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This week: Jer. 31:7-9 ; Heb 5:1-6 ; Mk 10:46-52
Next week: Dt 6:2-6 ; Heb 7:23-28 ; Mk 12:28-34



The first reading today from Jeremiah has the image of a very mixed group of people being called by, and following, the Lord:

“the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour.”

Basically it's a group of people who would find making a journey difficult.

And that's the point: other people would have probably told them not to try, to stay at home.

But God invites even those for whom the journey is difficult.

And that's a comforting message – because at many times we ourselves will be numbered among those for whom the journey of being a disciple is a difficult one – and it's good to know that God's invitation isn't withdrawn when that's the case.

Fr Colin

Welcome back everyone !

It will be so wonderful to gather with you this weekend to share in the Eucharist. Fr Thomas and I can't wait to see you!

Please see the pages 3-4 for some details about our return to Mass and the gradual easing of restrictions. *Fr Colin*

THREE NEW PRIESTS FOR OUR DIOCESE ORDAINED



Sam French, Aldrin Valdehueza and Roger Delmonte were ordained priests by our Bishop, Most Rev. Anthony Randazzo, last Monday 18th October at our Cathedral of Our Lady of the Rosary at Waitara.

We pray that they will exercise a ministry of loving service to the people they accompany.



ALL SOULS DAY

Tuesday 2nd November



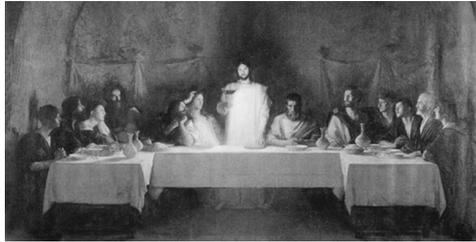
During Mass the Book of Remembrance, containing the names of those who for whom we pray in November, will be put in its place of honour in each

of our churches.

Mass times will be advised in next Sunday's bulletin.

For CoVid-safe reasons you will not be able to write new names in the Book of Remembrance yourself this year. **Please either email or drop off a note to the Parish Office letter slot (in the side door of Lindfield church) THIS week so that the new names of those who have died may be entered before All Souls' Day.**

Welcome back !



- ◆ Wonderful news that our parish Masses resume this weekend of 23rd/24th October !
- ◆ Until the beginning of December the capacity of our churches will be set by the one person per four square metres rule and so to ensure that we have space for everyone the weekend Masses at Lindfield over those six weeks will be in MacKillop Hall adjacent to the church. Masses at Killara will of course be in the church.
- ◆ There is no need to book for Mass.
- ◆ During that six week period the public health order requires:
 - that masks be worn in church
 - that everyone 'signs in' using a QR code
if you don't have a smartphone to scan the code DON'T WORRY—our welcomers will have access to a phone which will be able to sign you in. You don't need to obtain your own QR code from Services NSW. Just turn up.
 - that everyone sanitises their hands upon entry
- ◆ During this period singing will not be permitted, though we will of course ensure that music is provided at our celebrations as we have done in the past.
- ◆ **Please note that the parish will no longer provide face masks** since this has come at a considerable cost, and also because everyone now carries face masks due to their widespread requirement. Please don't forget to bring your face mask with you to Mass.
- ◆ **From 1st December onwards** most restrictions will be eased or reduced and so:
 - singing will return to our celebrations
 - our capacity will increase to one person per two square metres (the same as before we went into lockdown) and so we'll have plenty of space. Sunday Masses at Lindfield return to the church.

◆ **Funerals**

Despite there being a maximum number able to attend a funeral, this number is subject to the one person per four square metre rule at present. Hence the number permissible in our Killara church will be 66 and at Lindfield 62. It is currently anticipated that we will move to the one person per two square metre rule as of the beginning of December.

In this stage of the easing of restrictions (until 1st December) these numbers are predicated on all people attending being fully vaccinated. If an unvaccinated person attends the permissible number drops to 10.

◆ **The Parish Office**

Our Parish Secretary, Philita, will return to work this week (Tuesday - Friday) but the office will not be physically open just yet. However Philita will be contactable via both phone and email. Our other staff members will continue to work from home until December.

◆ **Our online Masses**

Our online *weekday* Masses have now come to an end since public weekday Masses have resumed. However our **Sunday online Mass will continue** - as it has since the advent of CoVid - for the sake of those who by reason of age or health are still unable to come to a public gathering. However, we hope that unless you are in that situation you will indeed come to our public celebrations of Mass where we can be together as a community of faith and share in the Eucharist in Holy Communion.

◆ **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

Our *online* Children's Liturgy of the Word has now come to an end since our public Sunday Masses have resumed.

◆ **Parking**

Balfour Lane has re-opened and so we have full access to our Lindfield site. There is now reduced parking on the Coles carpark but at Lindfield there is also the following parking:

- * in the church grounds as usual
- * in the school playground (enter just inside our Balfour Lane gate)
- * in Highfield Rd
- * Lindfield Uniting Church (cnr Provincial Rd) have kindly made their grounds available to us for parking for the Vigil Mass and the Sunday 6pm Mass (they require their grounds for their own Services on Sunday mornings). Enter from Pacific Hwy.

A couple of things regarding receiving Holy Communion...

- ◆ During the period when face masks are required to be worn, when coming forward to receive Holy Communion **PLEASE LEAVE YOUR FACE MASK ON**, receive the Host in your hand, then step to the side before lowering your mask and receiving the Host. Please then replace your mask and return to your seat.

- ◆ For conscientious reasons for the sake of our own health and that of our Eucharistic Ministers Fr Thomas and I have decided that, as was our practice since the advent of CoVid, **Holy Communion will NOT be given on the tongue in our parish**. We ask that in these unique days of pandemic that this decision is understood and respected.

SUNDAY MASS

KILLARA CHURCH :

5:30pm Vigil

9.00am

LINDFIELD CHURCH

6.00pm Vigil

8.30 am

10.15am

12 noon Chinese Mass (2nd & 4th Sun.)

6:00pm*

WEEKDAY MASS this week:

Mon. & Tues. 8:00am at Killara

Wed.- Fri. 10:00am at Lindfield

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays for 15 mins after Vigil Mass at Killara

Saturdays 5.15 - 5.45pm at Lindfield

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

THIRTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Thursday: Feast of Ss Simon and Jude, apostles

PARISH DIARY

OCTOBER

Sun 24th	9:30am	Morning tea (online)
Mon. 25th		WEEKDAY MASS RESUMES
Tues. 26th	7:30pm	Parish Pastoral Council (online)
Wed. 27th	8:00am	Meditation (online)
	10:00am	Parish Book Club (online)
	7:30pm	Scripture study (online)
Sun 31st	9:30am	Morning tea (online)

NOVEMBER

Mon. 1st		Solemnity of All the Saints
Tues. 2nd		All Souls' Day
Wed. 3rd	8:00am	Meditation (online)
	11:00am	Scripture study (online)
	6:00pm	HSC Mass (see p.8)
	7:30pm	The Creed (online)
Sun. 7th	9:30am	Morning tea (online)
Wed. 10th	8:00am	Meditation (online)
	10:00am	Parish Book Club
	7:30pm	Scripture study (online)
Sun. 14th	9:30am	Morning tea (online)
Tues. 16th	6:00pm	Tarrawarra Group
Wed. 17th	8:00am	Meditation (online)
	11:00am	Scripture study (online)
	7:30pm	The Creed (online)
Sun. 21st	9:30am	Morning tea (online)
Tues. 23rd	7:30pm	Parish Pastoral Council
Wed. 24th	8:00am	Meditation (online)
	10:00am	Parish Book Club (online)
	7:30pm	Scripture study (online)

Online opportunities still continuing....

- ◆ **Scripture study with Fr Colin** - 2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 7:30pm and 1st & 3rd Wednesdays at 11am.
- ◆ **Parish Book Club** - on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 10am.
- ◆ **Morning tea** - this is now taking place online each Sunday at 9:30am. A fun and relaxing get-together and chat.
- ◆ **Adult faith enrichment:** our current online series is Robert Barron's 'The Creed': 1st & 3rd Wednesdays at 7:30pm.

If you'd like to take part in any of these just let me know and I'll let you know how to log in. *Fr Colin*

**FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION
EVERY CREATURE IS AN EPIPHANY**

A person who knew nothing but creatures would never need to attend to any sermons, for every creature is full of God and is a book. —Meister Eckhart, Sermon on Sirach 50:6–7 [1]

Each and every creature is a unique word of God, with its own message, its own metaphor, its own energetic style, its own way of showing forth goodness, beauty, and participation in the Great Mystery. Each creature has its own glow and its own unique glory. To be a contemplative is to be able to see each epiphany, to enjoy it, protect it, and draw upon it for the common good.

Living close to nature as he did, Francis could see Christ in every animal he encountered. He is quoted as talking to or about rabbits, bees, larks, falcons, lambs, pigs, fish, cicadas, waterfowl, doves, and the famous wolf of Gubbio, to name just a few. Those of you who love dogs know that each one is uniquely gifted by God and blesses our lives in special ways. Their unconditional love, forgiveness, and loyalty show us what God is like. My successive dogs, Peanut Butter, Gubbio, Venus, and now Opie, have enriched my life in many ways.

I really think human beings need someone to love, someone to awaken us to the flow of love and to keep that flow going. I can understand why so many people have adopted pets

to ease their isolation during the pandemic! I often wonder if there doesn't have to be an object (which then becomes a subject) whose goodness, truth, and beauty draw us out of ourselves. That someone doesn't even have to be human; it can be an animal to whom we give ourselves and through whom we feel ourselves given back. Remember, our English word animal comes from the Latin word for "soul" or anima. Animals are ensouled ones!

I will never forget Venus' amazing ability to make eye contact with me. She'd come to my bed around 5:30 in the morning, put her head on the side of the bed, and just look at me. And I'd roll over and try to get my eyes open and look back at her. Humans can't seem to sustain eye contact for long. But dogs just keep gazing at us with their very "soulful" eyes. And I'd wonder: What did she see? What was she thinking? What was it that she genuinely seemed to like in me? They say the eyes are the windows to the soul. I'm convinced these beings that we thought lived at a rudimentary level of consciousness can see the one thing necessary: love! They don't get lost in labeling and categorising. Maybe that's why they can maintain the flow of love—often unconditionally.

MPS PAY TRIBUTE TO 'DEEP CATHOLIC FAITH' OF SIR DAVID AMESS

by Madoc Cairns



Labour MP Mike Kane was among those who delivered moving tributes to Sir David Amess in tributes at the House of Commons yesterday.

Kane, MP for Wythenshawe and Sale East and a practising Catholic, quoted Karl Rahner, Julian of Norwich and the Gospel of John in a speech praising Sir David's religious convictions. He noted that the MP died on the feast day of St Teresa of Ávila.

"As has been alluded to, Sir David was a man of deep Catholic faith," said Kane. "The Gospel of John, chapter 10, verse 10, reminds us that the Lord came not just to give life but to give it in abundance, and David lived his life in abundance, a joyous service both to his constituents and here in this House.

"We would see him late at night, often in a tuxedo, going from charitable concern to charitable concern, championing the causes he believed in.

He described attending the canonisation in Rome of St John Henry Newman, just before lockdown, and how in some confusion that followed the Mass, his wife got stuck in a lift in Rome with Sir David and two other Conservative MPs. Afterwards, his wife said of Sir David: "What an utterly, utterly wonderful man."

Kane, who founded the Catholics for Labour group in 2017 and is a longtime supporter of Catholic charities, and vocal advocate for faith issues in Parliament, said: "He believed fundamentally in the social teaching of the Church: dignity, solidarity, subsidiarity to the nth degree when it came to Southend, a preferential option for the poor, and care for the environment. That meant that he came with unique views on things such as life, death, Europe and animal protection, sometimes in chime with his party, sometimes in chime with the country, but sometimes not.

"He channelled the 14th-century mystic Julian of Norwich, who said, 'All things shall be well and all manner of things shall be well.' That is difficult for us all here today."

Suggesting also an "Amess amendment" to confer a legal right to receive last rites, he continued: "He did not die a martyr, but he died, as has been said, doing the things he loved and helping constituents. He would have known that the theologian Karl Rahner said that power is a gift from God. That portcullis on the top of our letterheads gives us all that power, whether on the Front Bench, in opposition or on the Back Benches. Let us recommit to Sir David today that we will use that power for the common good."...

At the Catholic Union's 2021 Autumn Gathering on Saturday 16 October, his friend Sir Edward Leigh MP, who entered parliament with Sir David in 1983, "struggled to hold back tears" paying tribute to his departed colleague. A noted pro-life campaigner, the MP for Southend West was, the Catholic Union said in a statement, "a champion of the causes he believed in, no matter the political risks".

Lord Alton of Liverpool, who with Sir David welcomed Mother Teresa to Parliament in 1988, said in a statement that the Essex native's Catholic faith "informed his passionate commitment to the very right to life, to human dignity and to the common good".

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**CAN YOU HELP US
AS WE RETURN TO OUR GATHERINGS FOR THE
EUCHARIST?**

- ◆ The **Ministry of Welcomer** is a special one, ensuring that people are welcomed and valued as they arrive for the celebration of the Eucharist. There are also practical details to attend to in our present times, such as ensuring that everyone has signed in. You would be welcome to join the team at any of our Masses but at present we particularly need more welcomers for the roster at our Killara church. Please let Alison know if you can help (alison@lindfieldkillara.org.au)
- ◆ Until the beginning of December when the one person per two square metre rule increases our capacity we are having our Lindfield Sunday Masses in MacKillop Hall and we need helpers to set the chairs up at 5pm each Saturday until the end of November. Please let Alison know if you can help (alison@lindfieldkillara.org.au)

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

TWENTY-NINTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

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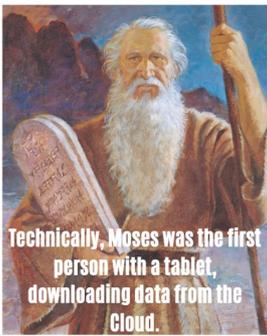


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They called the blind man, saying to him, "Take courage; get up, he is calling you" (Mk 10:49)

HOLY AND UNHOLY FEAR

Not all fear is created equal, at least not religiously. There's a fear that's healthy and good, a sign of maturity and love. There's also a fear that's bad, that blocks maturity and love.

But this needs explanation.

There's a lot of misunderstanding about fear inside of religious circles, especially around the Scriptural passage that says that the fear of God is the beginning of wisdom. Too often texts like these, as well as religion in general, have been used to instill an unhealthy fear inside of people in the name of God. We need to live in "holy fear," but holy fear is a very particular kind that should not be confused with fear as we normally understand it.

What is "holy fear"? What kind of fear is healthy? What kind of fear triggers wisdom?

Holy fear is love's fear, namely, the kind of fear that is inspired by love. It's a fear based upon reverence and respect for a person or a thing we love. When we genuinely love another person we will live inside of a healthy anxiety, a worry that our actions should never grossly disappoint, disrespect, or violate the other person. We live in holy fear when we are anxious not to betray a trust or disrespect someone.

But this is very different from being afraid of somebody or being afraid of being punished. Bad power and bad authority intimidate and make others afraid of them. God is never that kind of power or authority.

God entered our world as a helpless infant and God's power still takes that same modality. Babies don't intimidate, even as they inspire holy fear. We watch our words and our actions around babies not because they threaten us, but rather because their very helplessness and innocence inspire an anxiety in us that makes us want to be at our best around them.

The gospels are meant to inspire that kind of fear. God is Love, a benevolent power, a gracious authority, not someone to be feared. Indeed God is the last person we need to fear. Jesus came to rid us of fear. Virtually every theophany (an instance where God appears) in scripture begins with the words, "do not be afraid"!

What frightens us does not come from God.

King David is revealed as the person who best grasped this. Among all the figures in the Old Testament, including Moses and the great prophets, David is depicted as the figure that best exemplified what it means to walk on this earth in the image and likeness of God, even though at a point he grossly abuses that trust. Despite his great sin, it is David to whom Jesus David is the Christ-figure in the Old Testament. He

walked in holy fear of God, and never in an unhealthy fear.

To cite just one salient example, 1 Samuel recounts an incident where one day David is returning from battle with his soldiers. His troops are hungry. The only available food is the bread in the temple. David asks for that and is told that it is only to be consumed by the priests in sacred ritual. He answers the priest to this effect:

I'm the King, placed here by God to act responsibly in his name. We don't ordinarily ask for the temple bread, but this is an exception, a matter of urgency, the soldiers need food, and God would want us to responsibly do this.

And so he took the temple bread and gave it to his soldiers.

In the gospels Jesus praises this action by David and asks us to imitate it, telling us that we are not made for the Sabbath, but that the Sabbath is made for us.

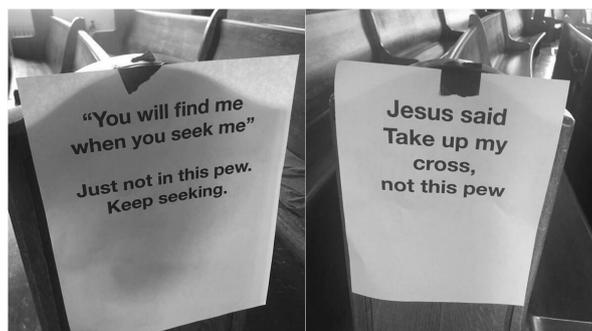
David understood what is meant by that. He had discerned that God is not so much a law to be obeyed as a gracious presence under which we are asked to creatively live. He feared God, but as one fears someone in love, with a "holy fear," not a blind, legalistic one.

A young mother once shared this story with me: Her six year-old had just started school. She had taught him to kneel by his bed each night before going to sleep and recite a number of night prayers. One night, shortly after starting school, he hopped into bed without first kneeling in prayer. Surprised by this, she challenged him with the words: "Don't you pray anymore?" His reply:

No, I don't. My teacher at school told us that we are not supposed to pray. She said that we're supposed to talk to God ... and tonight I'm tired and have nothing to say!

Like King David, he too had discerned what it really means to be God's child and how God is not so much a law to be obeyed as a gracious presence who desires a mutually loving relationship, one of holy fear.

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



Three ways that you can support our parish

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OR



- ◆ **YOU CAN HAVE A TAP MACHINE AT HOME (ALMOST!)**

In lieu of our tap machines which are unavailable at this time, **credit card contributions** can be made by scanning this code and then selecting each of our two parish collections:

OR

- ◆ **YOU CAN ARRANGE FOR PERIODIC PAYMENTS FROM YOUR CREDIT CARD:**

just click on the hotlink box entitled 'Supporting parish finances during the public health restrictions' on the homepage of our website (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au) and **scroll down to 2 i.b. for the form.** (or simply email Alison (alison@lindfieldkillara.org.au) for assistance.



- ◆ And of course the **TAP MACHINES** are once again available in our two churches.

Our **PARISH BOOK GROUP** gathers each month on the fourth Wednesday at 10am (online at present) for a lively discussion of that month's book. The next two books are:



Oct.: *A Month in the Country* by

J.L. Carr

Nov.: *The Shattering of Loneliness* by Eric Varden

If you'd like to join in please contact Catherine Willis (catherinewillis@gmail.com) or Elizabeth Reedy (elizabethreedy@msn.com).

I COULD USE SOME DIVINE INSPIRATION



Year 12 students & their parents are warmly invited to the

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And for all affected by COVID.

OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

常年期第三十主日 24.10.2021

讀經一 (我撫慰及引導瞎子和跛子歸來。)

恭讀耶肋米亞先知書 31:7-9

上主這樣說：你們應為雅各伯歡呼，向為首的民族喝采，宣揚及讚頌說：上主救了自己的百姓、以色列的遺民。看，我由北方引他們歸來；從大地的盡頭，召集他們，其中有瞎子，有跛子，有懷孕的，和正在生產的，形成一大隊，回到這裡來。他們含淚前行，我卻撫慰引導，領他們踏上不會跌倒的坦途，來到溪水旁，因為我是以色列的慈父，厄弗辣因是我的長子。——上主的話。

答唱詠 詠126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

【答】：上主向我們行了偉大的奇蹟，我們的確滿心歡喜。(詠126:3)

領：上主帶領俘虜回到熙雍，我們覺得彷彿是在夢中；那時，我們笑口盈盈，引吭高歌。【答】

領：那時，外邦異民都讚歎不已：上主向他們行了何等奇事！上主向我們行了偉大的奇蹟，我們的確滿心歡喜。【答】

領：上主，求你轉變我們的命運！就像乃革布有流水的灌溉。那含淚播種的人，必含笑獲享收成。【答】

領：他們邊行邊哭，出去播種耕耘；他們載欣載奔，回來背著禾捆。【答】

讀經二 (你照默基瑟德的品位，永做司祭。)

恭讀致希伯來人書 5:1-6

每位大司祭，都是由人間所選拔，奉派為人，執行關於天主的事，為奉獻供品和犧牲，以贖罪過。他同情無知和迷途的人，因為他自己也為弱點所糾纏。因此他怎樣為人民奉獻贖罪祭，也當怎樣為自己奉獻。誰也不得自己擅取這尊位，而應蒙天主召選，有如亞郎一樣。照樣，基督也沒有自取做大司祭

的光榮，而是向他說過：「你是我的兒子，我今日生了你」的那位，光榮了他；在另一處又說：「你照默基瑟德的品位，永做司祭。」——上主的話。

福音前歡呼

領：亞肋路亞。

眾：亞肋路亞。

領：我們的救主基督耶穌，毀滅了死亡，藉著福音，彰顯了不朽的生命。(參閱弟後1:10)

眾：亞肋路亞。

福音 (師父！叫我看見！)

恭讀聖馬爾谷福音 10:46-52

耶穌和他的門徒，及一大群人，從耶里哥出來的時候，有一個瞎眼的乞丐，即提買的兒子，巴爾提買，坐在路旁。他一聽說是納匝肋人耶穌，就喊叫說：「耶穌，達味之子，可憐我吧！」有許多人就斥責他，叫他不要呼叫；但他越發喊叫說：「達味之子，可憐我吧！」耶穌就站住，說：「叫他過來！」人就叫那瞎子，對他說：「放心！起來！他叫你呢！」瞎子就扔下自己的外衣，跳起來，走到耶穌面前。耶穌對他說：「你願意我給你做什麼？」瞎子說：「師父！叫我看見！」耶穌對他說：「去吧！你的信德救了你。」瞎子立刻看見了，就在路上，跟隨耶穌去了。——上主的話。

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