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

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8 - 11 - 26

This week: Wis 6:12-16, 1 Thess 4:13-18, Mt 25:1-13
Next week: Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31, 1 Thess 5:1-6, Mt 25:14-30



"So stay awake because you do not know either the day or the hour."

Very often this phrase and others like it in the Gospel are taken to refer to being vigilant about either the end of the world or the end of one's own life.

But in fact it has a more demanding and a more immediate relevance:

Jesus' challenge in today's parable is to be awake and alert to how he comes into our lives ***NOW*** *– in the* ***present*** *moment, in the* ***present*** *person, in the* ***present*** *experience.*

And particularly when that moment or person or experience may not be the one we want or would choose.

The parable is an invitation to openness,openness to the unexpected and the unwanted; openness to the God who will come in the way and at the time that God wants; openness to the hidden and challenging invitations of God in each present moment.

'Stay awake.' Or 'fall asleep'. The choice is ours. *Fr Colin*

Our next Synodal Assembly

Our next gathering of the parish in Synodal Assembly will take place **TODAY Sunday 8th November** at 11:15am on our Lindfield campus.

We'll begin with morning tea in MacKillop Hall, there'll be light snacks provided midway through, and we conclude by 1:30pm sharp. **Please commit this time to one another.**



Let's take up Pope Francis' and Pope Leo's call to be a synodal church listening and discussing with each other to discern where the Holy Spirit is calling us as a parish community.

PLEASE be here for our Assembly.

Fr Colin

Monthly Sausage Sizzle

next Sunday 15th November
after 6pm Youth Mass

Please join us for Mass
and stay for the sausage sizzle afterwards
in the courtyard of MacKillop Hall (or
inside the hall if the weather is inclement).



PASTORAL WORKS Broken Bay

The first 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 $23,500 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.



Celebrations of the Sacrament of Confirmation

Please hold in your prayers the children who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday 20th November that they will always treasure and respond to the gift and promptings of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

This month of November...

1. The **Book of Remembrance** in each of our two churches is now in its place of honour in the sanctuary.

2. **Our annual Mass for those whose names are recorded on our Memorial Walls** (and at which new plaques will also be blessed) are:
   - at the 5:30pm Vigil at Killara on Saturday 14th Nov.
   - at the 10:15am Mass at Lindfield today Sun. 8th Nov.



FOR YOUR ADVENT DIARIES:



ADVENT ECUMENICAL SERVICE
with our fellow local Churches:
Tuesday 1st December at **7:30pm**
at **Holy Family Church Lindfield.**



COMBINED PARISH AND SCHOOL CAROLS NIGHT
Friday 4th December from 5:00pm
in the school undercroft,
accompanied by sausage sizzle.

ADVENT SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION
as we prepare our hearts for Christmas
Wednesday 16th December 7:15pm
at Holy Family Church





Parish Book Club

On the 4th Wednesday of each month, our Parish Book Club comes together to discuss their book of the month, share thoughts and ideas, and enjoy a lovely morning of conversation and fellowship over morning tea.

It's a wonderful opportunity to connect, share a love of reading and enjoy each other's company.

If you'd like to join the group and get the reading list please contact Catherine Willis (catherinecwillis@gmail.com) or Elizabeth Reedy (elizabethreedy@msn.com).

NEW MUSICAL SETTING OF THE PARTS OF THE MASS

STARTS THIS WEEKEND



A reminder that we will now use the 'Mass of St Francis' for the sung parts of the Mass twice each month, and our existing setting of the 'Mass Shalom' on the other weekends.

This weekend we will sing the 'Mass of St Francis' setting for the first time. You can listen to it via the special hotlink box on the homepage of our parish website.

Join us for Our Monthly Healing Mass

including the Sacrament of the Sick for those seeking God's healing and strength spiritually or physically.

This Friday 13th November 10:00am at Killara

followed by morning tea in St Joseph's Hall.

TICK, TOCK ...THE END TIMES ARE COMING !



Our Church liturgical year is drawing to a close. Next Sunday is the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time and the following Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, the last Sunday of the Church Year. The weekend after that (29th Nov.) we enter a new Church Year with the beginning of the time of Advent.

Parish Seniors' Social Group

The next gathering will be on FRIDAY 20th NOVEMBER at 11:00am.



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

Parking - double park in the parish carpark around the church (or on our internal driveway). Of course there's also 2 hour free parking at Coles.

For this November meeting the senior students from our parish school will also pay a visit!

If you haven't already done so and would like to put your name down for updates please email :
seniors@lindfieldkillara.org.au

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

HANDLING RESENTMENT IN OUR LIVES

Many of us, I suspect, know about the work of the renowned anthropologist, Rene Girard and the dissemination of his insights through the work of his student, Gil Bailie. With gratitude to them, I pass along one of their insights, an invaluable look at how we try to handle resentment in our lives.

When astronauts journey into space, their capsules are equipped with a machine that gets rid of the carbon dioxide they produce as they breathe. If that machine breaks down, they're in trouble, as was shown in the movie Apollo 13. Traveling inside a space capsule is possible only if there's a machine constantly getting rid of the carbon dioxide being produced.

That's also true for our human journey. All groups constantly produce the suffocating gas of resentment and jealousy. Resentment is present inside of virtually every human community and family because, as Girard puts it, we're "mimetic", which means, among other things, that we always want what others have. This inevitably creates tension, resentment, jealousy, and conflict. It's no accident that two of the Ten Commandments have to do with jealousy.

What's the machine inside human life that tries to rid us of the carbon dioxide of jealousy and resentment? Anthropologists tell us that we try to rid ourselves of tension by scapegoating. How does scapegoating work and how does it get rid of tension?

Consider this example: Imagine going out for lunch with a number of your colleagues or co-workers. There will be, as is always the case, some personality conflicts and tensions among us. But we can have a harmonious and even fun-filled lunch together. How? By talking about certain people who aren't there, whom we all dislike, whom we all consider eccentric or difficult, and whom we all judge to be a negative or eccentric presence. And so we talk about them: how terrible the boss is, how difficult a particular colleague is, how eccentric one of our co-workers is. In doing that, in highlighting how different or negative to us someone else is, we make our own tensions with each other disappear for that moment. That's the essence of scapegoating. We create community with each other by projecting our tension onto someone else. By exiling that person from our community we create community with each other; but our unity is then based upon what we are against rather than upon what we are for.

All groups, until they reach a certain level of matur-ity, do this. And we do the same thing to copewith tension in our private lives. It works this way: We get up some morning and, for a myriad of reasons, feel out sorts, weighed down by a mixture of free-floating frustration, anxiety, and anger. So what do we do? We find someone to blame. Invariably we will soon pick someone (in our family, at our place of work, or a politician, or a religious figure) on whom to place that tension. Someone whom we consider difficult, or ignorant, or politically wrong, or morally corrupt, or religiously bad will soon bear the weight of our tension and resentment.

Moreover, not only will we project our tension onto someone, we will invariably "sacralise" the indignation we feel, that is, we will project our tension and anger onto that other not just because he or she is different from ourselves or because we consider him or her difficult, ignorant, or lazy, but especially because we feel ourselves as morally superior to him or her: we're right and he's is wrong; we're good and she's bad. Thus our resentment towards that person is a holy resentment, necessary for the cause of God, and truth, and goodness. Such are all crucifixions, hangings, and excommunications.

That's the normal human machine to rid ourselves of resentment inside our communities and inside ourselves. Jesus was crucified precisely because a community did this to him, and did it to him for holy reasons.

But, the ultimate victim of scapegoating, Jesus, invites us to something higher, and he models that for us in the way he died. Jesus took away tension by transforming it rather than by transmitting it. What Jesus does for us is comparable to what a water-purifier does. A water-purifier takes in water containing dirt, toxins, and poisons. It holds the impurities inside of itself and gives back only pure water. Jesus, as the Lamb of God, took away our sins and purified us in his blood not by some divine magic but, precisely, by absorbing and transforming our sin. Like a water-purifier, he took in hatred, held it, transformed it, and gave back love; he took in jealousy, held it, transformed it, and gave back affirmation; he took in resentment, held it, transformed it, and gave back compassion; and ultimately, he took in murder, held it, transformed it, and gave back forgiveness. That's the Christian design for taking tension and resentment out of our lives.

And, as Soren Kierkegaard suggests, we shouldn't just admire what Jesus did here, we should imitate it.

Fr Ron Rolheiser omi

RE MASS ON MONDAYS

As Fr Stephen is on annual leave and on retreat there will be NO 8AM MASS at Killara church on Mondays until 16th November. The 8am Mass on Tuesdays is as normal.

PARISH RETREAT AT TARRAWARRA ABBEY IN 2027

We still have a few spaces available for next year's retreat - a beautiful time of quiet and reflection in a beautiful landscape at Tarrawarra Abbey, a monastic community of Cistercian monks.

The dates are:

Arrive Monday 5th April afternoon -
Depart Sunday 11th April afternoon.

If you would be interested, or would just likle to find out more information, please let me know.

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HYMNS FOR THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ENTRANCE : ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

1.All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluia, alleluia!
O burning sun with golden beam,
O silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise God, O praise God, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2.Swift rushing winds that are so strong,
White clouds that sail in Heav'n along,
O praise God, alleluia!
O rising morn, in praise rejoice,
And lights of evening, find a voice.
O praise God, O praise God, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3.And all you saints of tender heart,
Forgiving others, take your part,
O sing loud, alleluia!
You who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God and on him cast your care:
O praise God, O praise God, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4.Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship God in humbleness,
O praise God, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One:
O praise God, O praise God, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: AS THE DEER LONGS

Refrain: As the deer longs for running streams,
So I long, so I long, so I long for you.

1. Athirst my soul for you, the God who is my life!
When shall I see, when shall I see, see the face of God?

2. Echoes meet as deep is calling unto deep,
Over my head, all your mighty waters, sweeping over me.

3. Continually the foe delights in taunting me:
"Where is God, where is your God?"
Where, O where are you?

4. Defend me, God, send forth your light and your truth.
They will lead me to your holy mountain,
to your dwelling place

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5. Then I shall go unto the altar of my God.
Praising you, O my joy and gladness,
I shall praise your name.

COMMUNION: COME TO ME, ALL WHO LABOUR

Refrain: Come to me, all who labour and are heavy burdened
And I shall give you rest.
Take up my yoke and learn from me,
For I am meek and humble of heart.
And you'll find rest for your souls
Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall never be in need
Fresh and green are the meadows where God gives me rest

Come to me, all who labour and are heavy burdened
And I shall give you rest
Take up my yoke and learn from me
For I am meek and humble of heart
And you'll find rest for your souls
Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden is light

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RECESSIONAL HYMN: LET HEAVEN REJOICE

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 the Children's Mass

ENTRANCE : GIVE ME OIL IN MY LAMP

1 Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning,
give me oil in my lamp, I pray;
give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning,
keep me burning till the break of day.

Refrain: Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
sing hosanna to the King of kings!
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
sing hosanna to the King!

2 Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
give me joy in my heart, I pray;
give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,
keep me praising till the break of day. *Refrain*

3 Give me peace in my heart, keep me loving,
give me peace in my heart, I pray;
give me peace in my heart, keep me loving,
keep me loving till the break of day. *Refrain*

4 Give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
give me love in my heart, I pray;
give me love in my heart, keep me serving,
keep me serving till the break of day. *Refrain*

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DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS : WE GATHER AT YOUR TABLE

1.We come to Your table now
with gifts of bread and wine.
We gather at Your table now
with these gifts of our lives.

2.This bread that we bring
we offer now to You.
It will be your body:
A gift of love from You.

3.This wine that we bring
we offer now to You.
It will be your Blood:
A gift of love from You.

4.Our lives that we bring
we offer now to You
May we be nourished
through this gift of love from You

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COMMUNION : OPEN MY EYES

Open my eyes Lord, help me to see Your face.
Open my eyes Lord, help me to see.

Open my ears Lord, help me to hear Your voice.
Open my ears Lord, help me to hear.

Open my heart Lord, help me to love like You.
Open my heart Lord, help me to love.

I live within You, deep in Your heart, O Lord.
I live within You, rest now in me.

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RECESSIONAL : 10,000 REASONS

Chorus: 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. (Chorus)

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. (Chorus)

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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 62:2-8.**

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water.

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary.
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise.

So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy

On my bed I remember you.
On you I muse through the night
for you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

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 & 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! Be watchful and ready:
you know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection,
until you come again.

FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION: A SPIRITUALITY OF RIPENING

Father Richard describes how a spirituality of ripening allows us to hold greater paradox through an increasing awareness of our union with God:

Reality, fate, destiny, providence, and tragedy are slow but insistent teachers. The horizon of old age seems to be a plan that God has prepared as inevitable and part of the necessary school of life. What is gratuitously given is also gratuitously taken away, just as Job slowly came to accept. And sometimes we remember that his eventual pained response was "Blessed be the name of the Lord!" (Job 1:21). We all live in the same cycle of unrequested birth and unrequested death. Someone else is clearly in control, yet most of our lives are spent accepting and surrendering to this truth, and in trusting that this "someone" is good and trustworthy besides. It is the very shape of faith and the entire journey of faith. If we are to speak of a spirituality of ripening, we need to recognise that it is always (and I do mean always) characterised by an increasing tolerance for ambiguity, a growing sense of subtlety, an ever-larger ability to include and allow, and a capacity to live with contradictions and even to love them! I cannot imagine any other way of coming to those broad horizons except through many trials, unsolvable paradoxes, and errors in trying to resolve them.

Without such a gradually renewed mind and heart, we almost certainly will end with a whimper—not just our own, but also that of the disappointed souls gathered around our sick bed or gravestone. Too many lives have indeed been lives of "quiet desperation" and God must surely rush to console and comfort all humans before, during, and after their passing. Many put off enlightenment as long as they can.

The ripening of mind and heart is most basically a capacity for nondual consciousness and contemplation. Many might just call it a growth in compassion, but surely no growth in compassion is likely unless one learns how to forgive as a very way of life, and to let go of almost everything as we first imagined it had to be. This is possible as our understanding of faith deepens, requiring a careful pairing of not-knowing (the apophatic way) with knowing (the kataphatic way). The Jewish and Christian traditions balanced our so-called knowing with trust, patience, allowing, waiting, humility, love, and forgiveness, which is very nearly the entire message, and surely the core message, necessary for the possibility of ripening. Otherwise, we all close down, and history freezes up with all of its hurts, memories, and resentments intact.

So my guidance after over eighty years of life is a simple reminder to recall what we will be forced to learn by necessity and under pressure anyway—the open-ended way of allowing and the deep meaning that some call faith. To live in trustful faith is to ripen; it is almost that simple.

Sunday Mass

Killara Church
5:30pm Vigil
9.00am*

Lindfield Church
8.30am **10.15**am**
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.*
**** Sausage sizzle follows 6pm Mass on the 3rd Sunday.*

Weekday Mass this week

THIRTY-SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Mon.	**NO Mass**		
Tues.	8am	Killara	*Memoria, St Leo the Great*
Wed.	10am	Lindfield	*Memoria, St Martin of Tours*
Thur.	10am	Lindfield	*Memoria, St Josaphat*
Fri.	10am	**Killara**	***Monthly Healing Mass***

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		**7 November**	**14 November**
Killara	5:30PM	Fr Hien	Fr Colin
SUNDAY		**8 November**	**15 November**
Lindfield	8:30AM	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Killara	9:00AM	Fr Hien	Fr Sam French
Lindfield	10:15AM	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Lindfield	12:00PM	Fr Capirayan	Fr Goonan
Lindfield	6:00PM	Fr Colin	Fr Colin

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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.

Parish Diary

NOVEMBER

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

Sun 8th	10.15am Children's Mass
	11:15am **Parish Synodal Assembly**
Wed 11th	7:30pm Scripture study (online)
Fri 13th	10am Healing Mass
Sun 15th	Sausage Sizzle after 6pm Mass
Tue.17th	7:30pm Parish Pastoral Council
Wed 18th	11am Scripture study (online)
Fri 20th	11am Seniors Group Gathering
	5pm 7 &pm Celebration of Confirmation
Sun 22nd	10.15am Children's Mass followed by Morn.Tea

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

Our Chinese Catholic Community

常年期第三十二主日 8.11.2026
中文主日彌撒正午12 時

讀經一（尋覓智慧的，就可找到她。）
恭讀智慧篇 6:12-17
你們應思慕我的話，珍愛我的話，如此，你們必深受教益。
智慧是光明的，從不暗淡；愛慕她的，很容易看見她；尋覓她的，就可找到她；一有追求她的志願，她必預先顯示給他們。清早起來，尋求她的，不必費力，因為必發現她已坐在門前。思念智慧，是齊全的明哲；為她守夜不寐的，很快就毫無顧慮。因為，智慧到處尋找配得上自己的人，她在路上，親切地把自己顯示出來，很關心地迎接他們。
——上主的話。

答唱詠 詠63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
【答】：天主，你是我的天主，我的靈魂渴慕你。（詠63:2）
領：天主，你是我的天主，我急切尋覓你；我的靈魂渴慕你，我的肉身切望你，有如一塊乾旱涸竭、無水的田地。【答】
領：昔日，我曾在聖殿裡瞻仰過你，為能看到你的威能，和你的光輝；因為你的慈愛比生命更寶貴；我的唇舌要時常稱頌你。【答】
領：我要一生一世讚美你。我要因你的名，高舉雙手，向你祈禱。我的靈魂好似飽享了膏脂，我要以歡愉的口唇讚美你。【答】
領：當我在我床上想起了你時，我便徹夜不寐地默想著你。因為你曾作了我的助佑，我要在你的羽翼下歡舞。【答】

讀經二（天主要領那些死於耶穌內的人，同他一起前來。）
恭讀聖保祿宗徒致得撒洛尼人前書 4:13-18
弟兄姊妹們：
關於亡者，我們不願意你們不知道，以免你們憂傷，像其他沒有望德的人一樣。因為我們若是信耶穌死了，也復活了，同樣，也必信天主，要領那些死於耶穌內的人，同他一起前來。
我們照主的話，告訴你們這件事：我們這些活著，存留到主來臨時的人，決不會在已死的人以前。

因為，在發出號令時，在總領天使吶喊，及天主的號角聲中，主要親自由天降來。那些死於基督內的人，先要復活。然後，我們這些活著，還存留的人，同時與他們一起，要被提到雲彩上，到空中迎接主。這樣，我們就時常同主在一起。為此，你們要常用這些話，彼此安慰。——上主的話。

福音前歡呼
領：亞肋路亞。
眾：亞肋路亞。
領：你們要醒寤，要準備，因為你們料想不到的時辰，人子就來了。（瑪24:42,44）
眾：亞肋路亞。

福音（新郎來了，你們出來迎接吧！）
恭讀聖瑪竇福音 25:1-13
那時候，耶穌給門徒講了這個比喻，說：「天國好比十個童女，拿著自己的燈，出去迎接新郎。她們中，五個是糊塗的，五個是明智的。糊塗的，拿了燈，卻沒有隨身帶油；而明智的，拿了燈，又在壺裡帶了油。因為新郎遲遲未來，她們都打盹睡著了。
「半夜，有人喊說：新郎來了，你們出來迎接吧！那些童女於是都起來，裝備她們的燈。糊塗的，對明智的說：把你們的油，分些給我們吧！因為我們的燈，快要熄滅了！明智的回答說：怕為我們和你們都不夠，更好你們到賣油的地方，為自己買吧！
「她們去買的時候，新郎到了；那準備好了的，就同新郎進去，共赴婚宴；門於是關上了。後來，其餘的童女也來了，說：主啊！主啊！給我們開門吧！新郎卻回答說：我實在告訴你們：我不認識你們。
「所以，你們應該醒寤，因為你們不知道那日子，也不知道那時辰。」——上主的話。

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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:

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Please pray for those who are sick: Mark Oliphant, Hong Li, Carol Marriott, Sharon Hayes, Noreen O'Sullivan, Margaret Doherty, Fr Clem Hill, Helen Tisdell, Tony Plottel, Elizabeth Wales, Diana Rosewell, Genevieve Larkin, Wolfgang Liers, Tanya Walsh, Jutta Mathur, Jessica Keen, Ali Crawford, William Wise, Janette Brennan, Barbara and John McMullen.

JESUIT REFUGEE SERVICE
ADVENT FOOD DRIVE 2026

You can make a difference this Christmas.

The JRS Foodbank supports 200 families seeking asylum each week – families who are largely locked out of Government support and have nowhere else to turn.

This list has been carefully designed to be culturally appropriate for the communities we support. Items outside this list may be hard for us to distribute, so we ask you to focus on what is listed here.

FOOD ITEMS:

- **Oil** (750ml, 1L, 2L)
- **Long life full cream milk** (1L)
- **Dried red, brown or yellow lentils** (1kg)
- **Canned plain tuna in oil** (95g, 190g, 425g)
- **Canned tomatoes** (400g)
- **Canned kidney beans** (400g)
- **Canned chickpeas** (400g)
- **Canned lentils** (400g)
- **Canned condensed milk**
- **Canned coconut milk** (400ml)
- **Canned vegetables & fruit**
- **Sweet biscuits & savoury snacks**
- **Pasta**
- **Pasta sauce**
- **Instant noodles**
- **Salt** (500g, 1kg)
- **Sugar** (500g, 1kg)
- **Instant coffee**
- **Black tea bags**

ESSENTIALS:

- **Laundry detergent or powder** (1L, 2L)
- **Dishwashing liquid** (500ml, 750ml, 1L)
- **Shampoo & Conditioner**
- **Soap** (bar soap or body wash)
- **Toothbrushes & Toothpaste**
- **Deodorant**
- **Razors & Shaving Cream**
- **Nappies**
- **Baby wipes**
- **Incontinence aids** (ages 8-15, and adult M/L sizes)
- **Sanitary pads**

Coles and Woolworths vouchers of $25, $50 and $100 are needed to support the families that rely on our Foodbank during our Christmas closure period. Please be mindful to ensure that the voucher does not include alcohol retailers.

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1 in 3 families are struggling to pay their grocery bills.

Could you spare a few extra items during your next grocery shop to help support families in need?

Please see the list to the left for suggested items.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Donations can be placed in the collection boxes at either of our churches **before 16 November.**

Thank you for your kindness and support.

God showed me in my palm a little thing round as a ball, about the size of a hazelnut.
I looked at it with the eye of my understanding and asked myself:
"What is this thing?"

And I was answered: "It is everything that is created."

I wondered how it could survive since it seemed so little it could suddenly disintegrate into nothing.

The answer came: "It endures and ever will endure, because God loves it."

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All Saints' School Mass

Once again, our school community came together to celebrate Mass, this time in honour of All Saints' Day, which we celebrated last Sunday 1 November.

It was a lovely opportunity for our school and parish communities to come together in faith, prayer and celebration as we remembered and honoured all the saints.



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