

We are a welcoming Christian community which embraces all people.

We support each other to grow in faith and create a loving and compassionate community.

We aspire to live as Christ's witnesses of God's unconditional love.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 14-5-23 The season of glad song has come' (Song of Songs 2:12) MOTHERS' DAY

This week: Acts 8:5-8. 14-17; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21 Next week: Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

John's Gospel often uses the terms 'Spirit' and 'the world' as opposites, as enemies.

But we have to be careful lest we equate John's use of 'the world' as simply meaning 'the world around us.' John's community lived in a time of persecution and the word 'world' for him has a special meaning – the world which is blind to and opposes the Holy Spirit.

But the key thing is that it doesn't simply mean the world as such – as though everything outside of the Church is bad.



If we simply oppose 'the Church' and 'the world' then we become *blind*, blind to what goodness lies beyond our own walls – and above all blind to the challenges *that the world* offers us. To presume we own and hold a monopoly on the Holy Spirit is a gross spiritual arrogance and our challenge is to recognise the work, the promptings and the challenge of the Spirit wherever they may occur.

Fr Colin



FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE AND THEIR FAMILIES

(AND FOR ALL THE YOUNG AT HEART!)



- ♦ This Sunday 14th at the 10:15am Mass we celebrate our Children's Mass with the Children's Choir (as we now do on *every* 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month). Morning tea follows the Mass in St Brigid's Hall above the church.
- Next Sunday 21st (and on the 3rd Sunday of every month) we celebrate our Youth and Family Mass at the Sunday evening Mass (at the earlier time of 5:30pm) which is of course followed by parish potluck dinner in St Brigid's Hall.

NEXT WEEK

we'll have news of two exciting new appointments in our parish....

- * Catholic Schools Broken Bay is funding a 'Parent Engagement Coordinator' in each school and we're pleased to say that a person (a member of our own parish) has been appointed to this role which will also involve fostering the parish school relationship.
- * We are in the final stages of employing a Youth Ministry Coordinator. Jean Shatek has so wonderfully filled this role in a voluntary way for many years (and will continue to work with the young families of our parish) but we are delighted to soon welcome our new employed Youth Ministry Coordinator and look forward to the youth initiatives that will unfold.

More news next week!



The third and final Pastoral Works Broken Bay Appeal for this financial year (formerly known as CWF) will take place next weekend and the weekend following.

It supports 5 vital ministries:

- ◆ Hospital Ministry ~ helping those who are vulnerable, lonely or sick in hospital;
- ◆ Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) ~ catechists taking the gospel to students in Public Schools:
- St Lucy's School and St Edmund's College serving students with disabilities;
- ◆ Ephpheta Centre pastoral care, sacraments and advocacy for the deaf community.

All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

Please help us to achieve our parish quota for this appeal (\$19,000) as otherwise we have to make up the shortfall from parish funds.

To donate:

- Envelopes are available in the foyers today and will be on the pews next weekend
- Scan this QR code then under 'Biller Code' scroll down to choose Pastoral Works Broken Bay:

Many thanks for your support.



Wise words at a coronation

The sermon given by The Right Reverend Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury, last weekend cut to the very heart of what Christian faith and life are about

love. Amen.

serve.

What is given today is for the gain of all. For Jesus Christ bruised and broken-hearted are healed.

That Kingdom sets the aims of all righteous government, all authority. And the Kingdom also sets the means of all government and authority. For Jesus doesn't grasp power or hold onto status.

The King of Kings, Jesus Christ, was anointed not to be served, but to serve. He creates the unchangeable law of things for our sake, even His own life. duty to serve.

the young, in the conservation of the natural world. We today. have seen those priorities in the life of duty lived by our We can say to the King of Kings, God Himself, as does the

Today we have the honour of being in this Abbey with so perfect freedom'. many who show such love; you work with charities and organisations, you build community, you serve the nation in Armed Forces, in emergency services, and so many other ways. Next door are 400 or more extraordinary young people in St Margaret's Church, whose lives speak of service. Around the world in the Realms

Come Holy Spirit, and fill our hearts with the flame of your Commonwealth are so many more. You live your lives for the sake of others.

We are here to crown a King, and we crown a King to The unity you show, the example you give, is what binds us together and offers societies that are strong, joyful, happy and glorious. They bear heavy weights for us.

announced a Kingdom in which the poor and oppressed And the weight of the task given today, Your Majesties, is are freed from the chains of injustice. The blind see. The only bearable by the Spirit of God, who gives us the strength to give our lives to others. With the anointing of the Holy Spirit, the King is given freely what no ruler can ever attain through will, or politics, or war, or tyranny: the Holy Spirit draws us to love in action.

> This is promised by Jesus who put aside all privilege, because, as the first reading tells us, God will give all

good authority that with the privilege of power comes the His throne was a Cross. His crown was made of thorns. His regalia were the wounds that pierced his body.

Service is love in action. We see active love in our care for Each of us is called by God to serve. Whatever that looks the most vulnerable, the way we nurture and encourage like in our own lives, each of us can choose God's way

King here today, 'give grace that in thy service I may find

In that prayer there is promise beyond measure, joy beyond dreams, hope that endures. By that prayer, for every King, every ruler, and, yes, for every person for all of us, we are opened to the transforming love of God.

CATECHISTS - WE NEED YOU

Do you have a love for teaching?

Are you available for ONE hour one morning a week?

Are you waiting for a sign from God to make use of that time to make a real difference in your community and the world?

This is your sign.

Sign up to be a catechist and teach the Word of God to the children in your local community.

> contact Karen by email on catechists@lindfieldkillara.org.au

PARISH RETREATS AT TARRAWARRA ABBEY NEXT YEAR

We have booked two possible retreats for next year:

- Tues. afternoon 9th Apr. Mon. morning 15th Apr.
- Tues. afternoon 16th Apr. Mon. morning 22nd Apr.

Let me know if you're interested in booking a space.

Fr Colin





ALPHA IS COMING TO OUR PARISH I

The great news is that we have a vibrant Alpha leadership team who are currently preparing to run an 'in-house' version of the

programme to ensure that they're ready to offer it to the wider community.

The first parish Alpha course should be up and running in a few months. Watch this space!

KILLARA CHURCH AIR~CONDITIONING

As you know, some parishioners have very generously indicated that they are willing to make a substantial contribution towards the air-conditioning of Killara church, provided that the remaining funds can be raised by members of the parish community.

We have had a very generous response, with so far \$25,000 having been pledged by other parishioners.

This brings us very close to the amount required for the air-conditioning itself, but there is further substantial cost involved in upgrading the power feed to the church.

If you would like to contribute towards the church air -conditioning project please let Fr Colin or Fr Thomas or the Parish Office know. Our major donors have indicated that they are only prepared to maintain their offer for a limited time so if you are able to help please let us know by the end of May at which point we will decide whether or not we can proceed.

CAN YOU SING FOR GOD AND EACH OTHER?



We are grateful to those who already help to lead the singing at Mass. However we would love to build up this ministry so that our singers are not left to be soloists at times. It would be great if each Mass had a small 'schola' or mini choir. If you could join this ministry please let Fr Colin, Fr Thomas or the Parish Office know.

OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

復活期第六主日 14.5.2023

讀經一(伯多祿和若望給他們覆手, 他們就領受了聖神。)

恭讀宗徒大事錄 8:5~8,14~17

那時候, 斐理伯下到撒瑪黎雅城, 給眾人宣講基督。群眾留意斐理伯所講的話, 都同心合意地聽教, 並看見他所行的奇蹟: 有許多附了邪魔的人, 邪魔從他們身上, 大聲喊叫著離開了, 又有許多癱瘓的人和跛子, 也被醫好了; 為此, 城裡的人皆大歡喜。

在耶路撒冷的宗徒, 聽說撒瑪黎雅接受了天主的聖道, 便打發伯多祿和若望去他們那裡。伯多祿和若望一到, 就為他們祈禱, 使他們領受聖神, 因為聖神還沒有降臨在任何人身上; 他們只是因主耶穌的名受過洗。那時, 宗徒便給他們覆手, 他們就領受了聖神。——上主的話。

答唱詠 詠66:1~3, 4~5, 6~7, 16,20 【答】: 普世大地, 請向天主歡呼!(詠66:1)

領: 普世大地, 請向天主歡呼!請歌 頌他聖名的光榮, 請獻給他輝 煌的讚頌。請你們向天主說: 「你的作為是何等驚人!」【答】

領: 普世都要朝拜你, 歌頌你; 全球也都要歌頌你的聖名。請你們前來觀看天主的作為; 他對世人所做的一切, 實在令人敬畏。

領:他曾使海洋乾涸,使人徒步走過 江河,叫我們因他而喜樂。他 以自己的大能,永遠統治萬 邦。【答】

領:凡敬畏天主的人,請你們前來靜聽,我要敘述他為我靈魂所做的一切。天主應受讚美,因他從未拒絕我的哀禱,也從來沒有從我身上,撤回他的憐憫。 【答】

讀經二(就肉身來說,基督被處死了;但就神魂來說,他卻復活了。) 恭讀聖伯多祿前書 3:15-18 親愛的諸位:

你們要在心裡尊崇基督為主; 如果有人詢問你們心中所懷希望的 理由,你們要時常準備答覆,且要以溫和、以敬畏之心答覆。要保持純潔的良心,好使那些誣告你們在基督內有良好品行的人,在他們誹謗你們的事上,感到羞愧。如果天主的旨意,要你們因行善而受苦,這總比因作惡而受苦更好,因為基督也曾一次為罪而死,且是義人代替不義的人,為將我們領到天主面前;就肉身來說,他固然被處死了;但就神魂來說,他卻復活了。

——上主的話。

福音前歡呼

領/眾:亞肋路亞。

領:主說:誰愛我, 必遵守我的話, 我 父也必愛他, 我們要到他那裡 去, 並要在他那裡, 作我們的 居所。(若14:23)

眾:亞肋路亞。

福音(我也要求父, 他必會賜給你們另一位護慰者。)

恭讀聖若望福音 14:15~21

那時候,耶穌對門徒說:「如果你們愛我,就要遵守我的命令;我也要求父,他必會賜給你們另一位護慰者,使他永遠與你們同在。他是世界所不能領受的真理之神,因為世界看不見他,也不認識他;你們卻認識他,因為他與你們同在,並在你們內。

「我決不留下你們做孤兒;我要回到你們這裡來。不久以後,世界就再看不見我,你們卻要看見我,因為我生活,你們也要生活。到那一天,你們便知道我在我父內,你們在我內,我也在你們內。接受我的命令而遵守的,便是愛我的人;誰愛我,我父也必愛他,我也要愛他,並將我自己顯示給他。」——上主的話。

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Are you, or is someone you know, thinking of becoming a Catholic?

We just had the joy of welcoming new members into the Church this Easter.

Our programme of preparation for this (known as 'RCIA' - the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is going to start earlier this year than in previous years so we'd love to hear from anyone who is interested in making this journey as soon as possible.

If you'd like to find out more please contact Jos Beunen as soon as possible (jos.beunen@gmail.com) or speak to Fr Colin or Fr Thomas.



Hymns for the Sixth Sunday of Easter

ENTRANCE HYMN: EASTER VERSION OF CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT

Bernadette Farrell © 1993, Published by OCP. *

1. This is the time of new beginnings. This is the time when heaven meets earth. This is the time filled with God's glory, promise of our new birth!

Refrain: Christ be our light!

Shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness.

Christ be our light!

Shine in your Church gathered today.

2. This is the time Christ our redeemer rose from the grave triumphant and free, leaving the tomb of evil and darkness empty for all to see. *Refrain*

3. Sing of the hope deeper than dying. Sing of the pow'r stronger than death. Sing of the love endless as heaven, dawning throughout the earth. *Refrain*

HYMN FOR THE DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY

Charles Wesley PD

1 Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! Let all earth and heaven say, Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

2 Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia! Vain the stone, the watch, the seal, Alleluia! Christ has burst the gates of hell, Alleluia!

3 Now he lives, our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now your sting? Alleluia! Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia! Where's your victory, O grave? Alleluia!

4 Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Following our exalted Head, Alleluia! Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

COMMUNION HYMN: PRAYER OF PEACE

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Peace before us, peace behind us, peace under our feet. Peace within us, peace over us, let all around us be peace.

Love before us, love behind us, love under our feet. Love within us, love over us, let all around us be love.

Light before us, light behind us, light under our feet. Light within us, light over us, let all around us be light.

Christ before us, Christ behind us, Christ under our feet. Christ within us, Christ over us, let all around us be Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

RECESSIONAL HYMN: BEHOLD THE GLORY OF GOD

Robert F. O'Connor, SJ and the Wisconsin Province of the Society of Jesus © 1990, OCP.

Refrain: Behold the glory of God, the Day-Star arising!

Christ Jesus shines on the earth

with mercy enduring!

1. Night of hope, night of glory divine—

Darkness conquered evermore.

Christ triumphant shines on the earth With joy that endures.

2. Dance for joy all you angels of God, Let the pow'rs of heav'n exult. All creation, join now in song: "Salvation is won!"

3. Let the earth in its beauty rejoice, Radiant as the morning sky. Chains of death lie shattered this day – Christ's vict'ry complete!

Hymns for Children's Mass

ENTRANCE: RAINBOW

© Andrew Chin*

Red and orange, yellow and green Blue and indigo and violet and me Side by side, together we grow, Underneath God's beautiful rainbow

Red is for your spirit of love Seven gifts from God above Orange for the warmth of your sun Shining down on everyone

Yellow is the colour of faith The light of Christ in every day Green is for the life you give A call to grow, a way to live

Blue is for the sky and sea Gifts from God for you and me Indigo is in between

A colour of God's gentle peace

Violet calls us all to forgive Together we grow, together we live Side by side and hand in hand Together we grow, together we can

DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: Christ the Lord is risen today!

See Hymn for the Dedication of the Gifts above: 'Christ the Lord is risen today'

COMMUNION HYMN: Hold my hand

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Hold my Hand, Take my life Lord I believe, Lord I receive Into my life come Lord Jesus be my guide Show me the way, For I'm just a child With a great need for love Here I come

THANKSGIVING: Thank God For My Mum (Mangan)

Michael Mangan © 2014, Litmus Productions.*

Who always hugs me tight, Tells me everything's alright? Who cheers me up when I am sad?

Who's there to lend a hand, Always seems to understand?

My Mum, she's the one!

Every day, when I pray, I thank God for my Mum.

Who tells me I am great, Cares for me in every way?

Who holds me close and keeps me safe?

Who loves me every day, Even when I make mistakes?

My Mum, she's the one!

Every day, when I pray, I thank God for my Mum.

Every day, I've got to say, I'm so glad, that you're my Mum!

RECESSIONAL: In the footsteps of Jesus

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(CHORUS) In the footsteps of Jesus we follow on your way As we walk on your path of love and hope and faith We journey together each day as we grow In the love of our God, wherever we go

God sent us Jesus, to show us the way To follow in his love as we grow each day To walk in the light; to walk in the truth In all we say and all we do [Chorus]

Here in our own hearts, we hear the call too The call of Jesus for me and for you One in our God, one in God's call A family of love, with love for all [Chorus]

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THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

GLORIA:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you. we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

Ps 65:1~7, 16, 20 PSALM

Cry out with joy to God all the earth, O sing to the glory of God's name. O render God glorious praise. Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds!

'Before you all the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your name!' Come and see the works of God, tremendous God's deeds among us.

The Lord turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dry-shod. Let our joy then be in God; the Lord rules for ever by his might.

Come and hear, all who fear God. I will tell what the Lord did for my soul: Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer nor withhold his love from me



THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in one God. the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

(all bow at the following words in bold):

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION . . . PURITY IS NOT HOLINESS

Pastor and public theologian Nadia Bolz-Weber describes Jesus seemed to want connection with those around him, how emphasizing "purity" leads us away from holiness:

tree of knowledge of good and evil runs down our chins. And these purity systems affect far more than our relationship to sex and booze: they show up in political law, just not at the expense of the people. separation from....

To connect to the holy is to access the deepest, juiciest part of our spirits. Perhaps this is why we set up so many boundaries, protections, and rules around both sex and When I think of holiness, the kind that is sensual and religion.... But when the boundaries, protections, and rules embodied and free from shame and deeply present in the become more important than the sacred thing they are moment and comes from union with God, I think of a intended to protect, casualties ensue.

But no matter how much we strive for purity in our minds, bodies, spirits, or ideologies, purity is not the same as holiness. It's just easier to define what is pure than what is holy, so we pretend they are interchangeable.

Bolz-Weber points to Jesus' actions to encourage seeking holiness over purity:

not separation. He touched human bodies deemed unclean Our purity systems, even those established with the best of as if they were themselves holy: dead little girls, lepers, intentions, do not make us holy. They only create insiders menstruating women. People of his day were disgusted that and outsiders. They are mechanisms for delivering our drug Jesus' disciples would eat with unwashed hands, and they of choice: self-righteousness, as juice from the fruit of the tried to shame him for it. But he responded, "It is not what enters the mouth that makes one unclean but what comes out of it that defiles" [Matthew 15:11]. He was loyal to the

ideology, in the way people shame each other on social Jesus kept violating boundaries of decency to get to the media, in the way we obsess about "eating clean." Purity people on the other side of that boundary, those who'd been most often leads to pride or to despair, not holiness. Because wounded by it, those who were separated from the others: holiness is about union with, and purity is about the motherless, the sex workers, the victims, and the victimizers. He cared about real holiness, the connection of things human and divine, the unity of sinners, the coming together of that which was formerly set apart.

> particular scene in the Gospels when, right in the middle of a dinner party, a woman cracks open a jar of myrrh and pours it over Jesus' feet [Luke 7:37–38]. She then takes her unbound hair and wipes his feet, mixing her mane, her tears, and her offering on the feet of God. Her separateness, from herself and her God, is alleviated in that moment. Holiness braided the strands of her being into their original and divine integrated configuration.

OUR PARISH LITURGICAL LIFE: SUNDAY MASS

KILLARA CHURCH:

5:30pm Vigil

Fri.:

9.00am

LINDFIELD CHURCH

6.00pm Vigil 8.30 am 10.15am **

12 noon Chinese Mass (2nd & 4th Sun.)

6:00pm (5:30pmYouth & Family Mass on the third Sunday of the month)

** The 10:15am Mass on the 2nd & 4th Sundays is a Children's Mass, featuring our Children's Choir.

WEEKDAY MASS this week: SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER

Monday 8:00am Killara Tuesday Killara 8:00am Wed 10:00am Lindfield Thurs.: 10:00am Lindfield

10:00am

Next Sunday, on the seventh Sunday in the Easter Season, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. The Sunday following that we celebrate Pentecost, the climax and the conclusion of the Easter Season.

Lindfield

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays for 15 mins after Vigil Mass at Killara Saturdays 5.15 ~ 5.45pm at Lindfield

SUNDAY MASS ROSTER			
Saturday		13 May	20 May
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Colin	Fr Thomas
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Thomas	Fr Thomas
Sunday		14 May	21 May
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr Colin	Fr Thomas
Killara	9:00 am	Fr Thomas	Fr Thomas
Lindfield	10:15 am	Fr Colin	Fr Thomas
Lindfield	12:00 pm	No Mass	No Mass
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Thomas	5:30pm: Fr Colin

Mays that you can support our parish

BY DIRECT DEBIT CONTRIBUTIONS from your bank account to our parish accounts:

1st Collection: (providing for Frs Colin & Thomas & also for retired & sick clergy of the diocese)

BSB 062 784 Acct 10000 1624

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◆ CREDIT CARD CONTRIBUTIONS: scan this code & then select each of our two parish collections:

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◆ The **TAP MACHINES** are available in our two churches.

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For contact information for all of our parish team go to our parish website and click on 'Our Parish' and then 'Parish Staff and Contacts'.

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PARISH DIARY

MAY

Sun. 14th Mothers' Day 10:15am Children's Mass + morn. Tea 6:00pm Tues. 16th Tarrawarra Group Wed. 17th 8:00am Meditation (online) 11:00am Scripture study (online) Parish Finance Committee 7:30pm 5:30pm Youth and Family Mass Sun. 21st followed by potluck dinner Tues. 23rd 7:30pm Parish Pastoral Council Wed. 24th 8:00am Meditation (online) 10:00am Parish Book Club 7:30pm Scripture study (online) Sun. 28th 10:15am Children's Mass + morn. Tea

Tord, in Jesus your Son, you restored to us the gift of everlasting life. Grant that life to:

Please pray for the gift of eternal life for Barbara Burke, long time member of our parish, who died during the week. Details of the funeral arrangements will be found on our parish website under 'News & Events' → 'Stop Press' once they are known.

Recently deceased: Lilas Roche (sister of Bishop Emeritus David Walker), Norbert Kull, Jack Sullivan, Jan Doherty, Nena Umali, Julia Martin, Carole White, Marie Gibbons, Gerry McGreevy, Patricia Murray, Peter (Brian) Cahill, Kevin Surplice, Francis Walsh, Joan McvGreevy.

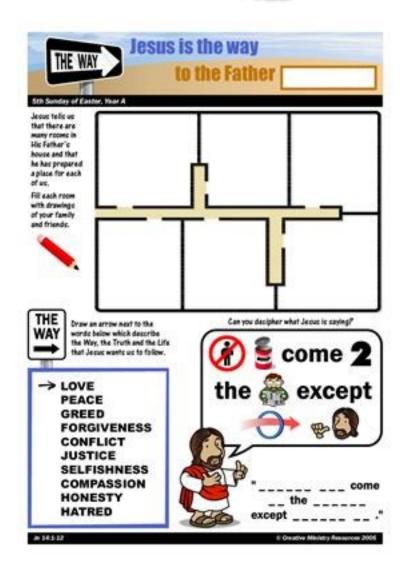
Anniversary: Margaret Dwyer. And for: Lirio Paraon Geneblazo.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Teresita Borthwick, Barbara Burke, Jutta Mathur, Harry Loiterton, Jessica Keen, Therese Playoust, Ali Crawford, Morna Sutherland, Barbara McMullen, Nicholas Sutherland, Jesse Langford, Anthony Ellison, Cyril Ferriere, Alex Noble, William Wise, Opheilia Mari Umali, Rosanna Comastri. And for all affected by COVID.







BEYOND MIMESIS

We should take a major step in the direction of freedom were we to free our own emotions — and also our own thoughts — from those of others: if you like me, I'll like you; if you're unfriendly, I'll be unfriendly. To hear, really hear what another says is a thing of capital value. The same goes for the attempt to respond to what one has heard. But my response must be more than just a repetition of what came at me. Jesus gave us an example, responding to hate with love.' Thus wrote Mother Christiana Reemts, abbess of Mariendonk, a few days ago; and how right she is. All too often we react instead of responding to what happens, to what gets said. Thereby we let ourselves be eaught in a mimetic game of mirrors. It's a tedious game. What we are called to in fact is freely to reveal our countenance, our true name; thereby to call forth freedom hidden in others.

(from the website ('Coram Fratribus') of Bishop Eric Varden ocso. Eric Varden is a Cistercian monk, formerly Abbot of Mt St Bernard Abbey in Leicestershire and now Bishop of Trondheim in Norway)

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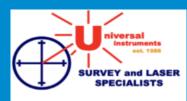




PREPARING TO CELEBRATE CONFIRMATION

Last Tuesday evening the parents of our Confirmation candidates gathered for an introductory meeting which was followed by supper together.





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