



*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.*

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT 10 -3 - 24 LAETARE ('REJOICE') SUNDAY

*This week: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 Ephesians 2:4-10 John 3:14-21
Next week: Jeremiah 32: 31-34 Hebrews 5: 7-9 John 12: 20-33*

'Yes, God loved the world so much...'

The Gospel today reminds us that the first truth for a Christian is God's love.

*Often, however, in practice
we make our first truth our own sinfulness and weakness.*

But the Gospel reminds us that before (and after) anything that we do, God loves us.

Lent is often seen as a time for reflecting on our own sinfulness.

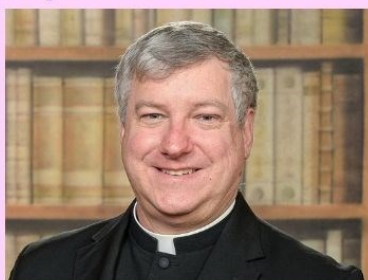
This Lent we could turn that on its head and make Lent a time rather for reflecting on God's love - and that that love is greater than our failings.

Fr Colin



Welcome !

An advance welcome to Fr Stephen Hill who will join us in the parish on 18th March.



If you missed the introduction to Fr Stephen and his background and the Ordinariate of Our Lady of the Southern Cross just go to our website and you'll find a hotlink box on the homepage which will take you to both Bishop

Anthony's and my own letter introducing Fr Stephen..
Please make Fr Stephen and the community of the Ordinariate very welcome.
Fr Colin

Last Tuesday's Ecumenical Service and the supper following



Soon to join our family of faith....



We pray for our catechumens who will be baptised this coming Easter:

(from left to right) Daniel Han, Sandy Chen, Jennifer Zhao and her husband Stephen Xu.

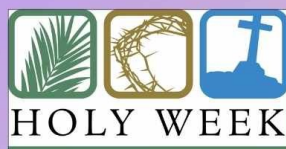
We pray too for their children who will also be welcomed into our family of faith.

A reflection for this Fourth week of Lent

Lent is a season of reflection and repentance—but also a curious type of joy. In Lent, we reflect upon our sin and brokenness and about the fleeting stability and reliability of life. We also practice repentance, which moves us past regret and into action—an attempt to be obedient to God in the things to which we find ourselves lapsing. This may give Lent a bad reputation, an accusation of being a killjoy season, a strange way-point on the way to Easter's better days. But that would be a hasty deduction at great expense to Lent's benefits. There is joy in Lent, but it is the kind of joy that comes in being made whole, the sort of peace that arrives in taking a drowning man and hauling him on the deck of a rescue ship. If Easter were to come to life and be a type of personified joy, we might envision it as a dancer. "There goes Easter, round and round in pure ecstasy, unstoppable and unable to let anything slow it down!"

Bruce Hillman

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 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.

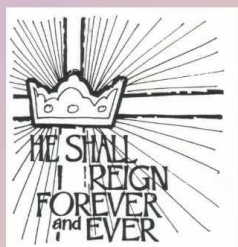
Since it is the principal celebration of the entire Church year we will again have a single celebration of the Easter Vigil for the whole parish. This will be celebrated in Holy Family church at Lindfield and we hope that everyone from both the Killara and the Lindfield communities in the parish can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

12 noon Divine Service of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of the Southern Cross (Killara)

(There is no Sunday evening Mass on Easter Sunday)

WEEKDAY MASS IN LENT

So far we seem to have less people at weekday Mass than in normal times outside of Lent!

Let's come together to draw closer to our Eucharistic Lord during this season of renewal.

Joining with our sisters and brothers in faith at our third & final
LENTEN ECUMENICAL SERVICE:

Tuesday 19th March 7:30pm
at Killara Uniting Church
(cnr Karranga and Arnold)
Preacher: Rev. Chris Goringe

Lent is halfway over today!

Here are some opportunities to seize its invitation over the coming weeks:

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

is a beautiful gift of our Catholic faith - a sacrament which makes tangible and concrete the loving mercy of God.

And which provides us the opportunity to confront those areas of our life that need challenge and change.

In addition to the usual Saturday afternoon times for this sacrament we will have a celebration of the Second (Community) Rite of Reconciliation on Wednesday 20th March at 7:30pm in our Killara church.

AT THE PERSONAL LEVEL:
Why not set a little time aside and tap into the short daily guided meditations at:
<https://pray-as-you-go.org/>
Or explore the immensely rich and wider offering of prayer resources at <https://pray-as-you-go.org/discover>

Food for the soul.....

Whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God. (Jn 3:21)

GOD'S PLEASURE IN OUR ACTION

For six months, while undergoing treatment for cancer, I was working on a reduced schedule. The medical treatments, while somewhat debilitating, left me still enough health and energy to carry on the administrative duties in my present ministry, but they didn't allow me any extra energy to teach classes or to offer any lectures, workshops, or retreats at outside venues, something I normally do. I joked with my family and friends that I was "under house arrest"; but I was so grateful for the energy that I still had, that I did not deem being unable to teach and give lectures as a sacrifice. I was focused on staying healthy, and the health that I was given was appreciated as a great grace.

A month later, the medical treatments ended and, soon after, most of my normal energies returned and I resumed a normal schedule that included again teaching inside a classroom. Having been on the sidelines for a half year left me a little nervous as I entered the classroom for my first three-hour session. My nervousness passed quickly as the class robustly engaged the topic and, after the three hours, I walked out of the class feeling a wonderful energy that I hadn't felt for six months. Teaching (which I consider both my profession and my vocation) lifted both my heart and my body in a way that it hadn't been lifted in months. It was the missing tonic.

At first, I felt some anxiety and guilt about this. What really triggered that wonderful feeling and burst of energy? Narcissism? Pride? Was I basking in the capacity to demonstrate some cleverness and learning and then drink in the students' admiration? Did I feel good because my ego got stroked? Was my teaching really about furthering God's kingdom or about stroking my ego?

I am not alone with these questions. These are valid questions for anyone who draws energy from his or her work, especially if, because of that work, he or she drinks in a fair amount of adulation. Our motivations are never completely pure. Indeed, if we are fully honest with ourselves, we have to admit that there is always some degree of self-serving in our service of others. But, mixed

as our motives will always be, something else, something much more positive, needs to be factored into this, namely, the fact that God gave us our various talents and that God feels good about us using them.

Eric Liddell, the Olympic runner, whose story is featured in the Oscar-winning movie, *Chariots of Fire*, once made this comment: "When I run, I feel God's pleasure." He didn't make this comment lightly. As his biography and *Chariots of Fire* make clear, Eric Liddell, in his quest to win an Olympic gold medal was motivated more by his faith than by his own ego. His faith had him believe that, since God gave him this unique talent, God, not unlike any proud parent, took a genuine delight in seeing him use that gift. In his heart, he sensed that God was pleased whenever he exercised that talent to its optimum. Moreover, that inner sense that God was happy with his use of his talent filled him, Eric, with a wonderful energy whenever he ran.

Seen from that perspective, we see that the root and source of his motivation and pleasure in running was, ultimately, not his desire to win gold medals and popular adulation, though clearly no one is immune to these. Rather he was motivated by an inner sense that God had given him a special gift, that God wanted him to use that gift to its fullest, and that God was happy when he optimized that gift. Like everyone else who is human, he, no doubt, enjoyed the adulation he received for his successes, but he knew too that the deepest joy he felt in using his gift had its ultimate source in God and not his own ego.

And this, I believe, is true of us, everybody. When anyone uses properly the gifts that God gave him or her, God will take pleasure in that. After all God gave us that gift and that gift was given us for a reason.

We shouldn't feel guilty for exercising the gifts that God gave us, even though our motivations will never be completely pure. Whenever we use a God-given talent to do something well, God takes pleasure in it ... and so too should we.

*Fr Ron Rolheiser omi, Centre for Liturgy,
University of St Louis*

As we prepare for Easter—we'll 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 is 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. **Please bring a plate** and drop it off before the Easter Vigil begins.

Please take home a Project Compassion box or set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and for all future generations.

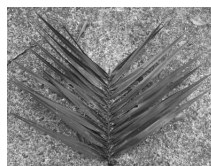
With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction.

Project Compassion 2024 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow for all future generations.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available in the church foyer, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

PALMS FOR PALM SUNDAY (24TH MARCH)

We're going to need everyone's help to ensure that we have palms for our community for Palm Sunday.



Do you (or a friend) have some palms trees? Could you bring them - cut down to individual person's size (~15cm segments of the branch) - in time for Palm Sunday?

Please bring them to drop off in the baskets provided in our two churches on 17th March (Sunday before Palm Sunday).

Hymns for the Fourth Sunday in Lent

ENTRANCE: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST OUR SAVIOUR

Refrain: Praise to you, O Christ, our Saviour,
Word of the Father, calling us to life;
Son of God who leads us to freedom:
glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

You are the Word who calls us out of darkness;
you are the Word who leads us into light;
you are the Word who brings us through the desert:
glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ! *Refrain*

You are the Word who calls us to be servants;
you are the Word whose only law is love;
you are the Word – made flesh who lives among us:
glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ! *Refrain*

*Contributor: Bernadette Farrell. **

DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: WITH A JOYFUL HEART

Ref: With a joyful heart, O Lord my God, I bring all to you

- 1 Behold, O Lord, this bread
which we now carry to your altar.
This bread will become your body.
- 2 Behold, O Lord, this wine;
accept and bless it for our gladness.
This wine will become your blood.
- 3 We come to you, O Lord;
we bring the gifts that you have made,
the gifts we return to you.

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COMMUNION: THIS DAY GOD GIVES ME

This day God gives me, strength from high heaven,
sun and moon shining, flame in my hearth,
flashing of lightning, wind in its swiftness,
depths of the ocean, firmness of earth.

This day God sends me strength as my steersman,
might to uphold me, wisdom as guide.

Your eyes are watchful, your ears are list'ning,
your lips are speaking, friend at my side.

God's way is my way, God's shield is round me.

God's host defends me, saving from ill.

Angels of heaven, drive from me always,
all that would harm me; stand by me still.

Rising I thank you, mighty and strong One,

King of creation, giver of rest,

firmly confessing Threeness of Persons,

Oneness of Godhead, Trinity blest.

Adap. from St Patrick's Breastplate c. 8th century. James Quinn SJ

RECESSIONAL: TELL OUT MY SOUL

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;

Tender to me the promise of his word;

In God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name!

Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;

His mercy sure, from age to age to same;

His holy Name - the Lord, the Mighty One.

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!

Powers and dominions lay their glory by

Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight

The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!

Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord

To children's children and for evermore!

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Hymns for the Children's Mass

ENTRANCE: COME AND SING ALONG WITH US

Chorus. Come and sing along with us,
Snap your fingers clap your hands.
Come and sing along with us,
Sing praises to God's name.

We are here to pray, and listen to God's Word.

We are here to share the bread and wine.
(Chorus)

We are here as one, God's own family.

We are here as children of the light.
(Chorus)

We are here to love, as Jesus taught us to.
We are here to live as Jesus lived. (Chorus)

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DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS:

GIFT TO YOU

Lord, if we could, we will fill our hands
with all the wonderful things you give us
Then, we'd lift them up and give them back
to you

Everything I am (everything I am)
Everything I'll be (everything I'll be)
I give it to you, Lord (I give it to you, Lord)
And do it thankfully (thankfully).

Every song I sing, every praise I bring
Everything I do is a gift to you
Everything I have (everything I have)
All you've given me (all you've given me)
I give it to you, Lord (I give it to you, Lord)

And do it thankfully (thankfully)

Every song I sing, every praise I bring
Everything I do is a gift to you
Everything I am (everything I am)
Everything I'll be (everything I'll be)
I give it to you, Lord (I give it to you, Lord)
And do it thankfully (thankfully)

Every song I sing
Every praise I bring, everything I do
Is a gift to you
Is a gift to you

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COMMUNION: PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring your love.
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope
Where there is darkness, only light
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Chorus. O Master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned
In giving to all men that we receive

And in dying that we're born to eternal life.
(Chorus)

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RECESSIONAL HYMN:

THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

Chorus. 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

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Jesus is the Light, I'm gonna let Him shine

Let Him shine, let Him shine, let Him shine.

I will stomp my feet, and I will clap my hands and shout,
shout

I will run around and I'll jump off the ground and shout,
shout

I will stomp my feet and I will clap my hands and shout,
shout

I will run around, I'll jump off the ground and shout, shout. (Chorus)

*TO © 12.**

THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

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

PSALM *Ps 136 (137)*

By the rivers of Babylon
there we sat and wept,
remembering Zion;
on the poplars that grew there
we hung our harps.

For it was there that they asked us,
our captors, for songs,
our oppressors, for joy.
'Sing to us,' they said,
'one of Zion's songs.'

O how could we sing
the song of the Lord
on alien soil?
If I forget you, Jerusalem,
let my right hand wither!

O let my tongue
cleave to my mouth
if I remember you not,
if I prize not Jerusalem
above all my joys!

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 *(John 3:16)*

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! God loved the world
so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him
might have eternal life. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus
Christ!

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and
Resurrection you have set us free.

FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION: ENGAGING WITH A WORLD ON FIRE

Way back in 2007, I wrote a book called *Everything Must Change*. I wanted to understand what our greatest challenges and threats and problems were here on Earth as a global civilization. I spent a year researching the literature of global crises, and I came away with an understanding of four deep problems that we face.

First, we face a crisis with our planet. We are literally destroying our life support system, disrupting our climate, destroying our oceans, depleting our soil, polluting everything, committing ecocide against the whole web of life.

Second, we have a crisis of poverty and unequal distribution of wealth and power, concentrating more and more wealth and power among a tiny minority of people.

That leads to a third problem: the crisis of peace. We know we're in trouble, so what do we do? We disseminate more and more weapons of increasing kill power. We set on fire all of our divisions: racial, economic, religious, social, gender related, and more.

We have the crises of the planet, poverty, peace; the fourth crisis is religion because all too often our religious communities are remaining on the sidelines. As Thomas Merton said, they're "guilty bystanders." I think much religion has been selling people an evacuation plan rather than helping them participate in a transformation plan.

McLaren points to people who integrated spirituality and

action in service of the world's healing:

The great Buddhist teacher Thich Nhat Hahn came of age in Vietnam right as his nation was descending into civil war. He didn't want to be part of a religious community that was disengaged from his culture at a time of great need. He began to articulate what he called a form of engaged Buddhism.

It was the same with Thomas Merton. He became a Trappist monk. We might think of Trappists as people who are withdrawn from all the events and affairs of the world. But Merton, who wrote *New Seeds of Contemplation*, also wrote a book called *Seeds of Destruction* because he said he wanted a form of engaged contemplative Christian faith.

When Richard Rohr started the CAC, he wanted it to be the Centre for Action and Contemplation: engaged contemplation rooted in a Christian tradition. And of course, this just draws from the example of Jesus, who withdrew for a period of contemplative silence at the beginning of his ministry, a period of forty days, the story says. But then of course, he engaged with the struggles and challenges of his people in his time.

Every day Jesus would follow that same rhythm: withdraw for solitude, but then come back to engage by healing, feeding, caring, welcoming, binding up the wounds of this world, and implanting in people a vision of resilience, engaging with a world on fire.

SUNDAY MASS**Killara Church :**

5:30pm Vigil 9.00am

Lindfield Church6.00pm Vigil 8.30 am 10.15am **
12 noon Chinese Mass 6:00pm Youth Mass*

* On the 3rd Sunday of the month the 6pm Youth Mass is followed by a Parish Pizza Night in St Brigid's Hall.

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

WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK:Mon: 8am Killara
Tues. 8am Killara
Wed. 10am Lindfield
Thurs.: 10am Lindfield
Fri.: 10am Lindfield (School Mass for Lent - all welcome)**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**Saturdays for 15 mins after Vigil Mass at Killara
Saturdays 5.15 - 5.45pm at Lindfield**SUNDAY MASS ROSTER**

Saturday		9 Mar.	16 Mar.
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Colin	Fr David Orr osb
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Anselam Lakra	Fr Joey Frez
Sunday		10 Mar.	17 Mar.
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Killara	9:00 am	Fr Anselam Lakra	Fr Joey Frez
Lindfield	10:15 am	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Lindfield	12:00 pm	Fr Anselam Lakra	Fr David Ranson
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Colin	Fr Colin

HOW TO CONTACT US**Fr Colin Blayney, Parish Priest**colin@lindfieldkillara.org.au 0475 558 500**Parish Office Hours: Tue-Fri. ~ 9.30am ~ 4pm****Postal address:** PO Box 22, Lindfield NSW 2070**P:** 9416 3702 **E:** parishoffice@lindfieldkillara.org.au**Parish Website:** www.lindfieldkillara.org.au*For all of our staff click on 'Our Parish' on the website.***Holy Family School:** 4 Highfield Rd, Lindfield**E** info@holysfamily.nsw.edu.au **Ph.** 7256 2141**Ways that you can support our parish**

- ♦ BY DIRECT DEBIT CONTRIBUTIONS from your bank account to our parish accounts:

1st Collection: (providing for the priests of the parish & 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)

MARCH

Sun. 10th	10:15am	Children's Mass, with Children's Choir followed by kids' activities and morning tea.
Tues. 12th	5:00pm	First Reconciliation
	7:30pm	Parish Pastoral Council
Wed. 13th	5:00pm	First Reconciliation
	7:30pm	Scripture study (online)
Sun. 17th	7:00pm	Parish Pizza Night following 6pm Mass
Tues. 19th	7:30pm	Lenten Ecumenical Service (see p.2.)
Wed. 20th	11:00am	Scripture study (online)
	7:30pm	Second Rite of Reconciliation for Lent (at Killara)
Sunday 24th	PALM SUNDAY –THE BEGINNING OF HOLY WEEK	

BANNS OF MARRIAGE We keep in our prayers Kevin Yates and Rebecca Jarman who will celebrate their marriage next weekend.**MINISTRY ROSTER**

9 & 10 Mar.		16 & 17 Mar.	
[K] Sat 5:30pm	Reader - Barbara Meaney Server - Andrew Borzycki	[K] Sat 5:30pm	Reader - Ann McCarthy, Lucie Cannell Server - Ryder Magsalin
[L] Sat 6pm	Reader - Andrew & Sally Giles Server - Therese Ta	[L] Sat 6pm	Reader - Anna Kulesz Server - Ted Spurtacz
[L] Sun 8:30am	Reader - Annabel Gunns, Anne Ridley Server - James Yu	[L] Sun 8:30am	Reader - Garth Gum Gee, Teresa Lee Server - James Yu
[K] Sun 9am	Reader - Amanda Chong Woo, Nicole Novak Server - Christine Yates	[K] Sun 9am	Reader - Aaron Tang, Maryann Haffenden Server - Michael Dewar
[L] Sun 10:15am	Reader - CHILDREN'S MASS Server - Jos Beunen, Theo Mahe, Fraser Archibold, Jonathan Smiriotis	[L] Sun 10:15am	Reader - Denzel & Edbert Tedjasukmana Server - Irene Chan
[L] Sun 6pm	Reader - Ian Newbrun, Brett Moorcroft Server - Mitchell Frater-Baird	[L] Sun 6pm	Reader - Kathryn & Xavier Dent Server - Matthew Leung, Elliott Dent, Sophia Tan, Liz Brugman
] Morning Tea - Sharon De Souza, Jane & Peter Solomon Counter - Christopher O'Shannessy, Melissa Tickle, Kieran Rodgers		Counter - John Cahill, Eric Hahn	

Lord, in Jesus your Son, you restored to us the gift of everlasting life. Grant that life to:**Recently deceased:** Peter Hutchings, Sean Diggins, Linda Yee, Evangeline Santillan, Kath Evans, Vito Zepinic, Faustino Rubio, Mabini Macayan, Tito Laurel, Margaret Ryan, Jan Grass, Pauline Cleary, John Webb, Patrick Haynes, Alex Newton, John Playoust, Moya Dwyer, Robert Webb, Peter Rodgers, Teresita Borthwick, Leslie McCormack, Stella Salvaris, Michael Fitzgerald.**Anniversary:** George Joseph Blayney, Doreen Kavanagh, Rita White.**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:**

Eric Atkins, King Charles III, 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, Opheilia Mari Umali, Rosanna Comastri, Janette Brennan, Dr Frank Hume.

LINDARA MARKET
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Supporting families in crisis



Please help us to make our Easter beautiful - Can you be part of our Easter Choir?



Our Easter Choir will sing at a number of celebrations during the Easter Triduum. These are on Holy Thursday evening, Good Friday morning, Good Friday afternoon, Holy Saturday morning and the Mass of the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday evening. To ensure we are well prepared there will be three rehearsals. If you wish to sing you must attend all rehearsals.

Saturday 9th March 2.30 - 4.30pm at Lindfield Church
Saturday 16th March 2.30 - 4.30pm at Lindfield Church
Saturday 23rd March 2.30 - 4.30pm at Lindfield Church

Rehearsals start promptly so please arrive 10 minutes early to get settled. Please bring water and a pencil.

We are looking forward to contributing the beauty of these wonderful celebrations through our music.

Choristers are encouraged to sing at all these liturgies. We understand that this may not be possible so please let us know your availability at the first rehearsal.

For any further information please contact Catherine Willis at catherinewillis@gmail.com

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) on Palm Sunday 24th March.

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 MASS AT 10:00AM (NOT 10:15AM).

OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

常四旬期第四主日 10.03.2024

讀經一 (選民的放逐與拯救, 都顯示上主對他子民的義怒與仁慈。)

恭讀編年紀下 36:14-16, 19-23

那時候, 所有的司祭、首長和百姓, 都罪上加罪, 仿效了異族所做的一切醜惡之事, 污辱了上主在耶路撒冷祝聖的聖殿。上主、他們祖先的天主, 由於愛惜自己的百姓和自己的居所, 時常不斷派遣使者警戒他們。無奈, 他們都嘲笑了天主的使者, 輕視了天主的勸言, 譏笑了天主的先知, 致使上主的怒火, 發洩在他的百姓身上, 直到無法救治。

敵人焚毀了上主的殿宇, 拆毀了耶路撒冷的城牆, 燒了城中所有的宮殿, 毀壞了城內一切珍貴的器皿; 凡沒有死於刀下的人, 都被擄到巴比倫去, 作巴比倫王及他子孫的奴僕, 直到波斯帝國興起。這樣, 就應驗了上主藉耶肋米亞的口, 所說的話: 「為填補沒有遵守的安息年, 這塊土地要一直荒涼七十年。」

波斯王居魯士元年, 為應驗上主藉耶肋米亞的口, 所說的話, 上主感動了波斯王居魯士的心, 叫他出一道號令, 通告全國, 說: 「波斯王居魯士這樣說: 上天的神: 『上主』, 將地上萬國交给了我, 囑咐我在猶大的耶路撒冷, 為他建築一座殿宇; 你們中間凡做他子民的, 都可以上去耶路撒冷; 願他的神與他同在! 」

——上主的話。(默想片刻)

答唱詠 詠 137 (136): 1-2, 3, 4-5, 6

【答】: 我若不懷念你, 就寧願我的舌頭, 緊緊貼在我的上顎! (詠 137:6)
領: 當我們坐在巴比倫河畔, 一想起熙雍, 就淚流滿面。在河畔的楊柳間, 掛起我們的豎琴。【答】
領: 那些俘擄我們的, 要我們唱歌; 那些迫害我們的, 還要我們奏樂: 「快來給我們唱一首熙雍的歌! 」【答】
領: 但我們身處外鄉異域, 怎能謳唱上主的歌曲? 耶路撒冷! 我如果忘記你, 就願我的右手枯萎! 【答】
領: 我若不懷念你, 不以耶路撒冷為喜樂, 就寧願我的舌頭, 緊緊貼在我的上顎! 【答】

讀經二

(你們因罪惡而喪亡, 因恩寵而得救。)

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致厄弗所人書 2:4-10

弟兄姊妹們:

富於慈悲的天主, 因著他愛我們的大愛, 竟在我們因犯罪而喪亡的時候, 使我們同基督一起生活; 可見你們的得救, 是由於恩寵。

天主使我們同基督一起復活, 並使我們在基督耶穌內, 和他一同坐在天上, 為將自己無限豐富的恩寵, 即他在基督耶穌內, 對我們所懷有的慈惠, 顯示給未來的世代。

因為你們得救是由於恩寵, 藉著信德, 所以得救並不是出於你們自己, 而是天主的恩惠; 不是出於功行, 免得有人自誇。原來我們是他的化工, 是在基督耶穌內受造的, 為行天主所預備的各種善工, 叫我們在這些善工中度日。

——上主的話。(默想片刻)

福音前歡呼 (若 3:16)

領: 基督、天主聖言, 願光榮歸於你。
眾: 基督、天主聖言, 願光榮歸於你。
領: 天主竟這樣愛了世界, 甚至賜下了自己的獨生子, 使凡信他的人不至喪亡, 反而獲得永生。
眾: 基督、天主聖言, 願光榮歸於你。

福音

(天主派遣聖子來, 是為叫世界藉著他而獲救。)

恭讀聖若望福音 2:14-21

那時候, 耶穌向尼苛德摩說: 「梅瑟曾在曠野裡高舉了蛇, 人子也應照樣, 被舉起來, 使凡信的人, 在他內獲得永生。」
天主竟這樣愛了世界, 甚至賜下了自己的獨生子, 使凡信他的人, 不至喪亡, 反而獲得永生。因為天主沒有派遣子到世界上來, 審判世界, 而是為叫世界, 藉著他而獲救。那信從他的, 不受審判; 那不信的, 已受到了審判, 因為他沒有信從天主獨生子的名字。

審判就在於此: 光明來到了世界, 世人卻愛黑暗甚於光明, 因為他們的行為是邪惡的。的確, 凡作惡的, 都憎惡光明, 也不來接近光明, 怕自己的行為暴露出來; 然而履行真理的, 卻來接近光明, 為顯示出他的行為, 是在天主內完成的。

——上主的話。(講道後默想片刻)

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Our coming Parish Assembly

As you know, Pope Francis is calling the Church to a more 'synodal' way of being and acting - working together, collaborating and dialoguing, so as to discern God's path for us.

Our Parish Pastoral Council has therefore decided that, in addition to the PPC's own role of representing the parish, we will **as a whole parish**, come together in a synodal assembly as it were, once or twice a year to reflect, listen and discuss so as to discern what God's Spirit is calling us to be and to do as a parish community.

Our first assembly will take place on
Saturday 6th April
probably from about 11am to 3pm (tbc)

Please mark this date in your diary and please be part of this important opportunity for us as a parish to listen, discuss, discern and make plans.



YOUTH AND FAMILY MASS

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Join us on the 17th of March
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Genesis 2:9

*The Lord God caused every beautiful
tree and every tree that was good for
food to grow out of the ground. In
the middle of the garden, God put the
tree that gives life.*

DOES ANYONE HAVE A READING
FROM GENESIS 14 VERSE 18?

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