



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

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 19 - 7 - 26

This week: Wis 12:13, 16-19, Rom 8:26-27, Mt 13:24-43
Next week: 1 Kgs 3:5,7-12, Rom 8:28-30, Mt 13:44-52



Today's Second Reading carries the encouraging message that when it comes to our prayer life it doesn't all depend on what we do - that the heart of what happens in prayer is in God's hands. 'The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness.'

This is in fact the message of the great saints and mystics in our tradition. So often we feel that prayer is all about what we do - and since we so often are unfocussed, distracted or inattentive when we try to pray then the conclusion we draw is that our prayer is deficient and mediocre. If we sit down and try to give fifteen minutes to prayer and at the end realise that our mind must have wandered for thirteen of those minutes then we do a quick mental calculation and decide that we only really prayed for two minutes.

Wrong! Is the message of the great teachers of prayer. We prayed for fifteen minutes, because from our side of things the heart of prayer is that we tried, that we wanted to pray, that we desired to pray. And the real heart of the prayer is that once we tried, once we sat down to pray, it was God who prayed in us. The true heart of prayer is what God does in us, despite the wandering mind and fidgety legs. If we at least want to and try to pray God does the rest - slowing working in us to change us and help us grow.

It's an encouraging message and it urges us to keep praying - even when we don't *seem* to achieve anything - because the true test is not what *we* do, but what *God* does, in us. Fr Colin



Is there more to life than this?

Alpha is a safe space to explore life, purpose and the Christian faith, ask questions, and share your point of view.

Alpha is free (meal provided) and everyone is welcome.

Date: 6 August 2026 at 7pm

Location: Shirley Wallace Parish Centre

To register or submit an inquiry please contact
Teresa - alpha@lindfieldkillara.org.au

To learn more about Alpha, visit
alpha.org.au



SEIZE THE DAY! !

An opportunity in our own parish
to nurture and deepen faith.

Book in now!



RCIA
A Journey In Faith

ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU
KNOW THINKING OF BECOMING
A CATHOLIC?

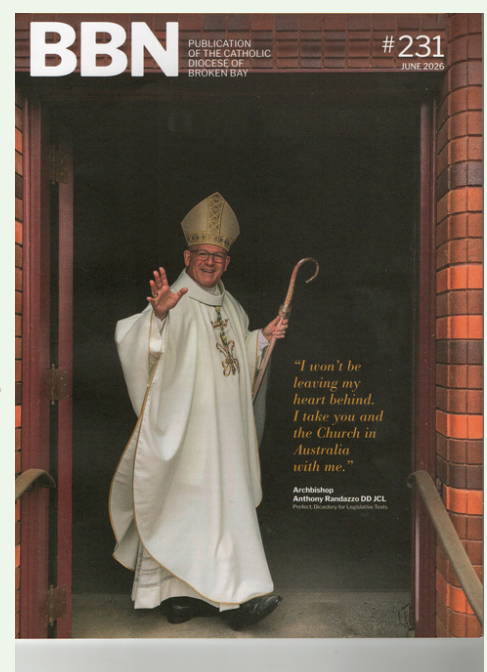
**IT'S TIME TO LET
US KNOW !**

The RCIA journey begins
at the start of August - so
if you or someone you
know want to board the
exciting train ride to
Easter please let us know
NOW ! All aboard !



DID YOU MISS OUT?

Spare copies of the
latest issue of **Broken
Bay News** - a farewell
edition for Archbishop
Anthony Randazzo - are
available in the foyers
of our two churches.



Some dates for your diary

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL ART SHOW
FRIDAY 18TH - SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER

MASS AND PIZZA NIGHT
FOR HSC/IB STUDENTS & FAMILIES:
TUESDAY 6TH OCTOBER 6:00PM

PARISH PILGRIMAGE
SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER

BLESSING OF ANIMALS
SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER 11:30AM

THANK YOU EVENING FOR VOLUNTEERS:
TUESDAY 27TH OCTOBER
7:00PM MASS, FUNCTION FOLLOWING

OUR NEXT PARISH SYNODAL ASSEMBLY
SUN. 8TH NOVEMBER
11:15AM - 1:30PM

ADVENT ECUMENICAL SERVICE
TUESDAY 1ST DECEMBER 7:30PM

COMBINED PARISH & SCHOOL CAROLS
NIGHT AND FOOD FEST
FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER 6:00PM



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Early Enrolments Open
for Confirmation

Programme will
run through
Term 4
this year

See QR Code for
more info

Did you know that

*...our diocese is opening a new Catholic Secondary
School on our doorstep?*

St Catherine Senior Campus
1 Bobbin Head Road Pymble, 2073
P: (02) 7256 2142
E: sienacatholiccollege@dbb.catholic.edu.au
W: <https://www.sienadbb.catholic.edu.au/>

OPENING IN 2027. ENROLLING NOW.

ST MARY MAGDALENE

This Wednesday is the celebration of St Mary Magdalene. Pope Francis went to great effort to stress Mary Magdalene's proper role in our faith. For over a millennium she was erroneously identified with the woman in the Gospel who was a prostitute (Luke 7: 36-50)—an identification which the Gospel itself never makes, a

mistake which found its origin in the Christmas homily of the sixth century Pope Gregory I.

Mary's true significance is her prominence as a faithful disciple of Jesus—being mentioned in the Gospels more than most of the apostles. Matthew, Mark and John tell us that she was present at the crucifixion. Her role came to its climax in being the first witness to the Resurrection. The Gospel tells us that Mary & the other women with her were the ones who went to tell the apostles that Jesus had risen.

For this reason Pope Francis gave her the title of 'apostle to the apostles' and elevated her celebration from a mere Memoria to the level of 'Feast'. This is very telling as it is only the Lord himself, his Mother, and the apostles who have celebrations at the rank of 'Feast'.

St Mary Magdalene offers an important balance to the Church's tendency to focus on the role of male disciples. This Wednesday we celebrate the woman who was 'apostle to the apostles', the first bearer of the Good News of the Resurrection. May she, by her prayers, inspire us to do the same.



Parish retreats at Tarrawarra Abbey next year

At present we have two options:

- 1. Mon. 5th Apr. - Sun. 11th Apr.*
- 2. Mon. 12th Apr. - Sun. 18th Apr.*
(the second option coincides with school holidays).

If you would like to book in, or just find out more, please contact Fr Colin as soon as possible.



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

ON CARRYING ECCLESIAL TENSION

We disagree a lot and are forever frustrated with each other. That's true in all families, communities, and churches. In this world, there's no life together without a shadow.

Inside of our churches, we have more than enough things about which to disagree: God, Jesus, church, morality, worship, spirituality, justice, discipleship.

It has never been different: We see major divisions already within scripture itself. The bible does not give us one, clear understanding of God, Jesus, church, eucharist, morality, and discipleship. It gives us a series of understandings, some of which almost seem to contradict each other and some of which had the apostles at odds with each other. Peter and Paul disagreed on a number of things, quite heatedly it seems, and John's theology of the church and the eucharist is very different than Matthew, Mark, Luke, or Paul. In scripture, we already see many of the tensions and divisions that divide us today.

But this doesn't necessarily mean that we're doing something wrong, that sin and infidelity are the problem. Sometimes they are, but not always. Even the great saints didn't always see eye to eye on everything. There can be legitimate reasons to see things differently. There's no principle that says that truth, as it is held in the hearts of sincere people, should fit together without friction. And there's a reason for this.

God, by definition is ineffable, beyond grasp, beyond imagination, and it is a given, a truth beyond dispute, that our understanding of God (and of all the deep mysteries within life) will of necessity have a variety of expressions, none of them adequate to the reality. All the religious expression in the world will still never give adequate expression to God and to Christ, just as all the psychological and aesthetic expressions in the world will never give adequate expression to the mystery of the love that grounds our lives.

That principle, that all our language and concepts are inadequate, is in fact enshrined in church dogma, but has never been properly respected. If we really accepted that our concepts and language are inadequate, we'd more easily accept too the differences, tensions, and disagreements that are inherent in family, church, and community.

But none of us like to live in tension and neither do our church communities. Tension is painful and so the temptation is always to try to resolve it. And this often leads to a resolution that is premature, simplistic, and too much dictated by liberal or conservative ideology.

Thus, if I'm a conservative, my sense will be that

things are clear, but get confused because false freedom sets itself against truth and community. My itch will be to resolve tension and differences by appealing to authority, dogma, tradition, law, and rubrics, but without an equal appeal to the complexity of life and individual freedom.

Conversely, if I'm a liberal, my approach to understanding things will be to start from life's ambiguity rather than from its clarity. My worry will be that complexity and private conscience are not being sufficiently respected and my itch (suffered in the name of conscience, freedom, and the spirit) will be to resolve issues without an equal appeal to tradition, dogma, authority, and law.

Who's right here? Neither and both.

The conservatives are right to appeal to tradition, authority, dogma, and law. Freedom and sincerity alone are not enough. We need to be reminded of the lessons learned from history, of mistakes already made, of moral imperatives that we're not free to accept or reject on our own terms, and of the dangers of naive freedom and the unchecked ego.

But the liberals are right too in keeping us aware that human authority, even of the ecclesial kind, is not God and is always inadequate to the task of representing God's parental hand. There's a place where everyone stands in conscience, alone, before God, and nobody, not even the church, gets to judge what goes on there. Liberals are right as well in making us uncomfortable every time we believe that we've arrived in truth and that our present way of understanding things is sufficient to do justice to the complexity of reality and to God's understanding of things.

Thus, we need to carry both, the conservative and the liberal understanding of things. There's an important place both for authority and conscience, dogma and truth's incapacity to be captured in any one formula, and for the demands of church and the demands of individual freedom. The secret is to respect both, refuse to betray either, and then accept the tension that ensues.

This isn't easy. We hate tension. But we must try to carry it because life and truth need both sides of the equation. To quote Karl Rahner: "You must try to bring about the miracle of this double identity over and over again. The sum will never work out. But try for it, over and over again. One of the two on its own is not enough. Only the two together are sufficiently crucifying."

Fr Ron Rolheiser omi

Would you like to explore Pope Leo's Encyclical 'Magnifica Humanitas'?

It's the next book on our Parish Book Club's reading list and will be discussed at the monthly meeting **this Wednesday 22nd July** at 10am in the Shirley Wallace Parish Centre.

The Parish Book Club invites all interested parishioners to attend this gathering.

You can read the Encyclical at
<https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/encyclicals/documents/20260515-magnifica-humanitas.html>

ENTRANCE HYMN

Antiphon: Blest be the Lord; blest be the Lord,
The God of mercy, the God who saves.
I shall not fear the dark of night,
Nor the arrow that flies by day.

God will release me from the nets of all my foes
and will protect me from their wicked hands.
Beneath the shadows of God's wings I will rejoice
To find a dwelling place secure.

I need not shrink before the terrors of the night
Nor stand alone before the light of day.
No harm shall come to me, no arrow strike me down,
No evil settle in my soul.

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HYMN FOR THE DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust, ever childlike, no cares can destroy,
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
Be there at our homing, and give, us we pray,
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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COMMUNION HYMN

1. Christians let us love one another
as we share the true living bread
Jesus is our God and our brother;
with his flesh and blood we are fed.

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HYMNS FOR THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Refrain: Everyone who loves is born of God.
Jesus is our life, God is love.

2. We who break this bread are one body,
we who share this cup are all one
Children of our Father in heaven,
we are heirs of God's only Son.

3. We who eat and drink at this table
die and rise again with our Lord.
Drawing from our rock living water
For all those who thirst for accord.

4. Wheat and grape incarnate a myst'ry;
Jesus is the true living bread.
Let us eat with joy and thanksgiving,
Trusting in the word he has said

5. Jesus is the vine, we the branches;
We are grains of wheat, Christ the bread.
Those who eat this bread live for ever,
One with Christ, our Lord and our bread.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

Refrain:
All the ends of the earth, all you creatures of the sea,
Lift up your eyes to the wonders of the Lord.
For the Lord of the earth, the Master of the sea,
Has come with justice for the world.

Break into song at the deeds of the Lord,
The wonders God has done in ev'ry age. *Refrain*

Heaven and earth shall rejoice in God's might;
Ev'ry heart ev'ry nation call him Lord. *Refrain*

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*I want a laity. . . . who know their religion, who
enter into it, who know just where they stand, who
know what they hold and what they do not, who
know their creed so well that they can give an
account of it, who know so much of history that
they can defend it.*

(St) John Henry Newman

Free Wills Seminar & Morning Tea ☕

Join legal expert **Cecilia Castle** for a free
seminar covering wills, powers of attorney,
and enduring guardianship.

 6 August 2026 |  10:00–11:30am | 
Magnificat Room, Chatswood — Registration
required by 4 August.



A little note

I will shortly be taking some annual leave but of course
Fr Setefano, Fr Stephen, and the Parish Staff will have
good care of things and as always, for security purposes
caretakers will be resident in the presbytery at all
times.

Fr Colin

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 85:5-6, 9-10, 15-16

O Lord, you are good and forgiving,
full of love to all who call.
Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer
and attend to the sound of my voice.

All the nations shall come to adore you
and glorify your name, O Lord:
for you are great and do marvellous deeds,
you who alone are God.

But you, God of mercy and compassion,
slow to anger, O Lord,
abounding in love and truth,
turn and take pity on 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! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of
heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the
mysteries of the kingdom.
Alleluia!

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION: THE GRACE IS FROM GOD'S SIDE

Father Richard points to God's covenant with the Jewish people to illustrate how the choosing rests entirely on God's side, not on our own merit:

We first see the idea of grace in the Hebrew Scriptures through the concept of election or chosenness. This is eventually called "covenant love" because it finally becomes a mutual giving and receiving. This love is always initiated from God's side toward the people of ancient Israel, and they gradually learn to trust it and respond in kind. The Bible shows a relentless movement toward intimacy and divine union between Creator and creatures. For this to happen, there needs to be some degree of compatibility, likeness, or even "sameness" between the two parties. In other words, there has to be a little bit of God in us that wants to find itself.

We see the message of implanted grace clearly in Jesus. He recognises that he is one with God. Jesus knows that it is God in him doing the knowing, loving, healing, and serving. Jesus fully trusts his deepest identity and never doubts it, which is the unique character of his divine sonship. We often doubt, deny, and reject our true identity, our own belovedness, finding it hard to believe what we did not choose, create, or earn for ourselves. Such unaccountable gratuity is precisely the meaning of grace and also why we are afraid to trust it. Yes, it is God in us that always seeks and knows God; like always knows like. We are made for one another from the beginning

(Ephesians 1:4-6). Maybe the ultimate grace is to know that it is all grace to begin with! It is already a grace to recognise that it is grace.

God doesn't love the ancient Hebrew people or anybody else because we are good. God loves us from a free and deliberate choice. Receiving God's love has never been a worthiness contest. This is very hard for almost everyone to accept. It is finally a surrendering and never a full understanding. The proud will seldom submit until they are "brought down from their thrones," as Mary put it (Luke 1:52). It just does not compute inside our binary, judging, competing, and comparing brains.

God does not love you because you are good; God loves you because God is good, and then you can be good because you draw upon such an Infinite Source of Goodness. The older I get, the more I am sure that God does all the giving and we do all the receiving. God is always and forever the initiator in my life, and I am, on occasion, the half-hearted respondent. My mustard seed of a response seems to be more than enough for a humble God, even though the mustard seed is "the tiniest of all the seeds" (Matthew 13:32).

God makes use of everything that we offer and thus expands our freedom. Otherwise, it would not be a covenant love, but a mere coercion. God implants the desire within us to desire even more intimacy with God.

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 Sunday

Weekday Mass this week

SIXTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Mon. 8am Killara
Tues. 8am Killara
Wed. 10am Lindfield *Feast, St Mary Magdalene*
Thur. 10am Lindfield
Fri. 10am Lindfield

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	18 July Fr Colin	25 July Fr Stephen
SUNDAY Lindfield 8:30AM Killara 9:00AM Lindfield 10:15AM Lindfield 12:00PM Lindfield 6:00PM	19 July Fr Setefano Fr Colin Fr Setefano Fr Goonan Fr Setefano	26 July Fr Setefano Fr Stephen Fr Setefano Fr Anselam Fr Setefano

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For all of our staff click on 'Our Parish' on the website.

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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 & sick clergy):
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2nd Collection:
(providing for all the operating costs of the parish):
BSB 062 784 Ac 10000 1623



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.

JULY

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

Wed 22nd 10am Book Club
7:30pm Scripture study (online)

Sun 26th 10.15am Children's Mass followed by morn.tea

AUGUST

Wed 5th 11am Scripture study (online)

Sun 9th 10.15am Children's Mass followed by morn.tea

Wed 12th 7:30pm Scripture study (online)

Fri 14th 10am Healing Mass

Sun 16th Potluck Dinner following 6pm Mass

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

5:00-5:15pm Saturdays at Killara

Our Chinese Catholic Community

常年期第十六主日 19.7.2026
中文主日彌撒正午12時

讀經一 (人在犯罪之後, 你常賜人懺悔的機會。)

恭讀智慧篇 12:13,16-19

上主, 除你以外, 再沒有其他照顧萬物的神。你還要向誰證明, 你的審判莫不公允?

你的權力, 原是你公義的本源, 因為你主宰一切, 所以你必能諒解一切。為此, 如果有人不相信你具有絕對的權威, 你就將你的權力顯示出來; 如果他們知道, 而仍膽大妄為, 你就予以懲罰。你雖掌有大權, 但施行審判, 卻很溫和; 治理我們, 極其寬仁; 因為, 權能屬於你, 只要你願意, 你就能行使。

你這樣做, 是為教訓你的子民: 義人必須憐愛眾人; 並使你的子女, 滿懷希望, 因為人在犯罪之後, 你常賜人懺悔的機會。

——上主的話。

答唱詠 詠86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16

【答】: 我主, 你又良善又寬仁。(詠86:5)

領: 我主, 因為你又良善又寬仁, 凡呼號你的, 你必仁慈厚待他。上主, 求你俯聽我的祈禱, 求你細聽我的哀告。【答】

領: 上主, 你創造的萬民, 齊來崇拜你, 並宣揚你的名號。因為你是偉大的, 獨行奇謀; 只有你是唯一無二的主。【答】

領: 上主, 你是良善而又慈悲的主; 你緩於發怒, 極其寬仁, 又極其信實。求你回顧我, 求你憐憫我。【答】

讀經二 (聖神以無可言喻的歎息, 代我們轉求。)

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致羅馬人書 8:26-27

弟兄姊妹們:

聖神扶助我們的軟弱, 因為我們不知道我們如何祈求才對, 而聖神卻親自以無可言喻的歎息, 代我們轉求。那洞悉心靈的主, 知道聖神的意願是什麼, 因為他是按照天主的旨意, 代聖徒轉求。——上主的話。

福音前歡呼

領: 亞肋路亞。

眾: 亞肋路亞。

領: 父啊! 天地的主宰! 我稱謝你, 因為你將這些事, 啟示給小孩子。(瑪11:25)

眾: 亞肋路亞。

福音 (讓莠子和麥子一起長到收割的時候。)

恭讀聖瑪竇福音 13:24-30

那時候, 耶穌給群眾講了另一個比喻說:

「天國好像一個人, 在自己田裡, 撒了好種子; 但在人睡覺的時候, 他的仇人來了, 在麥子中間, 撒上莠子, 就走了。

「苗長起來, 抽出穗的時候, 莠子也顯出來了。家主的僕人, 就來對家主說: 主人! 你不是在你田地裡, 撒了好種子嗎? 那麼, 從那裡

來了莠子? 家主對僕人說: 這是仇人做的。僕人對家主說: 那麼, 你願意我們去把莠子收集

起來嗎? 家主卻說: 不, 免得你們收集莠子

時, 連麥子也拔了出來。讓兩樣一起長到收割

的時候吧! 在收割時, 我要對收割的人說: 你們

先收集莠子, 把莠子捆起來, 燒掉; 再把麥子

收入我的倉裡。」——上主的話。

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:

Recently deceased: Sarah Sherwood, Maureen Hathaway, Dawn Sasseen, Janet Farel, Elvira Rodriguez. **Anniversary:** Raymond Jones, Vera Kolos, Geoff Doughty, Phyllis Ward, Ellen Phoon, John Crawford, Ellen Bennett, Fredrick Baird, Paul Fenelon, Beryl Cates, Vincent Pelosi, David Davoren, Peter Rogers, John Miller, Sean O'Connor, Elizabeth Watson, Ian Coffey, Diana Roche, Brendan Walsh, Frank Hallissy, Sylvia Yee-Joy, Keith McCormick, Margaret Davies, Ronnie Fitzgerald.

Please pray for those who are sick: Noreen O'Sullivan, Margaret Doherty, Fr Clem Hill, Helen Tisdell, Sue Larkin, 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

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A terminal diagnosis can change life in an instant. Alongside the medical appointments, treatments and practical decisions, many people find themselves facing uncertainty, loss, fear and difficult questions about what lies ahead.

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Rather than providing clinical care or counselling, Crossroad Companions focuses on emotional, spiritual and relational support. Companions spend time listening, sharing conversation, supporting reflection and meaning-making, exploring hopes and concerns, and helping people navigate the challenges that can arise as illness progresses. Support can also include discussing personal wishes, relationships, legacy, end-of-life planning and connecting people with faith and pastoral resources if desired.

Family members and carers are also supported as they adjust to the emotional and practical realities of caring for a loved one with a terminal illness.

The service is available to anyone facing the end of life.

For more information about Crossroad Companions:

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THE CHURCH RESPONDING TO THE NEEDS OF VENEZUELA

Specialists from the Caritas network from the United States, Latin America, the Caribbean, Spain and Germany joined local teams to help with sanitation, water, nutrition and shelter.

More than 14,000 tonnes of humanitarian aid had reached earthquake survivors in Venezuela by the end of last week, according to Caritas Venezuela. Safe drinking water and food are the most pressing needs said the charity in a report titled *Tras el temblor, el amor* ("After the Tremor, Love").

It said 9,000 tonnes of aid have been distributed to thousands of survivors of the twin earthquakes, which struck the country on the evening of 24 June.

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This is an abridged version of an article which appeared in 'The Tablet'.

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Sunday 26 July

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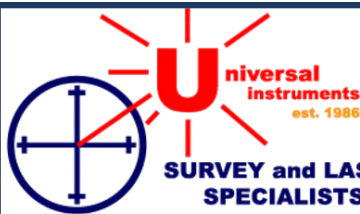
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The farmer scattered good seed



The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat.

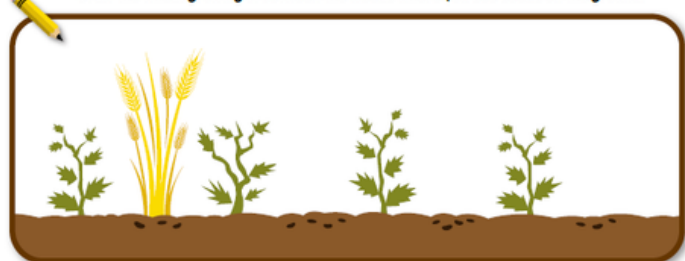
Help the farmer scatter the seed by finding the path to the wheat. Keep a look out for weeds!



Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, before gathering the wheat.



Draw the wheat growing in between the weeds where you see seeds on the ground.



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CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES FOR TERM 3



Children's Liturgy of the Word
is for all kids in primary school.

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the word of God in language they
can understand.

At the 10.15 Mass
on the following dates:

19 July
2 Aug
16 Aug
30 Aug
6 Sept
20 Sept

C.O.G.

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23 August
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13 December



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