



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.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT 19 – 3 – 23 LAETARE ('REJOICE') SUNDAY

This week: 1 Sm 16:1, 6-7, 10-13 ; Eph 5:8-14 ; Jn 9:1-41
Next week: Ez 37:12-14 ; Rom 8:8-11 ; Jn 11:1-45



*Today's Gospel passage from John is all about sight and blindness
and of course its Lenten challenge is for us to examine our own vision.*

The Pharisees, like so many religious people before and after them,
claimed to know all that God was about – they claimed to **see** clearly.

But they are revealed as the blindest people of all:

They don't **see** the blind man; they only see an issue, an annoyance.
They don't even rejoice in his gift of sight.

They don't **see** Jesus. They are so determined that he can't be from God
that they're blind to the works of God.

It's a *determined* blindness, a *refusal* to see, based on claiming to have all the answers.

Today's Gospel challenges us to reflect on ourselves: do we have pre-conceived ideas of where, in whom, and how God can act? Are we blind to the person in front of us who may be in fact be this day's sacrament of God?
Fr Colin

Another week in the life of the parish ...



Above: morning tea in St Joseph's Hall at Killara after last Friday week's Healing Mass.

Below: morning tea in St Brigid's Hall at Lindfield after last Sunday's Children's Mass



Above: supper following last Tuesday's Lenten Ecumenical Service at Killara Uniting Church.

Below: last Sunday's Children's Mass at Lindfield



The time of Lent...

ROSEVILLE – LINDFIELD – KILLARA INTERCHURCH FELLOWSHIP LENTEN ECUMENICAL SERVICES

Please be part of this wonderful opportunity to build the bridges of Christian Unity during the Lenten season of renewal:



Tuesday 28th March 7:45pm
at Holy Family Catholic Church, Lindfield
Preacher: Rev. Chris Goringe

Please be there to help build our bonds as fellow disciples of the Lord. On Tuesday 28th March, when we are hosting, please bring a plate for supper if you can.

PROJECT COMPASSION

Lent is a precious opportunity not only 'to give up' but also 'to give'. Please support Caritas in its great work both at home and abroad helping to create self-sustaining communities. **Ways to contribute:**

- ◆ Boxes and sets of weekly envelopes are in our foyers.
- ◆ You can also contribute by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Please make use of the beautiful sacrament of God's mercy during Lent. The sacrament is available each Saturday in our two churches. See page 7 for details. **Once Holy Week begins there will be no times for Reconciliation** as by then our Easter preparations should be concluded.



Reconciliation

SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION FOR LENT:

After a three year absence we will also have a celebration of **THE SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION** in our Killara church on **Wednesday 29th March at 7:30pm.**

At the personal level:

Why not set a little time aside and tap into the short daily guided meditations at:

<https://pray-as-you-go.org/>

Or explore the immensely rich and wider offering of prayer resources at :

<https://pray-as-you-go.org/discover>



PLEASE HELP US TO MAKE OUR EASTER BEAUTIFUL ~ CAN YOU BE PART OF OUR EASTER CHOIR ?

Our Easter Choir will sing at the a number of celebrations during the Easter Triduum. These are on Holy Thursday evening, Good Friday morning, Good Friday afternoon, Holy Saturday morning and the Mass of the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday evening.

To ensure we are well prepared there will be **two** rehearsals. If you wish to sing you must attend **both** rehearsals.

1. Sun. 26th March 2:15 - 4:15pm at Lindfield Church.
2. Sun. 2nd April 11.30am-1.30pm at Lindfield Church.

Rehearsals start promptly so please arrive 10 minutes early to get settled. Please bring water and a pencil.

We are looking forward to contributing the beauty of these wonderful liturgies through our music.

Choristers are encouraged to sing at all these liturgies.

We understand that this may not be possible so please let us know your availability at the first rehearsal.

For any further information please contact Catherine Willis at catherinecwillis@gmail.com



THIS BEAUTIFUL ICON of St Joseph has been donated by one of our families and has been placed in St Joseph's Hall at Killara. It will be blessed after the 9am Mass this Sunday 19th (the date which is usually St Joseph's feast day—although the actual feast has this year been transferred to Monday 20th as it falls on a Sunday of Lent).

The family are also very kindly arranging for an icon to be created for Lindfield church.



With joy we celebrate the recent tenth anniversary of the election of Pope Francis and the joy of the Gospel which he has brought to the Church.

A POIGNANT ANNIVERSARY Last Sunday marked three years since our churches were closed due to CoVid. It has been an extraordinary journey since then. We pray for those who since then have died or lost loved ones or who suffer on-going health concerns.

A VERY WARM WELCOME to Karen Forbes, whom we have employed as our new Catechist Coordinator for our ministry in the local State Schools. We have employed Karen in collaboration with our neighbouring parish of Chatswood, where she will work three days per week. Karen will work one day per week for our parish.

Karen brings with her a rich experience as a Catechist herself, along with great professional expertise. We look forward to being able to support the work of our wonderful Catechists through Karen's leadership.

Fr Colin

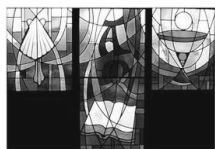
A REFLECTION FOR THIS FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

"As long as people are little more than interesting characters to us, they remain opaque. We can be quite sure that no one who is approached as an interesting character is going to reveal to us his or her secret. On the contrary, characterisation is often so narrow and limiting that it makes people close themselves and hide. Especially in the field of the helping professions, the temptation to label people with easy characterisations is great, since it gives us the illusion of understanding. Not only psychiatric labels such as "neurotic", "psychopathic", or "schizophrenic", but also religious labels such as "unbeliever", "pagan", "sinner", "progressive", "conservative", "liberal", and "orthodox" can give us a false sense of understanding that reveals more about our insecurities than about the real nature of our neighbours.

Our great task is to prevent our fears from boxing our fellow human beings into characterisations and to see them as persons."

(from "Clowning in Rome" by Henri Nouwen, pp. 98-99)

DRAWING NOURISHMENT FROM THE EUCHARIST DURING LENT



It's a great tradition of our Church to come to weekday Mass one or more times a week during the Season of Lent to be nourished by the Word of God in the readings and the Word made flesh in the Eucharist.

A reminder too that at Lindfield there is now short term parking on the internal parish road for weekday Mass.

As we prepare for Easter.....we will need your help.....

There are a several simple ways you could help us to celebrate the great feast of Easter:

- ◆ **A holy forest:** on Holy Thursday night we again want to create a beautiful 'Garden of Gethsemane' at the Altar of Repose at Killara. To do that could we ask you to do some garden trimming and drop us off your offcuts – they can include plenty of large leafy branches up to 2 metres tall, palm fronds etc. We also need a loan of large pot plants if that's possible. **If you can help please drop your foliage off to St Joseph's hall at Killara – either on the Wednesday night of Holy Week, or on Holy Thursday morning before 11am.**
- ◆ **Setting up:** then we need helpers to set up the Garden of Gethsemane—at 11am at Killara **on Holy Thursday.**
- ◆ **Easter Flowers:** at Easter the parish pays for the flowers since there are a much larger quantity needed. If you would like to help by making a donation towards the cost of the Easter flowers please contact the Parish Office.
- ◆ **Easter Party:** and finally there will again be an 'Easter Party' following the Easter Vigil. **Please bring a plate** and drop it off before the Easter Vigil begins.

PARISH RETREAT AT TARRAWARRA ABBEY ~ TWO SPACES AVAILABLE

Unfortunately, due to work circumstances, two people have had to withdraw from our Tarrawarra retreat. If you would like to take one (or both) of the spots please let me know as soon as possible.

The retreat runs from the afternoon of Tuesday 25th April till the morning of Monday 1st May. *Fr Colin*

POSITION AVAILABLE

PARENT ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR (PEC)

We are currently seeking a Parent Engagement Coordinator to join the Holy Family community. This pivotal role is part of the Catholic Schools Broken Bay Towards 2025 Strategy.

The PEC plays a crucial role in building and maintaining a welcoming school environment and building sound, respectful relationships between the school, parents, the parish, carers, parent bodies, Broken Bay Catholic School Parent association and the wider community.

The PEC is required to be adaptable, creative and able to customise their work to meet the specific needs of the community to strengthen a Catholic culture.

Possible opportunities include: facilitating prayer groups, social outreach, playgroups, etc.

Commencement Date: immediate start

Capacity: 1 ½ days per week (days are negotiable)

Please email pauline.dinale@dbb.catholic.edu.au or call 9416 7200 for additional information

Two separate positions - though you'd be welcome to apply for both as there would be a great synergy between the two roles.

POSITION VACANT

PART-TIME YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR

Lindfield-Killara Parish is seeking to recruit a part-time Youth Ministry Coordinator, working approximately 35 hours per month, allocated as per the varying needs of the position. This role plays an important part in the Parish team, coordinating and supporting the various ministries to children and youth and their families. The ideal candidate would have relevant experience in working with young people, of working with volunteers in a Catholic environment, comfortable working autonomously and having an understanding of the need for accountability and ownership in a role, and excellent time management skills. They would also have a good understanding of, and commitment to Catholic values and teachings.

The role allows for flexibility with the working schedule; however, you would need to have availability outside of normal working hours as some activities would by necessity take place on weekends.

If this role interests you, please email a brief cover letter and CV to parish@lindfieldkillara.org.au Applications close **Friday 24th March 2023.**

Hymns for the Fourth Sunday in⁴ Lent - Laetare ('Rejoice') Sunday

ENTRANCE: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST OUR SAVIOUR

Refrain: Praise to you, O Christ, our Saviour,
Word of the Father, calling us to life;
Son of God who leads us to freedom:
glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

You are the Word who calls us out of darkness;
you are the Word who leads us into light;
you are the Word who brings us through the desert:
glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ! *Refrain*

You are the Word who calls us to be servants;
you are the Word whose only law is love;
you are the Word – made flesh who lives among us:
glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ! *Refrain*

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DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: WITH A JOYFUL HEART

Ref: With a joyful heart, O Lord my God, I bring all to you

- Behold, O Lord, this bread
which we now carry to your altar.
This bread will become your body.
- Behold, O Lord, this wine;
accept and bless it for our gladness.
This wine will become your blood.
- We come to you, O Lord;
we bring the gifts that you have made,
the gifts we return to you.

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COMMUNION: OPEN MY EYES LORD

Open my eyes, Lord
Help me to see your face
Open my eyes, Lord
Help me to see.

Open my ears, Lord
Help me to hear your voice
Open my ears, Lord
Help me to hear.

Open my heart, Lord
Help me to love like you
Open my heart, Lord
Help me to love.

I live within you
Deep in your heart, O love
I live within you
Rest now in me.

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RECESSIONAL: TELL OUT MY SOUL

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
Tender to me the promise of his word;
In God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
His mercy sure, from age to age to same;
His holy Name - the Lord, the Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight
The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
To children's children and for evermore!

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OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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讀經一 (達味受傅為以色列王。)

恭讀撒慕爾紀上 16:1,6-7,10-13

那時候，上主對撒慕爾說：「把你的角盛滿油；我派你到白冷人葉瑟那裡，因為在他的兒子中，我已為我選定了一位君王。」撒慕爾等人一來，看見厄里雅布，心裡想：這一定是站在上主面前的受傅者。但上主對撒慕爾說：「你不要注意他的容貌，及他高大的身材；我拒絕要他。因為天主的看法與人不同：人看外貌，上主卻看人心。」葉瑟就叫他的七個兒子，都來到撒慕爾面前。撒慕爾對葉瑟說：「上主沒有揀選這些人。」撒慕爾於是問葉瑟說：「孩子們都到齊了嗎？」葉瑟回答說：「還有一個最小的，他正在放羊。」撒慕爾對葉瑟說：「快派人帶他來，因為他不來，我們決不入席。」

葉瑟於是派人把最小的兒子帶來；他是一個有血色，眉清目秀，外貌英俊的少年。上主說：「起來，給他傅油，就是這一位。」撒慕爾就拿起盛著油的角，在他兄弟們面前，給他傅了油。從那天起，上主的神便降臨於達味身上。——上主的話。

答唱詠 詠23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6

【答】：上主是我的牧者，我實在一無所缺。(詠23:1)

領：上主是我的牧者，我實在一無所缺。他使我躺在青綠的草場，又領我走近幽靜的水旁，還使我的心靈得到舒暢。【答】

領：他為了自己的名號，領我踏上了正義的坦途。縱使我應走過陰森的幽谷，我不怕凶險，因你與我同在。你的牧杖和短棒，是我的安慰和舒暢。【答】

領：在我對面，你為我擺設了筵席；在我的頭上傅油，使我的杯爵滿溢。【答】

領：在我一生歲月裡，幸福與慈愛常隨不離；我將住在上主的殿裡，直至悠遠的時日。【答】

讀經二 (從死者中起來吧！基督必要光照你！)

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致厄弗所人書 5:8-14

弟兄姊妹們：

從前你們原是黑暗，但現在你們在主內卻是光明；生活自然要像光明之子一樣。光明所結的果實，就是各種良善、正義和誠實。你們要體察什麼是主所喜悅的事。不要參與黑暗無益的作為，反而要加以指摘，因為他們暗中所做的事，就是連提也，也是可恥的。一切事情，一經指摘，便在光明中，顯露出來；凡顯露出來的，成為了光明。所以說：

「你這睡眠的，醒來吧！從死者中起來吧！基督必要光照你！」——上主的話。

福音前歡呼

領/眾：基督、天主聖言，願光榮歸於你。

領：主說：我是世界的光；跟隨我的，決不在黑暗中行走，必有生命之光。(若8:12)

眾：基督、天主聖言，願光榮歸於你。

福音 (瞎子去了，洗了，回來就看見了。)

恭讀聖若望福音 9:1,6-9,13-17,34-38

那時候，耶穌前行時，看見了一個生來瞎眼的人。耶穌吐唾沫在地上，用唾沫和了些泥，把泥抹在瞎子的眼上，對他說：「去，到史羅亞水池裡洗洗吧！」——史羅亞解說「被派遣的」——瞎子去了，洗了，回來就看見了。於是，鄰居和那些經常見他討飯的人，就說：「這不是那會坐在這裡討飯的人麼？」有的說：「就是這人。」有的說：「不，是另一個很相似他的人。」那人卻說：「就是我。」他們便將那先前瞎眼的人，帶到法利塞人那裡。耶穌和泥開了他眼睛的那天，正是安息日。於是，法利塞人又盤問他怎樣看見了。那人就向法利塞人說：「他把泥抹在我的眼上，我洗了，就看見了。」法利塞人中有的說：「這人不是從天主來的，因為他不遵守安息日。」有的卻說：「一個罪人怎能行這樣的奇蹟？」他們中間便發生了紛爭。於是，他們又問瞎子說：「對於那開了你眼睛的人，你說什麼呢？」瞎子說：「他是一位先知。」法利塞人卻向他說：「你整個人都生於罪惡之中，竟來教訓我們？」便把他趕出去了。耶穌聽說法利塞人把他趕了出去，後來遇見了他，就給他說：「你信人子麼？」那人便回答說：「主，是誰，好使我去信他呢？」耶穌對他說：「你已看見他了，和你講話的就是！」那人於是說：「主，我信。」就俯伏朝拜了耶穌。——上主的話。

*華人天主教會北區中心主日彌撒-彌撒時間 3月26日,4月9, 23,30日正午12時

四旬期內拜苦路 31/3星期五 8:00 pm 請各教友參加

4月9日主日彌撒-閩德龍神父主禮, 2:00-4:00pm 北區中心閩德龍神父講座

牧職修女 司徒金美修女 0419- 426899,

北區中心聯絡 Gloria Cheung 0416-118089

THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

As we gather in worship on this day we acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which our parish is found..

We fast from the joyful words of the Gloria during these days of Lent as we prepare our hearts and our community to celebrate once again the saving death and resurrection of Jesus

PSALM Ps 22(23)

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where the Lord gives me repose.
Near restful waters God leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.
The Lord guides me along the right path;
God is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort.
You have prepared a banquet for me
In the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.
Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

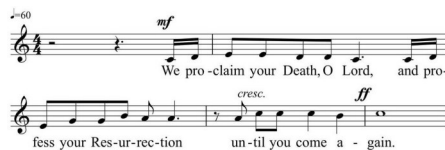
Glory and praise to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will have the light of life.
Glory and praise to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

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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FR RICHARD ROHR OFM's MEDITATION . . . PILGRIMS, NOT TOURISTS

We continue sharing excerpts from Father Richard's 1983 talks on pilgrimage. In this presentation in Lourdes, France, Richard offers some historical background on the practical actions that pilgrims had to take before they underwent a spiritual pilgrimage.

By the high Middle Ages, there were all kind of books written for pilgrims. These were spiritual books guiding pilgrims as to how to prepare themselves. Preparation was required before they went on pilgrimage.

First of all, you had to make amends with everyone you had ever wronged. Also, if you went on pilgrimage holding any kind of unforgiveness, it could not be a good pilgrimage. You couldn't leave your town until you'd forgiven everyone who'd ever wronged you. Certainly, this is an attitude that we can pray for at the beginning of any pilgrimage: that God would keep our hearts open and loving, because a pilgrimage can't just be a tourist trip. The meaning of a pilgrimage is an interior journey. Primarily, it's an interior journey enacted exteriorly.

Richard shares his hope that his fellow pilgrims embark upon such an interior journey:

When we return home in three weeks or less, if no interior journey has happened, we really haven't made a pilgrimage. Understand? We've just been tourists. We've

travelled around and said, "I saw this, and I saw that, and I bought this," and so forth. But that's what a tourist does, not a pilgrim. And God has called us on pilgrimage.

Secondly, and a practical, interesting thing, is that if they were going to go on pilgrimage, pilgrims had first to ask permission of their wife, husband, and family. The idea was that they had to leave everything in right relationship at home. If they had any material debts, they also had to pay those before they left. They couldn't go on pilgrimage until their spiritual and physical debts were paid, and they had permission from all the right people.

Next, they had to go to confession before leaving. Sometime in the course of a pilgrimage, celebrating some kind of reconciliation was deemed very appropriate. Again, there's that cleansing, that letting go. Perhaps those of us who've already been down to the Grotto [1] have seen the basin of water on the far end with the words that Mary spoke to Bernadette. It states, "Go wash your face and cleanse your soul." What a symbol of reconciliation! It's a prayer. Above all else, pilgrimage is praying with your body, and it's praying with your feet. It's an exterior prayer, and the exterior prayer keeps calling you into the interior prayer.

[1] The Grotto of Massabielle is the place where the Virgin Mary is said to have appeared to Bernadette Soubirous in 1858.

OUR PARISH LITURGICAL LIFE :

SUNDAY MASS

KILLARA CHURCH :

5:30pm Vigil 9.00am

LINDFIELD CHURCH

6.00pm Vigil 8.30 am 10.15am **

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

6:00pm (5:30pm on the third Sunday of the month)

** the 10:15am Mass on the 2nd Sunday of each month is our Children's Mass, featuring the Children's Choir

(For Mass online see homepage of our website:
www.lindfieldkillara.org.au)

WEEKDAY MASS this week:

FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

Mon.: 8:00am Killara (*Solemnity of St Joseph*)

Tues.: 8:00am Killara

Wed.: 9:30am Lindfield

Thurs.: 10:00am Lindfield

Fri. 10:00am Lindfield

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

PARKING

As there is now no parking on the Coles carpark at Lindfield, in addition to the onsite parking in the church and school grounds, Lindfield Uniting Church (cnr Provincial Rd) have kindly made their grounds available to us for parking for the Vigil & Sun. 6pm Mass (they require their grounds for their own Services on Sunday mornings). Enter from Pacific Hwy.

SUNDAY MASS ROSTER

Saturday		18 Mar.	25 Mar.
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Thomas	Fr Colin
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Colin	Fr Thomas
Sunday		19 Mar.	26 Mar.
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr Thomas	Fr Colin
Killara	9:00 am	Fr Colin	Fr Thomas
Lindfield	10:15 am	Fr Thomas	Fr Colin
Lindfield	12:00 pm	No Mass	Fr Thomas
Lindfield	6:00pm	5:30pm: Fr Colin	Fr Thomas

Ways 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

Second Collection: (providing for all the operating costs of the parish):

BSB 062 784 Acct 10000 1623

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



- ◆ YOU CAN ARRANGE FOR PERIODIC

PAYMENTS FROM YOUR CREDIT CARD: just click on the hotlink box entitled 'Supporting parish finances' on the homepage of our website (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au) and scroll down to 2i.b. for the form. (or simply email accounts@lindfieldkillara.org.au for assistance.

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

PARISH DIARY ~

Sun. 19th	5:30pm	Youth and Family Mass, followed by parish potluck dinner.
Tues. 21st	6:00pm	Tarrawarra Group
Wed. 22nd	8:00am	Meditation (online)
	10:00am	Parish Book Club
	7:30pm	Scripture study (online)
Sat. 25th		Celebrations of First Reconciliation
Tues. 28th	7:45pm	Lenten Ecumenical Service at Holy Family Church
Wed. 29th	8:00am	Meditation (online)
	7:30pm	Second Rite of Reconciliation (Killara)

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

Please pray for Nena Umali (mother of our Parish Secretary, Philita Marundan) who died last week.

The Funeral Service for Nena will take place at the crematorium chapel at Castlebrook Cemetery, Windsor Road, Rouse Hill

on Thursday 30th March at 11am.

Recently deceased: Julia Martin, Carole White, Marie Gibbons, Gerry McGreevy, Patricia Murray, Peter (Brian) Cahill, Kevin Surplice.

Anniversary: William Wade, Bishop Patrick Murphy, Fr Patrick Ryan.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Jack Sullivan, Jessica Keen, Therese Playoust, Ali Crawford, Jeanette Cicutto, Morna Sutherland, Barbara McMullen, Nicholas Sutherland, Jesse Langford, Anthony Ellison, Cyril Ferriere, Alex Noble, William Wise, Ophelia Mari Umali, Rosanna Comastri. **And for all affected by COVID.**

BETWEEN BROTHERS

Cain set on his brother Abel and killed him' (Gen 4,8). The relationship between brothers — and, for that matter, between sisters — can be complicated. One is close, yet distant. It can be hard to see one another clearly. Sometimes brothers and sisters know too much about each other. A lot of prehistory feeds their relationship. Cain's jealousy must be rooted in such prehistory. We know nothing about it, but can imagine it. He feels that Abel puts him in the shade; he can no longer look his brother in the face: 'his eyes were downcast'. Let's be on our guard in such instances, lest we be pulled, without noticing, into action motivated by blind anger. The question we should ask ourselves is the one God poses: 'Why are you angry and downcast?' Once we understand the motivation underlying a mood, we can do something about it. Something fabulous can happen. Even people's rage, as Psalm 76 proclaims, can turn into praise, grounded in humility, marked by prayer for forgiveness, a source of new conversion.

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

AN ECUMENICAL PALM SUNDAY:



This year we will once again have the wonderful opportunity to enter into Holy Week with some of our brothers and sisters from **Lindfield Uniting Church**. At **10:00am (not 10:15am)** on Palm Sunday 2nd April.

We will gather in the forecourt outside MacKillop Hall next to the school. From there we will process with our palms to the church while our brothers and sisters from Lindfield Uniting Church will then set forth to walk up the highway to their church on the corner of Provincial Road.

Please be part of this wonderful beginning to Holy Week.

PLEASE NOTE THE EARLIER STARTING TIME OF MASS AT 10:00AM (NOT 10:15AM) — PALMS WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE AT THAT TIME AND NOT AFTERWARDS.

CAN YOU HELP US WITH PALMS FOR PALM SUNDAY?

The cost of supplied palms has gone through the roof and since we live in the 'leafy north shore' we were hoping that members of our own community could do some palm trimming and cutting into smaller pieces.

If you could do that could you bring the pieces along (as many as you can - few or many) and drop them into baskets which will be at the doors of both our churches next Sunday.

Ideally the pieces would look like this →



HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE

*** THE EASTER TRIDUUM ***

HOLY THURSDAY



No morning Mass

EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: 7:30PM

A combined Mass for the whole parish at Killara.

After Mass, if you would like to remain or return later in the evening, there will be prayer before the Eucharist in the chapel of repose.

This will conclude with **Night Prayer, at 10:00pm** (at the Altar of Repose). Please try to come for some of this vigil of prayer - to spend some time with the Lord 'in the garden of Gethsemane'.

GOOD FRIDAY



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 10AM at Killara

SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION: 3:00PM (in both of our churches)

HOLY SATURDAY

MORNING PRAYER: 10AM (in Lindfield church)

(Holy Saturday is traditionally a day of solemn vigil [and fast], of waiting for the resurrection. Mass & the sacraments are not celebrated on this day. However, to spend some of this vigil of prayer together, there will be **MORNING PRAYER** at 10am.

MASS OF THE RESURRECTION: 7:30PM on Holy Saturday :



A combined celebration for the whole parish at Lindfield.

This is the most important Mass in our Church's year and the principal Easter celebration. Please be there, rain, hail or shine!

The Easter Vigil will be followed by an Easter supper in the Shirley Wallace Parish Centre above Lindfield church. Please keep the time for this parish celebration free to continue the Easter celebration as a community.

EASTER SUNDAY

8:30am (Lindfield)

9:00am (Killara)

10:15am (Lindfield)

12:00 noon Chinese Mass

(There is no Sunday 6pm Mass on Easter Sunday)

Do you love the faith which gives us so much life and joy?

Invite someone who may have gently stopped coming to the Eucharist to come back to join us in our community of faith.



ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT LOCAL FAMILIES IN CRISIS

Lindara Market
Saturday 25 March

Bargains for everyone - from \$1 books to tools, toys & games, cakes & jams, vintage jewellery, kitchenware, sports gear, paintings, plants & more!

8am-1pm | Lindfield Uniting Church | Indoors Market

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faith growth service

WHAT'S ON FOR YOUTH

GOOD FRIDAY PASSION PERFORMANCES

Calling all HIGH SCHOOL students!

We're now "casting" for our Good Friday services' Passion Play. To participate you'll be required to attend two practices & be available all day on Good Friday.

Please contact us (see below) to indicate interest.



Use this QR code to find out more information and/or to indicate your interest. Or email: youth@lindfieldkillara.org.au



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GET
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TODAY

youth & family MASS
and potluck dinner!

SUN 19 MARCH
5.30PM
LINDFIELD CHURCH

Pot Luck-of-the-Irish Dinner (after Mass)



We are "going green" in March to celebrate St Patrick's Day! At our potluck supper, we will be joined by talented dancers of the Cox Academy of Irish Dance for a little performance to celebrate the occasion. Cox is the North Shore's most awarded and successful Irish Dancing school, and some of our little parishioners will be dancing for us!

If you've never experienced Youth Mass, now is the time! Please join us!

Can you bring a plate to share? Sign up here.



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Great news about our Children's Mass and Children's Choir !



We're pleased to advise that as of May the Children's Choir and Children's Mass will take place at the 10:15am Mass twice per month—on the second and fourth Sundays of the month (and of course followed by morning tea).

(In April there will be no Children's Mass on the second Sunday as it is Easter Sunday and so the Children's Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 23rd April instead).