic Campaign will be held on 19th & 20th August 2023**



**Your gift today is a blessing to your local community**

The face of the Church can seem ordinary enough, as can the face of each of us. But if we open the door of faith and allow God's mercy to flow through us into the lives of those in need, people will see in the Church and in each of us the face of Christ himself. May God, who is the giver of all gifts, bless you in every way.



**2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN**  
 Our Church - Our Mission - Our Community


[catholiccampaign.com.au](http://catholiccampaign.com.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	6th August 2023	The Transfiguration of the Lord
<p><b>Fr Regimon Gervasis Mcbs</b>            (Parish Priest)            Email: <a href="mailto:gervasisr@bne.catholic.net.au">gervasisr@bne.catholic.net.au</a></p> <p><b>Fr Prem Kumar</b>            (Associate Parish Priest)            Emergency Contact: 3822 2139, Option 3</p>	<p><b>Dear Parishioners and visitors,</b></p> <p>Jesus was changed before their eyes. Have you ever seen a transfiguration? Have you ever seen a simple thing become a holy thing, like bread become sacred flesh? Have you ever seen a plain face become a radiant beauty when seen through the eyes of love? Have you ever seen a timid person become a loin when circumstances required strength beyond fear? Transfiguration is not an isolated incident, a one-time deal in salvation history. Transfigurations happen around us in surprising places, for those who have eyes to see.</p> <p>Sitting with my dying friend for many weeks, I watched how a weakened body can become a temple of great holiness. The spiritual strength of a failing mortal life was so much stronger than the physical vigour he once displayed. Before his illness, he scaled mountains for pleasure. In his last illness, he ascended to spiritual heights that astonished me with their breathtaking vistas. Once, he saw the view from the peaks of the Sierras and hoped to climb Mount Kilimanjaro. Now, his vision is on higher places, and the things he sees are lovelier than all of earth's delights. This is transfiguration, as surely as what Peter, James and John saw it on that fateful day.</p>	
<p><b>Parish Office</b></p> <p>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></p> <p><b>Office Hours</b>            Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday:            9am to 2pm            Lisa Knight            (Parish Secretary, WH&amp;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</p>	<p><b>Pray</b></p> <p>God, may your mystery surround us and your light shine on us. Many your Spirit explore with us and be our companion. May what we do not understand send us on a journey with you today. Amen.</p>	
<p><b>Education</b></p> <p><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></p>	<p><b>Welfare groups</b></p> <p><b>St Vincent De Paul Society</b>            1800 846 643. Meets every second Tuesday at 7:00pm.            Date of next meeting 15th August 2023.</p>	
<p><b>STOpline</b></p> <p>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</p>	<p><b>Ponder</b></p> <p>Get ready to participate in some powerful transfigurations! Ask God to change the rough, ugly, or impossible roads in your life into freeways for grace. Invite the Holy Spirit to make the valleys smooth, and the mountains low. "Don't breathe a word of what you've seen. After the Son of Man is raised from the dead, you are free to talk".</p> <p><b>source:</b> Copyright © 2023 GPBS eNews, All rights reserved.</p>	



MASS TIMES 7th—13th August		
MONDAY		NO MASS
TUESDAY	6:00PM	ST MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, BIRKDALE
WEDNESDAY		NO MASS
THURSDAY		NO MASS
FRIDAY	9.30 AM	ST MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, BIRKDALE (2nd Friday of each month is 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>	<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 11th August.

<i>We remember and pray</i>	<i>We pray for the sick</i>
<b>For recently died:</b> Judy Mullan, Beth Riegler, Shona Kwock-Sun, Laura Cal, Derek Phillips, Menuli Perera, Peter McMahon.  <b>Anniversaries for Remembrances August:</b> Ernesto Zanatta, Peg Devlin, Maureen Garty, Joel Casley, Greg Dwyer, Steve Toon, Mitchell Montgomery, Martin Walsh, Neil Bryson, Helena Szwajczak, Patrick O’Connor, Giuseffina Garbuio, Valda Montgomery, Robert Peters, Lorenza Fenech, George Hayes, Ernie Mullan, Tom Power, Patricia Thomsen, Roxanne Allam, Peter Quinn, Christine McQuillan, Hugh Magee, Doreen Webb, Sr Kathleen Prise RSJ, Max Ferris, Antonio Ragagnin, Ellen Hume, Michael Wellington, Rosa Rominelli, Kathy MacLellan, Margaret Ansell-Vosti, Robert Squires, Mary Ward, Thomas McNamee, Helen McNamee, Modesta Santarossa, Raniero Citeroni, Angela Citeroni, Hazel Padget, Eileen Doherty, John Howard, Michael Czapkowski, Basilio Poloniato, Doris and Ray Sharp, Nissanka Mendis.	Raymond Davis, 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, Henk Hoonhout, Paul McKean, Geoffrey Whall, Kevin Harrop, 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.

<i>Roster 12th &amp; 13th August</i>		
Readers	6:15pm	8:00am
First Reading	Suzy P	Priya M
Second Reading	Tom M	Eddie M
Welcome	Brigid B	Therese T
Communion Ministers	Anne Maree C, Janet B, Vern B	David M, April M, Kayla S
Music	Group 3	Volunteer needed
PowerPoint	Emma M	Chris M
Counting	-----	Group 2

Scripture Readings
<u><b>This Sunday, The Transfiguration of the Lord</b></u> First Reading: Dan 7:9-10, 13-14 Psalm: Ps 96:1-2, 5-6, 9 Second Reading: 2 Pet 1:16-19 Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9  <u><b>Next Sunday, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b></u> First Reading: 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13 Psalm: Ps 84:9-14 Second Reading: Rom 9:1-5 Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33


<i>Parish Diary</i>
1:00pm <u>Monday 7th August</u> Rosary Group 2:00pm Activities Group <u>Wednesday 9th August</u> 11:00am Rosary Group <u>Friday 11th August</u> 9:00am Rosary 10:00am Divine Mercy Prayers 10:00am Morning tea in Parish Centre


<i>Mass of Anointing</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 11th August.</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.

<i>Weekday Masses</i>
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There will be no weekday Masses next week on Monday (St Luke’s, Capalaba), Thursday or Friday (St Anthony’s, Alexandra Hills).
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<i>Divine Mercy Prayers</i>
From 10:00am (following the 9:30am Mass) every Friday <u>except</u> the first Friday of the month, at St Mary MacKillop Church, BIRKDALE

	<i>Envelopes are available from the Parish Office and at the entrance of the Church. Please PRINT the NAME and date.</i>
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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: \_\_\_\_\_

<i>Feast Day Mass</i>
 <div> St Mary MacKillop Feast Day  Tuesday 8th August  Mass at 6:00pm  All welcome.  <i>“Remember, We are all but Travellers Here.”</i> </div>

<i>Sacramental Journey for Confirmation 2023</i>	
<p><u>Workshops:</u></p> <p>20th August 2023 at 9.15am 27th August 2023 at 9:15am</p> <p><u>Confirmation Celebration:</u></p> <p>Thursday 31st August 2023 at 6:30pm <i>Please keep these families in your prayers</i></p>	

Happy Birthday	
<p><i>We thank God for the gift of life.</i> <i>We wish all the blessings to those</i> <i>who are celebrating their birthdays</i> <i>in the month of July.</i></p>	

<i>RCIA Journey</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

<i>Columbarium</i>
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.

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**ST MARY MACKILLOP  
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SCHOOL FETE**



**Sun 6th August 2023**

**9.30am - 3.30pm**

**EVERYBODY WELCOME**

**St Mary MacKillop Primary School  
10 Hardy Rd Birkdale**

