



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.

## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

24 – 9 – 23

This week: *Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20-24, 27; Mt 20:1-16*

Next week: *Ezek 18:25-28; Phil 2:1-11; Mt 21:28-32*



This parable today takes us to the heart of the Gospel because the question it asks is: **WHY are we disciples? What's our motivation? Why are we here?**

The landowner was generous: he didn't cheat anybody, he didn't underpay anybody: he paid those who had worked the whole day exactly what he'd promised to pay them. But it wasn't enough for those labourers that they received that amount: what was also important to them was **that the others should receive less.**

And so the parable takes us right into our own heart and asks what is our motivation for our discipleship? If we were to find that someone else would get to heaven, enjoy God's love, share in eternal life, without having followed the Gospel, without coming to church week after week, without following all the rules, **what would our response be?**

Do we follow the Gospel, not because it will bring us a bigger reward than the person who doesn't or do we do it simply because we recognise that it's a good thing to do: that it's a life-giving way, because we recognise that it has the power to bring us life, and that through the life it brings us we're able to bring others life? Or do we do it for the reward at the end – and more to the point, for a reward that we'd like to believe is bigger than for those who don't.

'I came that they might have life and have it to the full': Jesus' invitation is to embrace and live a Gospel which brings life, and to turn our backs on any mean-spirited imitation of religion which crushes life and love, either in ourselves or others.

*Fr Colin*

### A NEW MEMBER OF THE PARISH TEAM:



As you know, Philita Marundan concluded her role as Parish Secretary in June. We have now employed **Mr O'Kelly Tam** in the role of Parish Office Coordinator, working four days - Tuesday to Friday - commencing this week. Parish Office hours now return to normal.

Maia continues her role as part of the team as both Sacramental Coordinator and assisting O'Kelly in parish administration, though she has decided to reduce her hours in this latter role from five days per fortnight to three days per fortnight. I'm very grateful to Maia for taking on the extended hours when Alison left us last year, but glad she can now claim back some personal time.

Please make O'Kelly very welcome.

*Fr Colin*

# Congratulations

TO OUR

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNICANTS

*At 6pm Mass on Saturday 23rd September*

Stanley Bromby	Daniel Kinkade	Lachlan Kinkade	Siena Kinkade	Theo Mahe
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*At 10.15am Mass on Sunday 24th September*

Evie Andersen	Ethan Han	Hannah Woods	George Farquhar
Sophie Cannell	Hei Yi Haley Liu	Grace Liliana Carcano	Hannah Dunkerley
Scarlett D'Arcy	Clara Rivas-Ticic	Josephine Antcliff	Vanessa Minarovicova
Kayla Frauendienst	Caitlin Kar Yun Wong	Christian Chien	Dylan Bracken



The first Pastoral Works Broken Bay Appeal for this financial year (formerly known as CWF) will conclude this weekend.

It supports 5 vital ministries:

- ♦ **Hospital Ministry** - helping those who are vulnerable, lonely or sick in hospital;
- ♦ **Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD)** - catechists taking the gospel to students in Public Schools;
- ♦ **St Lucy's School and St Edmund's College** - serving students with disabilities;
- ♦ **Ephpheta Centre** - pastoral care, sacraments and advocacy for the deaf community.

**All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.**

Please help us to achieve our parish quota for this appeal (**so far we have only received \$4,500 of the \$15,000 required**) as otherwise we have to make up the shortfall from parish funds.

To donate:

- ♦ Envelopes are available on the pews today
- ♦ Scan this QR code then under **'Biller Code'** scroll down to choose Pastoral Works Broken Bay:

Many thanks for your support.



*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.*

## KILLARA TURNS 60!

### CALL OUT FOR PHOTOS!

Calling for photos from  
1963 to 2023  
of First Holy Communion,  
Confirmations, Weddings and other  
celebrations at Killara  
Church, as well as building  
the church and photos  
from the early days.



Send photos to:

parishoffice@lindfieldkillara.org.au

## SAVE THE DATE

INVITING ALL YEAR 12 HSC & IB STUDENTS,  
THEIR FAMILIES & FRIENDS  
邀请所有 12 年级学生及其家人

FOR A NIGHT OF BLESSING, PRAYERS & SOCIAL  
GATHERING TO WISH ALL OUR STUDENTS  
GOOD LUCK AND BEST WISHES IN THEIR EXAMS

## HSC/IB MASS 2023

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH LINDFIELD  
2 HIGHFIELD ROAD (CNR PACIFIC HWY) LINDFIELD

OCTOBER 3 (TUES) - 6PM

2023 年 10 月 3 日 (星期二) 下午 6 点

WE WILL BE SERVING FOOD AFTER MASS  
SO PLEASE REGISTER ON THE LINK IF  
YOU ARE COMING !

弥撒后邀请您共进晚餐  
请在这里注册



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## First Holy Communion

Our prayers go with the children in the first group of our First Communicants this year. They received this precious gift at the Vigil Mass at Killara last weekend.



## REFERENDUM ON THE VOICE TO PARLIAMENT

Following discussion on the proposal, our Parish Pastoral Council wishes to make the statement that its members unanimously support a Yes vote in the forthcoming referendum. This of course is in no way meant to impinge on each person's right to form their own view on the referendum question, but as a significant leadership body in our community the members of the PPC wish to express their own support for the Voice.

## Food for the soul .....

### EMBITTERED MORALISING

*What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money?  
(Mt 20:14b-16a)*

In a masterful book on grace, Piet Fransen suggests that we can test how well we understand grace by gauging our reaction to this story:

Imagine a man who during his whole life is entirely careless about God & morality. He's selfish, ignores the commandments, ignores all things religious, & is basically consumed with pursuing his own pleasure—wine, sex, and song. Then, just hours before his death, he repents of his irresponsibility, makes a sincere confession, receives the sacraments of the church, and dies inside that conversion.

What's our spontaneous reaction to that story? Isn't it perfect that he received the grace of conversion before he died? Or, more likely: the lucky beggar! He got away with it! He got to have all that pleasure & still got to heaven!

If we felt the latter emotion, even for a moment, we have never deeply understood the concept of grace. Rather, like the older brother of the prodigal son, we are still seeing life away from God's house as fuller than life inside God's house, are still doing the right things mostly out of bitter duty, and are secretly envying the amoral. But, if this is true, we must be gentle with ourselves. This is an occupational hazard for good, faithful persons.

Jesus, himself, expresses such in the parable of the vineyard workers. The parable was addressed to Peter in answer to a question. Peter, on behalf of the other disciples, had just asked Jesus what reward they were going to receive for their fidelity to him.

Jesus answers by telling him the story of very rich and generous landowner who goes out one morning & hires workers for his vineyard. He hires some early in the morning, promises them a good wage, keeps hiring others as the day progresses, each new group having to work fewer hours than the group before them, & ends the day by hiring a group of workers just before work is to end.

Then he tells his foreman to pay everyone a full day's wage. But this leaves the workers who toiled the whole day somewhat bitter. "This isn't fair!" they protest. "We worked the whole day and bore the heat of the sun and this last group worked just one hour. It's unfair that we all receive the same wage!" The generous landowner, obviously representing God, is gentle in his response: "Friend, didn't you agree to this wage? And isn't a good wage? Are you envious and angry because I'm generous?"

Remember to whom those words are being addressed: Jesus is addressing Peter ... and, in effect, through this parable, is addressing all good people who are morally and religiously bearing the heat of the day. And Jesus is assuring us that we will be rewarded richly for doing this. But, as the parable makes clear, there's a catch: simply put, we will be rewarded with heaven and it will be wonderful; but, and this is the catch, we can have everything and enjoy nothing because we are watching what everyone else is getting!

I sometimes try to highlight this point rather graphically when I give retreats to priests and religious. I have them consider this scenario: imagine you live out your life in fidelity to your vow of celibacy, metaphorically, and otherwise bearing the heat of the day and, when you get to heaven, the first person you meet there is Hugh Hefner, the founder of Playboy. In shock you protest to God: "How did he get in here? It's not fair, given the life he lived and the life that I was asked to live!" And God, the over-generous landowner, gently replies: "Friend, didn't you agree to a life of celibacy, and isn't heaven a wonderful place? Are you envious and angry because I'm generous?" And, how different this reaction is to that of a true saint who, upon meeting someone like this in heaven, would, like the father of the prodigal son, rush over in joy, embrace the person, and say: "I'm overwhelmed with joy that you made it!"

Thomas Halik, a Czech writer, suggests that one of the reasons why so many people in the world reject the churches is that they see us as "embittered moralisers," older brothers of the prodigal son, doing our religious and moral duties, but bitterly, and criticizing those who don't live like us out of hidden envy. Nietzsche made a similar accusation more than a hundred years ago.

Sadly, there's more than a little truth in that accusation. Too often, we're embittered moralisers, secretly envying the amoral, criticising our world out of bitterness. But that's an occupational hazard for the good & the faithful. Peter & the first apostles struggled with it. Why should we be immune? We needn't be immune, but we do need to be honest in admitting that, despite our real goodness and fidelity, this indicates that we are still far from being full saints.

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

### WEEKDAY MASS DURING SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER

Fr Thomas is currently on a pilgrimage followed by his annual holidays. During this time there will be no Mass on Mondays and the Mass time on Tuesday will vary from week to week. Please check page 6 of the bulletin each week. Mass on Wednesday to Friday is at the usual time.

### SEWER UPDATE

The main sewer line for the church site at Lindfield has collapsed. The repair—spread over five days—will take place THIS week, Monday to Friday (weekends will NOT be affected). Parking for weekday Mass is available on the internal road at Lindfield.

The cost will be \$10,000 ! If you're able to do an extra tap on the Second Collection machine that will be a great help!

### GRATEFUL THANKS FOR YOUR KINDNESS

My father Keith McCormick having been called to God recently had led to a time of saddened hearts for my mother, my family and myself.

Through this time, I have felt blessed by the caring support of our wonderful parish community. The many kind messages to my mother and myself have been of great comfort.

My father was a great example to me of the positive impact upon others through involvement in parish life. I have truly felt the comforting value of a connected life in faith and your kindness through the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

We share in a wonderful parish community. May God's grace continue to shine upon each of you and all in our parish community.

With grateful thanks for your kindness,  
Josie McCormick

## Hymns for Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**ENTRANCE:** Praise the Lord! you heav'ns adore him

1 Praise the Lord! you heav'ns adore him;  
Praise him angels, in the height;  
Sun and moon, rejoice before him;  
Praise God, all ye stars of light.  
Praise the Lord! for he has spoken;  
Worlds his mighty voice obeyed;  
Laws which never shall be broken  
For their guidance God has made.

2 Praise the Lord! for he is glorious;  
Never shall his promise fail;  
God has made his saints victorious;  
Sin and death shall not prevail.

3. Praise the God of our salvation!  
Hosts on high his pow'r proclaim;  
Heav'n, and earth, and all creation,  
Laud and magnify his name.

*Hal H Hopson © 1981, Sacred Music Press. \**

**DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS:** Seek, O Seek the Lord

**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. **R**

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

Strengthen in our hearts the love we owe to one another.

How can we love God above and not each other? **R**

*Music Richard Connolly © 1971\**

**COMMUNION:** GOD, BEYOND ALL NAMES

God, beyond our dreams, you have stirred in us a mem'ry;  
you have placed your pow'rful spirit in the hearts of human kind.

**Refrain** All around us we have known you, all creation  
lives to hold you. In our living and our dying we are  
bringing you to birth.

God, beyond all names, you have made us in your image;  
we are like you, we reflect you; we are woman, we are man.

God, beyond all words, all creation tells your story;  
you have shaken with our laughter, you have trembled with  
our tears. **Refrain**

*Bernadette Farrell © 1990, OCP. \**

**RECESSIONAL:** CITY OF GOD

1. Awake from your slumber Arise from your sleep  
A new day is dawning For all those who weep  
The people in darkness have seen a great light  
The Lord of our longing has conquered the night

**Refrain:** Let us build the city of God  
May our tears be turned into dancing  
For the Lord our light and our love  
Has turned the night into day

2. We are sons of the morning, we are daughters of day  
The One who has loved us has brightened our way  
The Lord of all kindness has called us to be  
A light for his people to set their hearts free.

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## Hymns for Children's Mass and First Communion Masses

**ENTRANCE:** Companions on the journey

**Refrain:** We are companions on the journey,  
breaking bread and sharing life;  
and in the love we bear is the hope we share  
for we believe in the love of our God,  
we believe in the love of our God.

No longer strangers to each other,  
no longer strangers in God's house;  
we are fed and we are nourished  
by the strength of those who care,  
by the strength of those who care. **R**

We have been gifted with each other,  
and we are called by the Word of the Lord:  
to act with justice, to love tenderly,  
and to walk humbly with our God,  
to walk humbly with our God. **R**

We will seek and we shall find;  
we will knock and the door shall be opened;  
we will ask and it shall be given,  
for we believe in the love of our God,  
we believe in the love of our God. **R**

*Words and music by Carey Landry © 1985\**

**DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS:** Bread of Life

**Refrain:** I am the Bread of Life  
Those who come to me shall not hunger  
All who believe in me shall not thirst  
They shall have everlasting life.

All those who come to me I will not turn away  
I will raise them all to life on the last day **R**

No one can come to me unless they are called  
I am the living bread given for life, for all **R**

All who eat and drink of me for my flesh is real food  
You will live in me and I will live in you **R**

*Words and music by Andrew Chinn.\**

**COMMUNION:** One Bread, One Body

**Refrain:** One bread, one body, one Lord of all  
One cup of blessing which we bless  
And we, though many, throughout the Earth  
We are one body in this one Lord

Gentile or Jew Servant or free  
Woman or man No more **R**

Many the gifts, many the works  
One in the Lord Of all **R**

**RECESSIONAL:** 10,000 Reasons

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul

Worship God's Holy name

Sing like never before, O my soul

I'll worship Your Holy name

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning

It's time to sing Your song again

Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me

Let me be singing when the evening comes

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger

Your name is great and Your heart is kind

For all Your goodness I will keep on singing

Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

And on that day when my strength is failing

The end draws near and my time has come

Still my soul will sing Your praise unending

Ten thousand years and then forevermore

*Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman © 2011 Atlas Mountain Songs \*\**

## THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

### GLORIA:

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen

### THE PSALM

Ps 144:2-3. 8-9. 17-18

I will bless you day after day  
and praise your name for ever.  
the Lord is great, highly to be praised,  
God's greatness cannot be measured.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,  
slow to anger, abounding in love.  
How good is the Lord to all,  
compassionate to all his creatures.

The Lord is just in all his ways  
and loving in all his deeds.  
The Lord is close to all who call him,  
who call on him from their hearts.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (cf. Acts 16:14)

Alleluia, alleluia! Open our hearts, O Lord to listen to  
the words of your Son. 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 : THE TRUE CENTRE

The biblical prophets, by definition, were seers and seekers of Eternal Mystery, which always seems dangerously new and heretical to old eyes and any current preoccupations with status and security. The Hebrew prophets lived on the edge of the inside of Judaism. John the Baptist later does the same with Temple Judaism, and Paul then sharply disagrees with Peter and the new Christian establishment in Jerusalem (Galatians 2:1-14). Francis and Clare continued this classic pattern in their own hometown of Assisi as they physically moved from upper Assisi among the *majores* to the lower side of town and the *minores*. There they had nothing to prove or defend. It offered the most opportunities to have fresh and honest experience, and to find their True Center.

The starting point for the biblical prophet is an amazing positive experience of theophany (as we see in Isaiah 6, for example) that fills their heart, not with cynicism, not with sarcasm, not with negativity, not with opposition, but with ecstasy that has to be shared. That one experience of the absolute is so absolutising that it has the effect of relativizing everything else. It even relativises the institutions of religion, which receive the prophets' most constant and continuous criticism.

We see this almost perfectly replicated in Jesus. Jesus is constantly critiquing religion and being fought by religion.

The prophets come out of religious experience, and yet they find themselves fought most by religion itself. Often, like Jesus, they are killed by the religious establishment. Why is that true?

People hiding inside of belonging systems are very threatened by those who are not within that group. They are threatened by anyone who has found their citizenship in places they cannot control. Christians call this place "the Reign of God." When one has found one's treasure elsewhere and is utterly grounded in the passion and pathos of a transcendent God, they are both indestructible and uncontrollable by worldly systems.

If we look at some who have served the prophetic role in modern times, like Martin Luther King Jr., Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Dorothy Day, Pope John XXIII, Simone Weil, and Oscar Romero, we will notice that they all held this exact position. They tended to be, each in their own way, orthodox, conservative, traditional clergy, intellectuals, or believers; but that truly authentic inner experience and membership allowed them to critique utterly the exact systems of which they were a part. We might say that their enlightened actions clarify what our mere belief systems really mean. These prophets critiqued Christianity by the very values that they learned from Christianity.

## 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

6:00pm\*

\* On the 3rd Sunday of the month the Youth and Family Mass is at the earlier time of 5:30pm.

\*\* The 10:15am Mass on the 2nd & 4th Sundays is a Children's Mass, featuring our Children's Choir.

### WEEKDAY MASS this week:

TWENTY-FIFTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Mon: No Mass this week

Tues. No Mass this week

Wed 10am Lindfield *Memoria, St Vincent de Paul*

Thurs.: 10am Lindfield

Fri.: 10am Lindfield *Feast of the Archangels*

### THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

#### PARKING

**Lindfield:** parking available in church grounds & in large undercroft area of school. Parking for disabled/elderly on internal parish road. Also Lindfield Uniting Church (cnr Provincial Rd) have kindly made their grounds available to us for parking for the Vigil & Sun. 6pm Mass..

**Killara:** parking in new parish carpark and in street.

### SUNDAY MASS ROSTER

Saturday		23 Sept.	30 Sept.
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Chima	Fr David Strong
Sunday		24 Sept.	1 Oct.
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Killara	9:00 am	Fr David Strong	Fr David Strong
Lindfield	10:15 am	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Lindfield	12:00 pm	Fr Gerard Kelly	Fr David Ranson
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Colin	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](http://www.lindfieldkillara.org.au)) and scroll down to 2i.b. for the form. or simply email [accounts@lindfieldkillara.org.au](mailto:accounts@lindfieldkillara.org.au) for assistance.

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

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*For contact information for all of our parish team go to our parish website and click on 'Our Parish' and then 'Parish Staff and Contacts'.*

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**E** [info@holyfamily.nsw.edu.au](mailto:info@holyfamily.nsw.edu.au) **Ph.** 9416 7200

**Principal:** Mrs Pauline Dinale

## PARISH DIARY

### SEPTEMBER

Sun. 24th . 10:15am Children's Mass with choir followed by morning tea.

Wed. 27th 8:00am Meditation (online)

10:00am Book Club

7:30pm Scripture study (online)

### OCTOBER

Tues. 3rd 6:00pm **Mass for HSC and IB students** (followed by a gathering in St Brigid's Hall)

Wed. 4th 8:00am Meditation (online)

11:00am Scripture study (online)

Sun. 8th 10:15am Children's Mass with choir followed by morning tea.

Wed. 11th 8:00am Meditation (online)

7:30pm Scripture study (online)

Fri. 13th 10:00am Healing Mass & morning tea at Killara

Sun. 15th 11:30am **Blessing of animals** at Lindfield

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

Wed. 18th 8:00am Meditation (online)

11:00am Scripture study (online)

Sunday 22nd 10:15am **Children's Mass and morning tea to welcome Kindergarten families for 2024**

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

**Recently deceased:** Shaunagh Ward-Jackson, Val Roberts, Helen Arena, Chris Mackin, Keith John McCormick (Josie's father), Santoso Wardjiman, Thannous Takchi Alison Pryde, Kevin McCreanor, Jung Min (Zachary) Choi, Graham McKenzie..

**Anniversary:** Aleykuttel Alackakunnel, Sarah Gibbons, Maria & Giuseppe Arabia..

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Gerry McCormack, Wolfgang Liers, Teresita Borthwick, Tanya Walsh, Jutta Mathur, Jessica Keen, Therese Playoust, Ali Crawford, Morna Sutherland, Barbara McMullen, Nicholas Sutherland, Jesse Langford, Anthony Ellison, Cyril Ferriere, Alex Noble, William Wise, Opheilia Mari Umali, Rosanna Comastri, Janette Brennan **And for all affected by COVID.**

## PARISH RETREATS AT TARRAWARRA ABBEY NEXT YEAR

We have booked two possible retreats for next year:

- Tues. afternoon 9th Apr. ~ Mon. morning 15th Apr.
- Tues. afternoon 16th Apr. ~ Mon. morning 22nd Apr.

Please let me know as soon as possible if you're interested in booking a space. *Fr Colin*



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Don't miss out on tickets!



Young people, teachers, ministry leaders, families, and adults of all ages are preparing to attend the upcoming IGNITE conference. Between 28 Sept. & 1 October, the Broken Bay Diocese will be hosting this year's conference. This conference is for everyone! There will be many amazing presenters, including Bishop Anthony Randazzo & our Director of Vocations, Fr Sam French.

With Ignite 2023 only a few weeks away, it's now time to register your attendance at the 2023 Ignite Conference. **BE QUICK LATE FEES START SOON!** For more information about Ignite visit: <https://igniteconference.com.au/sydney>

## OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

常年期第二十五主日 24.9.2023

讀經一(我的思念, 不是你們的思念。)

恭讀依撒意亞先知書 55:6-9

趁可找到上主的時候, 你們應尋找他; 趁上主還在近處的時候, 你們應呼求他。罪人應離開自己的行徑, 惡人該拋棄自己的思念, 來歸附上主, 好讓上主憐憫他。請來歸附我們的天主吧! 因為他是富於仁慈的。

因為我的思念, 不是你們的思念, 你們的行徑, 也不是我的行徑: 上主的斷語。就如天離地有多高, 我的行徑離你們的行徑, 我的思念離你們的思念, 也有多高。

——上主的話。

(默想片刻)

答唱詠 詠145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18

【答】: 上主親近一切呼號他的人。(詠145:18)

領: 上主, 我要每日讚美你, 不斷頌揚你的名。偉大的上主, 應受讚美; 上主的偉大, 高深莫測。【答】

領: 上主慈悲為懷, 寬宏大方; 他常緩於發怒, 仁愛無量。上主對待萬有, 溫和善良; 對他的受造物, 仁愛慈祥。【答】

領: 上主的一切行徑, 至公至義; 上主的一切作為, 聖善無比。上主親近一切呼號他的人, 即一切誠心呼號他的人。【答】

讀經二(在我看來, 生活原是基督。)

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致斐理伯人書 1:20-24, 27

弟兄姊妹們:

我或生或死, 總要叫基督, 在我身上受頌揚。因為在我看來, 生活原是基督, 死亡乃是利益。但如果我生活在肉身內, 還能獲得工作的效果, 那麼, 我自己也不知道, 要選擇那一樣了。

我正夾在兩者之間。我渴望解脫, 為與基督在一起; 這實在是再好沒有了。但是, 我存留在肉身內, 卻對你們十分重要。

你們生活度日, 應合乎基督的福音。

——上主的話。

(默想片刻)

福音前歡呼

領: 亞肋路亞。

眾: 亞肋路亞。

領: 上主, 請開啟我們的心, 使我們專心聆聽你聖子的話。(參閱宗16:14)

眾: 亞肋路亞。

福音(因為我好, 你就眼紅嗎?)

恭讀聖瑪竇福音 20:1-16

那時候, 耶穌給門徒講了這個比喻, 說:

「天國好像一個家主, 清晨出去, 為自己的葡萄園僱用工人。他與工人議定: 一天一個『德納』, 就派他們到葡萄園去。」

「約在第三時辰, 家主又出去, 看見還有些人在街市閒立著, 就對他們說: 你們也到我的葡萄園去吧! 凡照公義, 該給的, 我必給你們。他們就去了。」

「約在第六和第九時辰, 家主又出去, 也照樣做了。」

「約在第十一時辰, 家主又出去, 看見還有些人站在那裡, 就對他們說: 為什麼你們站在這裡, 整天無所事事? 他們對家主說: 因為沒有人僱用我們。家主對他們說: 你們也到我的葡萄園去吧!」

「到了晚上, 葡萄園的主人, 對他的管工說: 你叫工人來, 發給他們工資, 由最後的開始, 直到最先的。」

「那些約在第十一時辰來的人, 每人領了一個『德納』。那些最先僱用的, 心想自己必會多得, 但是, 他們也只領得一個『德納』。」

「他們一領了, 就抱怨家主, 說: 這些最後僱用的人, 不過工作了一個時辰, 而你竟然把他們, 與我們整天受苦受熱的, 同等看待。家主答覆其中一個說: 朋友! 我並沒有虧待你, 你不是和我議定了一個『德納』嗎? 拿你的, 走吧! 我願意給最後來的, 和給你的一樣。難道不許我, 拿我的財物, 做我所願意的事嗎? 或是因為我好, 你就眼紅嗎?

「這樣, 最後的, 將成為最先的; 最先的, 將會成為最後的。」

——上主的話。

\*\*華人天主教會北區中心主日彌撒-彌撒時間 9月24日, 10月8, 22, 29日正午 12時

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## NEWS RE THE CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY MASS

We are pleased to advise that, as of October, the Chinese Catholic Community Mass at 12 noon on Sundays at Lindfield will once again be celebrated every Sunday and not just on the second and fourth Sundays.

## DENNOCH

In this week's keynote introduction to the Dennoch conference in Hannover – a collaborative undertaking – Dr Thomas Arnold addressed features of western modernity that pose challenges to the Church's proclamation. Challenges are not necessarily obstacles. Though he pointed out that a rhetoric of deficit will not take us far. (I had occasion to reflect on this on my way home last night, when a man approached me on the tram and told me: 'Religion is psychiatric illness!') To go around proclaiming that contemporaries, for whom the question of the divine seems irrelevant, are missing out on something is unlikely to engage them. Furthermore, it plays into an attitude of condescension which the Holy Father often condemns. In Lisbon he reminded us: 'the only valid reason I have for looking down on someone is if I am helping him or her up'. Christian evangelisation, today as in antiquity, must testify to a superabundance of life, to a plus ultra. This something is not of human making. It must stem from an encounter with God through the Church that results in a transformed life. Ultimately, the only thing that will truly impact on our self-sufficient world is the testimony of sanctity

(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)



### YOUTH MINISTRY ACTIVITIES 青年活动 in Lindfield-Killara Parish

Sept. 10 (Sun) - 11:15am - 12pm - Yrs 3-6  
 Sept. 17 (Sun) - 4:30pm - 5:15pm - Yrs 7-10  
 Oct. 3 (Tue) - 6pm - HSC/IB Year 12 Mass  
 Oct. 6 (Fri) - 10:30am - First Friday Rosary Cenacle

If you are interested to join our Youth programs

**Prior Registration is essential.**

We look forward to hearing from you!

如果您有兴趣加入,请发送电子邮件或致电我们. 谢谢您!

Parish Youth Ministry 教会青年团

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## Invites all Years 3-6

2ND SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH  
 SEPT 10, OCT 8, NOV 12  
 11:15 AM - 12:00 PM @ THE GLASS ROOM (HOLY FAMILY CHURCH)

- Meet new friends
- Know what makes you special
- Join the fun with your friends

"Train up a child in the way they should go:  
 and when they are old, they will not depart from it" Proverbs 22:6

**REGISTRATION IS ESSENTIAL!**

EMAIL: YOUTH@LINDFIELDKILLARA.ORG.AU  
 (INCLUDE YOUR CHILD'S NAME, AGE, SCHOOL & PARENTS/GUARDIAN NAME)  
 CONTACT: JOANNA JOY ONG (YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATOR)

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 YOUR FRIENDS & MY LIFE, MY ADVENTURES

## Calling all Years 7-10

Get to know yourself.  
 Discover your strengths  
 Pick up some life skills.  
 Get some study tips.  
 Meet new friends.  
 Share your beliefs  
 Discover your friendship with God  
 Bond with like minded teens like you  
 And many more ...

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THIRD SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH  
 AUG 20, SEPT 17  
 4:30PM - 5:15PM @ THE GLASS ROOM (HOLY FAMILY CHURCH)  
 LET'S GATHER BEFORE THE MONTHLY YOUTH & FAMILY MASS AT 5:00PM

Email: youth@lindfieldkillara.org.au  
 Contact Person: Joanna Joy Ong (Youth Ministry Coordinator)

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- There are vacancies currently in state primary schools within the parish.
- Catechists assist with providing information to families and students regarding the Sacramental Program at the parish.
- Class preparation is minimal: teacher and student manuals are provided containing lesson plans; training and additional resources are provided.
- Classes are half an hour in school terms, mainly on Tuesdays - Thursdays in the morning.
- Catechist Co-ordinator Karen happily provides support to assist new teachers.

CONTACT KAREN BY EMAIL:  
 catechists@lindfieldkillara.org.au

"FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE GATHER TOGETHER  
 IN MY NAME, THERE I AM WITH THEM"

MATTHEW 18:20

OCTOBER 6, 2023, FRIDAY, 10:30AM  
 2023年10月6日(星期五, 上午10:30点)

## ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

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Fr Colin

Tuesday 14th November

beginning with Mass at 7:30pm at Lindfield

and followed by food and drinks in St Brigid's Hall above the church.

RSVP details will be provided in due course.

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