



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 14 – 3 – 21
LAETARE ('REJOICE') SUNDAY

This week: 2 Chr 36:14-16; 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21
Next week: Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

'Yes, God loved the world so much...'

The Gospel today reminds us that the first truth for a Christian is God's love.

Often, however, in practice we make our first truth our own sinfulness and weakness.

But the Gospel reminds us that before (and after) anything that we do, God loves us.

Lent is often seen as a time for reflecting on our own sinfulness.

This Lent we could turn that on its head and make Lent a time rather for reflecting on God's love – and that that love is greater than our failings.
Fr Colin



Confirmation

DATES FOR THE DIARY: **UPDATED**

Enrolment Period	4-19 March 2021 www.trybooking.com/EPRW
Parent Information Meeting	Wednesday 21 April 2021 @ 7-9pm
Rite of Enrolment Mass	24/25 April at any Sunday Mass or Vigil
Session dates	Sessions 1 & 2 - Sun 2 May 4pm Session 3 - Sun 16 May 4pm Session 4 - Sun 23 May 4pm
Mass Rite for Presentation of Apostles Creed	23/24 May at any Sunday Mass or Vigil
Celebration dates	Wed 26 May OR Thurs 27 May at 7:30pm <i>Celebrated by Bishop Anthony Randazzo</i>
Presentation of Certificates	tbc

See our parish website:

'Sacraments'
→
'Children's Sacraments'
for full details.

"Come, Holy Spirit. Fill the hearts of each person in our family; kindle in us the fire of your love."

For inquiries contact Maia Schulze on maia@lindfieldkillara.org.au

Youth & Family Mass

THIRD SUNDAY EACH MONTH - RUN BY YOUTH - EVERYONE WELCOME

SUNDAY, 21 MARCH

5.30PM

MACKILLOP HALL

BBO FOLLOWS MASS

We need your help at Mass and the BBO!

When you participate, you benefit and so do we. Sign up here to help:
<https://signup.com/go/NFhkZTW>

This Month's Feature: It's Lent! Please wear something purple to Mass

SLAVERY-FREE EASTER: THE SWEET, BUT SOMETIMES-BITTER TRUTH ABOUT EASTER CHOCOLATE

Let's Make One Change in 2021, the International Year for the Elimination of Child Labour

Chocolate and Child Labour – A Snapshot

A 2020 Macquarie University report, *Not so sweet: chocolate, slavery and complicit corporations*, found that, "More than two million children under the age of 15 years old work in the cocoa industry in Ivory Coast and Ghana. Many are the children of farm labourers, but others are also sold to farms as bonded labourers from neighbouring Burkina Faso and Mali". Change is happening – join in **Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans' (ACRATH) Slavery-free Easter Chocolate Campaign**: Commit to buying only chocolate that is certified slavery-free. Tell at least five other people about slavery-free chocolate and encourage them to buy it too.

Where to buy chocolate that is certified slavery-free

Look for chocolate with one of the four logos (below) on it – Fairtrade, UTZ or Rainforest Alliance.

There are some slavery-free chocolates available in most large supermarkets and ALDI and Haighs have an extensive range of UTZ certified chocolates and even more leading up to Easter. Fairtrade Australia and New Zealand has a list of slavery-free certified chocolates. Find it at: <https://fairtradeanz.org/for-consumers/products/chocolate>

BE SLAVERY Free has an Easter Chocolate Shopping Guide with information on what chocolate is slavery-free. The 2021 version of this guide will be available mid-March.



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 Youth & Family Mass on 3rd Sunday)

WE HAVE A COVID SAFETY PLAN

OUR PARISH ONLINE SUNDAY MASS ALSO CONTINUES TO BE AVAILABLE EACH WEEK

Go to 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-iuHdFQ>

WEEKDAY MASS this week:

Mon. & Tues. 8:00am at Killara
Wed.- Fri. 10:00am at Lindfield

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

A FEW THINGS ABOUT OUR COVID~SAFE PRACTICES

- ◆ It is no longer mandatory to wear a face mask in church—though it is recommended if you are able to do that comfortably. However, in our parish it is **mandatory to wear a mask when coming forward to receive Holy Communion.**
- ◆ When coming forward to receive Holy Communion please keep your face mask on while the minister places the Host on your hands. Then step well to the side, lower your mask & receive Communion, & then replace your mask.
- ◆ When we have a Eucharistic Minister assisting the celebrant in giving Holy Communion at Lindfield (where there is just one central aisle) please come down the aisle single-file and 1.5m apart and then move to one or other minister when you reach the front.

SERVERS AT MASS

We have resumed the ministry of Adult Server at Mass and will soon resume the ministry of Junior Servers.

If you would like to be involved in either of these ministries in either of our two churches please contact Fr Colin as soon possible.



PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE

Up to end Feb. 20 Up to end Feb. 21

First Collection \$93,551 \$73,963

Shortfall: \$19,588 !!

2nd Collection \$163,466 \$132,428

Shortfall: \$31,038 !!

The First Collection provides for Frs Colin & Thomas and for the care of sick and retired clergy of the diocese.

The Second Collection provides all the running costs of our parish, its ministries & activities.

Please help us to maintain and grow our parish life and mission—particularly as we are soon to lose the support of JobKeeper.

The box below sets out the different ways to support parish finances ↓



TAP AND GO machines for both the First and the Second Collection are available in the foyers of both of our churches.

OUR KILLARA CARPARK DEVELOPMENT We have now been advised that construction will commence at the end of this month and will hopefully be complete within twelve months.

WE REALLY REALLY REALLY NEED YOUR HELP !

As you'll see elsewhere on this page we are now tracking over \$30,000 behind on our parish account.

There are a number of expenses facing us as we prepare for our Easter celebrations, including flowers, extra seat hire, hire of some technical equipment. If you can help please contact the Parish Office or just make a deposit into the Second Collection account as per the details in the notice immediately to the right with the Reference 'Easter Expenses':

Thank you, *Fr Colin*

WAYS TO SUPPORT PARISH FINANCES:

1. **Our Sunday collections have now resumed.**
2. **Tap Machines** are available for both collections
3. **Direct contribution from your bank account to our parish accounts:**
1st 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)
4. To arrange for **regular periodic contribution via your credit card** please contact Alison: alison@lindfieldkillara.org.au Many thanks.

Keeping the time of Lent . . .



Arsad, an Indonesian farmer, had no toilet in his home, so he had to walk into the forest to the open defecation area, even at night or in the rain.

Around 17 percent of Indonesia's rural population practice open defecation, with many unaware that it contributes to spreading diseases.

Arsad's family was often sick and open defecation caused neighbourhood disputes. With the support of Caritas Australia and its partner, Laz Harfa, he took part in hygiene, sanitation and financial management training. He decided to fund the building of a toilet in his house and facilitated others in his neighbourhood to save up for toilets.

Now, Arsad and his family are healthier and have reduced their medical expenses. Their community no longer practices open defecation and is more harmonious. A community event, called "Declaration of Open Defecation-Free" was even held to acknowledge their achievements.

Improved hygiene practices helped Arsad's community during the COVID-19 pandemic. Caritas Australia, through Laz Harfa, also shared prevention measures and distributing soap and masks.

Arsad has inspired his neighbourhood to "Be More". "We help each other, the 'togetherness' is growing. Our solidarity had increased," Arsad says

You can donate to Project Compassion through Parish boxes / envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

ENTERING INTO THE SEASON OF LENT . . .

WEEKDAY MASS IN LENT is a wonderful way to enter in this season – to draw on the richness of the daily Scriptures and to draw closer to the Lord and each other through sharing in the Eucharist.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND LENT

Since Lent is the time of Easter preparation please make use of the *whole* of Lent to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation, which is celebrated each Saturday. When Easter arrives our Lenten preparation is over so please note that there will be NO opportunities for the celebration of Reconciliation once Holy Week begins, including no Reconciliations at the normal Saturday time on Holy Saturday.

ROSEVILLE – LINDFIELD – KILLARA INTERCHURCH FELLOWSHIP

LENTEN ECUMENICAL SERVICES

This year will be offering our Services both 'live' in each of our churches and also ONLINE for those who are unable to attend in person.



Tuesday 23rd March 7:45pm
at Holy Family Catholic Church Lindfield AND ONLINE
Preacher: Rev. Yangrae Son (*Minister at Killara Uniting Church*)

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



ARE YOU MAKING YOUR WILL?

Could you consider your parish community? In recent years our parish has benefitted enormously from several bequests, large and small. The Shirley Wallace Bequest of course gave us our Parish Centre, which is now so much a part of parish life. Another bequest last year has enabled us to install solar power on Lindfield church, providing clean and cheap energy by day to the Parish Centre as well as the church.

A bequest may also be a way to commemorate a loved one.

Any bequest, large or small, can bring benefits to our parish. If you wish to do this please ensure that the bequest is made to 'The Catholic Parish of Lindfield-Killara'. *The Parish Finance Committee*

THE PARISH BOOK CLUB



The Parish Book Club meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 10am. On **Wednesday 24th March** we will meet for the first time in over 12 months face to face in the Parish Library in the Shirley

Wallace Parish Centre above the Lindfield church.

We will discuss *Fugitive Blue* by **Claire Thomas**. This is a novel that follows the providence of a painting from fifteenth century Venice to twenty first century Melbourne while also exploring the lives of artists and restorers over time.

To join the Book Club please contact Catherine Willis (catherinewillis@gmail.com) or Elizabeth Reedy (elizabethreedy@msn.com). All readers welcome.

THE MAJOR NEWS OF THIS LAST WEEK (NO, NOT THE SOAP OPRAH):

We could be forgiven for thinking that the Oprah interview was the heart of last week's news, as, true to form the Australian media gave only passing attention to Pope Francis' historic, and personally heroic, four day visit to Iraq. The following material is drawn from the comprehensive reporting provided by 'The Tablet'.



During the visit the Pope had a private meeting with Grand Ayatollah Sayyid Ali Al-Husayni al-Sistani at al-Sistani's home in Najaf, 160 kilometres south of Baghdad.

Matteo Bruno, director of the Holy See press office, said in a statement: "This morning, in Najaf, the Holy Father met Grand Ayatollah Sayyid Ali al-Husayni al-Sistani. During the courtesy visit, which lasted about forty five minutes, the Holy Father stressed the importance of

cooperation and friendship between religious communities for contributing – through the cultivation of mutual respect and dialogue – to the good of Iraq, the region and the entire human family .

"The meeting was an occasion for the Pope to thank Grand Ayatollah al-Sistani for speaking up, together with the Shiite community, in defence of those most vulnerable and persecuted amid the violence and great hardships of recent years, and for affirming the sacredness of human life and the importance of the unity of the Iraqi people.

"In taking leave of the Grand Ayatollah, the Holy Father stated that he continues to pray that God, the creator of all, will grant a future of peace and fraternity for the beloved land of Iraq, for the Middle East and for the whole world."



Pope Francis also hosted a multi-faith prayer service in Abraham's birthplace, the ruins of the city of Ur, bringing together

representatives of Iraq's many religious traditions, including Christians, Sunni and Shia Muslims, Zoroastrians, Mandaeans and Yazidis. Prayers and readings from across many of Iraq's faith were read, and a variety of Iraqis from religious leaders to students spoke movingly about the significance of religious tolerance and fraternity. The service was held by the ruins of the city of Ur, believed to be the birthplace of Abraham, a figure who unites most of the faiths of Iraq.



Pope Francis concluded his trip with Mass with 10,000 people in Irbil—capital of the Kurdistan autonomous region in northern Iraq, where there are many Syrian refugees and hundreds of thousands of displaced people, particularly Christians, from Mosul, Qaraqosh and other towns that had been under the thumb of Islamic State militants. The Pope said in his address: "Here in Iraq, how many of your brothers and sisters, friends and fellow citizens bear the wounds of war and violence, wounds both visible and invisible," the Pope told the crowd. "The temptation is to react to these and other painful experiences with human power, human wisdom", he said, but the path of Jesus was to serve, to heal, to love

and to offer his life for others.".. He went on to say, "The Lord strengthens us to resist the temptation to seek revenge, which only plunges us into a spiral of endless retaliation."

Then Pope Francis addressed the crowd – and those watching on television: "Now the time I must leave for Rome draws near. But Iraq will always remain with me in my heart. I ask all of you, dear brothers and sisters, to work together in unity for a future of peace and prosperity that leaves no one behind and does not discriminate against anyone. I pray that members of the different religious communities, together with men and women of good will, cooperate to strengthen the bonds of fraternity and solidarity at the service of the good and for peace. Salaam, salaam, salaam, shukran and God bless everyone, God bless Iraq, Allah ma'akum (God be with you)."

THE CELEBRATION OF EASTER

We all recall that we weren't able to gather together to celebrate Easter last year. Let's embrace the opportunity this year to gather as a community of faith.

Online bookings for our Easter celebrations are NOW open (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au - just click on the box 'Sunday Mass Bookings' and scroll ahead to the dates for Easter) —please book early so that we can be sure to make arrangements if we approach maximum capacity.

Holy Thursday	7:30pm	Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper (this will be celebrated in our Killara church. The maximum capacity is 132 - please book early since if space appears to be running out we will transfer the celebration to MacKillop Hall (capacity 220).
Good Friday	10:00am 3:00pm	Stations of the Cross (in MacKillop Hall) (capacity 220) Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion (at both Killara church—capacity 132—and MacKillop Hall—capacity 220)
Holy Saturday	10:00am 7:30pm	Morning Prayer (both in MacKillop Hall and at Killara church) Mass of the Easter Vigil (in MacKillop Hall - capacity 220)
Easter Sunday	8:30am 9:00am 10:15am	Mass in MacKillop Hall Mass in Killara church Mass in MacKillop Hall

(if early bookings show that these three Masses are insufficient we will add a Mass)

THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

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

THE PSALM Ps 136.

By the rivers of Babylon
there we sat and wept,
remembering Zion;
on the poplars that grew there
we hung our harps.

For it was there that they asked us,
our captors, for songs,
our oppressors, for joy.
'Sing to us,' they said,
'one of Zion's songs.'

O how could we sing
the song of the Lord
on alien soil?

If I forget you, Jerusalem,
let my right hand wither!

O let my tongue
cleave to my mouth
if I remember you not,
if I prize not Jerusalem
above all my joys!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son,
that all who believe in him might have eternal life.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

PARISH MORNING TEAS



We now have a team of volunteers for both our churches and so morning tea will resume (in a CoVid-safe way) after the 9am Mass at Killara and the 10:15am Mass at Lindfield on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month **starting this Sunday 14th March.**

PLEASE set the time apart to join in—after a year of CoVid and its impact on our parish community let's seize every opportunity to build the bonds of our Christian community. *Fr Colin*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD IS BACK!

We're so pleased to announce that Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume at the 9am Sunday Mass at Killara and the 10:15am Mass at Lindfield **starting this Sunday 14th March.** The children will be invited to come forward just after Mass begins to go with their leaders.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in 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

Recipe corner

Lentil Moussaka

1kg of potatoes	1 can of lentils
500ml tomato passata	1 tablespoon of oregano
Paprika	1 teaspoon of thyme
2 large eggplants	2 zucchinis
1 onion	2 cloves of garlic
1 carrot	1 capsicum
Olive oil	

Preheat oven to 180 degrees C. Cut potatoes into 1cm slices, put on an oven tray and sprinkle with approx. 2 teaspoons of oregano, paprika, season with salt and pepper and put in the oven until lightly brown.

On a separate oven tray slice the eggplants brush with olive oil, sprinkle with 1 teaspoon of oregano and bake for 20 mins.

Sauté onion and garlic lightly in a pan until soft. Add chopped zucchini, chopped carrot and chopped capsicum cooking for 5 mins.

Add the passata, thyme and remaining oregano. Simmer for 5 mins then add the tinned (cooked) lentils.

Pour half of the mixture in an ovenproof dish.

Top with half the eggplant and potatoes.

Repeat layering of passata mixture, eggplant and potatoes

Top with béchamel using one of the recipes below or your own béchamel recipe.

Béchamel

2 cups of ricotta	1 cup of greek yoghurt
3 eggs, beaten	1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg

Whisk until combined

Plant based Béchamel:

1 cup cashew nuts soaked in hot water for 10 mins
2 tablespoons of nutritional yeast
1 teaspoon of lemon juice; 1/4 teasp. of mustard powder
5 tablespoons of water; Salt and pepper to taste

Blend all ingredients in an electric blender until smooth

Send your recipes to parish@lindfieldkillara.org.au

OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

四旬期第四主日 14.3.2021

讀經一（選民的放逐與拯救，都顯示上主對他子民的義怒與仁慈。）

恭讀編年紀下 36:14-16,19-23

那時候，所有的司祭、首長和百姓，都罪上加罪，仿效了異族所做的一切醜惡之事，污辱了上主在耶路撒冷聖殿的聖殿。上主、他們祖先的天主，由於愛惜自己的百姓和自己的居所，時常不斷派遣使者警戒他們。無奈，他們都嘲笑了天主的使者，輕視了天主的勸言，譏笑了天主的先知，致使上主的怒火，發洩在他的百姓身上，直到無法救治。敵人焚毀了上主的殿宇，拆毀了耶路撒冷的城牆，燒了城中所有的宮殿，毀壞了城內一切珍貴的器皿；凡沒有死於刀下的人，都被擄到巴比倫去，作巴比倫王及他子孫的奴僕，直到波斯帝國興起。這樣，就應驗了上主藉耶肋米亞的口，所說的話：「為填補沒有遵守的安息年，這塊土地要一直荒涼七十年。」波斯王居魯士元年，為應驗上主藉耶肋米亞的口，所說的話，上主感動了波斯王居魯士的心，叫他出一道號令，通告全國，說：「波斯王居魯士這樣說：上天的神：『上主』，將地上萬國交给了我，囑咐我在猶大的耶路撒冷，為他建築一座殿宇；你們中間凡做他子民的，都可以上去耶路撒冷；願他的神與他同在！」

——上主的話。

答唱詠 詠137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

【答】：我若不懷念你，就寧願我的舌頭，緊緊貼在我的上顎！（詠137:6）

領：當我們坐在巴比倫河畔，一想起熙雍，就淚流滿面。在河畔的楊柳間，掛起我們的豎琴。【答】

領：那些俘擄我們的，要我們唱歌；那些迫害我們的，還要我們奏樂：「快來給我們唱一首熙雍的歌！」

【答】

領：但我們身處外鄉異域，怎能謳唱上主的歌曲？耶路撒冷！我如果忘記你，就願我的右手枯萎！【答】

領：我若不懷念你，不以耶路撒冷為喜樂，就寧願我的舌頭，緊緊貼在我的上顎！【答】

讀經二（你們因罪惡而喪亡，因恩寵而得救。）

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致厄弗所人書 2:4-10

弟兄姊妹們：

富於慈悲的天主，因著他愛我們的大愛，竟在我們因犯罪而喪亡的時候，使我們同基督一起生活；可見你們的

得救，是由於恩寵。

天主使我們同基督一起復活，並使我們在基督耶穌內，和他一同坐在天上，為將自己無限豐富的恩寵，即他在基督耶穌內，對我們所懷有的慈惠，顯示給未來的世代。

因為你們得救是由於恩寵，藉著信德，所以得救並不是出於你們自己，而是天主的恩惠；不是出於功行，免得有人自誇。原來我們是他的化工，是在基督耶穌內受造的，為行天主所預備的各種善工，叫我們在這些善工中度日。——上主的話。

福音前歡呼

領：基督、天主聖言，願光榮歸於你。

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領：天主竟這樣愛了世界，甚至賜下了自己的獨生子，使凡信他的人，不至喪亡，反而獲得永生。（若3:16）

眾：基督、天主聖言，願光榮歸於你。

福音（天主派遣聖子來，是為叫世界藉著他而獲救。）

恭讀聖若望福音 3:14-21

那時候，耶穌向尼苛德摩說：「梅瑟曾在曠野裡高舉了蛇，人子也應照樣，被舉起來，使凡信的人，在他內獲得永生。」

天主竟這樣愛了世界，甚至賜下了自己的獨生子，使凡信他的人，不至喪亡，反而獲得永生。因為天主沒有派遣子到世界上來，審判世界，而是為叫世界，藉著他而獲救。那信從他的，不受審判；那不信的，已受到了審判，因為他沒有信從天主獨生子的名字。

審判就在於此：光明來到了世界，世人卻愛黑暗甚於光明，因為他們的行為是邪惡的。的確，凡作惡的，都憎惡光明，也不來接近光明，怕自己的行為暴露出來；然而履行真理的，卻來接近光明，為顯示出他的行為，是在天主內完成的。——上主的話。

**華人天主教會北區中心彌撒 3月14日主日彌撒 Lindfield Holy Family Church 正午12時

**四旬期內拜苦路3月26日星期五 (8:00pm) Holy Family Church 請各教友參加

**牧職修女 司徒金美修女 0419-426899

**北區中心聯絡 Gloria Cheung @0416-118089

Two Feast Days

This coming week we celebrate

the Solemnity of St Patrick on Wednesday



and the Solemnity of St Joseph on Friday.

FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION: THE FULLNESS OF TIME

What some call “liminal space” or threshold space (in Latin, limen means a threshold) is a very good phrase for those special times, events, and places that open us up to the sacred. It seems we need special (sacred) days to open us up to all days being special and sacred. This has always been the case and didn't originate with Christianity. Ancient initiation rites were intensely sacred time and space that sent the initiate into a newly discovered sacred universe.

What became All Saints Day and All Souls Day (November 1-2) were already called “thin times” by the ancient Celts, as were February 1-2 (St. Brigid's Day and Candlemas Day, when the candles were blessed and lit). The veil between this world and the next world was considered most “thin” and easily traversed during these times. On these days, we are invited to be aware of deep time—that is, past, present, and future time gathered into one especially holy moment. We are reminded that our ancestors are still in us and work with us and through us. We call it the “communion of saints.” The New Testament phrase for this was “when time came to a fullness,” as when Jesus first announces the Reign of God (Mark 1:15) or when Mary comes to the moment of birth (Luke 2:6). We are in liminal space whenever past, present, and future time come together in a full moment of readiness. We are in liminal space whenever the division between “right here” and “over there” is obliterated in our

consciousness.

Deep time, or the communion of saints professed in Christian creeds, means that our goodness is not just our own, nor is our badness just our own. We are intrinsically social animals. We carry the lived and the unlived (and unhealed) lives of our parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents as far back as DNA and genomes can trace them—which is pretty far back. It does take a village to create a person. We are the very first generation to know that this is literally and genetically true. There is deep healing and understanding when we honour the full cycle of life. No wonder so many are intrigued today by genealogy searches and ancestry test kits. Many cry and laugh at their newly discovered place in a long family tree about which they knew little.

Living in the communion of saints means that we can take ourselves very seriously (we are part of a Great Whole) and not take ourselves too seriously at all (we are just a part of the Great Whole) at the very same time. I hope this frees us from any unnecessary individual guilt—and, more importantly, frees us to be full “partners in God's triumphant parade” through time and history (2 Corinthians 2:14). We are in on the deal and, yes, the really Big Deal. We are all a very small part of a very Big Thing! We are little happy and content fish in a huge and limitless ocean.

LENT AND EASTER ON THE PARISH WEBSITE

Click in this box on the homepage (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au) for all you need regarding our Easter celebrations.

LENT & EASTER
Services & Events

What's happening in the parish ?

PARISH DIARY

MARCH

Sun. 14th	9:00am	Morning tea after 9am Mass
	10:15am	Morning tea after 10:15am Mass
Tues. 16th	7:30pm	Parish Pastoral Council (online)
Wed. 17th	8:00am	Meditation Group (online)
	11:00am	Scripture Study (online)
	7:30pm	Catholicism (online)
Thurs. 18th	11:15am	School Mass (invitation only)
Sun 21st	5:30pm	Youth and Family Mass (followed by outdoor sausage sizzle & also high school youth gathering)
Tues 23rd	7:45pm	Lenten Ecumenical Service—both live and online (see p.3)
Wed. 24th	8:00am	Meditation Group (online)
	10:00am	Parish Book Club (p.2)
	7:30pm	Scripture study group (online)
Sun. 28th	9:00am	Morning tea after 9am Mass
	10:15am	Morning tea after 10:15am Mass

An opportunity to develop our interior life:

Parish Meditation group

Responding to God's call depends on the capacity to listen. Listening, like other skills, needs to be practiced and developed. Meditation offers an opportunity to listen deeply and thus become sensitive to the presence of the Spirit of God in our life.

A Christian Meditation Group in our parish **meets online each Wednesday at 8am**. Everyone is welcome to the group.

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

Recently deceased: Oriel Ross (mother of Ron Ross of our parish), Hary Amalan, Philip O'Meara (father of Michael O'Meara of our parish), Bishop Bede Heather, Ken & Carmel McCaffery, Louie Klauser, Umberto Grati, Arthur John Fogarty, So Gay Chan, Chris Williams. **Anniversary:** George Joseph Blayney.

SUNDAY MASS ROSTER

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Trevor Bailey, Mark Spring, 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.

THE ON-GOING RETURN OF MANY FEATURES OF OUR PARISH LIFE

- ◆ the ministry of Adult Servers at Mass—**has now returned to our Masses.**
- ◆ the ministry of Junior Servers at Mass—**coming soon.**
- ◆ Children's Liturgy of the Word (in a CoVid-safe way) at the 9am Mass at Killara and the 10:15am Mass at Lindfield. **Resumes this Sunday 14th March (see p.8).**
- ◆ Morning Tea after the 9am and 10:15am Masses (in a CoVid-safe way). **Morning tea will resume at both Killara and Lindfield this Sunday 14th March (see p.1).**
- ◆ We are also hoping soon to re-introduce morning tea after the monthly Healing Mass.
- ◆ Fr Colin and Fr Thomas have returned to alternating between our two churches for Mass (see roster above)

All new for 2021!

The leaders have been working hard to create a year of relevant topics, interesting speakers and fun excursions for youth in years 7 through 12. We'll be meeting **on Sunday evenings** (after the evening Mass) on the **first and third Sundays of every month.**

Our FIRST MEETING for HS students will be on SUNDAY 21 MARCH following the YOUTH & FAMILY MASS.

YOU MUST REGISTER WITH OUR PROGRAMME TO PARTICIPATE!

You can do that here:

[HTTPS://WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/BPOVT](https://www.trybooking.com/BPOVT)

YOUTH NEWS

Family Outing

We're looking for families to deliver Easter fliers near their homes.
Pick up flyers between 23-25 Mar
Deliver on weekend of 27/28 Mar
 A great way to enjoy the outdoors and help at the same time! Sign up here to help: <https://signup.com/go/MTXpOEK>

Sign up to help @ the next Youth Mass

Youth from year 3 and up are invited to help at the next Youth & Family Mass 21 Mar 5.30pm.
 We need helpers at Mass & BBQ.
<https://signup.com/go/NFhkZTw>

Palm Sunday – An Ecumenical Opportunity –



Once again we will gather together with representatives of Lindfield Uniting Church for a common ceremony of palms for our principal Sunday morning celebration of Palm Sunday at Lindfield after which we will process together to our individual churches for our own liturgies.

The arrangements will be that Mass will begin **at 10:00am (NOT 10:15am)** on Palm Sunday 28th March, for the ceremony of palms and the procession. Please note that palms will only be available for those who take part in the procession – they will not be available afterwards.

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.

Palm Sunday is the threshold to Holy Week and this time of shared prayer gives us a wonderful opportunity to come together to begin that most sacred time of our common Church year. *Fr Colin*

Year of St Joseph

Pope Francis on December 8 2020 published an Apostolic Letter *Patris corde (With a Father's Heart)*, commemorating the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of St Joseph", running from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021.

In his apostolic letter, Pope Francis reflected on the qualities of Saint Joseph whom he described as a strong working man, a beloved, loving father, an accepting, obedient and "creatively courageous" person.

2021 therefore will be also celebrated as a 'Year of the Family'.



Catholic women are being invited to participate in a national consultation via Zoom on 27 March. The event invites women to articulate and celebrate their contribution to and vision for the mission of the Catholic Church in Australia. The event is being organised by the Bishops' Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry. Find more information at

www.nce.catholic.org.au/catholicwomen

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