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*"Never see a need
without trying
to do something
about it"*

Mary MacKillop

**19th Sunday
Year A
8th/ 9th
August 2020**

In a nutshell

Jesus sends everyone away, and spends time with his Father in prayer.

When he rejoins the disciples by walking on the water, they are afraid.

Peter wishes to go to him, yet his faith is shaken by the strong winds.

In response to Peter's cry for help, Jesus takes hold of him and all becomes calm.

Once again, their faith is strengthened; they acknowledge Jesus as Son of God.

Today's Readings

1Kings 19:9.11-13

Romans 9:1-5

Matthew 14:22-33

Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God
I would willingly be condemned if it could help my people.
Command me to come to you over the water.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop



On August 8, we celebrate the Feast of St Mary of the Cross, Australia's first saint.

Mary MacKillop was a pioneer and advocate for the poor, sick and those on the margins of our society.

Today, her mission to the poor is very much alive in our world.

Mary's love for Christ was so strong that she sought Him out in the poor, sick and suffering.

There are many examples in Mary's life where she put aside her own needs in order to serve the sick, lonely and disadvantaged. The children taught by the Sisters often had no shoes to wear. On the night before their First Communion, Mary would have a re-enactment of the Washing of the Feet. This meant all the children would have clean feet for this special occasion in their life.

From the pen of Mary MacKillop, who wrote to the Sisters in March 1900:

"If choice be given, seek the most neglected places to which He calls us. Let us never forget that, in the spirit of our Rule, it is to those we should desire to go...."

*Let us be true to the beautiful spirit of our Institute....
Let St Joseph's true children remember their mission and seek first the poorest,
most neglected parts of God's vineyard."*

(Sunday 7am Mass)

Entrance antiphon:

Lord, be true to your covenant, forget not the life of your poor ones forever.
Rise up, O God, and defend your cause;
do not forget the cries of those who seek you.

Response to the psalm:

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Gospel acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word. Alleluia!

		Readers		Ministers of Communion	
Saturday Vigil	Sr Jan O'Neil (Coordinator)	Saturday Vigil	Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator)	Saturday Vigil	Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator)
August	John Betros	August	Michael Zador & others		
Sept	Chelsea Albert				
October	Sr Jan O'Neil	Sunday 7.00 am	Peter Frost (Coordinator)	Sunday 7.00 am	Peter Frost (Coordinator)
		August	Gary Keating	August	Gary Keating
Sunday 7.00 am	Peter Frost (Coordinator)	Sunday 9.30 am	Adele Cornale (Coordinator)	Sunday 9.30 am	Adele Cornale (Coordinator)
August:	George & Nicholas Attard	August:	Pilar Ovelar, Phil Docherty.	August:	Pilar Ovelar, Phil Docherty.
Sunday 9.30 am	Adele Cornale (Coordinator)	Sunday 6pm	Andrew Poidevin (Coordinator)	Sunday 6pm	Andrew Poidevin (Coordinator)
August 9th:	Di Karas, Sharron Critchley		Paula O'Connor.		Paula O'Connor.
		Church Cleaners		Sacristy & Altar	
		Paula O'Connor and other volunteers.		Pilar Ovelar & Carol Miller	
		Money Counters—Parish Office		Altar Flowers	
August 9th:	Group 2	August 16th:	Group 3	Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros	
August 23rd:	Group 4	August 30th:	Group 1		

Mass Offerings:	<i>Your prayers are requested for the following:</i>
Recently Deceased:	John Rossiter, Peter Elias, Alex McSpadgen, Terry McMahon, Joe Hallahan, Fr Neville Dunne, msc, Jim Rigby.
Anniversary:	Margaret Crawley, Eileen Richards.
Other Deceased:	Negus & Ferguson Families, Joan O'Keefe, Dale Black, Sherry Jackson, Noel Aisbett, Francis and Will Champion, June Ann Knight, McGlinn Family, Eileen McMahon.
Sick:	Muriel Eves, June Ferguson, Chris Simpson, Jakob Pohlmann, Paula Hudson, Bernice Ralston, Chaiel Blacombe, Elizabeth Khoury, Susan Behan, Anne Stirling, Neil Thornton, Tony Cruikshank, Diane Gordon, Therese Warfield, Lyn Sweeney, Paul Evans, Owen O'Conner, Margaret Mary Foody, Trish Shadwick, Roslyn Powell, Jake Hudson, Michelle Thornton, Justin Wood, Joan Edwards, Marian Moreno, Judy Chock, Faye Mather, Alex Campbell, Maximilian Naum, Chris Schneider.

Our Lady's Nurses, Coogee
We would like to inform you that we will NOT be having a FETE this year, due to the Coronavirus limitations.
We feel it is the correct thing to do at this stage.
We thank everyone for their support over the years and hopefully we will see you all again in 2021.
<i>Our Lady's Nurses</i>

St Brigid's Parish Information	
Mass Times	Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, 9.30 am and 6.00 pm
Morning Tea	Sundays after the 9.30 am Family Mass (NOT during Covid19)
Weekday Masses	Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 9.30 am
Reconciliation	20 Minutes before Saturday Vigil Mass
Sacrament of Anointing	During 9.30am Mass, 2nd Thursday of each Month
Baptisms	By appointment, on the first and third Sundays of each month, <i>after 9.30am Family Mass.</i>
Marriages	By appointment, arranged at least six months in advance
Parish Office:	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9am to 3pm. Phone 9315 7562. (For pastoral emergencies, contact Fr Phil 0420 329 731)

St Brigid's This Week & Beyond

COVID 19 Please continue to sanitise your hands, sign in (bring your own pen if you wish), and social distance in the pews and outside afterwards.

The government recommends face masks for all at places of worship.

Cotton face masks available to purchase for \$15 at our Piety Store, and can also be picked up at the Parish Office.
Order at <http://www.aimisa.com.au/>

Sunday 9th August—We welcome our young ones to **Children's Liturgy** at our 9.30am Family Mass.

Wednesday 12th August—10am Funeral Mass for John Rossiter (*attendees need pre-registration*)

Thursday 13th August—9.30am Mass includes **Sacrament of Anointing**.

Further prayerful reflection on St Mary of the Cross.

Let us (*the Sisters of St Joseph*) be true to the beautiful spirit of our Institute....

Let St Joseph's true children remember their mission and seek first the poorest, most neglected parts of God's vineyard.

Let us be inspired by the work of St Mary of the Cross as we pray the following prayer:

*"Bountiful and loving God, You filled the heart of Mary MacKillop with compassionate love for those who are in need and those at the margins of our society.
Inspired by her example, may we be led by your Spirit to reach out to our brothers and sisters.
Give us generous hearts to respond to the cries of those who are poor in our community and in our world.
We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.
Amen."*

Saint Mary of the Cross, standing with the vulnerable, pray for us.

Monica Cavanagh rsj © Trustees of the Sisters of St Joseph (www.sosj.org.au).



Welcome to our two new families at St Brigid's school:

—Finn West, and Alina and Layla Samaha



Sacramental Dates

- Saturday 12th & 19th, and Sunday 13th September —**First Communion Masses. (4)**
- Friday 23rd October (7pm) & Saturday 24th (2pm) - **Sacrament of Confirmation.**
Please see our website for registration details. (Saturday is now full!)
Please call / email Joanne Smyth for any further information:
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St Brigid's Parish Coogee Safeguarding Officer is Sharon Waller.