



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.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT 26 – 3 – 23

This week: Ez 37:12-14 ; Rom 8:8-11 ; Jn 11:1-45
Next week: Is 50:4-7 ; Phil 2:6-11 ; Mt 26:14 – 27:66



'Unbind him, let him go free.'

When Jesus raises Lazarus these are his words to the bystanders: **'unbind him'**.

To be an Easter people,
to be disciples of the Jesus who was out of step with the legalistic Pharisees,
to be people filled with the Holy Spirit

is to be people who have been *unbound*.

in other words people who are not tied up with the bonds of petty regulations and a faith that is all about legalism.

Jesus reminded his listeners that faith is first and foremost a matter of *the heart*,
a *relationship* with a God who is a loving and compassionate Father,
a way of life that is meant to set us free, not to bind and enslave us. *Fr Colin*



The potluck dinner after last Sunday's Youth & Family Mass.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

IN PREPARATION FOR EASTER



Reconciliation

Please make use of the beautiful sacrament of God's mercy during Lent. The sacrament is available each Saturday in our two churches. See page 7 for details. **Once Holy Week begins there will be no times for Reconciliation** as by then our Easter preparations should be concluded.

SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION FOR LENT:

After a three year absence we will also have a celebration of **THE SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION** in our Killara church **THIS Wednesday 29th March at 7:30pm.**

In Vietnam, around 6.2 million people live with a disability. Thu is one of many who must do all he can to provide for his family. Despite its prevalence, people with disability in Vietnam face lifelong disadvantage, discrimination, and stigmatisation. Over 75% of people living with a disability live in rural areas of Vietnam, where they are more likely to live in poverty.



Since losing his leg when he was 12, Thu has lived a life of hardship and difficulty, especially as a rice farmer. His harvest's success depends on consistent rainfall, which has become unpredictable with climate change and extreme weather events. Thu also has to care for his wife, Linh, after she suffered a stroke.

Determined to find a new income to support his family, Thu joined a Village Savings and Loans Associations (VSLA) with other people living with a disability in his village. VSLA members save up money together in a group fund and provide low-interest loans to one another.

As part of Project Compassion this year, you can help millions like Thu forge a path out of poverty and create a brighter future for their families. Will you stand with them today and take action with a life-changing gift?

- ◆ Boxes and sets of weekly envelopes are in our foyers.
- ◆ You can also contribute by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.



HOLY WEEK TIMETABLE

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*** THE EASTER TRIDUUM ***

This year, once again, on Holy Thursday we will have a single celebration of the Mass of the Lord's Supper and it will be in our church at Killara. In this way on the night that Jesus gathered at table with his disciples for the Last Supper we too can gather as a parish at one altar.

We hope that everyone from both the Killara & Lindfield communities can come:

HOLY THURSDAY (No morning Mass)

EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER:

7:30PM at Killara church

After Mass you are welcome to stay or return for prayer at the Altar of Repose which concludes with Night Prayer at 10pm.



GOOD FRIDAY

STATIONS OF THE CROSS : 10AM :

one celebration for the whole parish at Killara (in a dramatised form by young parishioners)

SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION:

3:00PM in both Lindfield and Killara churches.



HOLY SATURDAY

MORNING PRAYER: 10AM in Lindfield church

(Holy Saturday is traditionally a day of solemn vigil [and fast], of waiting for the resurrection. Mass and the sacraments are not celebrated on this day. However, to spend some of this vigil of prayer together, there will be MORNING PRAYER at 10am in Lindfield church.

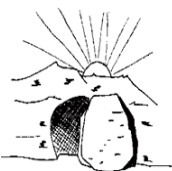
Since it is the principal celebration of the entire Church year we will again have a single celebration of the Easter Vigil for the whole parish. This will be celebrated in Holy Family church at Lindfield and we hope that everyone from both the Killara and the Lindfield communities in the parish can come:

MASS OF THE EASTER VIGIL : THE CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION:

7:30PM on Holy Saturday (in our Lindfield church)

This is the most important Mass in our Church's year and the principal Easter celebration. Please be there, rain, hail or shine!

The Easter Vigil will be followed by a Parish Easter Party in St Brigid's Hall. Please keep the time for this parish party free to continue the Easter celebration as a community. Please bring a plate if you can.



EASTER SUNDAY:

8:30am (Lindfield) 9:00am (Killara)

10:15am (Lindfield)

12 noon Chinese Catholic Community Mass

(There is no Sunday evening Mass on Easter Sunday)

A LETTER FROM FR COLIN

*ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITIES THE NEXT TWO WEEKS
OFFER US.....*

We are just one week away from entering into that most precious part of our year – Holy Week, with its climax in the Easter Triduum. This is all the more special as this will be our first completely normal Easter since 2019! I'd just like to remind you of some special times within those precious days:

AN ECUMENICAL PALM SUNDAY: this year we will once again have the wonderful opportunity to enter into Holy Week with some of our brothers and sisters from Lindfield Uniting Church. At 10:00am (not 10:15am) next Sunday (Palm Sunday) 2nd April. We will gather in the forecourt outside MacKillop Hall next to the school. From there we will process with our palms to the church while our brothers and sisters from Lindfield Uniting Church will then set forth to walk up the highway to their church on the corner of Provincial Road. **Please be part of this wonderful beginning to Holy Week. PLEASE NOTE THE EARLIER STARTING TIME OF 10:00AM (NOT 10:15AM) —PALMS WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE AT THAT TIME AND NOT AFTERWARDS.**



GATHERING AT THE ONE TABLE OF THE LORD ON HOLY THURSDAY: This year we will once again have a single celebration of Mass on Holy Thursday so that on the very night that Jesus gathered with his disciples for the Last Supper we too can gather as one parish around one altar. Our celebration on this night (7:30pm) will be in our church at Killara.



GATHERING AS ONE EASTER PEOPLE TO CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION: And we will again gather as one parish for the greatest celebration in our Christian Year – the Mass of the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night (7:30pm) in Lindfield church. This joyful celebration of the Resurrection will spill over into the parish Easter Party in St Brigid's Hall. Please be there for this night, the jewel of all nights in the Christian year.



Fr Thomas and I look forward to celebrating the holy days which lie ahead with you as they renew our lives and our parish community. Fr Colin

As we prepare for Easter.....we will need your help.....

There are a several simple ways you could help us to celebrate the great feast of Easter:

- ◆ **A holy forest:** on Holy Thursday night we again want to create a beautiful 'Garden of Gethsemane' at the Altar of Repose at Killara. To do that could we ask you to do some garden trimming and drop us off your offcuts – they can include plenty of large leafy branches up to 2 metres tall, palm fronds etc. We also need a loan of large pot plants if that's possible. **If you can help please drop your foliage off to St Joseph's Hall at Killara – either on the Wednesday night of Holy Week, or on Holy Thursday morning before 11am.**
- ◆ **Setting up:** then we need helpers to set up the Garden of Gethsemane—at 11am at Killara on Holy Thursday.
- ◆ **Easter Flowers:** at Easter the parish pays for the flowers since there are a much larger quantity needed. If you would like to help by making a donation towards the cost of the Easter flowers please contact the Parish Office.
- ◆ **Easter Party:** and finally there will again be an 'Easter Party' following the Easter Vigil. **If you can, please bring a plate and drop it off before the Easter Vigil begins.**

A REFLECTION FOR THIS FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown." Lk 4:24-30

A few years ago my brother received a recognition award from the government. He mailed home to our parents the proclamation that accompanied his award. The proud parents made sure that my brothers and I read all the good things it had to say about our brother. I remember being surprised. It turns out that my brother has done a lot of very good and even important things. I never knew. He lives out of state, and, besides, he's my brother. The whole event reminded me of how often we tend to look past the people we know so well. We either do not see their gifts, or worse, we take those gifts for granted. We all need to take a better look at our family and friends. We need to appreciate more fully just how good they are. Here is a great Lenten opportunity. Set aside time to write a proclamation for every member of your family to let them know just how much you appreciate who they are.

But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life, make them known to your children and your children's children.

Dt 4:1, 5-9

This reading is primarily about the law and the importance of the law in our lives of faith. Hidden in the reading, however, is the admonition never to forget our personal experience. No law, no matter how perfect, is ever going to fit every circumstance. We must be guided by it but never by blind obedience. There is a great little story about a funeral that took place in a small Midwestern town. The pastor was unable to celebrate the funeral liturgy so his young assistant took his place. When the pastor returned to the rectory late that evening, he went to the assistant's room to hear about the funeral. The assistant filled him in. It seems that a very prominent woman in the town was at the funeral. The woman was not a Catholic but came to the altar to receive the Eucharist. The pastor asked what he had done. The assistant answered, "I did what Jesus would have done!" The pastor said, "O my God, you didn't"

Taken from 'After the Ashes – Daily Scripture Reflections for lent' by Rev Joseph Creedon

ROSEVILLE – LINDFIELD – KILLARA INTERCHURCH FELLOWSHIP FINAL LENTEN ECUMENICAL SERVICE

Please be part of this wonderful opportunity to build the bridges of Christian Unity during the Lenten season of renewal:

THIS Tuesday 28th March 7:45pm
at Holy Family Catholic Church, Lindfield
Preacher: Rev. Chris Goringe

Please be there to help build our bonds as fellow disciples of the Lord.

Please bring a plate for supper if you can.



CAN YOU HELP?

A very mobile 87 year old member of our parish would like transport to and from Mass. Bill is resident in Edward St, Gordon. Bill is happy as to whatever Mass is convenient.

If we could get three volunteers this would allow us to form a roster so that you wouldn't be committed each week.

Please let Maia (maia@lindfieldkillara.org.au) know as soon as possible if you could be part of a team to offer this practical support to a member of our community.



A DOORWAY OPENS

Following this Fifth Sunday in Lent we enter into the final fortnight of Lent - known as **Passiontide**. The focus moves from Lent's general call to renewal and conversion to a more specific preparation for Easter. The daily Gospels begin to strike a drumbeat of tension between Jesus and those who wish to destroy him. As the Preface of the Passion (which now replaces the Lenten Prefaces of the Eucharistic Prayer) puts it succinctly.... 'The days of his life-giving death and glorious Resurrection are fast approaching'.

How will we use these days of Passiontide?

TOO HOT ? TOO COLD?

With its uninsulated roof our church at Killara can be very hot in summer and very cold in winter. A family in our parish is willing to make a very generous contribution (~\$30,000) towards heating & cooling the church with air conditioning - but the donation is dependent on us raising the remaining funds from further parishioner donations (a further ~\$30,000, towards which we have so far received pledges of \$11,000. In the interests of economy & the environment we would set aside funds from the Killara development income over the next few years so as to subsequently install solar power.

If you could contribute towards the air conditioning project please let us know by 16th April so that we can let the family know if we can accept their offer. *Fr Colin*

PARISH RETREAT AT TARRAWARRA ABBEY ~ TWO SPACES AVAILABLE

Unfortunately, due to work circumstances, two people have had to withdraw from our Tarrawarra retreat. If you would like to take one (or both) of the spots please let me know as soon as possible.

The retreat runs from the afternoon of Tuesday 25th April till the morning of Monday 1st May. *Fr Colin*

Hymns for the Fifth Sunday in Lent

ENTRANCE: GOD OF MERCY AND COMPASSION

God of mercy and compassion,
Lord of life and blinding light.
Truth whom creatures would refashion,
force on us the gift of sight.

Refrain:

Truth insistent and demanding, Love resented and ignored,
Life beyond all understanding give us peace & pardon Lord.

God most holy and forgiving, penetrate our pride and sloth;
on a people partly living, force the gift of life and growth.

Michael Hodgets.

DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: GRANT TO US O LORD

Refrain: Grant to us, O Lord, a heart renewed;
recreate in us your own Spirit Lord!

1. Behold the days are coming, says the Lord our God,
when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel.
2. Deep within their being I will implant my law;
I will write it in their hearts
3. I will be their God and they shall be my people.

*Lucien Deiss © 1965, 1966, 1968, 1973, World Library Publications.**

COMMUNION: I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

I am the bread of life. You who come to me shall not
hunger; you who believe in me shall not thirst.
No-one can come to me unless the Father beckons.

REFRAIN: And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.

The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the
world,
and you who eat of this bread, you shall live for ever,
you shall live for ever. *Ref.*

Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man and drink of
his blood, and drink of his blood, you shall not have life

within you. *Ref.*

I am the Resurrection, I am the life. You who believe in me,
even if you die, you shall live for ever. *Ref.*

Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God
who has come into the world. *Ref.*

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RECESSIONAL: LOVE DIVINE ALL LOVES EXCELLING

Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heav'n, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, you are all compassion,
and, unbounded love impart.
Visit us with your salvation;
enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Come, Almighty, to deliver,
let us all your life receive.
Suddenly return, for ever,
Never more your temples leave.
We shall always give you blessing,,
serve you as your hosts above,
honour, praise you without ceasing,
glory in your perfect love.

Finish, then, your new creation;
Pure and sinless let us be.

Let us see your great salvation
Perfect in eternity.

Sanctify us, we implore you,
till in heav'n we take our place,
where we ever shall adore you,,
lost in wonder, love and praise.

*Charles Wesley, 1707-88
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OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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讀經一 (我要把我的神注入你們內, 使你們復活。)

恭讀厄則克耳先知書 37:12-14

吾主上主這樣說:「看, 我要親自打開你們的墳墓; 我的百姓, 我要從你們的墳墓中, 把你們領出來, 引你們進入以色列地域。我的百姓! 當我打開你們的墳墓, 把你們從墳墓領出來的時候, 你們便承認我是上主。我要把我的神注入你們內, 使你們復活, 叫你們安居在你們的地域; 那時, 你們便要承認我, 上主言出必行——吾主上主的斷語。」——上主的話。

答唱詠 詠130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7, 7-8

【答】: 上主富於仁慈; 他必定慷慨救援。(詠130:7)

領: 上主, 我由深淵向你呼號; 我主, 求你俯聽我的呼號, 求你側耳俯聽我的哀禱! 【答】

領: 上主, 你若細察我的罪辜, 我主, 有誰還能站立得住? 可是, 你寬恕為懷, 令人對你起敬起愛。【答】

領: 我仰賴上主, 我靈期待他的聖言; 我靈等候我主, 切於更夫等待黎明。以色列, 請仰賴上主。【答】

領: 因為上主富於仁慈; 他必定慷慨救援。他必要拯救以色列人, 脫離一切罪根。【答】

讀經二 (使耶穌從死者中復活者的聖神住在你們內。)

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致羅馬人書 8:8-11

福音前歡呼

領/眾: 基督、天主聖言, 願光榮歸於你。

領: 主說: 我就是復活, 就是生命; 信從我的人, 必永遠不死。(若 11:25,26)

眾: 基督、天主聖言, 願光榮歸於你。

福音 (我就是復活, 就是生命。)

恭讀聖若望福音 11:3-7,17,20-27,33-45

那時候, 拉匝祿的兩個姊妹, 便派人到耶穌那裡, 說:「主啊, 你所愛的人病了!」耶穌聽了, 便說:「這病不至於死, 只是為彰顯天主的光榮, 並為叫天主子因此受光榮。」耶穌素來疼愛瑪爾大及她的妹妹和拉匝祿。

當耶穌聽說拉匝祿病了, 仍在原地逗留了兩天。此後, 耶穌對門徒說:「我們再到猶太去吧!」耶穌一到了伯達尼, 得知拉匝祿在墳墓裡, 已經四天了。瑪爾大一聽說耶穌來了, 便去迎接他; 瑪利亞仍坐在家裡。瑪爾大對耶穌說:「主! 如果你在這裡, 我的兄弟決不會死! 就是現在, 我也知道: 你無論向天主求什麼, 天主必要賜給你。」耶穌對瑪爾大說:「你的兄弟必定要復活。」瑪爾大說:「我知道在末日復活時, 他必要復活。」耶穌對瑪爾大說:「我就是復活, 就是生命; 信從我的, 即使死了, 仍要活著; 凡活著而信從我的人, 必永遠不死。你信麼?」瑪爾大回答說:「是的, 主, 我信你是默西亞, 天主子, 要來到世界上的那一位。」耶穌心神感傷, 難過起來, 於是說:「你們把他安放在那裡?」他們回答說:「主, 你來, 看吧!」耶穌哭了。於是猶太人說:「看他多麼愛他啊!」其中有些人說:「他既開了瞎子的眼睛, 難道不能使這人不死麼?」耶穌心中又感傷起來, 來到墳墓前。這墳墓是個洞穴, 前面有一塊石頭堵著。耶穌說:「挪開這塊石頭!」死者的姐姐瑪爾大向耶穌說:「主! 已經臭了, 因為已經四天了。」

耶穌對瑪爾大說:「我不是告訴過你: 如果你信, 就會看到天主的光榮嗎?」他們便挪開了石頭。耶穌舉目向上, 說:「父啊! 我感謝你, 因為你俯聽了我。我本來知道你常常俯聽我, 但是, 我說這話, 是為了四周站立的群眾, 好叫他們相信, 是你派遣了我。」說完這話, 便大聲喊說:「拉匝祿! 出來吧!」死者便出來了, 腳和手都纏著布條, 面上還蒙著汗巾。耶穌向他們說:「解開他, 讓他行走吧。」那些來到瑪利亞那裡的猶太人, 一看到耶穌所行的事, 就有許多人相信了他。——上主的話。

*華人天主教會北區中心主日彌撒-彌撒時間 3月26日,4月9, 23,30日正午12時

四旬期內拜苦路 31/3星期五 8:00 pm 請各教友參加

4月9日主日彌撒, 閩德龍神父主禮, 2:00-4:00pm 北區中心閩德龍神父講座

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THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

As we gather in worship on this day we acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which our parish is found..

We fast from the joyful words of the Gloria during these days of Lent as we prepare our hearts and our community to celebrate once again the saving death and resurrection of Jesus

PSALM PS 129 (*De Profundis*)

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,
Lord, hear my voice!

O let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleading.

If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,
Lord, who would survive?

But with you is found forgiveness:
for this we revere you.

My soul is waiting for the Lord,
I count on God's word.

My soul is longing for the Lord
more than watchman for daybreak.

Let the watchman count on daybreak
and Israel on the Lord.

Because with the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed God will redeem
from all its iniquity.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will not die for ever. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

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,

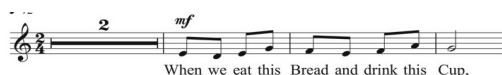
(all bow at the following words in bold):

**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



When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,



we pro-claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

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FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION . . .

PERFECTION IS PRACTISING LOVE

In his foreword to The Way of Perfection, Teresa of Ávila's book on the practice of prayer, Richard Rohr asks:

What is "the way of perfection"? (It isn't about *our* perfection, by the way, but the recognition of *God's* seamless perfection, woven into the fabric of our life and present all along.)

Saint Teresa writes: *Let the truth be in your hearts, as it will be if you practise meditation, and you will see clearly what love we are bound to have for our neighbours.*

Teresa teaches the way of perfection as practicing fraternal love, nonattachment to material things, and authentic humility. Some aspects of this wisdom might seem counterintuitive to readers today. Forgive me, but these virtues of nonattachment and humility don't often make the vision boards of contemporary spiritual seekers! Why is this?

What the mystics know, and what we're having to relearn, is that it's through a kind of luminous darkness of nonattachment and humility that we come to be seized by real love, God's love.

I wonder if the only way that conversion, enlightenment, and transformation ever happen is by a kind of divine ambush. We have to be caught off guard. As long as we are in control, we are going to keep trying to steer the ship by our previous experience of being in charge. The only way we will let ourselves be ambushed is by trusting the "Ambusher," and learning to trust that the darkness of

intimacy will lead to depth, safety, freedom, and love.

God needs to catch us by surprise because our very limited, pre-existing notions keep us and our understanding of God small. We are still trying to remain in control. We still want to "look good"!

God tries to bring us into a bigger world.

A world where, by definition, we are not in control.
A world where we no longer need to look good.

A terrible lust for certitude and rigid social order has characterised the last five hundred years of Western Christianity, and it has simply not served the soul well at all. Once we lost a spirituality of darkness as its own kind of light, there just wasn't much room for growth in faith, hope, and love.

So God, as The Way of Perfection attests, has to come indirectly: catching us off guard and out of control, when we are empty instead of full of ourselves.

That is why the saints-including Teresa-talk about suffering so much. About nonattachment to the fleeting passions that put us on a roller-coaster of ups & downs.

The mystics are not masochistic, sadistic, negative, morbid, or oppositional. They have seen the pattern and, as Teresa says in one place, it is not that we are happy for the suffering. Who could be? Who would be?

No. We are happy for the new level of intimacy with God that the suffering has brought us to.

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 (2nd & 4th Sun.)
6:00pm (5:30pm on the third Sunday of the month)

(For Mass online see homepage of our website:
www.lindfieldkillara.org.au)

WEEKDAY MASS this week:

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT: PASSIONTIDE

Mon.: 8:00am Killara
Tues.: 8:00am Killara
Wed.: 10:00am Lindfield (9:30am on 4th Wed.)
Thurs.: **Please note that Mass this Thursday will be at 9am at Lindfield due to Philita's mother's funeral later that morning.**
Fri. 10:00am Lindfield

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

PARKING

As there is now no parking on the Coles carpark at Lindfield, in addition to the onsite parking in the church and school grounds, Lindfield Uniting Church (cnr Provincial Rd) have kindly made their grounds available to us for parking for the Vigil & Sun. 6pm Mass (they require their grounds for their own Services on Sunday mornings). Enter from Pacific Hwy.

SUNDAY MASS ROSTER

Saturday		25 Mar.	1 Apr
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Thomas	Fr Thomas
Sunday		26 Mar.	2 Apr
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Killara	9:00 am	Fr Thomas	Fr Thomas
Lindfield	10:15 am	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Lindfield	12:00 pm	Fr Thomas	No Mass
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Thomas	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):

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- ◆ CREDIT CARD CONTRIBUTIONS: scan this code & then select each of our two parish collections:



- ◆ YOU CAN ARRANGE FOR PERIODIC PAYMENTS FROM YOUR CREDIT CARD: just click on the hotlink box entitled 'Supporting parish finances' on the homepage of our website (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au) and scroll down to 2i.b. for the form. (or simply email accounts@lindfieldkillara.org.au for assistance.

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

PARISH DIARY ~

Tues. 28th 7:45pm Lenten Ecumenical Service at Holy Family Church
Wed. 29th 8:00am Meditation (online)
7:30pm Second Rite of Reconciliation (Killara)

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week

HOW TO CONTACT US

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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'.

Holy Family School: 4 Highfield Rd, Lindfield

E info@holyfamily.nsw.edu.au Ph.9416 7200

Principal: Mrs Pauline Dinale

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

Please pray for Nena Umali (mother of our Parish Secretary, Philita Marundan) who died recently.

The Funeral Service for Nena will take place at the crematorium chapel at Castlebrook Cemetery, Windsor Road, Rouse Hill

this Thursday 30th March at 11am.

Recently deceased: Julia Martin, Carole White, Marie Gibbons, Gerry McGreevy, Patricia Murray, Peter (Brian) Cahill, Kevin Surplice.

Anniversary: Carol McCarthy, Joanna Dwyer.

And for: deceased members of the Quirk and Hawkins family.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Jack Sullivan, 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. **And for all affected by COVID.**



EMPTY SPACES

When you look over the city of Rome, walk in its streets, or ride in its buses, you quickly realise that it is a crowded city full of houses, full of people, full of cars—yes, even full of cats. You see men and women moving quickly in all directions, you hear joyful & angry voices mixed with a great variety of street sounds, you smell many odours and you feel the Italian embrace by which you gain a friend or lose your money. It is a busy congested city, in which life manifests itself in all its boisterous intensity.



But in the midst of this lively and colourful conglomeration of houses, people and cars, there are the domes of Rome pointing to the

places set apart for the Holy One. The churches of Rome are like beautiful frames built around empty spaces pointing to him who is the quiet, still centre of all human life. The churches are not useful, not practical, not requiring immediate action or response. They are spaces without loud noises, hungry movements, or impatient gestures. They are tranquil spaces, strangely empty most of the time. They speak a language different from the world around them. They do not want to be museums. They want to invite us to be silent, to sit or kneel, to listen attentively, and to rest with our whole being.

A city without carefully protected empty spaces where one can sense the silence from which all actions flow, such a city is in danger of losing its real centre.

Henri Nouwen, 'Clowning in Rome', 1979



Do you love the faith which gives us so much life and joy?

Invite someone who may have gently stopped coming to the Eucharist to come back to join us in our community of faith.



CONGRATULATIONS

to all the children who took part in the First Reconciliation preparation programme

Evie Andersen
Josephine Antcliff
Olive Blick-Hodge
Dylan Bracken
Stanley Bromby
Emery Budge
Charles Calvert
Sophie Cannell
Grace Carcano
Gabriela Cardenas
Christian Chien
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YOUTH NEWS

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faith growth service

WHAT'S ON FOR YOUTH

GOOD FRIDAY PASSION PERFORMANCES

Calling all HIGH SCHOOL students!

We're now "casting" for our Good Friday services' Passion Play. To participate you'll be required to attend two practices & be available all day on Good Friday.

Please contact us (see below) to indicate interest.



Use this QR code to find out more information and/or to indicate your interest. Or email: youth@lindfieldkillara.org.au

FOR THE KIDS . . .

Fill in the missing word on each strip of cloth to find out what the letters in each box spell.

Jesus' good r__n_ Lazarus was very sick.

Martha and M were sad when their brother died.

"Lazarus will v_ again", said Jesus.

Jesus went to the opened _b and prayed.

Lazarus walked out of _s tomb alive.

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Great news about our Children's Mass and Children's Choir !



We're pleased to advise that as of May the Children's Choir and Children's Mass will take place at the 10:15am Mass twice per month—on the second and fourth Sundays of the month (and of course followed by morning tea).

(In April there will be no Children's Mass on the second Sunday as it is Easter Sunday and so the Children's Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 23rd April instead).



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