

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.





15th October 2023

"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

12 Hardy Rd Birkdale, Qld 4159, Phone: 3822 2139 Email: birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au www.stmarvmackillopparish.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 Spillan

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 catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au

Welfare groups

St Vincent De Paul Society 1800 846 643. Meets every second Tuesday at 7:00pm. Next meeting 24th October 2023.

STOPline

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

Dear Parishioners and visitors. People generally like get-togethers and parties. The Gospel presents a banquet where the invited don't show up. Today's readings are about God's invitation to us for the party. The Prophet Isaiah tells us that God will provide a banquet for all peoples. Everyone is invited. God wants all to be saved. All will rejoice that God has saved us. This is a strong message because so many in our world do not want salvation for everyone nor even do many people want good things for everyone. The Gospel of Saint Matthew brings us back to banquets! The story has two parts. The first half is about a king who prepared a grand party to celebrate his son's wedding. The second half is about a person who entered the reception hall without wearing the proper wedding garment. Both parables end in tragedy. Why? What went wrong? Answer to this question is the answer of Jesus to all the problems and miseries we experience in our world. In the first parable, it was their king who invited them to the wedding feast of his son. But the invitees were busy with their own private business. Everything that we managed to get hold of should find its place and relevance in the totality. If we are not ready, the reward will be given to those who are ready. The second parable talks about the custom. At the foyer the invited guests were offered the wedding garments to be worn during the dinner. Everybody collected theirs and went in. But there was one person, even though he received a free invitation and was offered free wedding garments to be worn during the ceremony, he decided to disregard it. He wanted to enjoy the free lunch but was not ready to fulfil its requirements. The man who came without the proper clothes is the Christian in name only, who refuses to put on Jesus Christ throughout the life. This is the person who accepts the invitation of the Lord, but refuses to exercise his or her personal responsibility in the Christian community. An attitude or a mind-set of carelessness, laziness and rebellion and that may end up in a total separation from joy, protection and love. We are all invited to the feast that our God has prepared for us. That is what we commemorate when we celebrate the Holy Eucharist. Communities and families collapse when some members pursue only their part, forgetting their common business, the common good. Each day is a day to choose. God will not force us against our own choices. Jesus accepts our freedom even to reject Him and His invitation to the banquet of the Kingdom. So, we are left in the end with our own choice, but may we truly put on Christ, first in our homes, among God's people, and in our world.



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



16th - 22nd October 2023				
MONDAY	9.00 AM	ST LUKE'S CHURCH	, CAPALABA	
TUESDAY	6:00PM	ST MARY MACKILLO	OP CHURCH, BIRKDALE	
WEDNESDAY	5.00 PM	ST ANTHONY'S CHU	JRCH, ALEXANDRA HILLS	
THURSDAY	9.00 AM	ST ANTHONY'S CHU	JRCH, 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 MACKILLO	OP 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 Sacran	nent of Re	conciliation	Eucharistic Adoration	Anointing Mass
<u>MONDAY</u> 8.30 am: St Luke's Chr <u>TUESDAY</u> 5.30pm: St Mary Mac <u>SATURDAY</u>	-	Birkdale	First Friday of the Month, (10.00 am to 11.00 am) at St Mary Mackillop Church,	Second Friday of each month at 9.30am. The next Anointing Mass will be on

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.

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,

We pray for the sick

Friday 10th November.

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Amelia Ramsay, Jeanette Moore, Nola Murphy, Christiana Becker, Pauline McNamee, Gina Mather.

Roster 21st & 22nd October				
Readers	6:15pm	8:00am		
First Reading	Mary S	Tim F		
Second Reading	Vern D	Peter M		
Welcome & POF	Tanina D	Rob S		
Communion Ministers	John E, Therese E, Volunteer	Kayla S, Maria S, Volunteer		
Music	Volunteer / CD	Group 4		
PowerPoint	Alan B	David C		
Counting		Group 4		

Scripture Readings

This Sunday, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading: Isa 25:6-10 Psalm: Ps 22 Second Reading: Phil 4:12-14,19-20 Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14 Next Sunday, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading: Isa 45:1, 4-6 Psalm: Ps 95:1, 3-5, 7-10 Second Reading: 1 Thess 1:1-5

Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21

Parish Diary					
Monday 16th October					
1:00pm Rosary Group					
2:00pm Activities Group					
Tuesday 17th October					
6:00pm Volunteer Thanksgiving Mass	Fo				
followed by dinner	ΓΟ				
Wednesday 18th October					
8:30am Chapel open for Prayer	Pla				
11:00am Rosary Group	TI				
Friday 20th October	Ir				
9:00am Rosary	11				
10:00am Divine Mercy Prayers	90				
Divine Mercy Prayers					
From 10:00am (following the 9:30am	<u>Sa</u>				
Mass) every Friday <u>except</u> the first	PENA				
Friday of the month, at	<u>- 1111</u>				
St Mary MacKillop Church, BIRKDALE					
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Rosary	Thurs				
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,	<u> </u>				
Birkdale.					
Please bring a plate of food to share.					
For more information, please phone Vita					
on 0449 922 161.					
Small Coins for East Timor					
The collection box for your SMALL COINS					
is in the Church each week.					
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Invitation

Volunteer Thanksgiving Mass and Dinner Tuesday 17th October 2023 6:00 pm Mass followed by catered dinner in the Parish Centre. or everyone who gives their time and talents to help our Parish. ace name and details on the list in the church or



contact the parish office on 3822 2139 or email birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au

cramental Journey for Reconciliation 2023

crament of Penance (Reconciliation) 2023 ANCE (Reconciliation): For Children who received Holy Communion in 2022 or before.

nent and Parent Information Session: day 26th October 2023 at 6:30pm in the Parish Centre ciliation Experience: day 16th November 2023 at 6:30pm.

Please keep these families in your prayers

RCIA Journey

Our Parish will begin the RCIA (Rite of Christian ation for Adults) programme at the end of October. rol and learn more about Catholic Faith and join the aith please contact the Parish office: 3822 2139 Email: birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au

Columbarium

We are now taking reservations for niches or plaques. If you would like to discuss your equirements or have any questions about the process, please contact the Parish Office on 3822 2139 to arrange a suitable time.



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ase fill this form and drop it in the collection box or give 3822 2139 or email, birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au

in touch with you to send you our weekly newsletter.

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