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We support each other to grow in faith and create a loving and compassionate community.
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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD 24 -3 - 24 **THE BEGINNING OF HOLY WEEK**

This week: Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15:47

Next week: The Easter Triduum



Today we enter Jerusalem with Jesus and so enter into Holy Week, the holiest week in our calendar. As we reflect on the Passion of Jesus today's liturgy calls us to set this week aside as no other week. We do not prepare for Easter *holidays* - we prepare for the Easter *holy days*.

We enter into the most wonderful week of our year, a week with liturgy rich in its symbolism and its power to touch our hearts and give life to our spirits. But it's up to us whether we give the Easter liturgy the chance to do that to us, and within us.

Let's enter together into the entirety of the Easter Triduum, from the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening, through the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday morning and the Solemn Liturgy in the afternoon, and climaxing in the celebration of the Mass of the Easter Vigil and the joyful celebration of the resurrection at 7:30pm on Holy Saturday evening.

The days of the life-giving death and resurrection of Jesus are fast approaching. Let's enter into them and be renewed as individuals and as a parish. *Fr Colin*

Easter Offerings



Easter Offering envelopes are available on the pews in both our churches. These can be placed on the plate this weekend or over the coming weeks of the Easter Season.

The Easter Offerings are not retained personally by the priests but are a vital supplement to the First Collection income which provides for the priests of the parish and for the health care of priests across the diocese and the retirement care of older priests. This fund depends very much on the income raised by Christmas and Easter Offerings. Whatever you can give will be most appreciated.



Would you prefer to contribute by credit card? Just scan this code and in the drop-down menu under 'Biller Code' simply choose 'Easter Offerings'.

This hotlink box on the homepage of our website takes you to the timetable for our Easter celebrations (which can also be found on p.2)



As we prepare for the great celebrations of Easter ...
fasting ...



A reminder that Good Friday is a day of fast and of abstinence from meat. Holy Saturday, as the solemn day of prayerful waiting for the resurrection, is the day of the even more solemn Paschal Fast.

and feasting! ...







Following the Easter Vigil everyone is once again invited to stay on and share beer, wine, tea, coffee and supper together. All drinks will be provided. Please bring a plate of food if you are able (which can be dropped off to St Brigid's Hall above Holy Family church before the Easter Vigil).

And above all ...

please be part of the celebration of the entire Easter Triduum. Easter is too great a feast to be confined to one day - the richness and beauty of the Easter liturgy is spread over three days, from the gentle Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday night, through the prayerful meditation of the Good Friday celebrations, and culminating in the sheer joy and beauty of the great Mass of the Easter Vigil at 7:30pm on Holy Saturday night. Let's enter into these beautiful days together so that together we might be renewed in the risen Lord. *Fr Colin*

Please PLEASE help us - in our preparations to make Easter special.....

-  * **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 this 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 this (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 our wonderful 'Easter Party' in St Brigid's Hall above Holy Family Church following the Easter Vigil. Please bring a plate if you can and drop it off before the Easter Vigil begins.

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 ***

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 : at Killara

(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:

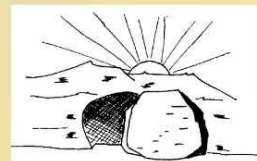
7:30PM ON HOLY SATURDAY (IN OUR LINDFIELD CHURCH)

This is the most important and beautiful 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 Mass of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of the Southern Cross (Killara)

(There is no Sunday evening Mass on Easter Sunday)



THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND LENT

Please note that, as advised in the bulletin over the last five weeks, there are now **NO** further times for Reconciliation before Easter (including no Reconciliation next Saturday – Holy Saturday - afternoon).

Please return your Project Compassion boxes and envelopes over the Easter Triduum if possible. There will be baskets available in the church foyers. To help our counters please turn your coins into notes.



What would Jesus have done if he had a smart phone in the desert?

In September 2023 I finished at the Irish Chaplaincy in London after seven very happy years there. In November I moved to Kilkenny to be Leader/ CEO of L'Arche Ireland (I'd been part of L'Arche in Canterbury for twenty-eight years prior to the Chaplaincy). There have been a lot of things to get used to in this new job, and one of them is having two phones.

To its credit, my Irish (work) phone doesn't give me constant notifications of the latest emails or WhatsApp messages or remind me of what I was doing on this day five years ago. My UK (non-work?) phone seems to like doing that, and to be fair, the pictures it gives me from five years ago are a nice reminder. My UK phone is quite new and so, while being a far cry from the smartest smartphones on the market now, is pretty darned smart. I had to get a new one because a few months ago, when on pilgrimage to Walsingham, I took a short cut across what looked to be a shallow river and ended up waist deep in water and my phone (which I'd been using for navigation) had been in my pocket. When I eventually got to the other side I checked the phone to see exactly where I was and found to my horror that it was dead.

How reliant, how dependent we have become on our phones. How did we live without them, we ask ourselves? How did we make arrangements with our friends to meet up in town at the weekend? How did we know what the weather was like? How did we take photos? How did we get the news? How did we listen to music? How did we find which way to walk when on pilgrimage? (and remember, people have been going on pilgrimage for hundreds of years). How did we pray even? I must confess on this theme that I really like *Sacred Space*, run by the Irish Jesuits.

How on earth did we survive without our smartphones? But should we also now be asking, how will we survive *with* our smartphones. A lot of worrying research is coming to light. Three recent examples are: if you have your phone next to your bed you are less likely to have a peaceful night's sleep; the younger a child receives a smartphone, the higher the risk of them developing mental health issues when they are older; & young people check their phone on average 83 times a day. And that's not even to make the lives of many people, especially young people, a misery & even leading to suicide; or simply that constant pressure we seem to feel now to be online, all the time.

I'm not at all surprised by the eighty-three times a day statistic, and whilst I'm nowhere near that figure myself I have to admit that I'm having a sneaky peep at the screen rather more often than I ever thought I would. I was back in Canterbury recently, and whilst cycling through the university campus I passed about twenty students at a bus stop. Every single one of them was glued to their phone. Then on an early morning walk I passed two young men coming the other way. Both had their heads down, moving their thumb across the screens on their phone: apparently oblivious to me, to the birds singing in the hedgerow, to the sun starting to rise.

What did we used to do, I wondered, when we stood at a bus stop, or when we went for a walk? Maybe nothing much at all, and I'm convinced that we all need a certain amount of time to do nothing much at all, for our wellbeing and for our creativity.

What kind of a world have we created, I mused plaintively to a friend over tea? With developments in IT and other technology we thought we would have more leisure time, more time to do nothing much at all. And what have we done? We've created devices which seem to have done the opposite, so that we feel we need to be "connected" and doing something or saying something or responding to something 24/7.

I know I can't turn back the tide of technology any more than the Luddites of the 19th century could halt advances in the English textile industry by smashing up the new machinery which would lead to greater productivity but also take away jobs. There are so many situations now where I really do have to use a smartphone whether I like it or not. And like any technology, it can be used for good or for ill. The challenge perhaps is how not to be complete slaves to our phones, and to retain some freedom and awareness around their use.

And turning to the title of this piece, and as we find ourselves in another season of Lent, what, I wonder, would Jesus have done with his smartphone if he had been going off into the desert for forty days in 2024?

He would probably have been tempted to take it with him. He was human, after all, as well as being divine. Ah, sure there might be an important message, he might have surmised. Or, like me, he might fancy having a little peep at 'Sacred space' or listen to some Taizé chants to get him in the mood for prayer. And then maybe, while he was on Youtube, he could just see a few of the goals from the previous week's Premier League matches. A little bit of celebrity gossip? Hey, where's the harm in that? We all need our bit of escapism, don't we? You can't be praying all the time.

And then, I like to think, the battery would run out on Jesus' smartphone and that he would take a deep breath and feel perhaps a tinge of panic but then relief. And that he would walk further into the desert, where he would still face temptations: for power, prestige, acclaim. Temptations, big or small, will always be there. But perhaps, without the distraction of the phone, he could now face those temptations full on, & a little bit more aware and prepared.

I like to think as well that, without the constant ping of that phone, Jesus would be a little bit more conscious of what was around him; for deserts can be bleak but they can also be places of beauty. And I like to think that Jesus would take heart in the words of Isaiah (C. 35):

The desert and the parched land will be glad. The wilderness will rejoice and blossom. Like the crocus, it will burst into bloom. It will rejoice greatly and shout for joy.

I don't think I'll be able to get rid of either of my two phones but I hope that during this season of Lent I might have a bit more freedom around their use so that I can be a little better prepared for whatever battles I will have to face with the devil, and so that I can be a little more able to see the incredible beauty in what can appear at times like a bleak world.

Eddie Gilmore

(from 'The Tablet', the British international Catholic journal. To subscribe go to www.thetablet.co.uk)

Hymns for Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

ENTRANCE:

*Ref: All glory, laud, & honour, To you, Redeemer, King.
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.*

You are the king of Israel
And David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's name coming,
Our King and Blessed One. *Ref.*

The company of angels
Are praising you on high;
Creation and all mortals
In chorus make reply. *Ref.*

The multitude of pilgrims
With palms before you went,
Our praise and prayer & anthems
Before you we present. *Refrain*

To you, before your Passion,
They sang their hymns of praise.
To you, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise. *Ref.*

Their praises you accepted;
Accept the prayers we bring,
Great author of all goodness,
O good and gracious King. *Ref*

Translator: J. M. Neale (1854); Author: Theodulf, Bishop of Orléans (c. 820)

DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS:

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all. *Isaac Watts (1707)*

COMMUNION HYMN:

Ant. Keep in mind that Jesus Christ has died for us & is risen from the dead. He is our saving Lord, he is joy for all ages.

- 1.If we die with the Lord, we shall live with the Lord.
- 2.If we endure with the Lord, we shall reign with the Lord.
3. In him all our sorrow; in him all our joy.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN:

1 Rejoice, the Lord is King;
Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

2 Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When He has purged our stains,
He took his seat above;
Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

3 Rejoice in glorious hope!
Our Lord and judge shall come
And take His servants up
To their eternal home:
Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Charles Wesley 1707-88, alt.

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OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

基督苦難主日（聖枝主日） 24.03.2024

讀經一 （對於侮辱和唾污，我沒有遮掩我的面，因為我知道我不會受辱。）

恭讀依撒意亞先知書 50:4-7

我主上主賜給了我受教的口舌，叫我會用言語，來援助疲倦的人。他每天清晨喚醒我，喚醒我的耳朵，叫我如同學生一樣靜聽。我主上主開啟了我的耳朵。

我並沒有違抗，也沒有退避。我將我背，轉給打擊我的人；把我的腮，轉給扯我鬍鬚的人；對於侮辱和唾污，我沒有遮掩我的面。因為，我主上主協助我，因此，我不怕蒙羞；所以，我板著臉，像一塊燧石，因為我知道：我決不會受辱。
—— 上主的話。（默想片刻）

答唱詠 詠 22 (21): 8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

【答】：我的天主，我的天主，你為什麼捨棄了我？（詠 22:2）

領：凡看見我的人，都譏笑我；他們都撇著嘴，搖著頭說：「他既信賴上主，上主就應救他；上主既喜愛他，也就該拯救他。」

【答】：成群惡犬圍困著我；大批歹徒環繞著我。他們穿透了我的手腳；我的骨節莖莖可數。【答】

領：他們瓜分了我的衣服；為我的長衣，他們拈鬮。上主！請不要遠離我；我的勇力，請速來扶助我。【答】

領：我要向我的弟兄，宣揚你的聖名；在盛大的集會中，讚美歌頌你：「你們敬畏上主的人，請讚美上主；雅各伯所有的後裔，請光榮上主；以色列的一切子孫，請敬畏上主！」【答】

讀經二 （耶穌貶抑自己，為此，天主極其舉揚他。）

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致斐理伯人書 2:6-11

弟兄姊妹們：
耶穌雖具有天主的形體，並沒有以自己與天主同等，為應當把持不捨的，卻使自己空虛，取了奴僕的形體，與人相似，形狀也一見如人；他貶抑自己，聽命至死，且死在十字架上。為此，天主極其舉揚他，賜給了他一個名字，超越其他所有名字，致使上天、地上和地下的一切，一聽到耶穌的名字，無不屈膝叩拜；一切唇舌，無不承認耶穌基督是主，以光榮天主聖父。
—— 上主的話。（默想片刻）

福音前歡呼（斐 2:8-9）

領：基督，願光榮和讚頌歸於你！

眾：基督，願光榮和讚頌歸於你！

領：耶穌貶抑自己，聽命至死，且死在十字架上。為此，天主極其舉揚他，賜給了他一個名字，超越其他所有的名字。
眾：基督，願光榮和讚頌歸於你！

福音

（你們拆毀這座聖殿，三天之內，我要把它重建起來。）

馬爾谷所載主耶穌基督的受難始末 15:1-39

敘述：到了清晨，司祭長、長老及經師，和全體公議會，商討完畢，就把耶穌捆綁起來，解送給比拉多。

比拉多問耶穌說：

比拉多：「你是猶太人的君王嗎？」

敘述：耶穌回答說：

耶穌：「你說的是。」

敘述：司祭長控告耶穌許多事；比拉多又問耶穌說：

比拉多：「你看，他們控告你這麼多的事，你什麼都不回答嗎？」

敘述：耶穌仍然沒有回答什麼，以致比拉多大為驚異。

每逢節日，總督慣常給民眾釋放一個他們所要求的囚犯。當時，有一個名叫巴辣巴的，他是與那些在暴動中殺人的暴徒，一同被囚的。群眾上去，要求按慣例給他們辦理。比拉多回答他們說：

比拉多：「你們願意我給你們釋放猶太人的君王嗎？」

敘述：比拉多原知道司祭長是由於嫉妒，才把耶穌解送來的。

但是，司祭長卻煽動群眾，寧要給他們釋放巴辣巴。比拉多又向他們說：

比拉多：「那麼，對你們所稱的猶太人君王，我可怎麼辦呢？」

敘述：群眾又喊說：

群眾：「釘他在十字架上！」

敘述：比拉多對他們說：

比拉多：「他做了什麼惡事？」

敘述：他們越發喊說：

群眾：「釘他在十字架上！」

敘述：比拉多願意滿足群眾，就給他們釋放了巴辣巴，把耶穌鞭打後，交給他們，釘在十字架上。

敘述：兵士把耶穌帶到庭院裡面，即總督府內，把全隊叫齊，給耶穌穿上紫紅袍，編了一個茨冠，給他戴上，開始向他致敬說：「猶太人的君王，萬歲！」然後用一根蘆葦，敲他的頭，向他吐唾沫，屈膝朝拜他。

兵士戲弄了耶穌之後，就給他脫去紫紅袍，給他穿上他自己的衣服，然後帶他出去，把他釘在十字架上。

敘述：有一個基勒乃人西滿，是亞歷山大和魯魯的父親，他從田間來，正路過那裡；他們就強迫他背耶穌的十字架。

他們將耶穌帶到哥耳哥達地方，解說「髑髏」的地方。

敘述：他們就拿沒藥調和的酒，給耶穌喝，耶穌卻沒有接受。

他們就將耶穌釘在十字架上，並把他的衣服分開，拈鬮，看誰得什麼。

敘述：他們把耶穌釘在十字架上時，正是第三時辰。他的罪狀牌上寫的是：「猶太人的君王。」

與耶穌一起，還釘了兩個強盜：一個在他右邊，一個在他左邊。【這就應驗了經上所說的：『他被列於叛逆者之中。』】

敘述：路過的人都侮辱耶穌，搖著頭說：

群眾：「哇！你這拆毀聖殿，三天內重建起來的，你從十字架上下來，救你自己吧！」

敘述：同樣，司祭長與經師也譏笑他，彼此說：

群眾：「他救了別人，卻不能救自己！默西亞，以色列的君王！現在從十字架上下來吧，叫我們看了，好相信！」

敘述：連與他一起，釘在十字架上的人，也辱罵他。

敘述：到了第六時辰，遍地昏黑，直到第九時辰。

在第九時辰，耶穌大聲呼號說：

耶穌：「厄羅依，厄羅依，肋瑪撒巴黑塔尼？」

敘述：意思是：

耶穌：「我的天主，我的天主，你為什麼捨棄了我？」

敘述：旁邊站著的人，有的聽見了，就說：

群眾：「看，他呼喚厄里亞呢！」

敘述：有一個人就跑過去，把海綿浸滿了醋，綁在蘆葦上，遞給他喝，說：

群眾：「等一等，我們看，是否厄里亞來將他卸下。」

敘述：耶穌大喊一聲，就呼出了最後一口氣。

敘述：聖所裡的帳幔，從上到下，分裂為二。

站在十字架對面的百夫長，看見耶穌這樣斷了氣，就說：

群眾：「這人真是天主子！」

敘述：—— 上主的話。

****華人天主教會北區中心****

31/3 周景勳神父主禮中文彌撒，

請各教友參加

2:30-4:30 pm 講座-

讓枯木開花結果

5:30 pm 聚餐-福來門

Mandarin Centre Chatswood

主日彌撒 正午 12 時

主日學 正午 12 時

彌撒後，午餐聚會

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 21 (22): 8-9, 17-20, 23-24

All who see me deride me.
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
'He trusted in the Lord, let God save him;
let God release him if this is God's friend.'
Many dogs have surrounded me,
a band of the wicked beset me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet.
I can count every one of my bones.
They divide my clothing among them.
They cast lots for my robe.
O Lord, do not leave me alone,
my strength, make haste to help me!
I will tell of your name to my brethren
and praise you where they are assembled.
'You who fear the Lord give him praise;
all children of Jacob, give God glory.
Revere God, Israel's children.'

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 *(Philippians 2:8-9)*

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Christ
became obedient for us even to death dying on the cross.
Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above
all other names. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless
glory!

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: A SACRED HEART OF FIRE

Throughout my life, through my life, the world has little by
little caught fire in my sight until, aflame all around me, it
has become almost completely luminous from within.
—*Teilhard de Chardin, The Divine Milieu*

*Mystic and scientist Teilhard de Chardin (1881–1955)
found cosmic meaning in the image of the fiery Sacred
Heart of Jesus. David Richo writes:*

The fire image of the mystics was expanded and enriched by
Teilhard within his new cosmology.... There are indeed
many precedents for this metaphor. The
[apocryphal] Gospel of St. Thomas presents Jesus as saying:
"He who nears me nears the heart of the fire." [1] In the
Litany of the Sacred Heart is the invocation "Glowing
furnace of love." Images of the Sacred Heart show a
perpetual flame arising from its centre. Fire burns away the
selfish ego so that our basic goodness, our true nature as
love, can shine through.... The fire in the heart of God is the
same fire that burns in us once we have the interior vision
that lets us acknowledge divinity within ourselves....

When St. Paul says that "our God is a consuming
fire" [Hebrews 12:29], we see again a metaphor for the
dismantling of ego-centeredness. Christ's heart can become
the fiery centre of ourselves, and in that alchemical blaze
the ego is transformed to the gold of humility and
generosity. Our spiritual practice is thus to turn our ego
energy into compassion for others, not at the cost of
personal esteem, but as a fruit of it.... Fire is associated with
hell but in the context of mystical revelations, fire is about
love. The Sacred Heart is a divine pledge that the world will

not end by fire but be reborn in it.

For the ancient Greeks and Egyptians healing was caused by
light and fire. This may best resemble Teilhard's mystical
sense of the fire of the Sacred Heart that brings light and
healing to the world. [2]

*Theologian Wendy Wright identifies love as the essence of
the Sacred Heart:*

There is something in God and something in us that
correspond. We come from, have our being in, and return
to God. In the tradition of the heart, that correspondence is
love. Love, not merely as sentiment or feeling, but love as
the inner dynamism of God in God's triune self. Love as the
generative power that overcomes death. Love as self-
donation. Love as the welcome of the "other" as another
self. Love as the gravitational force that binds all disparate
things together. Love as the fire that burns clean and as the
balm that heals. Love as the vision that sees the integrity of
both parts and whole. Love as source and end and the path
between.

The tradition of the heart does not say merely that God loves
us "because," or that God's love can be seen "in," but that
God is Love. And that God's very essence truly in some small
way might be encountered here and now. [3]

[1] The Gospel of Thomas, saying 82.

[2] David Richo, *The Sacred Heart of the World: Restoring Mystical
Devotion to Our Spiritual Life* (New York: Paulist Press, 2007), 86–87.

[3] Wendy M. Wright, *Sacred Heart: Gateway to God* (Maryknoll, NY:
Orbis Books, 2001), 41.

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 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 (HOLY WEEK):

Mon: 8am Killara

Tues. 8am Killara

Wed. 10am Lindfield

For the celebration of the Easter Triduum see page 2.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

As advised throughout Lent there are no further times for Reconciliation before Easter

**THE ORDINARIATE OF OUR LADY OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS****(GATHERING IN OUR CHURCH AT KILLARA):**

Mass this week

Wednesday 6pm

Sunday 12 noon

Evensong

4th Sunday of the month 4pm

SUNDAY MASS ROSTER**Saturday****23 Mar.**

Lindfield 6:00 pm Fr Colin

Killara 5:30 pm Fr Stephen

Sunday**24 Mar.**

Lindfield 8:30 am Fr Colin

Killara 9:00 am Fr Stephen

Lindfield 10:15 am 10:am Fr Colin

Lindfield 12:00 pm Fr Joey Frez

Lindfield 6:00pm Fr Colin

For the
celebration
of the Easter
Triduum
please see
p.2

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If you could join a team and take a turn once every 5 or 6 weeks just scan this QR code and fill in the form to indicate you're wishing to take up the role of 'money counter'.



Many thanks.

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MINISTRY ROSTER**23 & 24 Mar.**

[K] Sat 5:30pm	Reader - Linda Kugel, Ann McCarthy Server - Andrew Borzycki		
[L] Sat 6pm	Reader - Ken Sheridan, Sally Giles Server - Rocco Mimmo		
[L] Sun 8:30am	Reader - Teresa Lee, Graham Barter Server - James Yu		
[K] Sun 9am	Reader - Michael O'Regan, Lauren & David Stokoe/Chia Server - Christine Yates		
[L] Sun 10:15am	Reader - Anthony Cassidy, Kathryn Dent Server - Dominic Taranto, Alex Solomon, Katie Edgerton, Fraser Archibold		
[L] Sun 6pm	Reader - John Cahill, Brian Jackson Server - Vera Fiala		
[L] Morning Tea - Kathryn Dent, John & Anne Gray Counter - Carrie Wong, Melissa Tickle			

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

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Max Coleman who died last weekend. The Funeral Mass for Max will be celebrated at Lindfield this Wednesday 27th at 11am.

Recently deceased: Fay McManus (mother of Nicole McManus of our parish), Eric Atkins, Peter Hutchings, Sean Diggins, Linda Yee, Evangeline Santillan, Kath Evans, Vito Zepinic, Jan Grass, John Webb, Patrick Haynes, Alex Newton, John Playoust, Moya Dwyer, Robert Webb, Peter Rodgers, Teresita Borthwick, Leslie McCormack, Stella Salvaris,

Anniversary: George Joseph Blayney, Sylvia Dobbie, Bishop Patrick Murphy, Fr Patrick Ryan, William Wade, Doreen Kavanagh, Rita White, Giuseppe and Maria Arabia.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

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, Ophelia Mari Umali, Rosanna Comastri, Janette Brennan, Dr Frank Hume.



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When?
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CHRISM MASS This coming Tuesday 26th, Bishop Anthony Randazzo, joined by all the priests and deacons of the diocese, will celebrate the **Chrism Mass** at our Cathedral at Waitara (23 Yardley Ave) at 7:30pm. At this Mass the Oils of Catechumens and of the Sick will be blessed and the Chrism will be consecrated—the oils which we will receive into our parish on Holy Thursday night for the celebration of the sacraments over the next year. The priests of the diocese also renew their commitment to ministry.

Please try to be there— a special celebration which brings together the bishop, priests, deacons and all the members of the Church of Broken Bay.



Our coming Parish Assembly: a change of date - AND some more info...

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 agreed 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.

The date for our first parish gathering has been changed to
Sunday 5th May
beginning with brunch after 10:15am Mass and then a time of discernment together until 2pm.

What is this about?

'Synodal' comes from two Greek words meaning 'travelling on the road together'

Pope Francis invites us to discern with *the Holy Spirit* (rather than our own will!) is calling us to be and to do.

By gathering and *listening* and discussing we aim to identify the priorities for our parish life and ministry to which God is calling us.

Please be part of this initiative to make us a Spirit-led community of faith.

WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU !



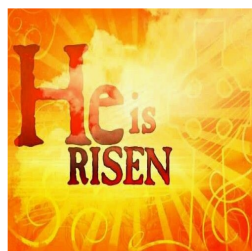
A NOTE FROM FR COLIN ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITIES THE NEXT WEEKS OFFERS US.....

We have now entered into that most precious part of our year - Holy Week, with its climax in the Easter Triduum. I'd just like to remind you of some special times within those precious days:

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



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



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

Fr Colin

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YOUTH NEWS

Reminder that there is bingo after the *10am Mass this Sunday (March 24th) for the children and their families.



Join us up in the St Brigid's Hall for some fun, food and competition!

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN CHILDREN'S LIVES?

OUR YOUTH COORDINATOR, KATE, IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS WHO WOULD BE WILLING TO ASSIST IN THE CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH AFTER THE CHILDREN'S MASS

If you're interested, please scan the QR code or complete this form:

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