

Sacramental Programme for children 2024

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: For Children who received Confirmation in 2023 or before.

Parent Information Night – TUESDAY, 12th MARCH 2024 at 6:30 pm, Parish Centre

First Holy Communion- SATURDAY, 18th MAY 2024 at 6:15pm and
SUNDAY 19th MAY 8:00am.



CONFIRMATION: For Students in Year 3 or above

Parent Information Night – WEDNESDAY, 17th JULY 2024 at 6:30pm, Parish Centre

Date of Confirmation - THURSDAY, 29th AUGUST 2024 at 6.30 pm



PENANCE (Reconciliation): For Children who received Holy Communion in 2023 or before.

Parent Information Night-THURSDAY, 29th FEBRUARY 2024 at 6:30pm, Parish Centre

Date of Reconciliation - MONDAY, 11th MARCH 2024 at 6:30pm



*For more information, please Contact the Parish Office.

Phone: 07 3822 2139 OR Email: birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au



Third Sunday of Lent
2 & 3 March



Not having access to a reliable source of clean water was very difficult for Leaia and her family. But with the support of Caritas Australia, a water tank was installed at their home, improving their health and living conditions.

Please donate to Project Compassion.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **for all future generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

Archbishop Mark Coleridge
invites you to the annual

CHRISM MASS

Thursday 21st March 2024 @ 7:00pm

Cathedral of St Stephen
249 Elizabeth Street,
Brisbane 4000

A CELEBRATION FOR THE ENTIRE ARCHDIOCESE
ALL WELCOME

CAR PARKING AVAILABLE FROM 6:00PM
A LIGHT SUPPER WILL BE SERVED FOLLOWING THE MASS

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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www.stmarymackillopparish.org.au,
Facebook: [stmarymackillopparishbirkdale](https://www.facebook.com/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, 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)
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 5th March 2024.

STOpline

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

3rd March 2024

Third Sunday of Lent

Jesus burns with zeal for his Father's house

When Jesus went to Jerusalem at Passover time he shocked the Jewish leaders by forcibly expelling the money-changers and traders from the temple. Jesus referred to the temple as his Father's house which was being made into a "house of trade" (John 2:16) and "den of robbers" (Mark 11:17). The prophecy of Malachi foretold the coming of the Lord unexpectedly to his Temple to "purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, till they present right offerings to the Lord" (Malachi 3:1-4). Jesus' disciples recalled the prophetic words of Psalm 69: "Zeal for your house will consume me." This psalm was understood as a Messianic prophecy. Here the disciples saw Jesus more clearly as the Messiah who burned with zeal for God's house. The Jewish authorities wanted proof that Jesus had divine authority to act as he did. They demanded a sign from God to prove Jesus right, otherwise, they would treat him as an imposter and a usurper of their authority. Jesus spoke of himself as the true Temple which cleanses and makes us a holy people who can dwell with God. The sign Jesus gave pointed to his sacrificial death on the cross and his rising from the tomb on the third day: "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up" (John 2:19). The Jews did not understand that the temple Jesus referred to was his own body. The "tent of his body" had to first be destroyed (that is, be put to death as the atoning sacrifice for our sins) in order to open the way for us to freely enter into the holy presence of God in his heavenly sanctuary (Hebrews 10:19).



The Lord Jesus makes us temples of the Holy Spirit

Through his death and resurrection, the Lord Jesus has reconciled us with God and made us adopted sons and daughters of our heavenly Father, and he fills us with his Holy Spirit and makes us living temples of our God (1 Corinthians 6:19-20; 2 Corinthians 6:16). Do you recognise the indwelling presence of God within you through the gift and working of his Holy Spirit? The Lord Jesus wants to renew our minds and to purify our hearts so that we may offer God fitting worship and enjoy his presence both now and forever. Ask the Lord Jesus to fill you with a holy desire and burning zeal for his holiness and glory to grow in you and transform the way you think, act, and live as a son or daughter of God.

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26th February - 3rd March 2024		
MONDAY	9.00 AM	ST LUKE'S CHURCH, CAPALABA
TUESDAY	6:00 PM	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,</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 8th March.

<i>We remember and pray</i>	<i>We pray for the sick</i>
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For recently died: Luigi Zanatta, Paul McMahon, Helen Meade ,Teresa Leotta, Mark Paten, Trevor Linton.

Anniversaries for Remembrances February: Gladys Wicks, Maria Otilia Patelesio, Kelly Delaney, Pearl Montgomery, Clare Salisbury, Elva Park, Gaetano Cameli, Thelma Rubach, Giovanni Patti, Monica Evans, Ian Jackson, Br Kevin McGhee MSC, William Davies, Sheila Evans, Ned Matic, Patrick Conroy, Jackie Watkins, Celeste Quinn, Jos Peters, Vicente Reyes Sr, Mildred Ball-Wilson, Christine Leane, Alan Wyatt, Harry Ball-Wilson, Bob Lough, John McIntyre, Jill Martin, Bill Kelly, Ida Garbuio, Tony Alcock, Robert Montgomery, Daphne Weeks, Gina Biscontin, John Stangret, Adrian Delacour, Alan Wyatt, Joseph McNamee, Peter Sherry, Migueli Gutierrez, Doreen Bergin, Nadia Sklyarova, Geoffrey Scandrett, Warren Smith, Margaret Silveira, Evelyn Holmes, Trevor Copas, Greg Lawler, Beryl McNulty, Vincent Webster.

Julie Chivers, John Tucker, Brian Prove, Tessie Gorogo, Michael McGrath, Dawn Montgomery, Bill Welsh, Andrew Hodgson, Cody-Lea Knight, Gwen Dillon, Raymond Davis, Michelle Russell, Ned Robinson, Hilda Adam, Ava Voorn, Finn Voorn, Mike Quilty, Heather Voigt, Maureen Phillips, Terry Coles, Jo Murphy, 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 9th & 10th March</i>			Scripture Readings
Readers	6:15pm	8:00am	<p><u>This Sunday, Third Sunday of Lent (Year A Readings)</u> First Reading: Exo 17:3-7 Psalm: 94:1-2,6-9 Second Reading: Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 Gospel: John 4:5-42</p> <p><u>Next Sunday, Fourth Sunday of Lent (Year A Readings)</u> First Reading: 1 Sam16:1, 6-7, 10-13 Psalm: 22 Second Reading: Eph 5:8-14 Gospel: John 9:1-41</p>
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, April M, Kerry B	
Music	Group 3	Group 4	
PowerPoint	Emma M	Chris M	
Counting	-----	Group 2	

<i>Parish Diary</i>	
	<u>Monday 4th March</u>
1:00pm	Rosary Group
2:00pm	Activities Group
	<u>Tuesday 5th March</u>
7:00pm	St Vincent de Paul Meeting
	<u>Wednesday 6th March</u>
11:00am	Lenten Programme
	<u>Friday 8th March</u>
9:00am	Stations of the Cross
10:00am	Divine Mercy Prayers
10:00am	Morning tea following Anointing Mass
	<u>Saturday 9th March</u>
7:15pm	Video Presentation of Br Zeno Zebrowski'
	<u>Sunday 10th March</u>
9:00am	Video Presentation of Br Zeno Zebrowski'

Mass of Anointing

Anointing Mass will be celebrated on the second Friday of each month at 9.30am.
The next Anointing Mass will be on
Friday 8th March

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.




Stations of the Cross will be prayed on Fridays during Lent in the Church, commencing at 9:00am.

All welcome to come and join.

2ND RITE OF RECONCILIATION

All are invited to the 'The second Rite of Reconciliation', on TUESDAY, 19th March at 6:30pm, at Mary MacKillop Church, Birkdale.





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: _____

WELCOME

To all the school families and the families preparing to celebrate Penance who are joining us this weekend.

PARISH VISITING PROGRAMME

Our Parish offers Communion/visits to the Sick at Homes, hospitals or Residential Care facilities. Please contact the Parish Office on **3822 2139** or email **birkmmack@bne.catholic.net.au** if you would like to arrange for a Priest or Communion Minister visit.

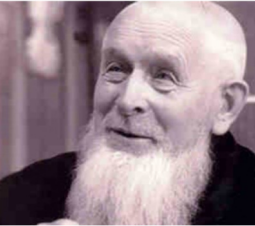
Parish Lenten Programme

PIETÀ contains daily reflections (from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday) You are welcome to join either of the Parishes Lenten Groups that will be following the programme:-


Mondays at St Luke's, Capalaba.
Weekly gatherings will be at 7:00pm commencing on Monday 12th February.

Wednesdays at St Mary MacKillop, Birkdale
Weekly gatherings will be at 11:00am commencing on Wednesday 14th February.

INVITATION—9TH AND 10TH MARCH 2024:




A most inspiring short video (approximately 13 minutes) will be shown in the hall after the 6.15 pm Mass on **Saturday 9 March** and again on **Sunday 10 March** after the 8 am Mass. It is a realistic, honest portrayal of Brother Zeno Zebrowski's life and so beautifully narrated. Through his own humility, Zeno sought to make his Immaculate Mother proud and to grow closer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, her Son. Light refreshments will be served in the hall after both Masses.



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

Mass Intentions:
Envelopes are available from the Parish Office and at the entrance of the Church. Please PRINT the NAME and DATE.



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