

Catholic Parish of Lindfield-Killara

Diocese of Broken Bay

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

18 - 10 - 20



This week: Is 45:1,4-6; 1 Thess 1:1-5; Mt 22:15-21
Next week: Ex 22 :20-26; 1 Thess 1:5-10; Mt 22:34-40

The trick in today's Gospel is that 'what belongs to God' is *everything*:
including that which is Caesar's.

There isn't a spiritual dimension to life
and then the rest of it that we get on with:

The Incarnation, the coming of God into the world in the flesh,
means that we have to discover the spiritual in all things,
to discover God in all things,

and to live out our faith in *all* that we do, not only the part that's explicitly to do with religious acts.

Fr Colin.



SUNDAY 1 NOVEMBER 5.30PM
IN MACKILLOP HALL, IN SCHOOL GROUNDS*

Numbers are limited. Bookings required!

<https://lindfieldkillaramassbookings.as.me/schedule.php>

(or just use the usual booking link on the parish website)

PARISH BLESSING OF ANIMALS



Since the feast of St Francis of Assisi (4th October) fell during the school holidays we will have our annual **blessing of animals NEXT Sunday 25th October** immediately after the 11:30am Mass—that is, at **12:30pm** - on the grassed area in the lower playground of Holy Family school (entry via the gate in Balfour St).

This is for the whole parish – our two communities. Please bring your pets, however large or small, to be blessed and to be celebrated as part of God's creation.

ARE YOU OR IS SOMEONE YOU KNOW CONSIDERING BECOMING A CATHOLIC, OR WANTING TO RECONNECT WITH THEIR FAITH?



Our parish has an RCIA team to introduce people to the beliefs and the sacramental and prayer life of the **C a t h o l i c** community. Team members are available

to accompany those new to the community or seeking to reconnect. For those unfamiliar with what the Catholic Church teaches there is a series of meetings (**probably online this year**) in which the various aspects of Catholic faith and life are presented and discussed. The program can be adapted to meet the needs of participants and aims to prepare those not already Catholic for full reception into the Church at Easter 2021.

If you are interested or would like further information please contact Jos Beunen (0427 993 982 or jos.beunen@gmail.com).

SUNDAY MASS! LET'S GATHER TOGETHER !

KILLARA CHURCH 4.00pm vigil
5:30pm Vigil
9.00am
No 10:30am Mass in October
12 noon Chinese Mass (2nd & 4th Suns)

LINDFIELD CHURCH 6.00pm Vigil
8.30 am
10.15am
11.30am
6:00pm

HOW TO ATTEND MASS

The current public health restrictions limit the number who can be present in each of our churches (56 people for Killara church and 46 for Lindfield).

We also must keep a record of everyone who attends for contact tracing purposes by the government in the event of an outbreak.

The easiest way for us to get that information and for you to ensure a spot at Mass is to make an online booking – this is very simple, taking only a few seconds. Just go to the special hotlink box on the homepage of our parish website (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au).

Or call the Parish Office and we'll book for you.

Of course you can just turn up for Mass and provide your contact details to the welcomer—though sadly if we have reached our maximum number you wouldn't be able to stay (so it's always best to book if you can).

Of course, if you – or anyone at home in your household – has even the mildest sign of cold or flu -like symptoms
PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND MASS.

WE HAVE A COVID SAFETY PLAN

- ◆ We adhere to maximum number of person permitted in the church based on the four square metre rule
- ◆ Green ticks on the seats indicating seating positions ensure maximum separation
- ◆ All are asked to sanitise their hands on entering & leaving
- ◆ We ask all who attend to wear a face mask
- ◆ The pews etc are sanitised after every Mass
- ◆ There is no congregational singing and no physical exchange of the sign of peace.
- ◆ All are asked to maintain 2 metre spacing when coming forward for Holy Communion (which is given on the hand only and not on the tongue).

OUR PARISH ONLINE SUNDAY MASS

ON YOUTUBE CONTINUES TO BE AVAILABLE EACH WEEK

Even though the public celebration of Sunday Mass has resumed **we are also continuing to have our online celebration of Mass** because we know that there are many who at this time cannot resume coming to Mass either for reason of age or underlying health condition.

To access our online parish Mass just go to the homepage of our parish website (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au) and click on the hotlink box entitled 'Parish Life in the Current Situation' and scroll down to Resource 3 ('Video of Sunday Mass') - or just paste this link into your browser: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEkBUTq-JIrmjUo8-juHdFQ>

SUNDAY NIGHT MASS is once again Lindfield every week. It will no longer alternate between Killara and Lindfield.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

While Fr Thomas is on long service leave Reconciliation will be celebrated in Lindfield church between 5:15-5:40pm on Saturdays.

WEEKDAY MASS during Fr Thomas' holidays:

Wednesday to Friday 10:00am at Lindfield

O you Little Brother, that brims with full heart, and having nothing, possesses all, surely you do well to sing! For you have life without labour, and beauty without burden, and riches without care. When you wake, lo, it is dawn; and when you come to sleep it is eve. And when your two wings lie folded about your heart, lo, there is rest. Therefore sing, Brother, having this great wealth, that when you sing you give your riches to all.
St Francis of Assisi 1181-1226

Food for the Soul.....

*I have called you by your name, giving you a title, though you knew me not.
I am the Lord and there is no other, there is no God besides me.
It is I who arm you, though you know me not,
so that toward the rising and the setting of the sun
people may know that there is none besides me. (Is 4:6)*

BEING BLESSED BY PAGAN

Gilbert K. Chesterton, the renowned Catholic apologist, was a great friend with George Bernard Shaw, the famous playwright, even though Shaw, an agnostic, had major issues with Chesterton's belief in God and especially with Chesterton being a Roman Catholic. Indeed, when he heard that Chesterton had become a Roman Catholic he wrote him a letter expressing his disappointment. Ever the colourful writer, Shaw ended that letter describing to Chesterton a vision he had of him going to confession: You will have to go to confession next Easter, and I find the spectacle—the box, your portly kneeling figure, the poor devil inside wishing you had become a Fire-worshipper instead of coming here to shake his soul with a sense of his ridiculousness and yours—all incredible, monstrous, comic. ... Now however I'm becoming personal (how else can I be sincere?).

But these differences didn't deter them from being great friends and from deeply admiring each other. At one stage, Chesterton felt a need to defend Shaw from well-intentioned Christians who were vilifying him because of his agnosticism. Speaking in Shaw's defense, he wrote: "There is one fundamental truth in which I have never for a moment disagreed with him. Whatever else he is, he has never been a pessimist; or in spiritual matters a defeatist. He is at least on the side of Life. ... Everything is wrong about him except himself."

I have friends like that, pagans, in the best sense of the word. From a strict Christian point of view, most everything's wrong with them, except themselves. They aren't professed agnostics or atheists, but they don't exactly fit the description of a practicing Christian either. They rarely go to church, mostly disregard the church's teaching on sex, pray only when in crisis, and are basically too immersed in life here-and-now to think much about God, church, and eternity.

But, even so, they radiate life, sometimes in ways that shame me. There's something about them that's very right, inspiring even, and life giving. They may be practical agnostics and ecclesial atheists, but their presence mostly brings positive energy, goodness, love, intelligence, humor, and sunshine into a room.

Don't get this wrong: this is not to imply (as does the oversimplistic, rationalising notion that's so popular today) that those who do go to church and try to follow the church's rules are hypocrites and immature, while those who don't go to church and make their own rules are the

real Christians. No. There's nothing enlightened about people drifting away from the church, thinking they are beyond church, living outside its rules, or believing that a passionate focus on this life justifies a neglect of the other world. That's a fault in religiosity, a fault too in wisdom and maturity.

The wonderful energy that we see, and should bless, in the many good persons we know who no longer go to church with us is precisely that, wonderful energy, not depth. Paul McCartney, perhaps the most talented, pop-musician ever, makes people dance, no small thing, a godly thing even. We dance too little and our spirits are perennially too heavy. But one should never confuse playful energy ("Ob-la-dee, Ob-la-da, life goes on!") with the wisdom of Mother Teresa, John Paul II, Henri Nouwen, John of the Cross, or Jesus. It's a wonderful thing to make people dance, to bring sunshine into a room, to lift human hearts so that they can love a little more, but it's not the full menu, the deepest part of the menu, or something that suggests that the other part of the menu is all wrong. It is what it is and it is only what it is.

But it's on the right side of things, on the side of life. It's wonderful, it helps bring God into a room, and it should be blessed.

And that's why, as Christians, we need to both bless our good pagan friends and let ourselves be blessed by them. That's why too we should be more discriminating in our use of phrases like "a culture of life" and "a culture of death." God is the ultimate author of all that's good, whether that goodness, sunlight, energy, colour, and warmth is seen inside a church building or outside of it. Wherever that energy is, there's "a culture of life," even if it might also be carrying pieces of "a culture of death." What's wrong is wrong, and must always be named in that way; but what's good is good, and it must also always be named in that way.

I look at some of my pagan friends, at their energy, their generosity, their warmth, what they bring into a room, and my heart lifts and I believe in God more deeply. God also made their sunshine and their warmth. They don't go to church, and that isn't good, but they're on the side of life and that implicit faith, is a challenge for me to remain too on the right side of things.

*Fr Ron Rolheiser omi, from the Centre of Liturgy
The University of St Louis*

Fr Thomas' break....

Fr Thomas is combining some long service leave with part of his annual holidays and so will be away from the parish until **15th November**. We wish Fr Thomas an enjoyable and well-deserved break. During that period there will be **no 10:30am Sunday Mass in our Killara church**.

JUST A FEW PRACTICAL POINTS RE FACE MASKS AT MASS...

- to ensure they're effective please make sure they cover the nostrils as well as the mouth
- when coming forward to receive Holy Communion please keep the mask on as you receive the Host; then step 1.5 metres to the side before lowering the mask to place the Host in your mouth. Many thanks.

An insight into Pope Francis' new Encyclical Letter '*Fratelli Tutti*'

....A rising tide of populist nationalism. Polarised debates that leave people in a permanent state of confrontation. A global pandemic which has exposed the weakness of free markets. Ideologies and hatred being spread on social media. As Pope Francis writes in his new encyclical letter, the world is "showing signs of a certain regression". *Fratelli Tutti* is his attempt to show that a better way is possible. Covid-19 has shown that we are a "global community, all in the same boat". The Pope calls for a new kind of politics, one which is kinder and more tender, open to dialogue and expressing love of neighbour.

To adapt the prayer attributed to St Francis: "Where there is populism, Pope Francis focuses on people; where there is nationalism, he calls for reform of the United Nations; where there is individualism, he pushes for solidarity; where there is digital trolling, he asks for kindness; where there is inequality, he urges fairer distribution; when politicians hate, he recommends dialogue; when there is ideology, he calls for genuine faith."

The encyclical takes an uncompromising stand against the "myopic, extremist, resentful and aggressive nationalism" that Francis sees growing across Europe, the United States and parts of Latin America.

...The encyclical is the third major document of Francis' pontificate. The first, *Evangelii Gaudium*,...offers a manifesto for church renewal. The second, *Laudato Si'*, ...recasts the Church's teaching on protecting the natural world. And ...*Fratelli Tutti*, is a natural next step, as it looks to repair and enrich relationships across the human family. If the message of *Laudato Si'* is "Everything is connected", the message of *Fratelli Tutti* is "Everyone is connected".

....There are three points that stand out when reading the encyclical. First, it shows that at the heart of the Francis pontificate is a Gospel-based leadership rooted in the spirit of St Francis of Assisi, the Pope's namesake. The text was signed in Assisi & released on 4 October, the feast day of the saint..... In *Fratelli Tutti* (the title is taken from the writings of St Francis), the Pope approaches the complexities of global politics with the story of the Good Samaritan & the story of St Francis' 1219 peace mission, where he crossed the battle lines of the Crusades to meet the Sultan of Egypt in a bid to end the conflict. Both stories emphasise crossing the existential borders which separate people. ...

....*Fratelli Tutti* is the first papal encyclical to offer a detailed critique of digital culture. The Pope warns that "social aggression has found unparalleled room for expansion through computers and mobile devices" and that ideologies have been given "free rein". Social media, he

says, has seen "some political figures" say things in the "crudest of terms" which in the past would have risked the loss of universal respect. In chapter six, Francis warns of the "parallel monologues" taking place on social media, the discrediting and insulting of opponents and divisive political campaigns. "The heroes of the future will be those who can break with this unhealthy mindset and determine respectfully to promote truthfulness," he writes. The Pope's remedy is an "authentic social dialogue" which respects other points of view and uses digital media in a way that seeks a genuine encounter.

The third striking point is that it shows the Pope's willingness to be critical of the Church. He pitches the document to "all people of goodwill". He draws inspiration from non-Catholic sources such as Martin Luther King Jr, Mahatma Gandhi and Archbishop Desmond Tutu. Why did it take so long for the Church to condemn slavery and violence, he asks, pointing out that "we have no excuses" not to stand against contemporary injustices. Yet there are still those, Francis writes, "who appear to feel encouraged or at least permitted by their faith to support varieties of narrow and violent nationalism, xenophobia and contempt, and even the mistreatment of those who are different.

...Francis is willing to upset some elements in the Church if it means bringing Catholic Social Teaching to a wider audience. On Monday the Grand Imam of Al-Azhar, Ahmed el-Tayeb, tweeted that "my brother, Pope Francis' message" in *Fratelli Tutti* "addresses people of goodwill and living conscience, and restores scruples to humanity". It is also, the Grand Imam adds, a continuation of the human fraternity document the Pope and the Grand Imam signed in Abu Dhabi last year, which set out to deepen interreligious dialogue and co-operation. Francis' message runs counter to a contemporary political culture in which the loudest, most aggressive voices are often those that get the most attention. It stands against those who deliberately exploit divisions and fuel hatred in order to seize power.

....In his bold, courageous, sometimes lonely mission to inspire the people of the world to believe that there is a better way, that political transformation is possible, the Pope has placed his trust in patient dialogue, the upside-down logic of the Gospel, and the spirit of St Francis.

Abridged article by Christopher Lamb in 'The Tablet'

To subscribe go to www.thetablet.co.uk

**To read the encyclical go the Vatican website:
www.vatican.va**



! PLEASE READ THIS !



Just a few important reminders about how we can keep each other safe at Mass:

- ◆ Please sit only on the designated ticks
- ◆ A MAXIMUM of two adults, or two adults and one young child can sit together where there is a tick. Otherwise the staggered spacing of the ticks becomes ineffective. If three adults attend together two can sit adjacent to a tick, but the third must sit in a separate spot.
- ◆ For families of FOUR OR MORE please sit in the pews where the sign reads 'For families of 4 or more people'. We have provided greater spacing between these pews and the next pew containing a member of the congregation. If you're unsure where these are please check with the Welcomer at the door who'll be happy to point them out.
- When coming forward for Holy Communion please maintain a space of four pews between each person for the whole length of the queue both approaching the altar and returning. When you reach the celebrant please extend your arms at full stretch (as will the celebrant) so as to maintain a 1.5 metre separation. If you are wearing a mask (as we hope you do for the Communion procession), when coming forward to receive Holy Communion please keep the mask on as you receive the Host; then step 1.5 metres to the side before lowering the mask to place the Host in your mouth.

Many thanks. Sorry for all the 'rules' but we live in strange times and this is for the good & the health of all. *Fr Colin*

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

THE PSALM PS 95:1. 3-5. 7-10. R. V.7

O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations God's glory
and God's wonders among all the peoples.

The Lord is great and worthy of praise,
to be feared above all gods;
the gods of the heathens are naught.
It was the Lord who made the heavens.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name.
Bring an offering and enter God's courts.

Worship the Lord in the temple.
O earth, tremble before the Lord.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
God will judge the peoples in fairness.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!

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

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
We proclaim you Death, O Lord,
until you come again

FACE MASKS

For the good of public health we'd like to ask that you wear a face mask at Mass if at all possible. We have disposable masks available near the doors, though as keeping up that supply comes at a cost it would be helpful if you could provide your own mask..

Face masks are not recommended for young children.

Please take used masks home for disposal as it's not possible for us to safely handle a multitude of used masks in the bins.

Please also see the little note on face masks on page 3.

By way of explanation.....

Hi all. I just thought it would be good to revise the context of some issues affecting our parish life during this time of Covid...

- ◇ as you know we sanitise the churches after each Mass. So that this doesn't have to be done to the sanctuary and sacristy Fr Thomas and I are currently confining ourselves to one church. This is simply a public health initiative—we of course are both serving our whole parish of Lindfield-Killara and share in all that happens in the background to sustain our parish life.
- ◇ As you know we are aiming to provide many more opportunities for you to take part in Mass on the weekends given the limited capacity of our churches. We celebrate 9 'live' Masses and I also celebrate the online Mass on Saturday mornings in readiness for Sunday. Because of these very full weekends we have cut back the number of weekday Masses and I hope you understand that I now take both Monday and Tuesday off. As a result, during Fr Thomas' current leave there is only weekday Mass from Wednesday—Friday.

I hope you understand the need for these changes during this time of Covid.

Fr Colin

CHINESE~CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

常年期第二十九主日

讀經一

恭讀依撒意亞先知書 45:1,4-6

上主牽著他的受傅者居魯士的右手，使他征服他面前的列國，解除列王的腰帶，並在他面前開啟城門，使門戶不再關閉；上主對他這樣說：「為了我的僕人雅各伯，及我所揀選的以色列的原故，我指名召叫了你，給你起了這個稱號，縱然你還不認識我。「我是上主，再沒有另一位；除我以外，沒有別的神；雖然你還不認識我，我卻武裝了你，為叫從東到西的人，都知道：除我之外，再沒有另一位。我是上主，再沒有另一位。」——上主的話。

答唱詠 詠96:1,3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10

領：請眾齊向上主高唱新歌；普世大地，請向上主謳歌！請在列邦中，傳述他的光榮；請在萬民中，宣揚他的奇功。

領：因為上主偉大，應受讚美；他超越眾神，可敬可畏。萬邦的眾神，盡屬虛幻，只有上主造成了蒼天。

領：各民各族，請將光榮歸於上主；各家各戶，請

將威能歸於上主。請將主名的光榮，歸於上主！

請攜備祭品，進入他的庭院。

領：請穿上聖潔的禮服，叩拜上主。普世大地，要在他的面前戰戰兢兢！請在萬民中高呼：上主為王！他以正義公道，來治理萬邦。

讀經二

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致得撒洛尼人前書 1:1-5

保祿和息耳瓦諾及弟茂德，致書給在天主父及主耶穌基督內的得撒洛尼人的教會。願恩寵與平安與你們同在！我們常為你們眾人感謝天主，在祈禱中時常記念你們；在天主和我們的父前，不斷記念你們因信德所做的工作、因愛德所受的勞苦、因盼望我們的主耶穌基督所有的堅忍。天主所愛的弟兄，我們知道你們是蒙召選的，因為我們把福音傳到你們那裡，不僅用言語，而且也藉德能和聖神，以及堅固的信心。

——上主的話。

福音前歡呼

領：你們應在世人前大放光明，將生命的話，顯耀出來。（斐2:15,16）

福音

恭讀聖瑪竇福音 22:15-21

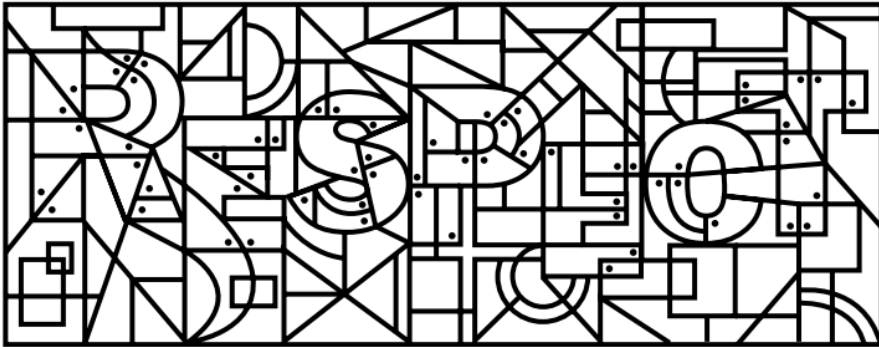
那時候，法利塞人商討，怎樣在言談上，叫耶穌落入圈套。於是，法利塞人派自己的門徒和黑落德黨人，到耶穌面前，說：「師父，我們知道你是真誠的，按真理教授天主的道路，不顧忌任何人，因為你不看人的情面。現在，請你告訴我們：你以為如何？納稅給凱撒，可以不可以？」耶穌看破他們的惡意，就說：「假善人，你們為什麼要試探我？拿一個稅幣，給我看看！」他們便遞給他一塊「德納」。耶穌對他們說：「這肖像和名號是誰的？」他們對耶穌說：「凱撒的。」耶穌對他們說：「那麼，凱撒的，就應歸還凱撒；天主的，就應歸還天主。」——上主的話。

**華人天主教會北區中心Immaculate Heart of Mary Church Killara 10月25日正午12時

**牧職修女 司徒金美修女 0419- 426899

**北區中心聯絡 Gloria Cheung ☎0416-118089

Colour in the shapes that contain dots to reveal something that Jesus wants us to show others.



For the kids...

JUNIOR WORDSEARCH

Give to God what belongs to God

11/22/2011

W R G S P H A R I S E E S U T
L B R B S B E L O N G S R E Q
F L I V N Q N U O M X B E M N
J S P T R I C K F A J C S S K
C D Z L D W T Y C V K G P O J
M O S F L Q V H V Z Z I E T O
U H I W F P F E K C L D C X L
Y Q L T E A C H E R Y F T W I
P E V J J O F A H O N E S T X
Z X E Z W C O I N S T A X E S
X A R U F Y H A V T E S T W V
F I G R E M P E R O R W F V J
H G K B Z J Z L B X U O W H M
G F Q D P N N J D W A Q B A A
E T R U T H D P S O A U V R R

Try to find these words:

belongs
coins
Emperor
honest
Pharisees
respect
silver
taxes
teacher
test
trick
truth

What's happening in our parish?

OCTOBER

Every Wednesday	8:00am	Meditation Group (online)
Wed 21st	11:00am	Daytime Scripture Study Group (online)
	7:30pm	Catholicism (online)
Sun. 25th	12:30pm	Blessing of animals (p.1)
Wed 28th	10:00am	Book Club (online)
	7.30pm	Evening Scripture Study Group (online)

NOVEMBER

Sun. 1st	5:30pm	Return of Youth & Family Mass See page 1.
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MAKING DIRECT DEBIT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PARISH FROM YOUR BANK ACCOUNT

First Collection: BSB 062 784 Acct 1116 8002
(Lindfield Killara Parish Pastoral Revenue Account)

Second Collection: BSB 062 784 Acct 1116 8001
(Lindfield Killara Parish Church Account)

(in the reference section for the transfers please put your name. Also, if you have weekly envelopes please put your Envelope Number in the reference section).

CONTRIBUTING VIA CREDIT CARD

To arrange to contribute by credit card please contact Alison:
alison@lindfieldkillara.org.au

Or just click on the special hotlink box regarding Parish Finances on the homepage of our parish website (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au)

STOP PRESS Don't forget to check the Stop Press page of our website (under 'News and Events') regularly. We use this to post news—including notice of deaths and funerals—which became known after the previous weekend's bulletin.

DON'T FORGET THE ONLINE WAYS TO SHARE IN PARISH LIFE....

- ◇ **Christian Meditation Group** at 8am on Wednesdays
- ◇ **Daytime Scripture Study Group** with Fr Colin on 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 11am
- ◇ **Evening Scripture Study Group** with Fr Colin on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 7:30pm.
- ◇ **Catholicism**—a vibrant audio visual exploration of our faith on 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 7:30pm.
- ◇ **Parish Book Club** on the last Wednesday of the month at 10am

If you'd like to join in any of these online activities just contact Fr Colin or the Parish Office.

SCAM EMAILS A number of parishioners have received emails purporting to be from me and asking for money. If you look however you'll see that the sender's email address is not mine. Please ignore such emails if you receive them.

Fr Colin

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE meets online *this Tuesday 20th at 7:30pm*

Catholic Parish of Lindfield -Killara

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

Recently deceased Tony Williams, Marriane Lavalette, Dan Gibbons, Dino Lorensen (grandfather of Olivia Thomas of our parish), Vera Borzycki, John Buchanan, Ron Burke, Richard John Teague.

Anniversaries: Rodger McGrath, Maureen and Ron Grimble.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Aida Casorzo, Mark Spring, Adel Khreich, Peter Quirk, Nicholas Sutherland, Jesse Langford, Anthony Ellison, Wolfgang Liers, Cyril Ferriere, Alex Noble, William Wise, Lise Therese Ferriere, Ian Coffey, Maureen Hobbs, Russell Adams.

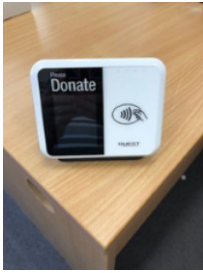
And for all those affected by COVID-19.

PUBLIC HEALTH MATTERS

Let's all play our part. Remember:

- ◆ 7 out of 10 infected people have NO symptoms at all.
- ◆ Maintain 1.5 m distance from others.
- ◆ Wear a mask where 1.5 m separation can't be maintained (eg. Shops)
- ◆ Stay home and get tested if you have even the mildest symptoms.
- ◆ Practice good hand hygiene.
- ◆ **Report** venues, homes & events that flout regulations: 1800 333 000.

TAP MACHINES FOR KILLARA



The machines have finally arrived and are now in position near the side church door—a separate machine for First and Second Collection. Each tap makes a \$10 contribution.

If you are making multiple taps on the one machine please wait till the first transaction processes and the screen indicates that it was successful and that a new transaction can be made.

Of course the boxes for cash contributions remain in the church & p.7 gives details for electronic contributions.

THE RETURN OF OUR MONTHLY YOUTH AND FAMILY MASS !

We are planning to have a Covid-safe Youth and Family Mass on the first Sundays of both November and December.

We will use MacKillop Hall (in the school grounds) as it provides a larger space for more to gather safely. Extra seating will also be available in the outdoor annex at the rear of the hall. The music ministry will be safely distant in the front courtyard outside the hall.

As always these special monthly Masses will be at **5:30pm**. It is essential to book—see the link on the homepage of our parish website. *Fr Colin*

FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION ST FRANCIS: A INVITATION TO COSMIC COMMUNITY :

Author and editor Robert Ellsberg reflects on Francis' legacy from a modern perspective:


Jesus left no formal religious rule for his followers. The closest he came was his proclamation of the Beatitudes: Blessed are the poor in spirit, the meek, the merciful, the peacemakers. . . . Francis took to heart [Jesus'] spiritual vision [proclaimed in the Beatitudes] and translated it into a way of life. . . . For many men and women since the time of Francis, his particular example has offered a distinctive key to the Gospel—or, as Pope Francis might say, "a new way of seeing and interpreting reality." Among the central features of this key: the vision of a Church that is "poor and for the poor" [what we call "the bias from the bottom"]; a resolve to take seriously Jesus's example of self-emptying love; the way of mercy and compassion [as Francis lived by solidarity with and service to lepers]; above all, a determination to proclaim the Gospel not only with words but with one's life. . . .

In a recent homily given in Assisi itself, Fr Michael Perry, the Minister General of the Order of Friars Minor (the name Francis gave us), shared his vision of Francis' message & legacy for our time:

Brothers and sisters, the call to repentance, conversion, to open our minds, hearts, and lives to a new way of living together on this planet is more

urgent now than in any other moment in human history. [As Pope Francis teaches,] conversion requires that we hear "Both the cry of the earth and the cry of the Poor." [2] But is this not also what Francis of Assisi intended when he prayed that all people, and I would add, all of the created universe, might be admitted to paradise, might come to an experience of what St. Matthew calls the "Beatific way of life," (Matthew 5:1-11) defined by living in just and right relationship with one another and with all of creation? . . .

In the Canticle [of the Creatures] Francis celebrates God's loving presence in all of creation. He looks to nature for guidance on how we are to model our relationships with God, one another, and with the natural world. . . . This one [community], this common home, has been created by God and given the vocation to love, serve, and honour the Creator by loving, serving and honouring one another. Humans and the creaturely world have as their vocation the duty to support and complete one another, not to compete against and destroy one another. We are co-responsible with and for one another, especially for the poor and excluded. We are co-responsible for the life of the natural environment, showing gratitude and respecting nature's proper limits, not pushing the planet to the brink of ecological disaster.



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