



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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 27—11 - 22 THE BEGINNING OF A NEW LITURGICAL YEAR

This week: : Is 2:1-5 ; Rom 13:11-14 ; Mt 24:37-44

Next week : Is 11:1-10 ; Rom 15:4-9 ; Mt 3:1-12

BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH AND LIGHTING THE FIRST CANDLE

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Saviour of the world. We ask you to bless this Advent wreath, which we honour as a remembrance of your first coming at Bethlehem, your final coming in glory, & your daily coming amongst us in grace. Strengthen our hearts with the example of your love that we may receive you each day with joy and gladness, & be prepared to meet you on the glorious day of our death.

The wreath is sprinkled with holy water and the first candle is lit.

Celebrant: Lord Jesus, you are the light of the world come that we might have life in its fullness.

All: Come and let your light shine forth in our lives.

Celebrant: Lord Jesus, you are the Flower from the root of Jesse, the sign of salvation for all.

All: Come and let your light shine forth in our lives.

Celebrant: Lord Jesus, you were heralded by all the prophets as the one who would save the people from their sins.

All: Come and let your light shine forth in our lives.

Please resume singing the hymn



CHRISTMAS CHOIR

We invite you to be part of the choir for our parish
Mass of Christmas Night (10:30pm on Christmas Eve
in Lindfield church)

*Please help to make our celebrations of the Lord's birth
joyful !*

**However it is ESSENTIAL to take part in the two
practices::**

Saturday 10th December	12 noon to 2pm
Saturday 17th December	12 noon to 2pm
Christmas Eve	9:00pm—9:40pm



THANK YOU to Fr David Strong SJ and Fr David Ranson (our Vicar General and Parish Priest at Chatswood) who have stepped in at short notice this weekend to help celebrate our Masses since I came down with CoVid again mid-week.

Fr Colin

OUR CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S MASSES:

Killara	5:30pm
Lindfield	6:00pm

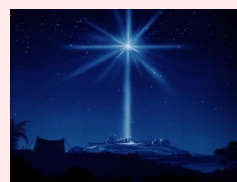
CHRISTMAS EVE—MASS OF CHRISTMAS NIGHT:

10:30pm in Lindfield church
(preceded by a Service of Carols at 10pm)

CHRISTMAS DAY:

Lindfield:	8:00am & 10:15am
Killara:	9:30am (NB: NOT 9am)

There is no evening Mass on Christmas Day



THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH !

Well, after starting so far behind on the recent Pastoral Works appeal we achieved a very good result, with our cumulative deficit on the first two of the appeals now reduced to \$6,715. Hopefully we can close the gap completely at the final appeal in May. In the meantime envelopes are still available in the church foyers and donations can still be made via this QR code (use the drop-down menu which appears to select Pastoral Works appeal).



Food for the Soul ...

ADVENT— A TIME TO LEARN ABOUT HOW TO WAIT

Carlo Carretto, the renowned spiritual writer, spent many years living alone as a hermit in the Sahara desert. He wrote a number of books from that place of solitude, including one entitled, *Letters from the Desert*. In that book, he has a message for those of us who live busy lives in the world. "What is God trying to say to us in our busy lives?" He suggests this: "Be patient! Learn to wait—for each other, for love, for happiness, for God!"

Learn to wait! That's not something we do easily and many of our problems flow from that. We often don't wait properly for things.

Annie Dillard shares this story about proper waiting: She had been watching a butterfly emerge from its cocoon and was fascinated by the process until she grew impatient with how long it was taking and, to speed things up, took a candle and heated the cocoon, albeit very gently.

The experiment worked, but it was a mistake in the long run. The butterfly emerged more quickly; however, because adding heat violated something within the natural process, the butterfly was born with wings too weak to fly. Haste and prematurity had stunted and deformed a natural process. Some things can't be rushed.

Dillard understood immediately what had gone wrong. A certain chastity had been violated. Impatience had triggered an irreverence that had interfered with and damaged the natural order of things. In essence, the Christmas gift had been opened too early; the bride had been slept with before the wedding; a process that needed an allotted period of time had been short-circuited. There hadn't been enough advent.

Advent means waiting. Among other things, it celebrates the idea that the messiah must be born from a virgin. Why? Is sex something unworthy of God? If Jesus had been born in a natural way, would that somehow have given him less dignity? This is a dark underside in some spiritualities, but Jesus' birth from a virgin has nothing to do with that.

Scripture and Christian tradition emphasize that Jesus was born of a virgin to underscore the fact that he had no human father and also to teach an important truth, namely, that in order for something sublime to be born there must, first, be a proper chastity, a proper time of waiting, a season of advent. Why?

The answer lies in properly understanding chastity. Chastity is not, first of all, something to do with sex. Chastity has to do with how we experience reality in general. To be chaste is to have proper reverence—toward

God, toward each other, towards nature, toward ourselves, toward reality in general, and toward sex.

Lack of chastity is irreverence, in any area of life, sex included. And reverence is a lot about proper waiting. We can see this by looking at its opposite: To lack chastity, to be irreverent, is to be impatient, selfish, callous, immature, undisciplined, or boorish in any way so that our actions deprive someone else of his or her full uniqueness, dignity, and preciousness. And we do this every time we short-circuit waiting.

Thus, it is understandable why the prime analogate for chastity is proper reverence in the area of sex. Sex, because it so deeply affects the soul, speaks most loudly about chastity or lack of it. Sex is only chaste when it is not short-circuited by impatience selfishness, or lack of respect. Sadly, because sex is so powerful, these things are often short-circuited. We violate chastity in sex whenever there is prematurity, unfair pressure, subtle manipulation, crass force, taking without giving, posturing an intimacy we don't mean, lack of respect for previous commitments, disregard for the wider relationships of family and community, or failure to respect long-range happiness and health. Annie Dillard's metaphor basically captures it: There is a fault in our chastity when we put a candle to the cocoon so as to unnaturally rush the process.

Chastity is about proper waiting, waiting is about patience in carrying the tensions and frustrations we suffer as we live the unfinished symphony that constitutes our lives.

There are some wonderful refrains in apocalyptic literature around the importance of waiting. Before the messiah can be conceived, gestated, and given birth to, there must always be a proper time of waiting, a necessary advent, a certain quota of suffering, which alone can create the proper virginal space within which the messiah can be born: "God is never in a hurry!" "Every tear brings the messiah closer!" "It is with much groaning of the flesh that the life of the spirit is brought forth!"

All of these phrases say the same thing: What's sublime depends upon there first having been some sublimation; a feast can only happen after there has first been some fasting; love can only be a gift if the gift is fully respected; and (as Carretto so poignantly puts it) we must learn to wait—for God, for love, for the bride, and for Christmas.

(Fr Ron Rolheiser omi,

The Centre for Liturgy, University of St Louis)

Parish Retreats at Tarrawarra Abbey 2023

~ **UPDATE: we need to hear from you so as to decide whether we have one or two retreats** ~

There are two options:

- ◆ arrive afternoon Tues. 18th Apr. and depart morning Mon. 24th April (this retreat falls within school holidays)
- ◆ arrive afternoon Tues. 25th April (Anzac Day) and depart morning Mon. 1st May (this falls outside school holidays)

Depending on numbers we will run only one, or both, retreats. If either option is possible for you please let us know.

For more information go to www.lindfieldkillara.org.au/retreats

If you would interested in taking part please contact Fr Colin: 0475 558500; colin@lindfieldkillara.org.au or just scan this QR code:





SECOND HAND ?

Do you have a couple of things second hand but in good condition for our Parish Centre:

- ♦ the FRIDGE in the kitchen in the Shirley Wallace Parish Centre is on its last legs (it was a second hand gift and has served us well for about seven years so it has done well!). If you're doing a kitchen update and have a large family-sized fridge that you're replacing please let us know.
- ♦ the LAPTOP which accompanies the large TV screen in the parish centre (used for various presentations) also needs to be replaced. Please let us know if you have an unwanted one in good condition.

Please contact the Parish Office or just scan this QR code and under 'Activity' put either 'Fridge' or 'Laptop' and we'll get back to you.



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You may be eligible if you:

- Are 60-79 years of age
- Eat an average diet
- Do not engage in regular exercise
- Live within 5km of Macquarie University or West Ryde
- Have access to a computer, internet and mobile phone

COLES DEVELOPMENT UPDATE:

- Signs and asbestos monitors were installed and asbestos removal has taken place this week.

Activities in the lead up to Christmas

- Site amenities established on the heritage building.
- Scaffolding will be erected end this week/ early next for a period of approximately 3-4 days. Footpath access will be blocked during installation only. Once scaffold has been installed and signed off the footpath will be re-opened for pedestrian access.
- Demolition to commence next week after demolition scaffold has been erected (2 week period)
- Digging test holes for contamination testing to take place early next week (Mon/Tue) in the old Coles carpark
- We anticipate approval of our second construction certificate (CC2) within the next couple of weeks to commence piling works on the back portion of the site towards the laneway.

KILLARA DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Morning Tea - Sunday 4th December.

Group Homes will be putting on a morning tea after the 9am Mass on Sunday 4th December. This gesture to thank the community for their patience and understanding while the construction work has been undertaken.

Open House - Saturday 10th December

Group Homes will be having an "open homes" morning on Saturday 10th December. This is to provide an opportunity for the community to have a look at both houses and the grounds surrounding the development.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE

After the hiatus of the last few years we will again have a parish pilgrimage to the shrine of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop in North Sydney (walking from St Mary's Cathedral in Sydney across the Harbour) on **Sunday 5th March 2023** and concluding with afternoon Mass at the chapel.

Please note the date in your diaries!



For Your Diary...

Ecumenical Service for Advent

Our parish will host this Service in our church at Killara

on Wednesday 7th December



Hymns for First⁴ Sunday of Advent

ENTRANCE:

Refrain: Seek, O seek the Lord, while He is near;
Trust Him, speak to Him in prayer, and He will hear.

God be with us in our lives,
direct us in our calling;
break the snares the world contrives,
keep us from falling. **Refrain**

God, increase in us the life
that Christ by dying gave us.
Though we faint with mortal strife,
His blood will save us. **Refrain**

Strengthen in our hearts the love
we owe to one another.
How can we love God above
and not each other? **Refrain**

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DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS:

Lucien Deiss

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

1 Behold, O Lord, this bread which we now carry to your altar. This bread will become your body.

2 Behold, O Lord, this wine; accept and bless it for our gladness. This wine will be come your blood.

3 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:

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now am found
Was blind but now I see

'Twas Grace that taught my heart to fear
And Grace, my fears relieved
How precious did that Grace appear
The hour I first believed

Through many dangers, toils and snares
We have already come
'Twas Grace that brought us safe thus far
And Grace will lead us home

John Newton 1725-1807

RECESSIONAL:

BERNADETTE FARRELL

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Ref : Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ be our light!
Shine in your Church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. **Refrain**

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HEY KIDS !

We invite you to be involved this Christmas

- ♦ As one of the 'actors' in the dramatisation of the Gospel of the birth of Jesus at either our Children's Vigil Mass at Killara or at Lindfield
- ♦ To be part of a Children's Choir for the Children's Vigil Mass at Killara
- ♦ With your family, to deliver a parish Christmas card to some of the senior members of our



CALLING ALL PARISHIONERS !

As part of our outreach for Christmas we'd like to drop a leaflet into every letterbox in the parish with an invitation to our Christmas celebrations.

We'd want them dropped of around the second week of December.



We hope **EVERYONE** can be part of this! If you could drop off leaflets in your street please scan this

QR code, put down your details and we'll get back to you.



**catechist
corner**

Evelyn Jones was presented with her Ten Year Catechism Service Award at Mass last Sunday by Father Colin.

Evelyn has generously given many years of service to teaching the children in our local schools. The children really appreciate the catechists who give their time to pass the faith onto them. Like many in our catechist community she finds teaching the children incredibly rewarding and a great joy.

THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

*We abstain from the joyful words of
the Gloria
during these days of Advent
as we prepare our hearts
and our community
to celebrate once again the birth of
the Lord Jesus*

THE PSALM Ps 121:1-5

I rejoiced when I heard them say:
'Let us go to God's house.'
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city
strongly compact.
It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord.

For Israel's law it is,
there to praise the Lord's name.
There were set the thrones of judgement
of the house of David

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and
grant us your salvation Alleluia!

THE APOSTLES' CREED

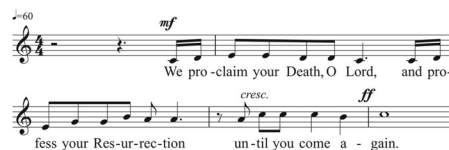
I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,

(all bow at the following words in bold):

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

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

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



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FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION . . . SCHOOL OF GRATITUDE

Brian McLaren writes of gratefulness as a primary theme of the gospels:

Jesus makes it clear that a life lived to fulfill God's dream for creation will involve suffering. But even here, Jesus implies that there is reason for gratitude. You see it in the Beatitudes, Jesus's eightfold way of happiness (Matthew 5:3–12). There is a blessing in poverty, he says; to the degree you miss out on the never-enough system, you partake of God's dream. There is a blessing in the pain of loss, because in your grief you experience God's comfort. There is blessing in being unsatisfied about the injustice in our world, he says; as God's justice comes more and more, you will feel more and more fulfilled. . . .

With these counterintuitive sayings and others like them, Jesus enrolls us in advanced classes in the school of gratitude. He shows us the disadvantages of advantages, and the advantages of disadvantages. He will make this paradox most dramatic through his own death; his suffering and crucifixion will eventually bring hope and freedom to all humanity, hope and freedom that could come no other way. Here is the deepest lesson of gratitude, then. We are to be grateful not just in the good times, but also in the bad times; to be grateful not just in plenty, but also in need; to maintain thankfulness not just in laughter, but also through tears and sorrow. One of Jesus's followers says that we

should even rejoice in trials, because through trials come patience, character, wisdom (James 1:2–3). And another says, "I have learned to be content with whatever I have" (Philippians 4:11), so he can instruct, "Give thanks in all circumstances" (1 Thessalonians 5:18).

The words "in all circumstances" shouldn't be confused with "for all circumstances," of course. But neither should they be thinned to mean "in easy circumstances." Even in pain, we can find a place of gratitude, a place where alongside the agony of loss we still count and appreciate what remains. . . .

You may lose a loved one, or facet after facet of your physical health, but you can still be grateful for what you have left. And what if you lose more, and more, and more, if bad goes to worse? Perhaps at some point, all of us are reduced to despair, but my hunch is—and I hope I never need to prove this in my own life, but I may, any of us may—having lost everything, one may still be able to hold on to one's attitude, one's practiced habit of gratitude, of turning to God in Job-like agony and saying, "For this breath, *thanks*. For this tear, *thanks*. For this memory of something I used to enjoy but now have lost, *thanks*. For this ability not simply to rage over what has been taken, but to celebrate what was once given, *thanks*."

OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

將臨期第一主日 27.11.2022

讀經一(上主將萬國萬民聚集於天國, 永享和平。)

恭讀依撒意亞先知書 2:1-5

阿摩茲的兒子依撒意亞, 關於猶大和耶路撒冷所見的事情:

到末日, 上主的聖殿山, 必要矗立在群山之上, 超乎一切山岳; 萬民都要向它湧來。將有許多民族前去, 說:「來! 我們攀登上主的聖山, 往雅各伯天主的聖殿去! 他必指示我們他的道路, 教導我們遵行他的途徑。因為法律將出自熙雍, 上主的話將出自耶路撒冷。」他將統治萬邦, 治理眾民; 致使眾人都把自己的刀劍, 鑄成鋤頭, 將自己的槍矛, 製成鐮刀; 民族與民族, 不再持刀相向, 人也不再學習戰鬥。

雅各伯家! 來! 讓我們在上主的光明中行走吧! —上主的話。

答唱詠 詠122:1-2, 3-5, 6-7, 8-9

【答】: 我喜歡, 我們要進入上主的聖殿! (詠122:1)

領: 我喜歡, 因為有人向我說: 我們要進入上主的聖殿! 耶路撒冷! 我們的雙足, 已經站立在你的門口。【答】
領: 耶路撒冷建築的好似京城, 確是內部劃一整齊的京城。各支派, 上主的各支派都齊集在那裡, 按照以色列的法律, 稱頌上主的名字。那裡設立了執政的座席, 那裡有達味王室的寶座。【答】

領: 請為耶路撒冷祈禱和平: 願愛慕你的人獲享安寧; 願你的城垣內有平安, 願你的堡壘中有安全! 【答】

領: 為了我的兄弟和同伴, 我要向你說: 祝你平安! 為了上主我們天主的殿宇, 我為你懇切祈禱: 祝你幸福!

【答】

讀經二(我們的救恩近了。)

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致羅馬人書 13:11-14
弟兄姊妹們:

你們該認清這個時期, 現在已經是由睡夢中醒來的時辰了, 因為我們的救

恩, 現今比我們當初信的時候, 更臨近了。黑夜深了, 白日已近, 所以我們該脫去黑暗的行為, 佩戴光明的武器; 行動要端莊, 好像在白天一樣, 不可狂妄豪飲, 不可淫亂放蕩, 不可爭鬥嫉妒; 但該穿上主耶穌基督; 不應只掛念肉性的事, 以滿足私慾。——上主的話。

福音前歡呼

領: 亞肋路亞。

眾: 亞肋路亞。

領: 上主, 求你向我們顯示你的寬仁, 求你賜給我們你的救恩。(詠85:8)

眾: 亞肋路亞。

福音(你們要醒寤, 應該準備。)

恭讀聖瑪竇福音 24:37-44

那時候, 耶穌向門徒們說:「就如在諾厄的日子怎樣, 人子的來臨也要怎樣。因為就如在洪水以前的日子, 人照常吃喝婚嫁, 直到諾厄進入方舟的那一天, 仍然沒有覺察; 直到洪水來了, 把他們都捲去了; 人子的來臨, 也必要這樣。那時, 兩個人同在田間, 一個被接去, 一個卻被遺棄; 兩個女人同在磨旁推磨, 一個被接去, 一個卻被遺棄。」「所以, 你們要醒寤, 因為你們不知道: 你們的主人在那一天要來。這一點你們要明白: 如果家主知道, 盜賊幾更天要來, 他必要醒寤, 不讓自己的房屋被挖穿。為此, 你們應該準備, 因為你們料想不到的時辰, 人子就來了。」

——上主的話。(講道後默想片刻)

*華人天主教會北區中心主日彌撒-11月13日, 11月27日正午12時(第2,4主日)

CCC邀請到香港林康政老師11月27日下午2時-4時半於北區中心舉行講座, 主題是「明供聖體-「玫瑰經的光明五端」

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

Recently deceased: Eric Cannell, Lou Bonomi, Robert Agus Heru Herlambang, Judy Ingham.

Anniversary: Shirley Smith, Norma McGettigan, Arthur Wakeling.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Jessica Keen, Therese Playoust, Ali Crawford, Mark Spring, Jeanette Cicutto, Morna Sutherland, Barbara McMullan, Nicholas Sutherland, Jesse Langford, Anthony Ellison, Cyril Ferriere, Alex Noble, William Wise, Russell Adams, Opheilia Mari and Nena Umali, Rosanna Comastri.

And for all affected by COVID.

FORWARD AND UPWARD

In his account from 1768 of *A Sentimental Journey through France and Italy*, Laurence Sterne evokes an encounter with a Franciscan begging for alms. Sterne disapproved of the exercise. He was firmly resolved 'not to give him a single sous'. Yet he was intrigued by the man, above all by his eyes 'and that sort of fire which was in them'. The friar's head, he wrote, 'was one of those heads which Guido has often painted,—mild, pale—penetrating, free from all commonplace ideas of fat contented ignorance looking downwards upon the earth;—it look'd forwards; but look'd as if it look'd at something beyond this world.—How one of his order came by it, heaven above, who let it fall upon a monk's shoulders best knows: but it would have suited a Bramin, and had I met it upon the plains of Indostan, I had revered it.' The notion of 'fat contented ignorance looking downwards upon the earth' is dispiriting. We need to meet people who direct our gaze forward and upward. Perhaps, by God's grace, we may even be such to others.

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

OUR PARISH LITURGICAL LIFE :

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SUNDAY MASS

KILLARA CHURCH :
9.00am

5:30pm Vigil

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)

(For Mass online see homepage of our website:

www.lindfieldkillara.org.au)

WEEKDAY MASS this week:

FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

Mon.: 8:00am Killara
Tues.: 8:00am Killara
Wed.: No Mass
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		26 Nov	3 Dec
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Thomas	Fr Thomas
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr David Strong SJ	Fr Colin
Sunday		27 Nov	4 Dec
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr Thomas	Fr Thomas
Killara	9:00 am	Fr David Strong SJ	Fr Colin
Lindfield	10:15 am	Fr Thomas	Fr Thomas
Lindfield	12:00 pm	Fr David Ranson VG	No Mass
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Thomas	Fr Colin

PARISH DIARY ~

December

Wed. 7th 8:00am Meditation (online)
11:00am Scripture study (online)
11:15am School Mass
7:45pm Ecumenical Service for Advent (Killara Church)

Fri. 9th 11:00am Healing Mass and lunch
Sun. 11th 10:15am Children's Mass with Children's Choir, followed by morning tea

Tues. 13th 7:00pm PPC and PFC end of year dinner

Wed. 14th 8:00am Meditation (online)
11:00am Scripture study (online)
6:00pm Year 6 Graduation Mass

Fri. 16th 11:15am School Mass
6:00pm Tarrawarra Group end of year social

Sun. 18th 5:30pm Youth and Family Mass followed by potluck dinner

ABOUT OUR LIVE-STREAMED MASS FOR THOSE AT HOME:

We seem to have overcome our teething difficulties—BUT the link to the streamed Mass on the website was incorrect!

It has now been updated and works. If you want to bookmark the link it is:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEkBUTq-JIrmjUo8-iuHdFQ/streams>

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.



CHRISTMAS ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE

Special Guest
Fr Shenouda Mansour
General Secretary
NSW Ecumenical Council

“We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him.
Matthew 2:2

You are invited to join in with the Taizé Prayer Group Choir

7:30pm, Friday, 2 December 2022
Sacred Heart Catholic Church
2 Richard Porter Lane Pymble

Hosted by
The Ku-Ring-Gai Interchurch Committee
With the Pymble Catholic Parish



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faith growth service

Join us in the spirit of the season

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

Featuring a children's choir & nativity play

Kids in primary school are needed to sing in our Killara (5.30pm) and Lindfield (6.00pm) choirs as well as be shepherds and angels in our Nativity play!

BE A CHRISTMAS ELF

We need more families who'd like to hand deliver some Christmas cards in the two weeks leading up to Christmas. Write "Christmas Elf" in the "Activity" area of the form.

DELIVER FLYERS IN YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

Going for a walk? Can you drop Christmas Flyers into the mail boxes of your neighbours? If everyone takes a street we'll have the neighbourhood covered!

To sign up for any of these activities...



Scan the QR code to register your interest in any of the above activities.

Or go to our website and look for this box on the front page:



Or contact us via
EMAIL
youth@lindfieldkillara.org.au
PHONE
9416 3702



News from ACT for Justice

TRIVIA NIGHT: MONEY RAISED

We are happy to report we raised about \$7,500 at our trivia night in September - enough to pay for accommodation for an Afghani family living in Pakistan for six months. Many thanks again to all who contributed.

STANHOPE GROUP SPONSORS REFUGEE FAMILY

A group of parishioners has founded "Stanhope Group", a CRSA refugee mentorship group, through which they provide support to a recent refugee family who has settled here in Australia. The Group supports the parents and their 3 young boys by taking them on various outings, helping them access medical and other social services. Not only does the family benefit, the group is rewarded with the powerful feeling of giving, and through their friendship with each other as they work towards a better world.

INFORMATION MEETING

We will hold an informational meeting about ACT for Justice and make a plan for 2023 in February of next year. Watch this space for more info! In the meantime, if you're interested in joining us, please contact us via email:

SOCIALJUSTICE@LINDFIELDKILLARA.ORG.AU

BUY YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFTS AT THE CANA STALL!

The Cana Farm goods are back! Purchase Christmas cakes, chutneys, olive oils and more, grown and packaged locally.



CANA STALL AFTER ALL MASSES - 2 WEEKENDS!
3/4 AND 10/11 DECEMBER
(CASH & CREDIT AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASES)

Cana Farm is a charity, run by volunteers, who help those who are institutionalised, disadvantaged and marginalised. 100% of profits go toward providing employment and education to transform lives.



WHAT IS "ACT FOR JUSTICE?"

We are a group of parishioners who, as Catholics, believe that all people possess an equal and inalienable worth and therefore deserve justice. We work towards this through:

- **Advocacy** for those in need;
- **Communication** about issues of injustice;
- **Transformation** through our actions, creating a better life for all.



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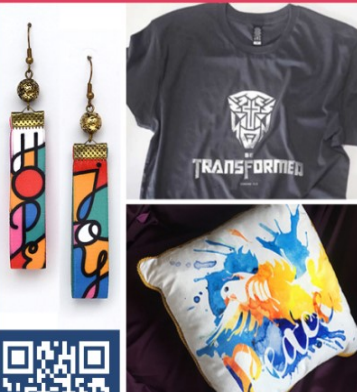
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