



*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.*

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 21 - 1 - 24

This week : Jnh 3:1-5, 10; 1Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

Next week : Dt 18:15-20; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28



The key words in today's Gospel are 'at once':

those first four disciples responded at once to the call of Jesus.

Which is a way of saying that they were attentive to the needs and demands of *that present moment*:

they knew how to respond to what that moment, that situation, asked of them.

So the point of the passage is not so much about them leaving what they were doing:

it was about them responding to what needed to be done *then*;

at another moment the thing that might have needed to be done might have been to stay doing exactly what they were doing.

The point is that they recognised the demands of the present moment: demands which are different in each present moment.

And our call as disciples is to have the attentiveness to do the same.

Fr Colin

Coming up in a parish near you !

**THIS FRIDAY 26TH JANUARY
MASS FOR AUSTRALIA DAY**

10am in Lindfield church

*Please gather for the Eucharist to
give thanks for God's grace and to
pray that we will grow as a nation
of justice and peace.*

FAREWELL TO FR THOMAS

SUNDAY 25TH FEBRUARY

beginning with 10:15am Mass in
Holy Family church and followed
by a celebration in the Shirley
Wallace Parish Centre above the
church.

More details soon.

THE SEASON OF LENT

begins early this year! Ash
Wednesday falls on 14th February
(so postpone your Valentine's
celebrations by a day!).

Our Ecumenical Services with our
fellow churches will be on Tuesdays
20th Feb., 5th and 19th Mar. at
7:30pm. Details soon.

Parish retreat at Tarrawarra Abbey

Although we thought we didn't have a quorum for the
retreat(s) this year we are now a little closer to achieving
that:

but we still need two or three more people to make it
viable.

If you'd be interested please let me know by Sunday 28th
January at the latest. *Fr Colin*



The two possible retreats are:

Tues. afternoon 9th Apr. - Mon. morning 15th Apr.

Tues. afternoon 16th Apr. - Mon. morning 22nd Apr.

THE CELEBRATION OF FIRST RECONCILIATION DATES FOR THE DIARY:

Parent Night	Wednesday 21st February 7pm in St Brigid's Hall
Session 1	Sunday 25 February 4.45 to 6pm - followed by 6pm Mass & Rite of Enrolment
Sessions 2 & 3	Sunday 3rd March 4 to 6pm - followed by 6pm Mass
Session 4	Sunday 10 March 4.45pm On this day the Rite of Peace will be celebrated at both 10:15am and 6pm Mass - you can choose which to attend.
Celebrations	Tues. 12th and Wed. 13th March 5pm both at Killara

For inquiries contact Mrs Maia Schulze-Tsang
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Enrol via

www.trybooking.com/EDND

**Enrolments are
NOW OPEN!**

Hymns for the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE: BERNADETTE FARRELL

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain : Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ be our light!
Shine in your Church gathered today.
Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. *Refrain*
Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
making your kingdom come. *Refrain*

*Bernadette Farrell © 1993, OCP.**

DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: I HEARD THE VOICE

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest.
Lay down, O weary one,
lay down your head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad.
I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.
I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
the living water, thirsty one; stoop down and drink & live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream.
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
and now I live in him.
I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am the dawning light.
Look unto me, your morn shall rise,
and all your day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my star, my sun,
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav'ling days are done.

Horatius Bonar (1846)

COMMUNION: LOVE IS HIS WORD *Luke Connaughton*

Love is His word, Love is His way,
Feasting with all, fasting alone,

Living and dying, rising again
Love only love is His way.

Refrain: Richer than gold is the love of my Lord.
Better than splendour and wealth.

Love is His way, love is His mark,
Sharing His last Passover feast.
Christ at the table, host to the twelve Love,
only love, is His mark.

Love is his mark, love is His sign,
Bread for our strength, wine for our joy,
This is my body, this is my blood
Love, only love is His sign.

Love is His law, Love is His word,
Love of the Lord, Father, and Word,
Love of the Spirit, God ever one,
Love, only love, is His word.

*Luke Connaughton, © 1970 **

RECESSIONAL: GO TELL EVERYONE

God's spirit is in my heart
God has called me and set me apart
This is what I have to do, What I have to do

Refrain: God sent me to give the Good News to the poor,
Tell prisoners that they are prisoners no more,
Tell blind people that they can see,
And set the downtrodden free
And go tell everyone the news that Kingdom of God has
come, And go tell everyone the news that God's Kingdom
has come.

Just as the Father sent me,
So I'm sending you out to be
My witnesses throughout the world,
The whole of the world. *Refrain:*

Don't worry what you have to say,
Don't worry because on that day
God's Spirit will speak in your heart,
Will speak in your heart. *Refrain:*

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FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION: A LEVER AND A PLACE TO STAND

Give me a place to stand, and I will move the whole earth
with a lever. —Archimedes

Richard Rohr uses images of a lever and a place to stand to explain why social transformation needs both action and contemplation:

Archimedes, a 3rd century BC Greek philosopher & mathematician, noticed that a lever balanced in the correct place, on the correct fulcrum, could move proportionally much greater weights than the force actually applied. He calculated that if the lever stretched far enough & the fulcrum remained fixed close to Earth, even a small weight at one end would be able to move the world at the other.

The fixed point is our place to stand. It is a contemplative stance: steady, centred, poised, and rooted. To be contemplative, we have to have a slight distance from the world to allow time for withdrawal from business as usual, for contemplation, for going into what Jesus calls our "private room" (Matthew 6:6). However, we have to remain quite close to the world at the same time, loving it, feeling its pain and its joy as our pain and our joy. Otherwise, our distance can become a form of escapism.

True contemplation, the great teachers say, is really quite down to earth and practical, and doesn't require life in a monastery. It is, however, an utterly different way of receiving the moment, and therefore all of life. In order to have the capacity to "move the world," we need some

distancing and detachment from the diversionary nature and delusions of mass culture and the false self. Contemplation builds on the hard bottom of reality—as it is—without ideology, denial, or fantasy.

Unfortunately, many of us don't have a fixed place to stand, a fulcrum of critical distance, and thus we cannot find our levers, or true "delivery systems," as Bill Plotkin calls them, by which to move our world. We do not have the steadiness of spiritual practice to keep our sight keen and alive. Those who have plenty of opportunities for spiritual practice—for example, those in monasteries—often don't have an access point beyond religion itself from which to speak or to serve much of our world. We need a delivery system in the world to provide the capacity for building bridges and connecting the dots of life.

Some degree of inner experience is necessary for true spiritual authority, but we need some form of outer validation, too. We need to be taken seriously as competent and committed individuals and not just "inner" people. Could this perhaps be what Jesus means by being both "wise as serpents and innocent as doves" (Matthew 10:16)? God offers us quiet, contemplative eyes; God also calls us to prophetic and critical involvement in the pain and sufferings of our world—both at the same time. This is so obvious in the life and ministry of Jesus that I wonder why it has not been taught as an essential part of Christianity.

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

PSALM Ps 24 (25): 4-9

Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour.
Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old.
In your love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord.
The Lord is good and upright.
God shows the path to those who stray,
and guides the humble in the right path;
the Lord teaches his way to the poor.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia! The kingdom of God is near: believe the
Good News! Alleluia! (Mark 1:15)**

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

SUNDAY MASS ROSTER

Saturday		20 Jan.	27 Jan.
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Thomas	Fr Thomas
Sunday		21 Jan.	28 Jan.
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 Sam French	Fr Thomas
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Thomas	Fr Thomas

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

Recently deceased: Jan Grass, Pauline Cleary, Fr William Aliprandi
(Parish Priest at Lindfield from 1983-87), John Webb, Patrick
Haynes, Alex Newton, John Playoust, Moya Dwyer, Robert Webb,
Peter Rodgers, Teresita Borthwick, Leslie McCormack, Stella Salvaris,
Michael Fitzgerald.

Anniversary: Bini Szacsavay, Freda Mercer, Chris Williams, Denis
Lyons. **And for:** John Quirk.

Catholic Parish of Lindfield -Killara

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Evina Wong, Mary Moran, Peter Tsang, 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, Ophelia
Mari Umali, Rosanna Comastri, Janette Brennan, Frank Hune.

OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY 常年期第三主日 21.1.2024

讀經一

(尼尼微人離開了自己的邪路，信仰了天主。)

恭讀約納先知書 3:1-5, 10

答唱詠 詠25 (g24):4-5, 6-7, 8-9

【答】：上主，求你教訓我履行你的道路。

(詠 25:4)

讀經二

(世界的局面正在逝去。)

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致格林多人前書 7:29-31

弟兄姊妹們：

我對你們說：時間是短促的。

今後有妻子的，要像沒有一樣；哭泣的，要像不哭泣的；歡樂的，要像不歡
樂的；購買的，要像一無所得的；享用這世界的，要像不享用的。

因為這世界的局面，正在逝去。

——上主的話。

福音前歡呼 (參閱 谷1:15)

領：天主的國臨近了，你們悔改，信從福音吧！

福音

(你們悔改，信從福音吧！)

恭讀聖馬爾谷福音 1:14-20

若翰被監禁後，耶穌來到加里肋亞，宣講天主的福音，說：「時期已滿，
天主的國臨近了，你們悔改，信從福音吧！」

當耶穌沿著加里肋亞海行走時，看見西滿和西滿的兄弟安德肋，在海裡撒
網；他們原是漁夫。耶穌向他們說：「來跟隨我！我要使你們成為漁人的
漁夫。」他們便立刻丟下網，跟隨了耶穌。耶穌向前行了不遠，看見載伯
德的兒子雅各伯和他的弟弟若望，正在船上修網。耶穌於是立即召叫他
們；他們就把自己的父親載伯德和傭工們，撇在船上，跟隨了耶穌。

——上主的話。

****華人天主教會北區中心****

主日彌撒正午 12時

彌撒後.午餐聚會

主日學 24/12 - 28/01 假期, 4/02 恢復

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Holy Family Catholic Primary School Lindfield



OPEN DAY

Thursday 7th March, 6:30PM

Friday 8th March, 9:00AM

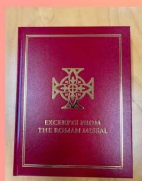
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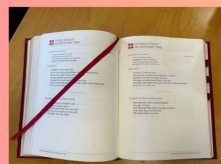
Could you help?

Some time ago a new liturgical book was produced - it is an extract of the Roman Missal containing all the prayers needed by the celebrant at the Chair.

We had postponed getting this resource (which most parishes now have) due to costs but it is a book we really need for the liturgy so we have now acquired one for each of our two churches.



If you could help us defray this cost (they cost \$120 each) we would be happy to insert a bookplate recording either the donor's name or the name of the person in whose memory it was donated.



If you can help please let me know.

Fr Colin

REPAIRS AT LINDFIELD

Over the last couple of weeks major repairs have taken place to both the exterior and interior of the high southern face of Lindfield church. You may be aware that over the years we have had significant flooding of the sanctuary and also St Brigid's Hall above it due to water penetrating the wall in violent storm events.



The large brick Cross atop the wall has also become unstable and will need to be removed and replaced with a lighter structure.

The Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Committee were both in agreement that these issues had to be remedied.

The works will ultimately cost in excess of \$30,000. Please remember your parish the next time you 'tap and go'!

Fr Colin

A special feast day: Candlemas (Friday 2nd February)

Our church year is marked by various feasts which each tell the story of God's love in a different way. One of the feasts we celebrate in a special way is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas) (2nd February).

This ancient feast, commemorating the prophet Simeon's recognition of the child Jesus (at his presentation in the Temple) as 'the light of God's people', is celebrated 40 days after Christmas. The liturgy begins with the lighting of candles which are brought into the church in joyful procession as Mass begins.



As we bring our candles to be blessed we're reminded that we are people who live in the light of Christ. We take those candles home to be part of our home prayer space for the next twelve months. As we gather on this feast of candles we are doing what Christians have done on this day for nearly two thousand years and affirming our belief - which we celebrated at Christmas - that 'a light shines in the darkness'.

Mass for the celebration of Candlemas will be at 10am on Friday 2nd February at Lindfield.

Please bring your own candle to be blessed and placed on the altar —and afterwards taken home to your place of prayer. Please ensure that it has a wide base so that it can stand freely when placed on the altar

Don't forget to bring your candle to be blessed!

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 2 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.
- ♦ **TAP MACHINES** are available in our two churches.

WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK:

Mon.	8:00am	Killara	
Tues	8:00am	Killara	
Wed.	10:00am	Lindfield	<i>Memoria, St Francis de Sales</i>
Thur.	10:00am	Lindfield	<i>Feast, Conversion of St Paul</i>
Fri	10:00am	Lindfield	<i>Australia Day Mass</i>