



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.

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

3 - 4 - 22

*This week: : Is 43:16-21 ; Phil 3:8-14 ; Jn 8:1-11*  
*Next week Is 50:4-7 ; Phil 2:6-11 ; Lk 22:14 – 23:56 or Lk 23:1-49*



Following today's celebration of the Fifth Sunday in Lent  
the Season of Lent begins to take a new course:

while the focus so far has been on the Lenten call to conversion of heart  
the final fortnight of Lent becomes more explicitly  
a time of preparation for Easter.

From tomorrow morning  
the Preface of the Eucharistic Prayer becomes the Preface of the Passion,  
and the Gospel readings begin to sound a drumbeat,  
as the tension leading to the Passion begins to build.

The invitation of this final fortnight – 'Passiontide' –  
is to enter even more deeply into the spirit of Lent,  
to stir up a longing for the celebration of Easter and the life it celebrates,  
to become more aware of the Cross  
so that its transformation into resurrection  
may be all the more powerful in our own life.

*Fr Colin*

## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER ON THE PARISH WEBSITE

Click on this box on the homepage  
([www.lindfieldkillara.org.au](http://www.lindfieldkillara.org.au)) for all  
you need regarding our Easter  
celebrations.



## OK, LET'S TRY THAT SINGING THING AGAIN...!



We will now re-introduce congregational  
singing starting next week 9-10 April (Palm  
Sunday) - a great way to enter into Holy  
Week and to prepare our vocal chords for  
Easter.

However for the next little while we ask  
that if you wish to sing that you wear a  
mask while doing so for the good of your  
fellow worshippers.

## SOME EXCITING THINGS COMING UP.....

- ◆ Following discussion at the Parish Pastoral Council last Tuesday we are looking to introduce 'Sunday School' - an opportunity for the children to explore and deepen their faith in an enjoyable way. This would be separate to Children's Liturgy of the Word which is meant to be a short 'liturgy' paralleling the adult liturgy in the church. CLOW takes place during Mass. Sunday School would be offered between the two Sunday morning Masses at Lindfield along with coffee and a chance for a chat for parents.
- ◆ We aim to re-commence Sunday morning tea after the 9am and 10:15am Mass as soon as possible after Easter
- ◆ The new monthly Children's Mass with the new Children's Choir begins on Sunday 8th May at the 10:15am Mass (on the on the second Sunday of every month after that).
- ◆ Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume at the 9am Mass at Killara and the 10:15am Mass at Lindfield on Sunday 1st May.

## ROSEVILLE – LINDFIELD – KILLARA INTERCHURCH FELLOWSHIP LENTEN ECUMENICAL SERVICES



Our final Lenten Ecumenical Service this year takes place

**THIS Tuesday 5th April at 7:45pm**

at Roseville Uniting Church

5 Lord St Roseville

Preacher: Fr Colin Blayney

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

## A BIG WELCOME...



To the children preparing for First  
Reconciliation and their families who  
will attend our various celebrations of  
Mass this weekend for a special event.

Regrettably we cancelled last weekend's  
large group celebration of Reconciliation  
because of the current spike in CoVid  
cases. So this weekend we will have a

little rite of 'Examination of Conscience' for the children  
at each Mass and then they will celebrate First  
Reconciliation individually over the coming weeks.

Please keep the children in your prayers as they prepare  
to celebrate this beautiful sacrament of God's love.

**The children's response during today's Examination of  
Conscience: I come to ask your forgiveness Lord.**

## Our Easter Celebrations<sup>2</sup>

### HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE

#### \*\*\* THE EASTER TRIDUUM \*\*\*

*This year, once again, on Holy Thursday we will have a single celebration of the Mass of the Lord's Supper and it will be in our church at Killara. In this way on the night that Jesus gathered at table with his disciples for the Last Supper we too can gather as a parish at one altar.*

*We hope that everyone from both the Killara & Lindfield communities can come:*



**HOLY THURSDAY** (No morning Mass)  
**EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER:** 7:30PM at Killara church

#### **GOOD FRIDAY**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** 10AM :  
one celebration for the whole parish at Killara  
(in a dramatised form by young parishioners)

**SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION:**  
3:00PM in both Lindfield and Killara 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 and 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 in Lindfield church.

*Since it is the principal celebration of the entire Church year we will again have a single celebration of the Easter Vigil for the whole parish. This will be celebrated in Holy Family church at Lindfield and we hope that everyone from both the Killara and the Lindfield communities in the parish can come:*

**MASS OF THE EASTER VIGIL : THE CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION:**

7:30PM on Holy Saturday (in our Lindfield church)

*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 a Parish Easter Party in MacKillop Hall and its annexe. Please keep the time for this parish party free to continue the Easter celebration as a community. Please bring a plate if you can.

#### **EASTER SUNDAY:**

8:30am (Lindfield) 9:00am (Killara )  
10:15am (Lindfield)

*(There is no Sunday evening Mass on Easter Sunday)*

#### **A LETTER FROM FR COLIN**

**ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITIES THE NEXT TWO WEEKS  
OFFER US.....**

We are just one week away from entering into that most precious part of our year – Holy Week, with its climax in the Easter Triduum. This is all the more special in these challenging times I'd just like to remind you of some special times within those precious days:



**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) next Sunday (Palm Sunday) 10th 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 10:00AM (NOT 10:15AM) —PALMS WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE AT THAT TIME AND NOT AFTERWARDS.**

**GATHERING AT THE ONE TABLE OF THE LORD ON HOLY THURSDAY:**

This year we will once again have a single celebration of Mass on Holy Thursday so that on the very night that Jesus gathered with his disciples for the Last Supper we too can gather as one parish around one altar. Our celebration on this night (7:30pm) will be in our church at Killara.



**GATHERING AS ONE EASTER PEOPLE TO CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION:** And we will again gather as one parish for the greatest celebration in our Christian Year – the Mass of the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night (7:30pm) in Lindfield church. This joyful celebration of the

Resurrection will spill over into the CoVid-safe parish Easter Party in in MacKillop Hall and its annexe. Please be there for this night, the jewel of all nights in the Christian year.

*Fr Thomas and I look forward to celebrating the holy days which lie ahead with you as they renew our lives and our parish community. Fr Colin*

#### **As we prepare for Easter.....we 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 the parish 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.

## Food for the soul

*She replied, "No one, sir". Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more" (Jn 8:11)*

### HUMAN NATURE—IS IT SOMEHOW ALL WRONG?

An American humourist was once asked what he loved most in life. This was his reply: I love women best; whiskey next; my neighbour a little; and God hardly at all!

This flashed in my mind recently when, while I was giving a lecture, a woman asked this question: Why did God build us in one way and then almost all of the time expect us to act in a way contrary to our instincts?

I knew what she meant. Our natural instincts and spontaneous desires generally seem at odds with that towards which they are supposedly directed, namely, God and eternal life. A religious perspective, it would seem, calls us to reverse the order described by that American humourist, that is, we're to love God first, our neighbour just as deeply, and then accord a very subordinate role to the human pleasures we are so naturally drawn to. But that's not what happens most of the time. Generally we are drawn, and drawn very powerfully, towards the things of this earth: other people, pleasure, beautiful objects, sex, money, comfort. These seemingly have a more-powerful grip on us than do the things of faith and religion.

Doesn't this then put our natural feelings at odds with how God intended us to feel and act? Why are we, seemingly, built in one way and then called to live in another way?

The question is a good one and, unfortunately, is often answered in a manner that merely deepens the quandary. Often we are simply told that we shouldn't feel this way, that not putting God and religious things first in our feelings is a religious and moral fault, as if our natural wiring was somehow all wrong and we were responsible for its flaw. But that answer is both simplistic and harmful, it misunderstands God's design, lays a guilt-trip on us, and has us feeling bipolar vis-à-vis our natural make-up and the demands of faith.

How do we reconcile the seeming incongruity between our natural make-up and God's intent for us?

We need to understand human instinct and human desire at a deeper level. We might begin with St Augustine's memorable phrase: *you have made us for yourself, Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you*. When we analyse our natural makeup, natural instincts, and natural desires more deeply, we see that all of these ultimately are drawing us beyond the more-immediate things and pleasures with which they appear to be obsessed. They are drawing us, persistently and unceasingly, towards God.

Karl Rahner, in trying to explain this, makes a distinction

between what we desire explicitly and what we desire implicitly. Our instincts and natural desires draw us towards various explicit things: love for another person, friendship with someone, a piece of art or music, a vacation, a movie, a good meal, a sexual encounter, an achievement that brings us honour, a sporting event, and countless other things that, on the surface at least, would seem to have nothing to do with God and are seemingly drawing our attention away from God.

But, as Rahner shows, and as is evident in our experience, in every one of those explicit desires there is present, implicitly, beneath the desire and as the deepest part of that desire, the longing for and pursuit of something deeper. Ultimately we are longing for the depth that grounds every person and object: God. To cite one of Rahner's more graphic examples, a man obsessed with sexual desire who seeks out a prostitute is, implicitly, seeking the bread of life, irrespective of his crass surface intent.

God didn't make a mistake in designing human desire. God's intent is written into the very DNA of desire. Ultimately our make-up directs us towards God, no matter how obsessive, earthy, lustful, and pagan a given desire might appear on a given day. Human nature is not at odds with the call of faith, not at all.

Moreover, those powerful instincts within our nature, which can seem so selfish and amoral at times, have their own moral intelligence and purpose: they protect us, make us reach out for what keeps us alive, and, not least, ensure that the human race keeps perpetuating itself. Finally, God also put those earthy instincts in us to pressure us to enjoy life and taste its pleasures—while God, like a loving old grandparent watching her children at play, remains happy just to see her children's delight in the moment, knowing that there will be time enough ahead when pain and frustration will force those desires to focus on some deeper things.

When we analyse more deeply God's design for human nature and understand ourselves more deeply within that design, we realise that, at a level deeper than spontaneous feeling, and at a level deeper than the wisecracks we make about ourselves, we in fact do love God best; love our neighbour quite a bit; and, very happily, love whiskey and the pleasures of life quite a bit as well.

*Fr Ron Rolheiser omi,  
The Centre for Liturgy, University of St Louis.*

## COMMUNITY SAFETY AT OUR MASSES

Although the restrictions have been eased please bear in mind:

- ◆ The new regulations suggest that it is advisable to wear a mask where physical distancing can't be maintained - so if it is possible for you please consider continuing to wear a mask for the sake of others.
- ◆ **However, for the safety of your fellow communicants and of those distributing Holy Communion, in our parish we require that everyone wears a mask when coming forward to receive Holy Communion.** When coming forward to receive Holy Communion (which will be given on the hand only) please keep your mask on, receive the Host on your hand, step well to the side and then lower your mask to receive the Host before replacing the mask and returning to your seat.
- ◆ And of course, if you are feeling even mildly unwell please don't attend.
- ◆ Our churches are well-aired and surfaces are wiped down after each Mass. We hope you can re-join us.

*Fr Colin*

## 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 also pay our respects to Elders past and present.*

*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 125

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,  
it seemed like a dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter,  
on our lips there were songs.

The heathens themselves said: "What marvels  
the Lord worked for them!"

What marvels the Lord worked for us!  
Indeed we were glad.

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage  
as streams in dry land.

Those who are sowing in tears  
will sing when they reap

They go out, they go out, full of tears,  
carrying seed for the sowing:

they come back, they come back, full of song,  
carrying their sheaves.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!  
With all your heart turn to me, for I am tender and  
compassionate. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of  
endless glory!**

### 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

### MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

### FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION

#### PAUL: THE MISUNDERSTOOD MYSTIC

Paul is probably one of the most misunderstood and disliked teachers in the Church. I think this is largely because we have tried to understand a nondual mystic with our simplistic, dualistic minds.

It starts with Paul's amazing conversion experience, described three times in the Book of Acts (chapters 9, 22, and 26). Scholars assume that Luke wrote Acts around 85 CE, about twenty years after Paul's ministry. Paul's own account is in his letter to the Galatians: "The Gospel which I preach . . . came through the revelation of Jesus Christ" (1:11–12). Paul never doubts this revelation. The Christ that he met was not exactly identical to the historical Jesus; it was the risen Christ, the Christ who remains with us now in Spirit as the Universal Christ.

In Galatians, Paul describes his pre-conversion life as an orthodox Jew, a Pharisee with status in the Judean governmental board called the Sanhedrin. The Temple police delegated him to go out and squelch this new sect of Judaism called "The Way"—not yet named Christianity. Saul (Paul's Hebrew name) was breathing threats to slaughter Jesus' disciples (see Acts 9:1–2). He says, "I tried to destroy it. And I advanced beyond my contemporaries in my own nation. I was more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fathers than anybody else" (Galatians 1:13–14). At that point, Paul was a dualistic thinker, dividing the world into entirely good and entirely bad people.

The Acts account of Paul's conversion continues: "Suddenly, while traveling to Damascus, just before he reached the city, there came a light from heaven all around him. He fell to the ground, and he heard a voice saying, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?' He asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' The voice answered, 'I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting'" (Acts 9:3–5).

Paul must have wondered: "Why does he say 'me' when I'm persecuting these other people?" This choice of words is pivotal. Paul gradually comes to his understanding of the Body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12–13) as an organic, ontological union between Christ and those whom Christ loves—which Paul eventually realizes is everyone and everything. This is why Paul becomes "the apostle to the nations" (or "Gentiles").

This enlightening experience taught Paul nondual consciousness, the same mystical mind that allowed Jesus to say things like "Whatever you do to these least ones, you do to me" (Matthew 25:40).

Until grace achieves the same victory in our minds and hearts, we cannot really comprehend most of Jesus and Paul's teachings—in any practical way. It will remain distant theological dogma. Before conversion, we tend to think of God as "out there." After transformation, as Teresa of Avila (1515–1582) wrote, "The soul . . . never doubts: God was in her; she was in God."

## OUR PARISH LITURGICAL LIFE :

### SUNDAY MASS

KILLARA CHURCH :

9.00am

5:30pm Vigil

LINDFIELD CHURCH

8.30 am

10.15am

6.00pm Vigil

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

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

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

### WEEKDAY MASS this week:

Monday	8:00am	Killara
Tuesday	8:00am	Killara
Wed	10:00am	Lindfield (9:30am on 3rd Wed.)
Thursday	10:00am	Lindfield
Friday	10:00am	Lindfield

### THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

### CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

**5TH WEEK IN LENT**  
~ PASSIONTIDE ~

### PARKING

As there is now reduced 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		2 Apr	9 Apr
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Thomas	Fr Colin
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Colin	Fr Thomas
Sunday		3 Apr	10 Apr
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	Fr Thomas	Fr Colin

## 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**

OR

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



OR

- ◆ 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.

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### PARISH DIARY ~ APRIL

Tues. 5th	7:45pm	Lenten Ecumenical Service (p.1)
Wed. 6th	8:00am	Meditation (online)
	11:00am	Scripture Study (online)
	7:30pm	The Pivotal Players (online)
Fri. 8th	10:00am	Healing Mass (Killara)
Wed. 13th	8:00am	Meditation (online)
Wed. 20th	8:00am	Meditation (online)
Wed. 27th	8:00am	Meditation (online)
	10:00am	Book Club
	7:30pm	Scripture Study (online)

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

*Please pray for the gift of eternal life for Carol McCarthy, mother of Ann McCarthy of our parish, who died in the USA during the week.*

**Recently deceased:** Patrick Diggins, Teresa Spurtacz, James Quirk, Peter Quirk, Fidela Frez, Lise Therese Ferriere, Gerardus Wolfers, Margaret Quinn, Marlene Clark.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Pat Kelly, Jeanette Cicutto, Morna Sutherland, Barbara McMullan,, Sally Cogle, Nicholas Sutherland, Jesse Langford, Anthony Ellison, Wolfgang Liers, Cyril Ferriere, Alex Noble, William Wise, Ian Coffey, Maureen Hobbs, Russell Adams. **And for all affected by COVID.**

# OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

四旬期第五主日 3.4.2022

讀經一(看哪!我要行一件新事,我要將水賜給我的百姓喝。)

恭讀依撒意亞先知書 43:16-21

上主這樣說:「他曾海中開了一條路,在怒潮中闢了一條道;他曾使車、馬、軍隊和將領,一同前來,沉沒後,再未浮起,就此被消滅,像熄滅的燈心一樣。」

「你們不必追念古代的事,也不必回憶過去的事!看哪!我要行一件新事,現在即要發生;你們不知道嗎?看哪!我要在荒野中,開闢道路;在沙漠裡,開掘河流。」

「田野間的走獸、豺狼和駝鳥,都要讚美我,因為我在曠野中,使水湧出,在沙漠裡,使河流成渠,為把水賜給我所揀選的百姓喝:就是我為自己所造化的人民,好叫他們講述我的榮耀。」

——上主的話。

答唱詠 詠126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

【答】:上主向我們行了偉大的奇蹟,我們的確滿心歡喜。(詠126:3)

領:上主帶領俘虜回到熙雍,我們覺得彷彿是在夢中;那時,我們笑口盈盈,引吭高歌。【答】

領:那時,外邦異民都讚歎不已:上主向他們行了何等奇事!上主向我們行了偉大的奇蹟,我們的確滿心歡喜。【答】

領:上主,求你轉變我們的命運!就像乃革布有流水的灌溉。那含淚播種的人,必含笑獲享收成。【答】

領:他們邊行邊哭,出去播種耕耘;他們載欣載奔,回來背著禾捆。【答】

讀經二(為了基督,我自願損失一切,並相似他的死亡。)

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致斐理伯人書 3:8-14

弟兄姊妹們:

我將一切都看作損失,因為我只有認識我主基督耶穌為至寶;為了他,我自願損失一切,拿一切當廢物,為賺得基督,為結合於他,為獲得那出於天主,基於信德的正義;這正義並非因為我遵守法律,而獲得的,而是由於信仰基督,而獲得的。我只願認識基督,及他復活的德能;參與他的苦

難,相似他的死;我希望也得到由死者中的復活。

這並不是說:我已經達到這目標,或已成為成全的人;我只願向前跑,看看是否我也能夠奪得,因為基督耶穌已奪得了我。弟兄們!我並不以為我已經奪得;我只願一件事:即忘盡我背後的,只向在我前面的奔馳,為達到目標,為爭取天主在基督耶穌內,召我向上爭奪的獎品。——上主的話。

福音前歡呼

領:基督、天主聖言,願光榮歸於你。

眾:基督、天主聖言,願光榮歸於你。

領:上主說:現在,你們應全心歸向我,因為我是寬仁慈悲的。(岳2:12,13)

眾:基督、天主聖言,願光榮歸於你。

福音(你們中間誰沒有罪,先向她投石吧!)

恭讀聖若望福音 8:1-11

那時候,耶穌上了橄欖山。清晨,他又來到聖殿;眾百姓都來到他面前;他便坐下教訓他們。那時,經師和法利塞人,帶來了一個犯姦淫時,被捉住的婦人,叫她站在中間,便向耶穌說:「師父!這婦人是正在犯姦淫時,被捉住的。在法律上,梅瑟命令我們,該用石頭砸死這樣的婦人;可是,你說什麼呢?」他們說這話,是要試探耶穌,好能控告他。耶穌卻彎下身,用指頭在地上畫字。因為他們不斷地追問,耶穌便站起身來,向他們說:「你們中間誰沒有罪,先向她投石吧!」耶穌又彎下身,在地上寫字。他們一聽這話,就從年老的開始,到年幼的,一個一個地溜走了,只留下耶穌一人,和站在那裡的婦人。耶穌於是站起身來,向那婦人說:「婦人!他們在那裡呢?沒有人定你的罪嗎?」那婦人說:「主!沒有人。」耶穌向那婦人說:「我也不定你的罪;去吧!從今以後,不要再犯罪了!」——上主的話。

華人天主教會北區中心主日彌撒12時

四旬期內拜苦路 8/4 星期五 3:00 pm 請各教友參加

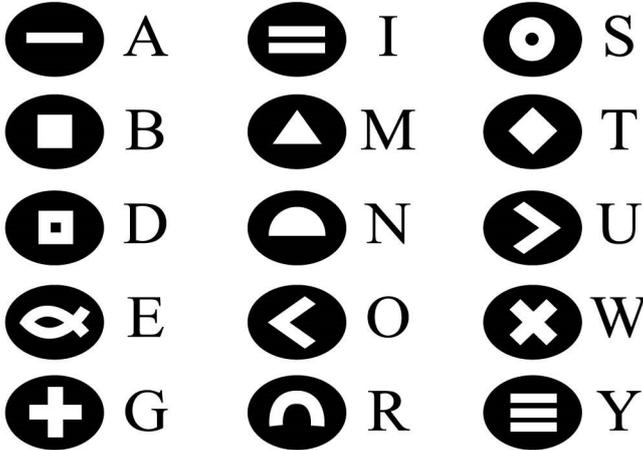
4月彌撒時間 4月10日,4月24日 正午12時(第2,4主日)

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## FOR THE KIDS

Use the code below to work out what Jesus said to the accused woman



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## 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.



WE'RE BIT SHORT-HANDED....

Unfortunately our Parish Secretary, Philita Marundan, tested positive to CoVid at the beginning of last week. Philita won't be returning to work until Wednesday this week.

Also Maia has to have a surgical procedure and will not be back to work for several weeks. We pray for a swift recovery for Maia.

And of course Easter is approaching!

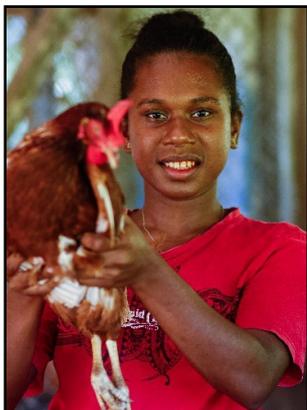
So I hope you understand that we will have reduced ability to respond to all parish needs for the next few weeks. With regard to myself (a two-fingered typist) please expect looonnnnnngggg delays in responding to emails!  
*Fr Colin*



### OUR MONTHLY HEALING MASS

will be celebrated **this Friday 11th 8th April at 10am** in our church at Killara. At this stage in the current outbreak we will not have morning tea.

# Keeping the time of Lent ...<sup>7</sup>



**Shaniella 23**, grew up in a remote village in the Solomon Islands in a province which has limited educational and job opportunities – and one of the country's highest poverty rates. After leaving school, she decided to move closer to the capital city, Honiara, to study hospitality and tourism. However, her vocational training school was hit by a landslide and cyclone in quick succession, destroying its water supply system and the vegetable garden that it relies on for food.

With your generous support, Caritas Australia has helped the school to install water tanks, re-establish its garden and provided training in disaster risk reduction. Shaniella can now complete her job skills training and the school has enough food and water for its students.

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**A REMINDER THAT NEXT SUNDAY is Palm Sunday**, the entry into Holy Week. Don't forget (p.2) that the 10:15am Mass starts at the **earlier time of 10:00am** that day because of our ecumenical blessing and procession of palms (see p.2). Palms will only be available at the beginning of Mass.

## Celebrating Easter:

~ Making a Joyful Sound Unto the Lord ~ Please be part of a combined choir for Easter



As we are one parish, this year we will once again come together for a combined celebration of the greatest liturgical celebration of our Christian Year – the Mass of the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night: a single Mass at 7:30pm in our Lindfield church And also once again we will come together for a single celebration of the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening in our Killara church.

Anyone who is interested in being part of the special choir for the Easter liturgy (especially the Easter Vigil and Holy Thursday) is invited to join our Combined Easter choir (even if you are not a regular member of any of our parish choirs).

To ensure the music for the EASTER celebrations is well prepared you MUST come to the rehearsal.

If you can join the choir to sing at  
the Holy Thursday or Good Friday celebrations  
come TODAY Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at Lindfield Church  
for a 2pm start and 4pm finish.

If you can join the choir to sing at the  
Easter Vigil  
come on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April at Lindfield Church  
for a 2pm start and 4pm finish.

To ensure that we have sufficient copies of the music prepared for singers, please email Catherine Willis and let her know which rehearsal/celebrations you will attend: [catherinewillis@gmail.com](mailto:catherinewillis@gmail.com)

Thank you!

**Please help to make our Easter special by being part of the choir.**

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# Just for YOUTH



## Children's Liturgy Beginning Sunday 1 May!

10.15am Mass  
Lindfield

9am Mass  
Killara *Ages 2-9*



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## COMMUNITY SERVICE for High School Students

Students looking for  
community service hours  
please contact us for  
opportunities associated  
with the Parish.

For More information on youth programs please contact us  
(email) youth@lindfieldkillara.org.au (text) 0437 445 347

# ACT Social Justice at Lindfield Killara

### Advocacy Leads to Transformation!

We welcome news from the latest government budget that Australia has agreed to take 16,500 extra Afghani refugees. We're especially proud because members of our own ACT Social Justice group, Fran Grant & Sue Mowbray met with Federal MP Paul Fletcher on behalf of Jesuit Refugee Services and the many others pleading for more places for Afghan refugees. The team is also thankful for the many members of the parish who signed the petition asking for more places. This was a real example of community-based advocacy making change in the world - every little bit helps!

## Get in on the ACT!

Join our Social Justice Team  
here at the Parish!

Contact us for more information  
and meeting times:  
socialjustice@lindfieldkillara.org.au



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