



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.

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 12 -11 - 23

This week: *Wis 6:12-16; 1Thes 4:13-18, 13; Mt 25:1-13*
 Next week: *Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1Thes 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



IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH, KILLARA

SAVE THE DATE

**Sunday
26 November
2023**

JOIN US

**killara
church 60th
ANNIVERSARY**

For a Mass celebrated by
Bishop Anthony Randazzo
 at 10:15am in Killara Church
 (no Mass in Lindfield at 10:15am)

**FREE
activities
and drinks
for all!**

Barista coffee and cakes and scones
 Sausage sizzle
 Face painting, balloon craft, ice blocks, packet drinks.
 Beer and bubbles

To send in photos for our album of the church or past celebrations there over the past 60 years, please include descriptions and email to us at: parishoffice@lindfieldkillara.org.au



The second Pastoral Works Broken Bay Appeal for this financial year (formerly known as CWF) will take place this weekend and next weekend .

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

All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

Please help us to achieve our parish quota for this appeal (\$15,000) as otherwise we have to make up the shortfall from parish funds.

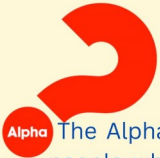
To donate:

- Envelopes are available on the pews today
- Scan this QR code then under 'Biller Code' scroll down to choose Pastoral Works Broken Bay:
Please use this QR code and NOT the one on the envelopes)


Many thanks for your support.



*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.*



The Alpha program kicked off in August, with over 15 people who enrolled into the program. This was a ten week program concluding with a retreat at St Joseph's Retreat Centre at Baukham Hills. During the ten weeks' program, we discussed various topics after a meal and a video like "How does God guide us?", "How can I be filled with the Holy Spirit?". A participants' survey was conducted at the end of the program, positive feedback was given around the fellowship, team discussion, reading the Bible and relying more on God.



Many are looking forward to Beta. There will Alpha in 2024, please keep an eye out for this event next year.

A REMINDER OF CHANGED MASS TIMES
on Sunday 26th November
 due to the Killara 60th anniversary celebrations.
Sunday morning Masses that day will be:

- * **Lindfield 8:30am**
 (Killara NO 9:00am Mass)
 (Lindfield NO 10:15am Mass)
- * **Killara: 10:15am Mass**
 celebrated by Bishop Anthony.


We hope that everyone from both our communities can be at the 10:15am Mass at Killara!



A reminder to all our parish volunteers who booked in for the Thank You Evening that it takes place this Tuesday 14th November commencing with Mass at 7:30pm in Holy Family Church, followed by food and drink in St Brigid's Hall above the church.



VESTMENTS Several years ago we had a generous response to an appeal to renew some rather old vestments at Killara. The green vestments (the chasubles) at Lindfield are now very much in need of replacement to give beauty and dignity to our celebrations of the Eucharist. If anyone would like to contribute to this cost please let me know.



Fr Colin

You can now
REGISTER AS A NEW PARISHIONER
 or
UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION
 if you're an existing parishioner

without using the physical paper forms.

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LINDFIELD KILLARA PARISH
 & HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL

INVITE YOU TO

Christmas Around the World

**FRIDAY
 DECEMBER 1**

Located on school grounds

An evening of carols,
 cuisine and community!

Delicious International Food
 available for a
 small cost **FROM 5PM**

Christmas Carols
 Sing-Along
FROM 6PM

To pre-book your meal tickets just scan this QR code or use this link:
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TO ALL PEOPLE OF GOOD WILL ON THE CLIMATE CRISIS

63. At the same time, “the universe as a whole, in all its manifold relationships, shows forth the inexhaustible richness of God”. Hence, to be wise, “we need to grasp the variety of things in their multiple relationships”. [37] Along this path of wisdom, it is not a matter of indifference to us that so many species are disappearing and that the climate crisis endangers the life of many other beings.

64. Jesus “was able to invite others to be attentive to the beauty that there is in the world because he himself was in constant touch with nature, lending it an attraction full of fondness and wonder. As he made his way throughout the land, he often stopped to contemplate the beauty sown by his Father, and invited his disciples to perceive a divine message in things”. [38]

65. Hence, “the creatures of this world no longer appear to us under merely natural guise, because the risen One is mysteriously holding them to himself and directing them towards fullness as their end. The very flowers of the field and the birds which his human eyes contemplated and admired are now imbued with his radiant presence”. [39] If “the universe unfolds in God, who fills it completely... there is a mystical meaning to be found in a leaf, in a mountain trail, in a dewdrop, in a poor person’s face”. [40] The world sings of an infinite Love: how can we fail to care for it?

Journeying in communion and commitment

66. God has united us to all his creatures. Nonetheless, the technocratic paradigm can isolate us from the world that surrounds us and deceive us by making us forget that the entire world is a “contact zone”. [41]

67. The Judaeo-Christian vision of the cosmos defends the unique and central value of the human being amid the marvellous concert of all God’s creatures, but today we see ourselves forced to realise that it is only possible to sustain a “situated anthropocentrism”. To recognise, in other words, that human life is incomprehensible and unsustainable without other creatures. For “as part of the universe... all of us are linked by unseen bonds and together form a kind of universal family, a sublime communion which fills us with a sacred, affectionate and humble respect”. [42]

68. This is not a product of our own will; its origin lies elsewhere, in the depths of our being, since “God has joined us so closely to the world around us that we can feel the desertification of the soil almost as a physical ailment, & the extinction of a species as a painful disfigurement”. [43] Let us stop thinking, then, of human beings as autonomous, omnipotent & limitless, & begin to think of ourselves differently, in a humbler but more fruitful way.

69. I ask everyone to accompany this pilgrimage of reconciliation with the world that is our home and to help make it more beautiful, because that commitment has to do

with our personal dignity and highest values. At the same time, I cannot deny that it is necessary to be honest and recognise that the most effective solutions will not come from individual efforts alone, but above all from major political decisions on the national and international level.

70. Nonetheless, every little bit helps, and avoiding an increase of a tenth of a degree in the global temperature would already suffice to alleviate some suffering for many people. Yet what is important is something less quantitative: the need to realise that there are no lasting changes without cultural changes, without a maturing of lifestyles and convictions within societies, and there are no cultural changes without personal changes.

71. Efforts by households to reduce pollution and waste, and to consume with prudence, are creating a new culture. The mere fact that personal, family and community habits are changing is contributing to greater concern about the unfulfilled responsibilities of the political sectors and indignation at the lack of interest shown by the powerful. Let us realise, then, that even though this does not immediately produce a notable effect from the quantitative standpoint, we are helping to bring about large processes of transformation rising from deep within society.

72. If we consider that emissions per individual in the United States are about two times greater than those of individuals living in China, and about seven times greater than the average of the poorest countries, [44] we can state that a broad change in the irresponsible lifestyle connected with the Western model would have a significant long-term impact. As a result, along with indispensable political decisions, we would be making progress along the way to genuine care for one another.

73. “Praise God” is the title of this letter. For when human beings claim to take God’s place, they become their own worst enemies.

Given in Rome, at the Basilica of Saint John Lateran, on 4 October, the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, in the year 2023, the eleventh of my Pontificate.

FRANCIS

[37] *Ibid.*, 86: AAS 107 (2015), 881.

[38] *Ibid.*, 97: AAS 107 (2015), 886.

[39] *Ibid.*, 100: AAS 197 (2015), 887.

[40] *Ibid.*, 233: AAS 107 (2015), 938.

[41] Cf. D. J. HARAWAY, *When Species Meet*, Minneapolis, 2008, pp. 205-249.

[42] Encyclical Letter *Laudato Si’* (24 May 2015), 89: AAS 107 (2015), 883.

[43] Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium* (24 November 2013), 215: AAS 105 (2013), 1109.

[44] Cf. UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM, *The Emissions Gap Report 2022*: <https://www.unep.org/resources/emissions-gap-report-2022>.

Our Parish Finances

As we move into the last six weeks of the year could we just ask you to consider anything you can do to help us finish the half financial year in the best possible position (particularly as many are away in January).

The parish financial report for the 2022-23 year will appear in next weekend’s bulletin and at the same time will be posted on our website.



Weekday Mass

The celebration of the Eucharist on weekdays is a gentle complement to our central gathering on the Lord’s Day itself. Lasting just 25 minutes it offers us the nourishment of the daily Scriptures, the strength of the Lord’s presence in the Eucharist, and the challenge to go back into our day as disciples.

PARKING! At Lindfield those attending weekday Mass at Lindfield can NOW do short-term parking for the duration of Mass in the parish carpark (which is used by teachers on weekdays). Just come in and double-park (ensuring though that you don’t block egress from the carpark). However please ensure that you vacate the carpark immediately after Mass.

Short-term Mass parking is also available on the internal parish road (park on the left against the wall of MacKillop Hall).

Hopefully this will make attending weekday Mass much easier.

Hymns for Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE: ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

I shall praise your name.

*Bob Hurd © 1988, OCP Publications, Inc.**

All creatures of our God and king
Lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluia, alleluia
O burning with golden beam
And silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise God, O praise God,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
And even you, most gentle death,
waiting to hush our fading breath,
Alleluia, alleluia!
You lead back home each child of God,
for Christ our Lord your way has trod:
O praise God O praise God,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
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, alleluia, alleluia,

Laudato Si St Francis of Assisi 1182-1226

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.

Athirst my soul for you, the God who is my life!
When shall I see, when shall I see, see the face of God?
Echoes meet as deep is calling unto deep,
Over my head, all your mighty waters, sweeping over me.
Defend me, God, send forth your light and your truth.
They will lead me to your holy mountain,
to your dwelling place
Then I shall go unto the altar of my God.
Praising you, O my joy and gladness,

COMMUNION: ANCIENT WORDS

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world;
they resound with God's own heart,
O let the ancient words impart;
words of life, words of hope, give us strength, help us cope;
in this world where'er we roam,
ancient words will guide us home

Refrain: Ancient words ever true
changing me, and changing you;
we have come with open hearts,
O let the ancient words impart

Holy words of our faith handed down to this age,
came to us through sacrifice;
O heed the faithful words of Christ;
holy words, long preserved for our walk in this world;
they resound with God's own heart,
O let the ancient words impart

Refrain

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RECESSIONAL: CITY OF GOD

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 & 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.

Refrain

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Hymns for Children's Mass

ENTRANCE: Here we stand

Refrain: Here we stand on sacred land
With Christ in our hearts

We are God's hands,
We many are One, one holy family
In the footsteps of Jesus, together you and me
We are called to nurture, to love tenderly,
Hand holding hand, to serve like Mary Empowered by the
Spirit, we will show the way. With courage in our Hearts,
we bring life to each day. **Refrain**

We are called to respect, to be people of faith, To be people
of justice, to live Joseph's way To care for ourselves, each
other and God's world,

Love one another, be God's living word. **Refrain**

Called to be faithful, to walk humbly.
To live our faith in words and deeds
Be Jesus to each other in all we say and do Always pray for
each other, be the good news. **Refrain**

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DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: Open my Eyes Lord

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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COMMUNION: Hold my hand

Hold my Hand, Take my life
Lord I believe, Lord I receive
Into my life come Lord Jesus be my guide Show me the way,
For I'm just a child With a great need for love
Here I come [Repeat]

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RECESSIONAL: This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little
light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine
Jesus is the Light, I'm gonna let Him shine Jesus is the Light,
I'm gonna let Him shine Jesus is the Light, I'm gonna let Him
shine Let Him shine, let Him shine, let Him shine.

I will stomp my feet, & I will clap my hands & shout, shout
I will run around & I'll jump off the ground & shout, shout
I will stomp my feet & I will clap my hands and shout, shout
I will run around, I'll jump off the ground and shout, shout
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine This little light
of mine, I'm gonna let it shine This little light of mine, I'm
gonna let it shine Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine
Jesus is the Light, I'm gonna let Him shine Jesus is the Light,
I'm gonna let Him shine Jesus is the Light, I'm gonna let Him
shine Let Him shine, let Him shine, let Him shine.

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THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

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.
Amen

THE PSALM

Ps 62:2-8 (*j63:2-8*)

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 NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and
invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus
Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all
ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were
made.
For us men and for our
salvation
he came down from heaven,
(all bow at the words in bold)
and by the Holy Spirit was
incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate,

he suffered death and was
buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the
Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no
end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father &
the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the
prophets.
I believe in one, holy,
catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism
for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward
to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to
come. Amen

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (*Matt 24:42, 44*)

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

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION : UNMERITED GENEROSITY

It is by grace that you are saved through faith, not
by anything of your own, but by a pure gift from
God, and not by anything you have achieved.
Nobody can claim the credit. You are God's work
of art. —Ephesians 2:8–10

By grace you notice, nothing to do with good
deeds, or grace would not be grace at all. —
Romans 11:6

Happy are those servants whom the master finds
awake. I tell you he will put on an apron, sit them
down at table, and wait on them. —Luke 12:37

*Father Richard summarises the good news of God's freely-
given grace:*

I think grace, arising from God's limitless love, is the
central theme of the entire Bible. It is the divine Unmerited
Generosity that is everywhere available, totally given,
usually undetected as such, and often even undesired. This
grace was defined even in the old Baltimore Catechism as
"that which confers on our souls a new life, that is, a
sharing in the life of God." We always knew it on paper,
but much less by way of experience and therefore inner
conviction.

In the parable of the watchful servants (Luke 12:35–40),
God is presented as waiting on us—in the middle of the
night! In fact, we see God as both our personal servant
inside our house and the divine burglar who has to "break
through the walls of our house." That's really quite

extraordinary and not our usual image of God. It shows
how much God—the "Hound of Heaven," as Francis
Thompson says—wants to get to us and how unrelenting is
the work of grace.

Unless and until we understand the biblical concept of
God's unmerited favor, God's unaccountable love, most of
the biblical text cannot be interpreted or tied together in
any positive way. It is, without a doubt, the key and the
code to everything transformative in the Bible. People who
have not experienced the radical character of grace will
always misinterpret the meaning and major direction of
the Bible. The Bible will become a burden, obligation, and
weapon more than a gift.

Grace cannot be understood by any ledger of merits and
demerits. It cannot be held to patterns of buying, losing,
earning, achieving, or manipulating, which is
unfortunately where most of us live our lives. Grace is
quite literally "for the taking." It is God eternally giving
away God—for nothing, except the giving itself. I believe
grace is the life energy that makes flowers bloom, animals
lovingly raise their young, babies smile, and planets
remain in their orbits—for no good reason whatsoever
except love alone.

Abundance, largesse, excess are the name of the spiritual
game, "full measure, pressed down, shaken together,
running over and pouring into your lap" (Luke 6:38).
Grace will always be experienced as more than
enough instead of a mere survival mode.

SUNDAY MASS

KILLARA CHURCH :

5:30pm Vigil 9.00am

LINDFIELD CHURCH

6.00pm Vigil 8.30 am 10.15am **
12 noon Chinese Mass 6:00pm*

* On the 3rd Sunday of the month the Youth and Family Mass is at the earlier time of 5:30pm.

** The 10:15am Mass on the 2nd & 4th Sundays is a Children's Mass, featuring our Children's Choir.

WEEKDAY MASS this week:

Mon: 8am Killara
Tues. 8am Killara
Wed 10am Lindfield
Thurs.: 10am Lindfield
Fri.: 10am Lindfield *Memoria, St Elizabeth of Hungary*

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

SUNDAY MASS ROSTER

Saturday		11 Nov.	18 Nov.
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Thomas	Fr Thomas
Sunday		12 Nov.	19 Nov.
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	Fr Sam French
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Thomas	5:30pm Fr Colin

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For all of our parish team *click on 'Our Parish' on the website.*

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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 & retired & sick clergy of the diocese): BSB 062 784 Ac 10000 1624

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



OR

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

OR

- ◆ 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

Every Wednesday: 8:00am Meditation (online)

NOVEMBER

Sun. 12th 10:15am Children's Mass, with Children's Choir + morn. tea. Year 3-6 group after Mass.

Tues. 14th 7:30pm Thank You Evening for Volunteers

Wed. 15th 11:00am Scripture study (online)

Sun. 19th 5:30pm Youth and Family Mass followed by potluck dinner.

Tues. 21st 7:30pm Parish Pastoral Council

Wed. 22nd 10:00am Parish Book Club

7:30pm Scripture study (online)

Sun. 26th 10:15am **60th anniversary at Killara**

DECEMBER

Fri. 1st **Combined Parish and School Carols Evening**

Tues. 5th 6:00pm Year 6 Graduation Mass

Wed. 6th 11:00am Scripture study (online)

7:45pm Advent Ecumenical Service (at our Killara church)

Fri. 8th **11:00am** Healing Mass and pre-Christmas luncheon

Sun. 10th 10:15am Children's Mass, with Children's Choir + morn. tea.

Tues. 12th 7:00pm PPC & Finance Committee dinner

Wed. 13th 6:00pm Tarrawarra Group function

Fri. 15th 11:45am Advent School Mass

Wed. 20th 7:30pm Second Rite of Reconciliation

MINISTRY ROSTER

11 & 12 Nov.		18 & 19 Nov.	
[K] Sat 5:30pm	Reader - Saliya Hapugalie, Ann McCarthy Server - Mary Warren	[K] Sat 5:30pm	Reader - Barbara Meaney, Saliya Hapugalie Server - Mary Moran, Richard Murray
[L] Sat 6pm	Reader - Ken Sheridan Server - Therese Ta	[L] Sat 6pm	Reader - Eve McKenzie, Server - Rocco Mimmo
[L] Sun 8:30am	Reader - Teresa Lee, Garth Gum Gee Server - Jos Beunen	[L] Sun 8:30am	Reader - Graham Barter, Elizabeth Reedy Server - Vera Fiala
[K] Sun 9am	Reader - Mary Hor, Amanda Chong Woo Server - Christine Yates	[K] Sun 9am	Reader - Maryann Haffenden, Browyn White Server - Garry White
[L] Sun 10:15am	Reader - CHILDREN'S MASS Server - Elliott Dent, Theo Mahe, Fraser Archibald	[L] Sun 10:15am	Reader - Nicole McManus, Anthony Cassidy Server - Dominic Taranto
[L] Sun 6pm	Reader - Marianne & Michael O'Meara Server - Vera Fiala	[L] Sun 5:30pm	Reader - YOUTH & FAM. MASS Server - Mitch Frater-Baird, Alicia Willet, Elizabeth Lee, Sophie Tan
Counter - Laetitia Seeto, Kieran Rodgers [L] Morning Tea - Vanessa Newey, Melissa Archibald		Counter - John Cahill, Ann Meagher	

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

Recently deceased: Fr Bob Walsh SJ, Fr John Alt, Peter Rodgers, Teresita Borthwick, Johnny Alackakunnel, Gerry McCormack, Pamela Mavis Porteous, Vic Gilles, Margaret and Bill Stanley, Shaunagh Ward-Jackson, Val Roberts, Helen Arena, Chris Mackin. **Anniversary:** Mary Graham, James Gibbons, Robert Agus Heru Herlambang.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Mary Moran, Wolfgang Liers, Tanya Walsh, Jutta Mathur, 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, Janette Brennan

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Nuns in films these days tend to conform to two stereotypes: either they cheerfully respond to the spotlights, shedding inhibitions they never knew they had; or they embody gothic horror, subject to unimaginable captivities. There is not much verisimilitude in either extreme. I was thrilled when I discovered the other day that YouTube houses a flickering but still watchable copy of *In This House of Brede*, George Schaefer's adaptation for the screen of Rumer Godden's 1969 novel. Godden knew monastic life and understood it. Not for her saccharine or horrific caricatures. Brede, a Benedictine abbey modelled on known houses, is a place in which people learn what it really means to live, to give up illusion, not to encounter others as projections of one's own loss or desire. 'We had to learn', says a key character, 'to care less for each other and more for all the rest', a model of the widening of the heart that engenders not estrangement but homecoming. Sr Philippa, played by Diana Rigg, speaks at the end of an 'incredible sense of belonging - in the world', recognition that can be a genuine fruit of contemplative living. The film is not perfect, but worth seeing.

(from the website ('Coram Fratibus') of Bishop Eric Varden ocso. Eric Varden is a Cistercian monk, formerly Abbot of Mt St Bernard Abbey in Leicestershire and now Bishop of Trondheim in Norway)

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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, 很關心她地迎接他們。

——上主的話。(默想片刻)

答唱詠 詠 63 (J131):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 (天主領那些死於耶穌內的人, 同他一起前來。)

恭讀聖保祿致得撒洛尼人前書 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。(默想片刻)

福音前歡呼 (瑪24:42,44)

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。

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, 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。(講道後默想片刻)

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