

A Morning's Prayer Retreat

Date: Saturday 28 October 2023 Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm Location: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre 267 Wellington Street, Ormiston Cost: \$25

READY FOR JOB SUCCESS



PRAYER

Advice on resumes, interview skills, Job Search Strategies and more!!!!! When: Tuesdays and Thursdays over 3 weeks starting Tuesday October 3rd 2023. 9.30am - 2pm Time:

Where: St Mary MacKillop Parish Centre, 12 Hardy Rd, BIRKDALE Morning tea and lunch provided everyday.

Contact us today to secure your spot. Email: hello@womenoftrades.au Phone: 0467 307 981 or message us on socials



With Timor-Leste's fragile infrastructure, reliance on local health practices, and limited access to medical care, many health conditions only worsen, and sadly can result in death.

Next week Catholic Mission will offer you the opportunity to partner with the Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters in Venilale, Timor-Leste, where your gift can help continue a life-saving program to help address this reality.

We hope you will take next week's opportunity to make an incredible impact for those in need.

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.





"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 1st October 2023

Dear Parishioners and visitors.

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

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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 Spillane

Education

St Mary MacKillop Primary School Principal: John Spillane 10 Hardy Rd. Birkdale Old 4159 Phone: 3822 5500 Email: pbirkdale@bne.catholic.edu.au www.marymackillop.qld.edu.au St Mary Mackillop OSHC (Before - After School/Vacation Care) 10 Hardy Rd, Birkdale QLD 4159 Phone: 0477 550 445 Email: birkdaleoshc@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au

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Welfare groups

St Vincent De Paul Society 1800 846 643. Meets every second Tuesday at 7:00pm. Next meeting 26th September 2023.

STOPline

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

How do we explain our belief in Jesus? Jesus is so much more for us than Christology. Jesus is not just a dogma of the Church, an intellectual doctrine. He is a living person and we have a personal relationship with Him. Jesus came to bring us back on track of God's love. Each time when we look at the Cross, we are amazed at the extent of His Love for us.

"Be like Him," St. Paul says in the second reading. "Serve others. Stop being selfish. Look at others as more important than yourself." This is difficult. So much of our society pressures us to think that the world revolves around our wants and us.

The Gospel presents a loving father who loves and cares for his sons, now looking for the response from his sons. The "rebellious" son told his father to his face that he would not work for him. But afterwards he changed his mind and did what his father asked him. The "good" son said he would work for his father, but didn't care to fulfil his promise. Now who was really the good son? I would say the one who repented and then did what the father told him to do.

Like the two sons in the Gospel, we are called to work with God. The vineyard is our house, our life and that place where others are reaching out to us, seeking the love of Christ in us. For God to work through us, we have to take on the humility of Christ and be more concerned with those for whom we are called than with ourselves.

The gospel reminds us of something we often forget: words can be meaningless and promises are empty when not followed by action. The first son is arrogant but his action shows his goodness. The second son sounds co-operative but fails to keep his promise. Jesus asks us to think whether our words and actions are in agreement. It is easy to talk, to pronounce and to make statements. It is more difficult to give time, effort and attention. Do we make promises to others that quickly go out the window? To have a share in the kingdom of God is to be ready to rub shoulders with all kinds people. God's love is given freely and is accepted by many. We pray for a heart that is open to all.



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



.....Lord's Blessing, Fr Regi

2nd—8th October 2023						
MONDAY	9.00 AM	ST LUKE'S CHURCH, CAPALABA				
TUESDAY	6:00PM	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 (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				
The Sacrament of Reconciliation			Eucharistic Adoration	Anointing Mass		
<u>MONDAY</u> 8.30 am: St Luke's Church, Capalaba <u>TUESDAY</u> 5.30pm: St Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale			First Friday of the Month, (10.00 am to 11.00 am) at	Second Friday of each month at 9.30am. The next Anointing Mass		

St Mary Mackillop Church,

BIRKDALE

SATURDAY 4.00pm: St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills. OR by appointment (phone 3822 2139 or 3820 0100

We remember and prav

For recently died: Rebecca Harvey, Judy Mullan, Beth Riegler, Shona Kwock-Sun, Laura Cal, Derek Phillips, Menuli Perera.

Anniversaries for Remembrances October: Chuito Daboin, Sam Catavitello, William Watson, Sarah Ahrens, Alberto De Monte, Vin Williams, Marian Dobunski, Fr John McGhee msc, Marjorie White, Sydney Rozario, John Chambers, Bob Garth, Candido Balito, Martin Curran , Paul Hayes, Pauline Boevink, Bill Allam, John Sheehan, Alice Groeger, Horrie Tranter, Joseph McNamee, Mary Leane, Pat Fitzpatrick, Leslie Marks, Galiano Tesser, Ronald Cowsell, Therese Bratic, Flo Mossop, Kay Cook, Helen Meade, Margaret Price, Jan Campbell, Kathleen Kearney, Maria Nguyen-Thi-Dieu, Keith Donelly, Salvatore Ragonesi, Kathy Walsh, David Hines, Daniel Costello, Laureen Smith, Ryan Hogan, John McDonald, Susanne Conroy, Dennis Manche, Forbes Peters, Myrtle Peters, John Humphries, Mark Thiedecke, Giuseppe Citeroni, Bozica Puljic, Michael Wellington.

We pray for the sick Gwen Dillon, 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, , Clara Elms, Henk Hoonhout, Paul McKean, Geoffrey Whall, Kevin Harrop, Charles Lilley, Ann Brown, Sally Legarda, Gemma Paxman, James

will be on

Friday 13th October.

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.

	Roster 7th & 8th October					
Readers		6:15pm	8:00am			
	First Reading	Susanne G	Therese T			
	Second Reading	John E	Priya M			
	Welcome & POF	Therese E	Eddie M			
	Communion Ministers	Mary D, Tom M, Vern D	David M, Kayla S, April M			
	Music	Volunteer / CD	Group 4			
	PowerPoint	Lisa K	Chris M			
	Counting		Group 2			

Scripture Readings

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading: Ezek 18:25-28 Psalm: Ps 24:4-9 Second Reading: Phil 2:1-11 Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

Next Sunday, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading: Isa 5:1-7 Psalm: Ps 79:9, 12-16,19-20 Second Reading: Phil 4:6-9 Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

Parish Diary		Invitation	
Monday 1st October1:00pmRosary Group2:00pmActivities GroupWednesday 3rd October11:00amRosary GroupFriday 6th October9:00amRosary10:00amAdoration		Volunteer Thanksgiving Mass and Dinner Tuesday 17th October 2023 6:00 pm Mass followed by catered dinner in the Parish Centre. For everyone who gives their time and talents to help our Parish. Place name and details on the list in the church or contact the parish office on	
<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i> Adoration from 10:00am - 11:00am(following the 9:30am Mass) on <i>the first Friday of</i> <i>every month.</i>		<i>Nank</i> 3822 2139 or email	
		Thank you! Contact the parish onice on 3822 2139 or email birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au	
CAR PARK IMPROVEMENTS The car park construction work is complete -		PUBLIC HOLIDAY The Parish Office will be closed on Monday 2nd October. If you need a Priest in the event of an emergency please	
and parking bays are avail front in, reverse out parki		phone 3822 2139 and choose Option 3.	
marking has been done. Pa		Mass of Anointing	
along the exit road is not permitted. Please be thoughtful of people with disabilities or walking difficulties.		Anointing Mass will be celebrated on the second Friday of each month at 9.30am. The next Anointing Mass will be on Friday 13th October .	
Rosary		All are welcome to give support to the sick, elderly and	
The month of October is dedicated as the Holy Rosary. The Rosary will be prayed before each Parish Mass during the month of October,		housebound of the parish. Please bring a plate of food to share for morning tea following the Mass.	
		Sacramental Journey for Reconciliation 2023	
commencing 30 r the start of Everyone is invited to join in sary for our Nation in honou Fatima on Sunday 15th Octo (following the 8:00am Mass) MacKillop Catholic Parish, 12 dale. Please bring a plate of f	of Mass. n praying the Ro- n of Our Lady of ber at 9:00am) at St Mary 2 Hardy Rd, Birk-	Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation) 2023 PENANCE (Reconciliation): For Children who received Holy Communion in 2022 or before. Enrolment and Parent Information Session: Thursday 26th October 2023 at 6:30pm in the Parish Centre Reconciliation Experience: Thursday 16th November 2023 at 6:30pm. Please keep these families in your prayers	
For more information, please p		RCIA Journey	
on 0449 922 161.Mass IntentionsEnvelopes are available from the Parish Office and at the entrance of the Church. Please PRINT the NAME and date.		Our Parish will begin the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) programme at the end of October. 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	
us your details by pho		Are you New to the Parish? ish, please fill this form and drop it in the collection box or give one, on 3822 2139 or email, birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au then be in touch with you to send you our weekly newsletter.	

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