



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.

We are committed to
 being a Child-Safe
 Community

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 10 - 5 - 2026

This week: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17, 1 Pet 3:15-18, Jn 14:15-21
 Next week: Acts 1:1-11, Eph 1:17-23, Mt 28:16-20



John's Gospel often uses the terms 'Spirit' and 'the world' as opposites, as enemies.

But we have to be careful lest we equate John's use of 'the world' as simply meaning 'the world around us.' John's community lived in a time of persecution and the word 'world' for him has a special meaning – the world which is blind to and opposes the Holy Spirit.

But the key thing is that it doesn't simply mean the world as such – as though everything outside of the Church is bad.

Because the simple fact of the matter is that many good people and many good things exist outside the Church – sometimes, sadly, better people and better movements than within the Church.

If we simply oppose 'the Church' and 'the world' then we become *blind*, blind to what goodness lies beyond our own walls – **and above all blind to the challenges that the world offers us.** To presume we own and hold a monopoly on the Holy Spirit would be a spiritual arrogance and so our challenge is to recognise the work, the promptings and the challenge of the Spirit *wherever* they may occur.

Fr Colin

PASTORAL WORKS Broken Bay

The FINAL Pastoral Works Broken Bay Appeal for this financial year will take place **THIS weekend and the weekend after.**

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 & St Edmund's Schools** - serving students with disabilities;
- **Ephpheta Centre** - pastoral care, sacraments and advocacy for the deaf community.

All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

We need to achieve **\$19,300** on this appeal.

WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE:

1. **Envelopes**, allowing for cash or credit card payment, will be available on the pews. You can also use the QR code on the envelopes.

OR

2. **Scan this QR code** then under 'My payment is for' scroll down to Pastoral Works Broken Bay':



Many thanks for your support.



Most of our bellringers (a couple were not there) last Sunday during the weekly Sunday afternoon practice and pre-Mass ringing.



The morning tea and talk by Angela Whitby from CatholicCare Broken Bay last Sunday morning at Killara.

JOIN US FOR OUR
 MONTHLY POTLUCK
 DINNER AFTER THE 6PM
 YOUTH MASS AT LINDFIELD
 CHURCH.

NEXT
 SUNDAY
 17TH
 MAY

BRING A FRIEND
 AND A PLATE
 OF FOOD TO SHARE!



OUR NEXT ECUMENICAL SERVICE

will take place on
Tuesday 26th May
at 7:30pm
in **Roseville Uniting
Church**
(5 Lord St).



Please be there as we
gather in the warm
afterglow of the great
feast of Pentecost.

Parish Seniors' Social Group

The next gathering will be on **THIS
FRIDAY 15th MAY at 11:00am**
(and on the 3rd Friday of each month).



The venue is the Shirley
Wallace Parish Centre above
Lindfield church - which is
lovely and cosy and air-
conditioned (with lift access).

Don't worry about parking - our school is
very happy for everyone to double park in
the parish carpark around the church (or on
our internal driveway). There's room for
everyone. Of course there's also 2 hour free
parking at Coles.

If you haven't already done so and would
like to put your name down for the group
please email:

seniors@lindfieldkillara.org.au

Are you or is someone you know considering becoming a Catholic?



RCIA
A Journey In Faith

The team from our
parish RCIA programme
will again be leading the
journey to next Easter
guiding and preparing
those who wish to become members of
the Catholic Church.

The process involves a series of
meetings in which the various aspects
of Catholic faith and life are presented
and discussed, and culminates with
either baptism or reception into the
Catholic Church at Easter 2027.

For those whose principal language is
Mandarin, this year we will ask you
take part in an Alpha Course
(introduction to Christian faith) in
Mandarin, prior to the main RCIA
programme.

If you are interested or would like
further information please contact the
Parish Office as soon as possible.



ANOTHER REFLECTION FROM ONE OF THIS YEAR'S PARTICIPANTS AT OUR TARRAWARRA RETREAT:

When I set out on this retreat I had a few preconceptions
about just what to expect but it was quite different.

At first I wasn't too sure of the value of singing (or trying
to) the psalms with the Monks at regular (7 times)
intervals but it gradually dawned on me it's just being
there in the presence of each other and of course God,
that brought such peace and a yearning for more.

The venue is so beautiful with the opportunity for such
lovely walks or just quiet contemplation and of course
the wonderful talks by Colin which gave us a lot to reflect
upon.

The evening meal, such good company and chat was a
highlight and indeed it was such a privilege to be at the
Abbey with the Monks. Can't wait to go next year.

Judy

Parish Retreats at Tarrawarra Abbey next year

1. Mon. 5th Apr. - Sun. 11th Apr.

2. Mon. 12th Apr. - Sun. 18th Apr.

We already have 5 bookings! (max.: 9 per retreat)
If interested please contact Fr Colin.

Are you or is someone you know considering becoming a Catholic?

《天主教成人入门圣事》
(RCIA) 是天主教为希望加入
教会的成年人设立的一个
信仰培育过程。

我们教区的RCIA团队将再次
带领大家踏

上通往下一个复活节的信仰之旅，陪伴并帮助每
一位渴望成为天主教会成员的人一起学习和成
长。

RCIA的整个过程包括一系列每周一次的聚会，
我们团队将介绍和讨论天主教信仰和生活的各个
方面，最终帮助大家于2027年复活节接受洗礼并
加入天主教会。

对于母语为普通话的朋友，今年我们将特别邀请
您在正式的RCIA课程之前，参加一个普通话的
Alpha课程（基督教信仰入门），这将是帮助您
了解和建立信仰的第一步。如果您感兴趣或想了
解更多信息，请尽快联系教区办公室。



RCIA
A Journey In Faith

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.

Food for the spirit

A SOUL FRIEND

One of the saints who speaks to me is Therese of Lisieux, commonly known as the Little Flower. This wasn't love at first sight. For years I was put off and left cold and uninterested by how her person and her image have become encrusted in an overly saccharine piety. She was too sweet, too pious. Not a saint for me! That changed, thanks to a friend who told me, "Don't read books *about* her – read *her!*" I read her and found in her a soul friend.

Who is Therese of Lisieux? She was a Carmelite nun who died from tuberculosis in 1897. She was only twenty-four years old when she died, and as a Carmelite nun hidden away in a convent in rural France, she died in anonymity, probably known by fewer than a hundred people. However, during the last two years of her life, as she lay dying from tuberculosis, she kept several diaries. After her death, her Carmelite sisters sent her unpublished diaries to a few other convents, intending to let a small circle of religious women know of her death and a little about her life.

The rest is history. The manuscripts were leaked to a wider public and in less than ten years, printing presses were literally having trouble meeting the demand for her autobiography. Her little convent in Lisieux was receiving more than five hundred letters a day, and people from all over the world were beginning to come to Lisieux on pilgrimage. A hundred and thirty years later, little has changed. She remains extraordinarily popular.

Why? Why this perennial intrigue about Therese? Because there is something about her that touches the soul in a particularly empathic way. How so?

Therese had an anomalous background that produced an extraordinary character. Her life as a child was in many ways tragic. Her mother got sick at the time of Therese's birth and was unable to care for her during the crucial first year of her life. She was cared for by a nurse and an aunt. As a one-year-old she was returned to her mother, but her mother was already terminally ill and when Therese was four, her mother died. Therese then chose her older sister, Pauline, to be her new mother. Five years later, Pauline entered the convent and as a nine-year-old Therese again lost a mother.

Shortly after this she took ill and almost died. This was triggered by a visit to Pauline who was then a Carmelite nun. Together with her three other sisters and her father, she had gone to visit Pauline in her convent. After Pauline had spent some time focused

on her little sister, she naturally became preoccupied in adult conversation. Left out, in sheer frustration, little Therese stood right in front of her big sister and, shaking her dress, began to cry.

"What's the matter?" asked Pauline. "You didn't notice!" cried Therese, "I'm wearing the dress you made me!"

She then became disconsolate and on returning home took to bed and for some weeks; despite the best efforts of various doctors and every kind of cajoling by her family, hovered between life and death. Eventually she recovered. Such was the tragedy and oversensitivity of her childhood.

Yet, and this is the great anomaly, as a child, Therese was doted on and loved in a way that few children ever are. Her father, her sisters and her extended family considered her their little queen and she was cherished and made to feel extraordinarily precious and unique. Her sister Celine photographed her every move. Few children ever grow up as nurtured in love and affirmation as did Therese.

And her personality bore out the effects of both the tragedy and the love. On the one side, she could be heavy, dark, withdrawn, and otherworldly. She made easy friends with mortality, was a mystic of darkness, the austere adult, the little girl-woman, who, wounded early, grew up fast. But, on the other side, she always remained the magical child, Cinderella, who, because she was so loved and graced, developed a very robust self-esteem, a confidence and a capacity to love as few others ever have.

So loved as child, a part of her remained ever the little girl, the puella, the incarnation of childlikeness, innocence, and gaiety. Only a Therese of Lisieux could end all her letters with the phrase: I kiss you with my whole heart!

In a soul so formed lies her mystique, that is, her unique combination of depth, insight, and other worldliness, even as she desperately clings to the tiniest gifts from her family and every small token of earthly affection. Only a soul so formed could, at age twenty-two, have the complexity and wisdom to write a mystical and theological treatise that rivals that of great theological doctors, and only a soul so formed could be both a study in hyper-sensitivity and human resilience.

A saint so pathologically complex can be a soul friend to our own complex souls.

Fr Ron Rolheiser omi

What fun ?

The next two weekends take us towards the climax and conclusion of this beautiful Easter Season: next Sunday, the seventh in the time of Easter, is the Solemnity of the Lord's Ascension. The Sunday after that, 24th May, is the second greatest feast in the Church's calendar (after Easter Sunday itself): Pentecost, the fiftieth and final day of Easter, celebrating the fruit of the Resurrection - the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church.

Sadly Rotary has seen fit to put the Lindfield Fun Run on this great feast - at precisely the time when every church in Lindfield is having its Pentecost morning Service!

If you are taking part in the run please don't let it take the place of Pentecost - we also have both a Saturday & a Sunday evening Mass!

Headcount

Just to let you know that, as has been the case for many decades now, the bishops of Australia arrange for a headcount at all Masses during May. This helps us in being attentive to the health of our communities and to be able to focus on pastoral planning.

Hymns for the Sixth Sunday of Easter

ENTRANCE HYMN :

1 Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Let all earth and heaven say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

2 Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Vain the stone, the watch, the seal, Alleluia!
Christ has burst the gates of hell, Alleluia!

3 Now he lives, our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now your sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where's your victory, O grave? Alleluia!

4 Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

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HYMN FOR THE DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS : NOW THE GREEN BLADE RISES

Now the green blade rises, from the buried grain,
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again like wheat that springs up green.

In the grave they laid Him, Love whom they had slain.
Thinking that never He would wake again,
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again like wheat that springs up green.

Forth He came at Easter, like the risen grain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain;
Quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again like wheat that springs up green.

(one more verse in column to the right)

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
your touch can call us back to life again,
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
Love is come again like wheat that springs up green.

*John M.C Crum (1872-1958), OCP**

COMMUNION HYMN: JESUS, YOUR LIGHT

Jesus, your light is shining within us,
Let not my doubts and darkness speak to me.
Jesus, your light is shining within in us.
Let my heart always welcome your love. *Repeat*

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RECESSIONAL HYMN : BEHOLD THE GLORY OF GOD

Refrain: Behold the glory of God, the Day-Star
arising! Christ Jesus shines on the earth with mercy
enduring!

Night of hope, night of glory divine—
Darkness conquered evermore.
Christ triumphant shines on the earth
With joy that endures. *Refrain*

Dance for joy all you angels of God,
Let the pow'rs of heav'n exult.
All creation, join now in song:
"Salvation is won!" *Refrain*

Let the earth in its beauty rejoice,
Radiant as the morning sky.
Chains of death lie shattered this day —
Christ's vict'ry complete! *Refrain*

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Hymns for the Children's Mass

ENTRANCE HYMN : EASTER ALLELUIA

Refrain: Alleluia, He is risen!
Alleluia, He's alive!
Alleluia, sing for joy now:
Jesus is alive!

1. Open up your hearts,
See the empty tomb.
Though He died on Calvary
Jesus is alive! *Refrain*

2. Sing your songs of joy.
Lift your voices high.
His glory fills the Earth
Jesus is alive! *Refrain*

3. Go and tell the world,
Go and sing Good News.
Spread this message everywhere,
"Jesus is alive!" *Refrain*

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DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: HERE I AM LORD

1. I, the Lord of the sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I who made the stars of the night,
I will make their darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am Lord. Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

2. I the Lord of the snow and rain,
I have born my people' pain
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

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COMMUNION: THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD

[Chorus] The Spirit of the Lord be upon me.
The Spirit of the Lord show the way.
The Spirit of the Lord give some grace.
The Spirit of the Lord rest in me.

Grant me wisdom to know God's plan
To be your heart and your hands.
That I may understand your truth within.
O Spirit rest in me, rest in me *[Chorus]*

Help me to choose what is right and just.
May I know your holy will.
To have the courage to follow you
O Spirit rest in me, rest in me *[Chorus]*

May I seek knowledge through the word of God:
to know the Son and Lord.
And in that knowing, reverence you Lord.
O Spirit rest in me, rest in me *[Chorus]*

Grant me the gift to see your majesty With wonder and with
awe. May I be worthy of the gifts you bring Oh spirit rest in
me, rest in me *[Chorus]*

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RECESSIONAL: THANK GOD FOR MY MUM

Who always hugs me tight,
Tells me everything's alright?
Who cheers me up when I am sad?
Who's there to lend a hand,
Always seems to understand?
My Mum, she's the one!

Every day, when I pray, I thank God for my Mum.

Who tells me I am great, Cares for me in everyway?
Who holds me close and keeps me safe?
Who loves me every day, Even when I make mistakes?
My Mum, she's the one!

I'm sure that she has got some faults
But I can't think of one.
Even though she gets no sleep
She always looks so young.
The greatest gift I've ever had ... Is my Mum.

Every day, when I pray, I thank God for my Mum.
Every day, I've got to say,
I'm so glad, that you're my Mum!

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The Prayers and Responses of Mass

THE 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.

THE PSALM

PS 65:1-7. 16. 20

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of God's name.
O render God glorious praise.
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds!

'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous God's deeds among us.

The Lord turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in God;
the Lord rules for ever by his might.

Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what the Lord did for my soul:
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

(we 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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION: TRUST IN GOD

*Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Have faith in God. Have faith also in me."
—John 14:1*

Father Richard Rohr reflects on the relationship between anxiety, fear, and faith:

Our time has been called the age of anxiety, and I think that's probably a good description. We no longer know what or where our foundations are. When we're not sure what is certain, when the world and our worldview keep being redefined every few months, we're going to be anxious. Understandably, we want to get rid of that anxiety as quickly as we can. I know I do. Yet, to be a good leader of anything today—a good pastor, manager, parent, teacher, or even a good citizen, we have to be able to contain and patiently hold a certain degree of anxiety and fear. Greater levels of leadership require leaders who are capable of holding greater anxiety. Leaders who cannot hold anxiety will never lead us any place good or new.

That's probably why the Bible says "Do not be afraid" almost 150 times! If we cannot calmly hold a certain degree of fear and anxiety, we will always look for somewhere to expel it. Expelling what we can't embrace gives us an identity, but it's a negative identity. It's not life energy, it's death energy.

Can we recognise how different the alternative of faith and trust is? Faith can only build on a totally

positive place within, however small. God just needs an interior "Yes" to begin, a mustard-seed-sized place that is in love—not fear—that is open to grace.

One could sum up the Bible, and our lives, as an interplay of fear and faith. In general, people are obsessed and overpowered by fears; they fear what they cannot control. God is one of our primary fears, because God is totally beyond us and totally beyond our control. The good news is that God has breached that fear and become one of us in Jesus. Through Jesus, God says, in effect, "You can stop being afraid. It's okay. You don't have to live in chattering fear of me."

The opening chapter of Luke's Gospel presents Mary as the archetypal Christian because God comes into her life and proclaims the divine presence within her, immediately telling her through the angel, "Do not be afraid" (Luke 1:30). Through the same divine Spirit, God comes into our lives and announces the divine presence within each of us. All we are asked to do is be present and open. Only after God calls Mary beyond her fear does God give the message of her calling.

Fear can keep us from hearing what is really being said. Mary's spirituality is focused on trusting. She said, "Let what you have said be done to me" (Luke 1:38). She doesn't try to explain or understand. She just says, "I trust you, God. Do with me what you will. Let it be."

Sunday Mass

Killara Church
5:30pm Vigil
9.00am*

Lindfield Church
8.30am 10.15am**
12noon Chinese Mass
6:00pm Youth Mass***

* Morning Tea follows 9am Mass at Killara on the 1st Sunday.
** 10:15am Mass on the 2nd & 4th Sundays is a Children's Mass, with Children's Choir, and is followed by morning tea.
*** Parish Pot Luck dinner follows 6pm Mass on the 3rd

Weekday Mass this week
THE SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER

Mon. 8am Killara
Tues. 8am Killara
Wed. 10am Lindfield
Thur. 10am Lindfield *Feast, St Matthias, apostle*
Fri. 9am Lindfield *(School Mass - All Welcome)*

The Ordinariate of Our Lady of the Southern Cross
(gathering in our church at Killara):

Mass Wednesday 6pm (preceded by Exposition from 5pm)
Thursday 9am Friday 9am Sunday 12 noon
Evensong 4th Sunday of the month 4pm

Sunday Mass Roster

SATURDAY Killara 5:30PM	9 May. Fr Stephen	16 May. Fr Colin
SUNDAY Lindfield 8:30AM Killara 9:00AM Lindfield 10:15AM Lindfield 12:00PM Lindfield 6:00PM	10 May. Fr Colin Fr Stephen Fr Colin Fr M.Goonan Fr Stephen	17 May. Fr Colin Fr Stephen Fr Colin Fr Anselam Fr Anselam

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Ways that you can support our parish

1. Direct debit contributions from your bank A/C:

1st Collection:

(providing for the priests of the parish & retired & sick clergy):
BSB 062 784 Ac 10000 1624

2nd Collection:

(providing for all the operating costs of the parish):
BSB 062 784 Ac 10000 1623

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2. Credit card: Scan the code & then select each of our two collections

3. Periodic payments from your credit card:

Just click on the hotlink box entitled 'Supporting parish finances' on our homepage (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au) or email accounts@lindfieldkillara.org.au for assistance.

4. The Tap Machines are available in our two churches.



MAY

Online Meditation Group every Wednesday
8:00-8:30am.

Sun 10th 10.15am Children's Mass followed by morn.tea
Tues. 12th Tarrawarra Prayer Group + dinner
Wed 13th 7:30pm Scripture study (online)
Fri 15th 9am Celebration of Easter Season (School Mass)
11:00am Seniors' Social Group
Sun 17th Potluck dinner following 6pm Mass
Wed 20th 11:00am Scripture study (online)
Sun 24th 10.15am Blessing of the Organ followed by morn.tea
Wed 27th 7:30pm Scripture study (online)
10am Book Club

JUNE

Wed 3rd 11:00am Scripture study (online)
Thu 4th 8.45am Playgroup

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
5:00-5:15pm Saturdays at Killara

Our Chinese Catholic Community

復活期第六主日 10.5.2026
中文主日彌撒正午12時
讀經一 (伯多祿和若望給他們覆手，他們就領受了聖神。)
恭讀宗徒大事錄 8:5-8, 14-17
那時候，斐理伯下到撒瑪黎雅城，給眾人宣講基督。群眾留意斐理伯所講的話，都同心合意地聽教，並看見他所行的奇蹟：有許多附了邪魔的人，邪魔從他們身上，大聲喊叫著離開了，又有許多癱瘓的人和跛子，也被醫好了；為此，城裡的人皆大歡喜。
在耶路撒冷的宗徒，聽說撒瑪黎雅接受了天主的聖道，便打發伯多祿和若望去他們那裡。伯多祿和若望一到，就為他們祈禱，使他們領受聖神，因為聖神還沒有降臨在任何人身上；他們只是因主耶穌的名受過洗。那時候，宗徒便給他們覆手，他們就領受了聖神。——上主的話

到羞愧。如果天主的旨意，要你們因行善而受苦，這總比因作惡而受苦更好，因為基督也曾一次為罪而死，且是義人代替不義的人，為將我們領到天主面前；就肉身來說，他固然被處死了；但就神魂來說，他卻復活了。——上主的話。

福音前歡呼
領：亞肋路亞。
眾：亞肋路亞。
領：主說：誰愛我，必遵守我的話，我父也必愛他，我們要到他那裡去，並要在他那裡，作我們的居所。(若14:23)
眾：亞肋路亞。

福音 (我是道路、真理、生命。)
福音 (我也要求父，他必會賜給你們另一位護慰者。)

答唱詠 詠66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20
領：普世大地，請向天主歡呼！請歌頌他聖名的光榮；請獻給他輝煌的讚頌。請你們向天主說：「你的作為是何等驚人！」
領：普世都要朝拜你，歌頌你；全球也都要歌頌你的聖名。請你們前來觀看天主的作為；他對世人所做的一切，實在令人敬畏。
領：他曾使海洋乾涸，使人徒步走過江河，叫我們因他而喜樂。他以自己的大能，永遠統治萬邦。
領：凡敬畏天主的人，請你們前來靜聽；我要敘述他為我靈魂所做的一切。天主應受讚美，因他從未拒絕我的哀禱，也從來沒有從我身上，撤回他的憐憫。
讀經二 (就肉身來說，基督被處死了；但就神魂來說，他卻復活了。)
恭讀聖伯多祿前書 3:15-18

恭讀聖若望福音 14:15-21
那時候，耶穌對門徒說：「如果你們愛我，就要遵守我的命令；我也要求父，他必會賜給你們另一位護慰者，使他永遠與你們同在。他是世界所不能領受的真理之神，因為世界看不見他，也不認識他；你們卻認識他，因為他與你們同在，並在你們內。
「我決不留下你們做孤兒；我要回到你們這裡來。不久以後，世界就再看不見我，你們卻要看見我，因為我生活，你們也要生活。到那一天，你們便知道我在我父內，你們在我內，我也在你們內。接受我的命令而遵守的，便是愛我的人；誰愛我，我父也必愛他，我也要愛他，並將我自已顯示給他。」
——上主的話。

親愛的諸位：
你們要在心裡尊崇基督為主；如果有人詢問你們心中所懷希望的理由，你們要時常準備答覆，且要以溫和、以敬畏之心答覆。要保持純潔的良心，好使那些誣告你們在基督內有良好品行的人，在他們誹謗你們的事上，感

彌撒後，請各教友參加午餐聚會
Sunday School主日學 12:00 (中英雙語)
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Lord, in Jesus your Son, you restored to us the gift of everlasting life. Grant that life to:

Please pray for Christine Walsh of our parish who died during the week. Once confirmed funeral details will be under 'Stop Press' on the parish website.

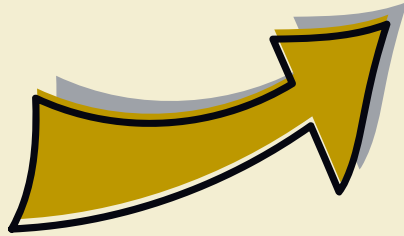
Recently deceased: Rusty Walters, Renaldo Gaiety, Fr David Taylor, Patrick Martin, Elvira Rodriguez, Mary McCormick, Peter Lawrence, Edward Carlos Aoud. **Anniversary:** Joan McCreanor, Kevin McCreanor, John McCreanor, Margaret Dwyer, Marjorie Johnston, Fr Peter Flynn, Alexander Kalnoky, May Spies, Marjorie Steffel, Yue Ming Raymond Chan, Elizabeth Bold and John Caleo.

Please pray for those who are sick: Fr Clem Hill, Donna Tsang, Helen Tisdell, Evelyne Jones, Tony Plottel, Elizabeth Wales, Annette Leong, Diana Rosewell, Genevieve Larkin, Wolfgang Liers, Tanya Walsh, Jutta Mathur, Jessica Keen, Ali Crawford, William Wise, Janette Brennan, Barbara and John McMullen

The New Organ at Lindfield church

As you know, one of our parishioners has made an extremely generous and unsolicited donation to purchase a beautiful new organ for our Lindfield church. As a parish we are so very grateful. This was a very timely gift as the existing organ was on its last legs. The new organ was installed over three days this last week and is now ready to lead the community in worship and praise of God.

Monday: the last surviving piece of the infamous green carpet which once covered the entire floor of Holy Family church was removed from the organ podium. (for devotees of this carpet, it still survives in the choir loft!).

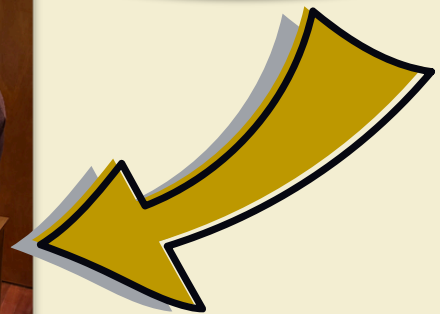


Tuesday: the new organ is lifted on to the podium (which has been re-carpeted to match the carpet in Our Lady's Oratory at the rear of the church).

The rest of the day saw much electrical work and the installation of the organ's speakers (all of which has been covered by the donation).



Wednesday: the organ has a test drive by none other than Jim Forsyth (formerly long-time organist and choir director at Holy Family). The 'test drive' allowed adjustments to the organ's and the speakers' settings to match the acoustics of the church).



The Blessing of the Organ

will take place at the 10:15am Mass
on Pentecost Sunday,
24th May.

Morning tea will follow Mass in St Brigid's Hall.



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The Holy Spirit will help you and always be with you

6th Sunday of Easter, Year A

Jesus loves us and asks us to keep his commandments. Name some of the commandments.



Gospel

Jn 14:15-21

Jesus said to his disciples:

"If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever, that Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows him; but you know him, because he is with you, he is in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come back to you. In a short time the world will no longer see me; but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will understand that I am in my Father and you in me and I in you. Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them will be one who loves me; and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I shall love him and show myself to him."



The Spirit will show you what is true

Answer the following questions True or False

Jesus only loves those who do good deeds. _____

The Holy Spirit is always with us. _____

God sent the Holy Spirit to help the disciples. _____

Jesus said "You should not love your enemies". _____

The disciples received the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. _____



Thanks to Angela Whitby from Catholic Care who spoke at the Killara Morning Tea last weekend. Her honest and informative discussion about the homeless in our area was a sombre reminder of a growing problem. Keep an eye on this space for more information from Angela about what we can do.