

## 2<sub>PM</sub> SUNDAY 2 JUNE 2024



#### FREE MULCH

We have a lot of A Grade mulch after the removal of the unsafe trees around the carpark. You are welcome to come and collect the mulch from the piles in the grassed area outside the Parish Office (please avoid school drop off and pick up times when collecting.



In September and October, the Archdiocese of Brisbane is holding SYNOD24 to discuss, debate and vote on action plans that will help us implement the decrees of the Australian Fifth Plenary Council.

We have been on this Plenary Council journey since 2018, when thousands submitted responses to what they heard the Holy Spirit asking of the Australian church at this time.

It is important to remind ourselves of what has been said up until now, so head to "What is SYN0D24" at

www.aobsynod2024.com to watch the takeaways of the 2019 Brisbane Plenary Assembly and to read the contents of the Plenary Council Decrees.

#### Celebrating 150 years of the Cathedral of St. Stephen

Celebrate 150 years of The Cathedral of St. Stephen with us. Join our Ecumenical Prayer of Thanksgiving, aligning with the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Let's unite in spirit and proclaim the Good News.

When: Friday, 17 May, 2024

Time: 6 pm

Where: The Cathedral of St Stephen





## 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

### 12th May2024

#### The Ascension of the Lord

Fr Regimon Gervasis Mcbs (Parish Priest) Email: gervasisr@bne.catholic.net.au Fr Prem Kumar (Associate Parish Priest) Priest Emergency Contact: Phone 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** 

#### **Education**

(Chair, Parish Pastoral Council)

**Members: Therese Evans, Cathy** 

McGrath, Nicole Cole

St Mary MacKillop Primary School Principal: Nicole Cole 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 14th May 2024.

#### **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,

The ascension of the lord! Jesus gave the mandate to his disciples to go out to share his message of love and he offered the presence of his power along their journey. After the death of Jesus, the apostles lost their hope and tried to hide. But when Jesus ascended into heaven, Peter and others didn't grieve that he was gone. Mary Magdalene and others didn't resume crying, instead

proclaimed the wonders and the beauties of Jesus's life.

The challenges too started immediately and convinced others to torture the followers and expel them from their communities and friends, but couldn't stop the work of the Kingdom of God. All the darkness of the world went to war against the followers of Jesus. The Christians didn't go into hiding anymore. They boldly shared the message of a life free of evil, the life in and with Christ. Jesus ascends to heaven and then says to us: "Get to work. Fight off

the hatred and evil. You can win these victories. You can win them because I really haven't left you. I am with you. My spirit, the Holy Spirit, strengthens you."

We all have poisons that we have to fight off in our lives. We all have our own demons. Some are of our own making and some are imposed upon us by others or by situations beyond our control. We will win against the wrong choices because we have the greatest source of power there ever was, Jesus Christ. It means that God is in control. He is our Lord, the one who stands for us and for our salvation.

The gospel puts this so simply, "they went forth and preached everywhere," People who would seldom leave their villages, travelled the world to wage the battle of the Kingdom. That's what we are all called to do. We are called to live and share the Gospel, the good News. The Good News is this: there is a much better life than the one the world paints as ideal. There is a life where every action has a meaning, a life of fulfilment.

This life is the life of the Lord. That's the Good News. Life is infinitely better when it is lived united to Jesus Christ, the one who died, resurrected and ascended.

The celebration of "Mother's day" reminds us about the sacrifice that the beloved Mothers and mother figures had, to bring good news to the life of their children. Be proud to be a Mum, we love you and I wish all the Mothers a blessed day of Joy.

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



		MASS TIMES 13th - 19th May
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

The Sacrament of Reconciliation	Eucharistic Adoration
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)	First Friday of the Month, (10.00 am to 11.00 am) at St Mary Mackillop Church, BIRKDALE. Next Adoration 7th June

## We pray for the sick

Anointing Mass

Second Friday of each

month at 9.30am. The next Anointing Mass

will be on

Friday 14th June.

For recently died: Pat Barnes, Julie Chivers, Agatha Ravaneschi, Arcangelo Tomasi, Walter Graves, Arrigo Dal-Maso.

We remember and pray

Anniversaries for Remembrances May: Josephine Romero, Babs Gilhooley, Amber Rose McGovern (birthday), Michael Czapkowski (birthday), Anastacia Wieland, Bill Kluck, Matha Kluck, Flo Conway, Aristeo Avenia, Denis Glanville, Edward Bartlett, Barbara McGhee, Denise Hodgson, Alma Maclean, Jessie Maclean, Kerry Powell, Norma Cowsell, Simon Bromley, Peter Harman, Giovanni Ragagnin, Betty Avenia, Sr Anne Pulling RSH, Dr Salolatore Vitali, Margaret Duryea, Laureen Smith, Maureen McNab, Nell Elliott, Bede Ryan, Jessie Micaller, Aldo Bandiera, James Harrison, Ann Hockings, Nellie Modral, Saul David, Alberto Bandiera, Patricia Watson, Noel & Role Gablonski, Luigi Basso, Irma Moroney, Moira Peterson, John Duryea, Margaret Knights, Jessie Maclean, James King and Anna Love.

Roster 18th & 19th May

**PowerPoint** 

Counting

Alan B

Peter Murphy, 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, Liana Lo Presti, Amanda Ward, Ed Moloney, Colleen Van den Bosch, Clara Elms, Henk Hoonhout, Paul McKean, 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, Noela Murphy, Christiana Becker, Pauline McNamee, Gina Mather.

Readers	6:15pm	8:00am	This Sunda
First Reading	Sacramental family	Sacramental family	First Reading: A
Second Reading	Sacramental family	Sacramental family	Psalm: 46:2-3, 6
Welcome POF	Vern D Sacramental family	Matty M Sacramental family	Second Reading Gospel: Mark 16
Communion Ministers	Betty A, John E, Therese E	Elaine H, Lena B, Paulina P	<u>Next Su</u> First Reading: A
Music	Group 1	Group 2	Psalm: 103:1, 24

Clinton T

Group 3

**Scripture Readings** 

ay, The Ascension of the Lord Acts 1:1-11 6-9 g: Eph 1:17-23 6:15-20 unday, Pentecost Sunday Acts 2:1-11 24-31.34 Second Reading: Gal 5:16-25

Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:12-15



Loving God, we thank you for the love of the mothers you have given us, whose love is so precious that it can never be measured, whose patience seems to have no end.

We pray for those mothers who fear they will run out of love or time, or patience. We ask you to bless them with your own special love.

Amen.

Parish Diary

## Children's Liturgy

on Sunday during 8:00am Mass. Please contact the

Volunteers wanted for leading Children's Liturgy

provided. You will be required to hold / obtain a

Safeguarding Training - Archdiocese of Brisbane (brisbanecatholic.org.au)

Blue Card and complete relevant Safeguarding

Parish office. Training and resources will be

Monday 13th May 1:00pm **Rosary Group** 2:00pm **Activities** 

2:00pm **Conversation Group** 6:30pm Sacramental candidates -

Reconciliation

**Baptism Preparation** 7:00pm Tuesday 14th May

7:00pm Rosary

Wednesday 15th May

11:00am Rosary Group

Rehearsal for 1st Eucharist 12 noon

Friday 17th May

Sacramental Journey - Eucharist

**Eucharist Celebration:** 

First Communions will be celebrated at

both Parish Masses next weekend -

18th and 19th May 2024

9:00am Rosarv

10:00am **Divine Mercy Prayers** 

# **MASS COUNT**

Training.

During the month of May the Archdiocese asks each Church to provide information regarding our weekend Mass attendance. The annual Mass Count provides valuable insight into trends of attendance at both a local level and an Archdiocesan level.

Please keep these families in your prayers



Mass Intentions: Envelopes are available from the Parish Office

and at the entrance of the Church.

Please PRINT the NAME Cuthere





## 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.

EMAIL:

NAME:

PHONE: