

Catholic Parish of Lindfield-Killara

Diocese of Broken Bay

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

29 - 11 - 20

This week: Is 63:16-17; 64:1. 3-8; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

Next week: Is 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Pet 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH AND LIGHTING THE FIRST CANDLE

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Saviour of the world. We ask you to bless this Advent wreath, which we honour as a remembrance of your first coming at Bethlehem, your final coming in glory, & your daily coming amongst us in grace. Strengthen our hearts with the example of your love that we may receive you each day with joy and gladness, & be prepared to meet you on the glorious day of our death.

The wreath is sprinkled with holy water and the first candle is lit.

Celebrant: Lord Jesus, you are the light of the world come that we might have life in its fullness.

All: Come and let your light shine forth in our lives.

Celebrant: Lord Jesus, you are the Flower from the root of Jesse, the sign of salvation for all.

All: Come and let your light shine forth in our lives.

Celebrant: Lord Jesus, you were heralded by all the prophets as the one who would save the people from their sins.

All: Come and let your light shine forth in our lives.



CHANGED NEWS ABOUT OUR SUNDAY EVENING MASS...

As it has proved to be a lot of work, with only a few helpers, we've decided to move the Sunday evening Mass back into Holy Family church as of Sunday 13th December.

The Mass will remain in MacKillop Hall this weekend and also next weekend 6th December for the monthly Youth and Family Mass. After that it will be in MacKillop Hall only for the monthly Youth and Family Mass. It will be celebrated in Holy Family church on other Sundays.

Please note also that the Youth and Family Mass next Sunday 6th December will be at the earlier time of 5:30pm (not 6pm as was advised last week).

The good news though is that we will still have our Sunday night musicians and singers each week, even when we gather in the church—they will be arranged and positioned according to Covid safety guidelines for the health and safety of all.



(Mini) Christmas Stall

Order your Christmas goodies from **CANA FARM** and journals from **THE GRAIL** at the **YOUTH & FAMILY MASS** on **SUNDAY 6 DECEMBER, 5.30 pm**. We'll also have a few items from our **PIETY STALL** on sale! All orders taken will be delivered to the church before Christmas. **Order forms** for will also be available in the back of both churches.

CHRISTMAS IN OUR PARISH - AN UPDATE



Because of the on-going Covid restrictions and the consequent limits on numbers in our two churches, and following consultation with our Parish Pastoral Council, we will celebrate Christmas as follows:

* all but one of our celebrations will take place in MacKillop Hall (with a capacity of 110 people) and will be live-streamed to Killara church (with a capacity of another 65 people). Holy Communion will of course be distributed to the participants in Killara church. Covid restrictions require that the two venues be on separate campuses.

* we will ensure that the Hall is beautifully decorated for our Christmas celebrations.

Our timetable will be:

Christmas Eve - Children's Masses:

4:00pm

5:30pm

7:00pm (we hope that families with somewhat older children would come to this Mass)

Christmas Eve - Mass of Christmas Night

10:30pm (preceded by the choir providing a Service of Carols at 10pm)

Christmas Day:

8:00am

9:15am

(two Masses at this time: one in MacKillop Hall, the other 'live' in Killara church)

10:30am

Our parish music ministry will provide music at all our celebrations (safely distanced in the hall courtyard).

SUNDAY MASS! LET'S GATHER TOGETHER !

KILLARA CHURCH 4.00pm vigil
5:30pm Vigil
9.00am
12 noon Chinese Mass (2nd & 4th Suns)

LINDFIELD CHURCH 6.00pm Vigil
8.30 am
10.15am
11.30am
6:00pm (in MacKillop Hall)

HOW TO ATTEND MASS

The current public health restrictions limit the number who can be present in each of our churches (65 people for Killara church and 61 for Lindfield). We also must keep a record of everyone who attends for contact tracing purposes by the government in the event of an outbreak.

The easiest way for us to get that information and for you to ensure a spot at Mass is to make an online booking – this is very simple, taking only a few seconds. Just go to the special hotlink box on the homepage of our parish website (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au). Or call the Parish Office and we'll book for you. Of course you can just turn up for Mass and provide your contact details to the welcomer if spaces remain available.

Of course, if you – or anyone at home in your household – has even the mildest sign of cold or flu -like symptoms
PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND MASS.

WE HAVE A COVID SAFETY PLAN

- ◆ We adhere to maximum number of person permitted in the church based on the four square metre rule
- ◆ Green ticks on the seats indicating seating positions ensure maximum separation
- ◆ All are asked to sanitise their hands on entering & leaving We ask all who attend to wear a face mask
- ◆ The pews etc are sanitised after every Mass
- ◆ There is no congregational singing and no physical exchange of the sign of peace.
- ◆ All are asked to maintain 2 metre spacing when coming forward for Holy Communion (which is given on the hand only and not on the tongue).

OUR PARISH ONLINE SUNDAY MASS ALSO CONTINUES TO BE AVAILABLE EACH WEEK

Even though the public celebration of Sunday Mass has resumed **we are also continuing to have our online celebration of Mass** because we know that there are many who at this time cannot resume coming to Mass. Go to www.lindfieldkillara.org.au and click on the hotlink box entitled 'Parish Life in the Current Situation' and scroll down to Resource 3 ('Video of Sunday Mass') - or just paste this link into your browser: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEkBUTq-JIrmjUo8-iuHdFQ>

WEEKDAY MASS this week:

Monday—Tuesday 10:00am at Killara
Wednesday— Friday 10:00am at Lindfield

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4.45 - 5.15pm Killara
Saturdays 5.15 - 5.45pm at Lindfield

CHARITABLE WORKS FUND—FINAL REPORT FOR THE RECENT APPEAL:

Quota for this appeal: \$14,773
Amount received: \$13,015
Shortfall: \$1,758

Shortfall from August appeal: \$770

Cumulative shortfall so far for this Financial Year: \$2,528

Thank you to all who have contributed.

A letter from Fr Colin...

Hello all. Well we face a very different Christmas this year, not least with regard to our Christmas celebrations. As you'll see on page 1 we're going to have most of our celebrations in MacKillop Hall to enable us to accommodate the greatest number of people.

WE NEED YOUR HELP IN A NUMBER OF WAYS:

We need help to be able to live-stream each Mass from the hall to the overflow congregation in our Killara church. We either need someone in the parish who has the equipment and the expertise to help us with that OR we need donations of funds to help us hire the people and equipment to enable us to do that.

Our musicians and singers will be located in the courtyard in front of the hall so that we can maintain the appropriate physical distancing required for singers. However we have to be prepared for all weather and so need to hire a suitable water proof marquis for this purpose. Again we really need help in financing this.

And finally (at this stage!) we will need help setting up as Christmas approaches. Could you please email me if you could help on Wednesday 23rd December for an hour at 7pm.

Fr Colin

Food for the Soul.....

Be watchful! Be alert!

You do not know when the time will come. (Gospel)

STAYING AWAKE

In his autobiography, *Report to Greco*, Nikos Kazantzakis recounts a conversation he once had with an old monk. Kazantzakis, a young man at the time, was visiting a monastery and was very taken by a famed ascetic, Father Makarios, who lived there. But a series of visits with the old monk left him with some ambivalent feelings as well. The monk's austere lifestyle stirred a certain religious romanticism in Kazantzakis, but it repelled him too; he wanted the romanticism, but in a more-palatable way. Here's their conversation as Kazantzakis records it:

"Yours is a hard life, Father. I too want to be saved. Is there no other way?"

"More agreeable?" asked the ascetic, smiling compassionately.

"More human, Father."

"One, only one."

"What is that?"

"Ascent. To climb a series of steps. From the full stomach to hunger, from the slaked throat to thirst, from joy to suffering. God sits at the summit of hunger, thirst, and suffering; the devil sits at the summit of the comfortable life. Choose."

"I am still young. The world is nice. I have time to choose."

Reaching out, the old monk touched my knee and said:

"Wake up, my child. Wake up before death wakes you up."

I shuddered and said:

"I am still young."

"Death loves the young," the old man replied. "The inferno loves the young. Life is like a lighted candle, easily extinguished. Take care—wake up!"

Wake up! Wake up before death wakes you up. In a less dramatic expression that's a virtual leitmotif in the Gospels. Jesus is always telling us to wake up, to stay awake, to be vigilant, to be more alert to a deeper reality. What's meant by that? How are we asleep to depth? How are we to wake up and stay awake?

How are we asleep? All of us know how difficult it is for us to be inside the present moment, not to be asleep to the real riches inside our own lives. The distractions and worries of daily life tend to so consume us that we habitually take for granted what's most precious to us, our health, the miracle of our senses, the love and friendships that surround us, and the gift of life itself. We go through our daily lives not

only with a lack of reflectiveness and lack of gratitude but with a habitual touch of resentment as well, a chronic, grey depression, Robert Moore calls it. We are very much asleep, both to God and to our own lives.

How do we wake up? Today there's a rich literature that offers us all kinds of advice on how to get into the present moment so as to be awake to the deep riches inside our own lives. While much of this literature is good, little of it is very effective. It invites us to live each day of our lives as if it was our last day, but we simply can't do that. It's impossible to sustain that kind of intentionality and awareness over a long period of time. An awareness of our mortality does wake us up, as does a stroke, a heart attack, or cancer; but that heightened-awareness is easier to sustain for a short season of our lives than it is for twenty, thirty, forty, or fifty years. Nobody can sustain that kind of awareness all the time. None of us can live seventy or eighty years as if each day was his or her last day. Or can we?

Spiritual wisdom offers a nuanced answer here: We can and we can't! On the one hand, the distractions, cares, and pressures of everyday life will invariably have their way with us and we will, in effect, fall asleep to what's deeper and more important inside of life. But it's for this reason that every major spiritual tradition has daily rituals designed precisely to wake us from spiritual sleep, akin to an alarm clock waking us from physical sleep.

It's for this reason we need to begin each day with prayer. What happens if we don't pray on a given morning is not that we incur God's wrath, but rather that we tend to miss the morning, spending the hours until noon trapped inside a certain dullness of heart.

The same can be said about praying before meals. We don't displease God by not first centering ourselves in gratitude before eating, but we miss out on the richness of what we're doing. Liturgical prayer and the Eucharist have the same intent, among their other intentions. They're meant to, regularly, call us out of a certain sleep.

None of us lives each day of our lives as if it was his or her last day. Our heartaches, headaches, distractions, and busyness invariably lull us to sleep. That's forgivable; it's what it means to be human. So we should ensure that we have regular spiritual rituals, spiritual alarm clocks, to jolt us back awake—so that it doesn't take a heart attack, a stroke, cancer, or death to wake us up.

Fr Ron Rolheiser omi,

(from the Centre for Liturgy, The University of St Louis)

THE PARISH OFFICE

Our parish office has now re-opened for public access.

Office hours are Tuesday—Friday

9:30am—4:00pm.

Please maintain Covid-safe practice when seeing the staff in the office: please maintain 1.5 metres physical distance and if possible wear a mask.

Please don't visit the office if you have even mild symptoms

CHRISTMAS CARDS AND COLUMBAN CALENDARS

St Vincent de Paul **cards** and Columban Calendars for 2020 are now on sale in the church foyers.

St Vincent de Paul Conference

**FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION:
JOY AND SADNESS: A LESSON FROM MERTON'S HERMITAGE**

In 1985 my Franciscan "guardians" (as Francis called our superiors) gave me a year's leave to spend in contemplation. It was a major turning point in my life, and ultimately led to the formation of the Center for Action and Contemplation.

The first thirty days of my "sabbatical" were spent in the hills of Kentucky, in Thomas Merton's (1915–1968) hermitage about a mile away from the main monastery. I was absolutely alone with myself, with the springtime woods, and with God, hoping to somehow absorb some of Merton's wisdom. That first morning, it took me a while to slow down. I must have looked at my watch at least ten times before 7:00 AM! I had spent so many years standing in front of crowds as a priest and a teacher. I had to find out who I was without those trappings—the naked me alone before God.

In the mornings I would put my chair in front of the door and watch the sun come up. In the late afternoons, I would move my chair to the other side of the hermitage and watch the sun go down. The little squirrels and birds came closer and closer. They're not afraid when we're absolutely still.

Father William McNamara's definition of contemplation as "a long loving look at the real" became transformative for me. The world, my own issues and hurts, all my goals and desires gradually dissolved and fell into proper perspective. God became obvious and ever present. I understood what

Merton meant when he said, "The gate of heaven is everywhere." [1]

I tried to keep a journal of what was happening to me. Back then, I found it particularly hard to cry. But one evening I laid my finger on my cheek and found to my surprise that it was wet. I wondered what those tears meant. What was I crying for? I wasn't consciously sad or consciously happy. I noticed at that moment that behind it all there was a joy, deeper than any private joy. It was a joy in the face of the beauty of being, a joy at all the wonderful and lovable people I had already met in my life. Cosmic or spiritual joy is something we participate in; it comes from elsewhere and flows through us. It has little or nothing to do with things going well in our own life at that moment. I remember thinking that this must be why the saints could rejoice in the midst of suffering.

At the same moment, I experienced exactly the opposite emotion. The tears were at the same time tears of an immense sadness—a sadness at what we're doing to the earth, sadness about the people whom I had hurt in my life, and a sadness too at my own mixed motives and selfishness. I hadn't known that two such contrary feelings could coexist. I was truly experiencing the nondual mind of contemplation.

2021 PARISH RETREAT AT TARRAWARRA ABBEY

Providing that the Covid situation remains under control we will be having our parish retreat at Tarrawarra Abbey The from **Tuesday afternoon 13th April till Monday morning 19th April.**

This is a beautiful and prayerful time at a Cistercian Monastery amidst the exquisite scenery of the Yarra Valley.

Please contact Fr Colin to reserve a place.

**RESOURCES FOR THE KIDS AT
MASS**



As we are currently still unable to have Children's Liturgy of the Word we are now leaving some children's activity sheets (based on the Sunday Gospel) near the doors of both our churches. Please take one for each of your younger children to use during the Liturgy of the Word at Mass.

A SMALL CHANGE TO OUR COVID-SAFE SEATING PLAN FOR OUR TWO CHURCHES

Starting next Sunday 6th we will change the marking on the pews to simplify finding yourself a seat:

- every second pew will have a red X on it. Please do not sit in these pews.
- every alternate pew will have a green tick (✓) on the side end of the pew. In these pews two unrelated people may sit at either end of the pew or two or more people from the same household may sit together in the pew.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME DATES FOR 2021

As advised earlier, while retaining the proper order of the sacraments in which Confirmation precedes First Communion, Bishop Anthony Randazzo has raised the age for each sacrament by a year so that the children may be better prepared. As a result for next year only Confirmation will be the only sacrament offered as we make this transition.

The letter giving all the details and dates for our Sacramental Preparation Programmes for Confirmation is now available **on the parish website under 'Sacraments' → 'Children's Sacraments.'**

Please download the letter and note all the dates involved in the sacraments which your child will celebrate next year.

GIFTS FOR WATERLOO



For many years our Parish, through the St Vincent de Paul Society, has provided Christmas gifts for children in the Waterloo area.

The trees are now up in both of our churches this weekend. There are tags on the tree that show the age and genera of a child for whom we hope to provide a gift. **PLEASE TAKE A TAG THIS WEEKEND.**

There is also be a box near the tree if you wish to donate some Christmas goodies for our friends at Waterloo. To assist distribution will you please return your gift to either of our churches by **NEXT Sunday 6th December.**

Peace and Joy to you all.

THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

We abstain from the joyful words of the Gloria during these days of Advent as we prepare our hearts and our community to celebrate once again the birth of the Lord Jesus

THE PSALM PS 79:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

O shepherd of Israel, hear us,
shine forth from your cherubim throne.
O Lord, rouse up your might,
O Lord, come to our help.

God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted.

May your hand be on the one you have chosen,
the one you have given your strength.
And we shall never forsake you again:
give us life that we may call upon your name.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.
Alleluia!**

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,
(all bow at the following words in bold):
**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,**
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come
to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

THIS WEEKEND we begin a new liturgical year with the First Sunday of Advent. Readings will follow the **Year B** cycle on Sundays and **Year 1** on weekdays.

MANY WAYS TO SUPPORT PARISH FINANCES

As we reported recently our Second Collection income was **\$11,000 behind** for the first quarter of this Financial Year compared to the same period last year. The First Collection income was **\$5500 behind**.

We have four ways available for contributions to both collections:

1. **Boxes for cash** contributions are in both of our churches
2. **Tap Machines** are in both churches
3. **Direct contribution from your bank account to our parish accounts:**

1st Collection: BSB 062 784 Acct 1116 8002
(Lindfield Killara Parish Pastoral Revenue Account)

Second Collection: BSB 062 784 Acct 1116 8001
(Lindfield Killara Parish Church Account)

(in the reference section for the transfers please put your name. Also, if you have weekly envelopes please put your Envelope Number in the reference section).

4. To arrange for **regular periodic contribution via your credit card** please contact Alison: alison@lindfieldkillara.org.au

Many thanks.

THE PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT for the 2019-20 Financial Year along with explanatory notes was published in a recent bulletin. It is also available on the parish website under 'Our Parish' → 'Parish Finances', where you will also find previous years' reports.

If you do not have access to the parish website please contact the Parish Office for a copy of the report.

CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

將臨期第一主日

領：以色列的牧養者，懇求你留心細聽。坐於革魯賓

福音前歡呼

之上者，求你大顯光榮。求你發顯你的威能，快

領/眾：亞肋路亞。

來作我們的救星！【答】

領：上主，求你向我們顯示你的寬仁；求你賜給我們

領：萬軍的天主，求你領我們回去；求你從高天之

你的救恩。（詠85:8）

上，垂視而憐恤！求你常看顧這葡萄樹，及你右

眾：亞肋路亞。

手種植的園圃；保護你所培養的小樹。【答】

福音（你們要醒寤，因為你們不知道，家主什麼時候回來。）

領：願你右手扶持你右邊的人，並扶助你所堅固的子

恭讀聖馬爾谷福音 13:33-37

民！從此，我們再不願意離開你；請賜我們生

存，為能傳揚你的名。【答】

讀經二（我們期待主耶穌基督的出現。）

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致格林多人前書 1:3-9

弟兄姊妹們：

願恩寵與平安，由我們的天主父和主耶穌基督，

賜給你們。

我時時為你們，對天主在基督耶穌內，所賜與你

們的恩寵，而感謝我的天主，因為藉著他，你們在一

切事上，在一切言論和知識上，都成了富有的；並且

我為基督所作的證言，在你們中，是這樣的堅定，以

致你們已不缺少任何恩寵，只待我們的主耶穌基督的

出現。天主必要堅固你們到底，使你們在我們的主耶

穌基督的日子上，無瑕可指。天主是忠信的，因為你

們原是由他所寵召，為同他的聖子，我們的主耶穌基

督，合而為一。——上主的話。

讀經一

恭讀依撒意亞先知書 63:16-17,19; 64:2-7

你、上主是我們的父親；「我們自古以來的救主」，就是你的名。上主！你為什麼讓我們離開你的道路？使我們的心變硬，而不敬畏你？求你為了你的僕人，為了作你產業的各支派，回心轉意吧！啊！望你衝破諸天降下；諸山在你面前震盪。因為你行了誰也想不到的驚人蹟；是人從未聽過的，耳朵從未聽過的，眼睛從未見過的：除你以外，沒有一個神，對依靠自己的人，是如此行事的。你歡迎那些履行正義和緊記你道路的人。但是，看，你發了怒，我們仍犯罪如初，仍照舊違背你。我們都好像成了不潔的人，所行的正義，好似染了經血的內衣；又似乾枯的葉子，我們的罪惡好似狂風，將我們捲去。沒有一個人呼求你的名，或起來投奔你，因為你掩面不顧我們，將我們遺棄於我們罪惡的權下。如今，上主啊！你是我們的父親；我們只是泥土，你是我們的陶工，我們都是你手中的作品。——上主的話。

答唱詠 詠80:2,3, 15-16, 18-19

【答】：天主，求你復興我們；請顯示你的慈顏，好拯救我們。（參閱詠80:4）

POPE'S WORLDWIDE PRAYER NETWORK - CAN YOU BE PART OF IT?



Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network



The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (PWPEN) is a global Catholic movement that responds to the world's greatest challenges with prayer and compassion. Based on Ignatian spirituality, it uses a modern online platform to help with daily prayer, and offers a retreat program called the Way of the Heart

— a journey that aligns our hearts with the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

THIS Sunday 29 November 2020 at 3pm in the Shirley Wallace Centre, parishioners Anne and John Gray will conduct an information session about the PWPEN and the Way of the Heart.

DIOCESAN MASS OF INCLUSION ~ SUNDAY 6 DECEMBER



The annual Mass of Inclusion will be celebrated by Bishop Anthony Randazzo at Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara on Sunday, 6 December at 11.00am. This Mass marks the International Day of Disability (on 3

December) and recognises the ability and dignity of all.

This year, we encourage all to join via the live stream at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNenwlf17i14XB9TsVBrLvQ>

Due to the current restrictions, there are very limited places available for people to attend in person. Should you wish to enquire please contact Nicholas Weir at nicholas.weir@bbcatholic.org.au or phone 8379 1632.

**Being a CATECHIST is a CALLING,
an INVITATION from God, an HONOUR!!**

We are seeking catechists who can help to fill these spots in 2021:

- Yr5 Lindfield East (9.15-10am)
- Yr 4 Lindfield (Tues 10.30-11am)
- Yr5 Beaumont Rd (Tues 11.30-12pm),
- Yr8 Killara High (Wed 10.05-11.20am)

Please contact:

rhondabell@bigpond.com or henry@henryleung.net if you are able to help.

What's happening in our parish?

NOVEMBER

Sun. 29th 3pm Meeting re Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (p.6)

DECEMBER

Every Wednesday 8:00am Meditation Group (online)
 Wed. 2nd 7:30pm Catholicism (online)
 Wed. 9th 7:30pm Evening Scripture Study Group (online)

FACE MASKS

For the good of public health we'd like to ask that you wear a face mask at Mass if at all possible. We have disposable masks available near the doors, though as keeping up that supply comes at a cost it would be helpful if you could provide your own mask.

Face masks are not recommended for young children.

A few practical points:

- Please take used masks home for disposal as it's not possible for us to safely handle a multitude of used masks in the bins.
- to ensure they're effective please make sure they cover the nostrils as well as the mouth
- when coming forward to receive Holy Communion please keep the mask on as you receive the Host; then step 1.5 metres to the side before lowering the mask to place the Host in your mouth. Many thanks.

Join the Team at Broken Bay Diocese:

New positions vacant in Evangelisation and Communications

To apply for these roles or for more information go to www.bbcatholic.org.au/jobs

INCREASED CAPACITY OF OUR CHURCHES

Following a re-calculation of the capacity of our churches (based on the 1 person per 4 square metre rule) we have found that we have a slightly increased capacity than first thought. The new figures are:

Killara church	66 people
Lindfield church	61 people
MacKillop Hall & annexe	110 people

Catholic Parish of Lindfield -Killara

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

Recently deceased: Anne & Max Vignes, Adel Kreich, Mary Power, Tony Williams, Marriane Lavalette, Dan Gibbons,.

Anniversary: Phil Ryan.

Also for: Mary Doreen Kavanagh.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Aida Casorzo, Mark Spring, Peter Quirk, Nicholas Sutherland, Jesse Langford, Anthony Ellison, Wolfgang Liers, Cyril Ferriere, Alex Noble, William Wise, Lise Therese Ferriere, Ian Coffey, Maureen Hobbs, Russell Adams, Bishop Geoffrey Robinson.

And for all those affected by COVID-19.



South East Asia Disaster - Donations Needed!

Caritas Australia's thoughts and prayers are with the people of the Philippines, Vietnam and Cambodia who have been devastated by unprecedented flooding after two typhoons hit the region in one week.

Across the region, homes have been destroyed and livelihoods lost with hundreds of thousands of people fleeing to evacuation centres, where the risks of spreading COVID-19 are high.

With your help, and with our church and NGO partners on the ground, we can provide vital support to those affected by this and other disasters as part of our Asia Emergency Appeal.

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Requiescat in pace.....
....Rest in peace

John Buchanan 15th Aug. 1925—13th Sept. 2020

John Alexander (known as "Jack") Buchanan was born on 18th August 1925, near Gympie in Queensland, and spent his childhood growing up with brothers Mac and George and sister Florence in the region of the Brooloo forest and small village of Imbil. Here his early general education and instructions in the basic tenets of his Catholic Christian faith embarked him on a life-long pursuit of personal academic and professional education and achievements, and a sustained connection to his faith that persisted to his death at 95 years of age.

Jack's life journey took him through qualification as a civil engineer and eventually into the executive reaches of what became an international construction industry titan of its day, Pioneer Concrete. His work placements serially encompassed Brisbane and south-east Queensland, Sydney and near regions, Melbourne, and then long stints overseas in Madrid, Spain, and other European and middle eastern locations, and finally most of the 1980s in the UK, living in leafy Surrey and with offices in central London. Jack expanded his personal and family life by meeting and marrying Veronica (née Molloy) in the early Brisbane years, and 6 children emanated from that long and devoted union: Kathrine, Peter, John, Susan, David and Michael. They all begat their own families in time and grandchildren enhanced Jack and Von's later years particularly. Sadly, Veronica pre-deceased Jack by almost exactly 5 years, and her absence from his later life was a heavy burden. Jack and Veronica (Von) lived in Lindfield the last 20+ years of their lives and regularly attended Mass at the Lindfield Holy Family Catholic Church until no longer able to do so. Their shared faith sustained them throughout their lives, through good times and challenging ones. As a man, Jack Buchanan was regarded as a reliable friend, colleague, and to extended family *pater familias*, a loving and guiding father, and devoted and loving husband. He will long be remembered and missed.



YOUTH MASS
SUNDAY 6 DECEMBER
5.30 PM*
MACKILLOP HALL

*ALL AGES WELCOME. BOOKINGS REQUIRED.
PLEASE BOOK AT WWW.LINDFIELDKILLARA.ORG.AU

The beginning of the Good News about Jesus Christ, the Son of God.
Mark 1:1-8



Please note that, contrary to what was advised last week, for this special monthly Mass the time will be the earlier time of 5:30pm.