



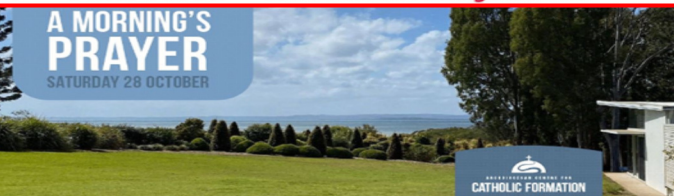
Rosary in the park will be held at:
Bunnings Park, Capalaba.
Saturday 14th OCTOBER 2023 at 11.00 am.
Please bring water, sunscreen, hat and a chair.



This week Catholic Mission will offer the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to address gaps in medical care, and provide families with essential health care and knowledge, equipping them with the confidence to act and autonomy over their health and well-being.

The Maria Auxiliadora Clinic is a vital project for the Salesian Sisters and the Church in Venilale. Since its establishment, the clinic has provided life-saving treatment for families in need, like Petrolina's, whose daughter Vitoria was found to have tuberculosis. But, with an increase in the demand for treatment, the Sisters resources can only carry them so far.

Please give generously today to help continue this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/timor, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.



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

STAR OF THE SEA 4TH PARISH MISSION

Led by Fr Ray Sanchez CP
From Sunday 22nd October to Friday 27th October 2023

There will be five (5) sessions:

1. Dealing with change in the world and in the Church. (Sun 22 Oct - Evening session only)
2. Pope Francis in a Time of Transition (Mon 23 Oct)
3. Eucharist as Communion Meal and Sacrifice (Tuesday 24 Oct)
(Wednesday 27 Oct - REST DAY – no session)
4. Transition and Solitude (Thursday 26 Oct)
5. The Church in a Time of Change & 2nd Rite of Reconciliation (Friday 27 Oct)

We conclude the Mission with a celebration of the sacrament of Reconciliation.

MORNING SESSIONS: 9.15am to 12.15pm

EVENING SESSIONS: 7 to 9pm

All sessions are done in the morning and repeated that evening, with a morning Eucharist to precede the morning ones. No session on Wednesday. Tea and coffee available after the 9.15am Mass each day.

The Salesians of St Don Bosco are celebrating 100 years since they arrived in Australia to work in the spirit of St Don Bosco. The Relic is touring Australia to give people the opportunity to pray to St Don Bosco in a special way with the relic. Brisbane is its last stop!

Brisbane Program - 13th to 22nd October, 2023 includes....

FRIDAY 13TH - Cathedral of St Stephen, Brisbane City - 8am to 6pm

THURSDAY 19TH - Guardian Angels, Wynnum - 4pm to 7pm

A full list of the venues and dates is on the Parish Noticeboard.

For a list of the full programme and Up to date information visit www.stdonboscobrisbane.weebly.com



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
Fr Prem Kumar
(Associate Parish Priest)
Emergency Contact: 3822 2139,
Option 3

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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Phone: 3822 5500
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www.marymackillop.qld.edu.au
St Mary MacKillop OSHC
(Before - After School/Vacation Care)
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Phone: 0477 550 445
Email:
birkdaleoshc@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au
catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au

Welfare groups

St Vincent De Paul Society
1800 846 643. Meets every
second Tuesday at 7:00pm.
Next meeting 10th October 2023.

STOpline

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

8th October 2023

Dear Parishioners and visitors,

Why all these vineyards?
Three weeks in a row, our Sunday gospels have been about vineyards. Two weeks ago, we had the Parable of the Labourers in the Marketplace and the Good Employer who treated the workers as equal when he paid their wages.

Last week we had the parable of the two sons who were called to work in their father's vineyard. This week we have another vineyard story, of the wicked tenants who tried to take ownership of the vineyard, in an unlawful and unjust way. The Lord's vineyard is the house of his people. Who are these wicked labourers? Jesus speaks about the people who were entrusted with the Vineyard of the Lord. They were given the mission to nourish the people in the Word of God and prepare them for the Word become Flesh. However, they failed to prepare the people for the coming of the Messiah. In fact, they did not even want a Messiah. "So," the Lord says, "the vineyard will be taken from those evil tenants and given to others who would nurture it and bear the fruit of the Kingdom." We are given the deep responsibility to produce the fruits of the kingdom, compassion and forgiveness, mercy and love.

We gather for the celebration of the self-giving of the Son of God. The true spirit of Mass is self-denial and self-sacrifice. Using the environment or church for selfish gain is not the reason why we pray or come together to celebrate Mass. The Mass is the sending ceremony, like the messengers. At the mass we receive God's grace in word and sacrament so we can bring the Lord's presence to the people of the world, who long for God.

We come to Mass and share the grace we receive here to lead the children, spouses, and yes even our parents to the life of joy and peace in Jesus Christ. We do this, first of all, by growing closer and closer to the Lord so that our words and actions naturally reflect His Presence. We do this by standing up for all that is right and moral and by being kind to others. We do this by making the right choice, sometimes 'YES', sometimes 'NO'.

This parable richly conveys some important truths about God and the way he deals with his people. First, it tells us of God's generosity and trust. Like the owner, God trusts us enough to give us freedom to run life as we choose. This parable also tells us of God's patience and justice. Not once, but many times he forgives the tenants and gave another chance. But while the tenants take advantage of the owner's patience, his judgment and justice prevail in the end.

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



9th - 15th 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


<i>The Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>	<i>Anointing Mass</i>
MONDAY 8.30 am: St Luke's Church, Capalaba TUESDAY 5.30pm: St Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale SATURDAY 4.00pm: St Anthony's Church, Alexandra Hills. OR by appointment (phone 3822 2139 or 3820 0100)	<i>First Friday of the Month, (10.00 am to 11.00 am) at St Mary Mackillop Church, BIRKDALE</i>	Second Friday of each month at 9.30am. The next Anointing Mass will be on Friday 13th October.

<i>We remember and pray</i>	<i>We pray for the sick</i>
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.	Gary Lopez, Andrew Hodgson, Cody-Lea Knight, 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, 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 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 14th & 15th October</i>			<i>Scripture Readings</i>
Readers	6:15pm	8:00am	<u>This Sunday, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> 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 <u>Next Sunday, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> First Reading: Isa 25:6-10 Psalm: Ps 22 Second Reading: Phil 4:12-14,19-20 Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14
First Reading	Brigid B	Louise W	
Second Reading	Suzy P	Matthew K	
Welcome & POF	Tom M	Lorraine K	
Communion Ministers	Anne Maree C, Janet B, Vern B	Volunteer, Elaine H, Christine D	
Music	Group 3	Group 2	
PowerPoint	Emma M	Chris M	
Counting	-----	Group 3	

<i>Parish Diary</i>	
	<u>Monday 9th October</u> 1:00pm Rosary Group 2:00pm Activities Group <u>Tuesday 10th October</u> 7:00pm St Vincent de Paul <u>Wednesday 11th October</u> 11:00am Rosary Group <u>Friday 13th October</u> 9:00am Rosary 10:00m Morning tea 10:00am Divine Mercy Prayers <u>Sunday 15th October</u> 9:00am Rosary (following the 8am Parish Mass)

<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 Friday 13th October. 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>Rosary</i>
 The month of October is dedicated as the Holy Rosary. The Rosary will be prayed before each Parish Mass during the month of October, commencing 30 minutes prior to the start of Mass. Everyone is invited to join in praying the Rosary for our Nation in honour of Our Lady of Fatima on Sunday 15th October at 9:00am (following the 8:00am Mass) at St Mary MacKillop Catholic Parish, 12 Hardy Rd, Birkdale. Please bring a plate of food to share. For more information, please phone Vita on 0449 922 161.

Invitation

*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 3822 2139 or email birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au



Thank you!

Sacramental Journey for Reconciliation 2023


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


RCIA Journey

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

Happy Birthday


*We thank God for the gift of life.
We wish all the blessings to those who are celebrating their birthdays in the month of October.*





Mass Intentions

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




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: _____



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