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### EASTER SUNDAY 20 -4 - 25 THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

'The Season of Glad Song has come' (Song of Songs 2:12)

This week: Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6-8; Jn 20: 1-9 or Luke 24: 1-12
Next week: Acts 4:32-35: 1 Jn 5:1-6; John 20: 19-31



#### A happy Easter....

Many thanks to all who have helped in our parish celebrations of the death and resurrection of Jesus: those who care for the altar and church in our two communities; musicians and choirs; the young people who practised and took part in the dramatisation of the Passion and of the Stations of the Cross; altar servers; eucharistic ministers; readers; those involved in preparing for and dressing the sanctuary at the Easter Vigil; and a big thank you to all those who

provided palms for our Palm Sunday celebrations and those who contributed to the cost of flowers. A thank you also to our Parish Staff for their involvement & support in all the preparations. And a very big thank you to Jos Beunen and the other members of our RCIA team for their gentle guidance of those who prepared to enter the Church this Easter.

It's a wonderful thing that so many came together to help us to celebrate Easter - and thank you to you all for being here to celebrate as the two communities in our parish.

And of course a huge welcome to our great assembly of neophytes who were baptised (and to Tamara who was received into the Church) at the Easter Vigil and brought into the Easter life of the Risen Jesus.

A very happy Easter to you all. Fr Colin

Easter Offerings

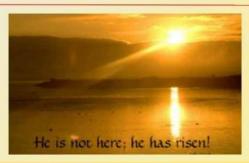


Easter Offering envelopes are available on the pews in both our churches. These can be placed on the plate this weekend or over the coming weeks of the Easter Season.

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.



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Welcome to all who are visiting our parish this Easter. It's lovely to have you with us as we celebrate the Death and Resurrection of the Lord.

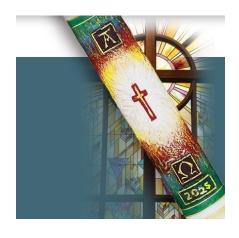
#### As we celebrate Easter ...

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION As our Lenten preparations are only just over and we will be still celebrating the Octave there will be NO Reconciliation at the normal Saturday afternoon time in either of our two churches next Sat. 26th April.

WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK Please come along to Mass during this Easter Octave as the liturgy continues to celebrate the joy of the resurrection. Weekday Mass times for this week are given on p.6. We've spent 40 days of Lent preparing for Easter. Let's not leave it there - we have 50 days of the Easter Season to celebrate!

**PROJECT COMPASSION** Please return Project Compassion boxes and envelopes by next weekend if possible. There are baskets in the church foyers for returning your boxes and envelopes.

NO SUNDAY EVENING MASS THIS WEEKEND Please note that there is no Sunday evening Mass tonight, Easter Sunday. Sunday evening Mass resumes next weekend.



# What's an Octave? (if you're not a musician!)

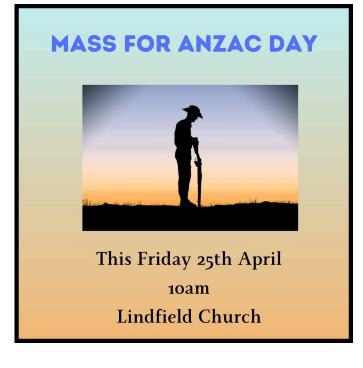
As the two greatest festivals of our Christian year, Christmas and Easter each have an Octave which flows out of the feast day itself.

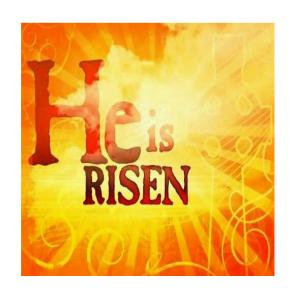
The number 8 is rich with Christian symbolism: in the early Church many baptismal fonts were octagonal - and indeed this is (not accidentally) the shape of the font in our Lindfield church and of the marble podium on which it sits.

Christians saw the number 8 as a sign of completion and perfection: in the symbolic Genesis story the world is created in 7 days. The eighth day is therefore the day of eternity. In a seven day week the eighth day brings us back to where we began: an eternal cycle is created.

And thus the Easter Octave: the eight days beginning on Easter Sunday which conclude the following Sunday (which is known in our liturgy as The Octave Day of Easter). Each day of the Octave is still Easter Sunday, the Gloria is said or sung every day as though it were still Sunday, Easter joy overflows, every day of this coming week is prefaced by the word 'Easter' ('Easter Monday', 'Easter Tuesday', and so on) - revealing the irony of the retail world referring to Holy Saturday, the day of utter desolation, as 'Easter Saturday'!

Let's taste the Easter joy with which this week gifts us. Fr Colin





## Reflecting on Easter....

Among the elements that constitute the grandeur of this holy night one always touches me viscerally. It occurs towards the end of the Exsultet, when the Church in her own words explains the symbolism introducing the Vigil. The deacon sings of

A fire into many flames divided, yet undimmed by the sharing of its light.



How fragile the Easter candle's flame is when it burns alone, exposed to the elements! How wonderful it is when the flame then spreads from taper to taper! The Church becomes a universe of warmth and light.

Three days ago we were gathered here in grief. The church was dark, then, the altar stripped. One by one we knelt solemnly, each enclosed in his or her aloneness, before the cross and kissed it, inwardly torn apart by a seemingly total dereliction. Tonight we are here together again, carrying light, with joy in our heart, singing praise that has its freshness restored for having been unuttered since Ash Wednesday: Alleluia! Death is dead! Christ is risen!

If we seek an image of what the Church is, we find it here, in the fact that we, of ourselves a heap of forlorn individuals, are by God's efficacious power turned into a unified, jubilant sea of living fire. The Church's decisive synodos happens through incorporation into Christ's Pasch.

The element I referred to, though — the touching one — is other. It features in the next phrase of the Exsultet, which sings of how the Easter flame is enabled to burn. The flame, we are told, burns by being 'fed by melting wax drawn out by the mother bee'.

It is extraordinary! The Easter Vigil liturgy has cosmic reach. It extends an arch from creation to the end of time. It speaks of the origin of galaxies, of the harrowing of hell. Yet in the midst of these immense connections it has an eye for what is little, obscure, laborious, and ordinary. It graciously acknowledges the work the mother bee has put in so that Christ's most holy resurrection may be celebrated effectively and worthily.

Let us note this fact.

Easter reveals the meaning and purpose of all there is, from the greatest to the smallest circumstance & thing. In Christ, & only in him, everything is led to make sense. Everything can become praise. Everything can be redeemed, if only God's power may touch it & extract death's sting.

For Vigils on Holy Saturday we sing an almost shocking verse from Psalm 75 (Ps 75.10). It reads:

Even men's anger will praise you, O Lord.

The brutal bawling of the Via Dolorosa, the crowd shouting 'Crucify him!', has no consistency. Men's anger is tragic, destructive, perverse, but lacks final resonance. The cry of Alleluia, however, is eternal (cf. Rev 19). In the long term, our anger is merely a cacophonous upbeat to God's peace.

The flame enabled by the mother bee points towards the day when 'night shall be no more' (Reb 22.5). 'The old has passed, the new has come' (2 Cor 5.17). Let us then let ourselves be renewed.

Christ is risen. In him we rejoice. In his name we abjure any compact with death. Alleluia!

(the 2024 Easter Vigil homily of Bishop Eric Varden ocso (a Cistercian monk, now Bishop of Trondheim in Norway)

## And yet another Easter reflection...

It is said about St Seraphim of Sarov that he, as an old man, greeted everyone he met with the words: 'My joy! Christ is risen!'

That is how a Christian should relate to the world.

It is not a spontaneous attitude. Not everyone fills us with joy, just like that. There are some people we take circuitous byways to avoid. Seraphim's joy was unsentimental. He saw others with the eyes, not of feeling but of faith. By prayer and ascesis he had acquired a sort of graced x-ray vision. He saw what people had the potential to become in God's providence; he glimpsed the divine image they bore, a beauty that is of God longing to unfold, even when it is hidden underneath layers of grime and filth.

His joy was illumined by Christ's resurrection.

The light of Easter penetrates any darkness. The power of sin, which sabotages thriving and makes it seem as if death were final, is broken. The devil, whom the Fathers called *He-who-hates-the-good*, is a vanquished enemy. We live with a formidable capacity for life, growth, flourishing.

Our life is made resonant by hope. Within that resonance no human person is a hopeless case. Not even I or you.

'If you have been raised with Christ', says Paul, 'then strive for the things that are above'. where Christ is. This is not to say that we should live abstractly with our head in the clouds, without taking life seriously. No, it is



to say that we must see everything here and now in the light of Easter Morning. We live in a wounded world. There is much to make us afraid. Sin 'clings closely', joy eludes us, we lose courage (cf. Heb 12.1-3).

Into this concrete darkness we are to let Christ shine. He is our life. We simply need to let him live.

Of old it was a custom in my order that monks sent out to set up a new monastery carried a founders' cross as a point of orientation for the foundation. It bore the inscription *Vive Jésus*! – 'That Jesus May Live!' This rather spells out the Christian condition in a nutshell.

We all have our cross to bear. But the cross, however heavy, is illumined by glory if we carry it *in Christ*. We must learn to perceive it in an optic of resurrection.

Two weeks ago, on the fifth Sunday of Lent, we read about the grain of wheat that falls into the earth. It is an image that explains our current existence. We are caught up in a process of growth whose final fruit will only be gathered in on the other side of death. For the time being, manure of all sorts is helpful.

It seems to me that we, as Christians, more easily identify with Jesus's Passion than with his Resurrection. We should do something about that. Life is what is definitive. That's what we're made for.

We don't inhabit a world of pretence. But we live in a redeemed world. No death is final.

My joy! Christ is risen! May he be fully alive in us, in the unity among us, that the world may believe and rediscover the gladness it has lost.

(the 2024 Easter morning homily of Bishop Eric Varden ocso

### Hymns for Easter Sunday morning

#### ENTRANCE HYMN

Bring, all ye dear-brought nations, bring, Your richest praises to your King. Alleluia, alleluia.

That spotless Lamb, who more than due, Paid for his sheep, and those sheep you: Alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia.

That guiltless Son, who bought your peace, And made his Father's anger cease,

Alleluia, alleluia.

Then, Life and Death together fought, Each to a strange extreme were brought: Alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia.

We, Lord, with faithful hearts and voice, On this thy rising day rejoice; Alleluia, alleluia.

Oh thou, whose power o'ercame the grave, By grace and love as sinners save:

Alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia.

HYMN FOR THE DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS

By your kingly power, O risen Lord, all that Adam lost is now restored: in your resurrection be adored.

Sing the joyful Easter cry, sound it to the souls in prison, shout our triumph to the sky:

sing Christ risen, sing Christ risen. Refrain

Sing the joyful Easter cry, let all times and peoples listen: death has no more victory,

sing Christ risen, sing Christ risen. Refrain

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#### COMMUNION HYMN:

**Refrain:** Sing a new song unto the Lord let your song be sung from mountains high. Used with permission. All rights reserved. \*OneLicense # A-730534 / \*\*CCLI License #746289 Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing alleluia.

Let God's people dance for joy.
O come before the Lord.
And play for God on glad tambourines, and let your trumpet sound. *Refrain*Rise, O children, from your sleep your Saviour now has come.

He has turned your sorrow to joy, and filled your soul with song. *Refrain* 

Glad my soul for I have seen the glory of the Lord.

The trumpet sounds the dead shall be raised.

I know my Saviour lives. Refrain

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#### RECESSIONAL HYMN

1. This is the day of new beginnings. This is the day when heaven meets earth. This is the day filled with God's glory, promise of our new birth!

Refrain: Christ be our light!

Shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness.

Christ be our light!

Shine in your Church gathered today.

2. This is the day Christ our redeemer rose from the grave triumphant and free, leaving the tomb of evil and darkness empty for all to see. *Refrain* 

3. Sing of the hope deeper than dying. Sing of the pow'r stronger than death. Sing of the love endless as heaven, dawning throughout the earth. *Refrain* 

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## A THOUGHT ON THIS EASTER DAY....

A friend of mine had a sign in his room which said, "Don't worry. It might not happen." I composed another for him which said, "Don't worry. It probably will happen. But it won't be the end of the world." It will not be the end of the world because the world has already ended. When Jesus dies the sun and the moon are darkened; the tombs are opened, and the dead walk. This is the end of which the prophets spoke. The worst that one can ever imagine has already happened. The world collapsed. And then there was Easter Sunday.

Take a moment to think of all that you most fear. For me might it be the shame of public humiliation? Or loneliness? Or a painful death? Or seeing the early death of someone that you love? We can take every possible precaution to avoid these disasters. We can take out all the insurance policies in the world, live healthy lives, go to the gym, and never catch aircraft, have check-ups and give up smoking. But what we most fear may still happen. Jesus invites us not to be afraid. All that we dread happened to him on Good Friday, the day that the old world ended and a new world began.

"On the seventh day God finished his work which he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had done" (Genesis 2.2). The rabbis were puzzled by the fact that God finished working on the seventh day but it is not said what he made on that day. And it was concluded that he made rest itself. "What was created on the seventh day? Tranquility, serenity, peace and repose." Rest was the goal and completion of creation.

Cardinal Timothy Radcliffe

#### THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

#### GLORIA:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

#### THE PSALM Ps 117 (118): 1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Give thanks to the Lord for God is good, for God's love has no end. Let the children of Israel say: 'God's love has no end.'

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; God's right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount the Lord's deeds.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!



**SEQUENCE** (To be read together after the Second Reading. Please remain seated):

The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; and Christ, the undefiled, has sinners to his Father reconciled. Death with life contended; combat strangely ended!

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.

Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign. Tell us, Mary: say what you did see upon the way. The tomb the Living did enclose; I saw Christ's glory as he rose! The angels there attesting; shroud with grave-clothes resting, Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee. That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. Victorious king, your mercy show!

#### 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: SURRENDERING ALL

Episcopal priest and CAC faculty emeritus Cynthia stored up but love utterly poured out that opened the gates Bourgeault describes how we can follow the path of descent to the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus models:

In Jesus everything hangs together around a single centre of nothing to be renounced or resisted. Everything can be gravity.... In Greek the verb kenosein means "to let go," or "to empty oneself," and this is the word Paul chooses at the key moment in his celebrated teaching in Philippians 2:5– 11 in order to describe what "the mind of Christ" is all And grounded in that fundamental chastity of your being, about....

In this beautiful hymn, Paul recognises that Jesus had only one "operational mode." Everything he did, he did by selfemptying. He emptied himself and descended into human everything. death on the cross") and fell through the bottom to return to considers Jesus a model of surrendering to God's will: the realms of dominion and glory. In whatever life circumstance, Jesus always responded with the same motion of self-emptying—or to put it another way, with the same motion of descent: going lower, taking the lower place, not the higher....

It is a path he himself walked to the very end. In the garden following his example of willing surrender.... of Gethsemane, with his betrayers and accusers massing at the gates, he struggled and anguished but remained true to his course. Do not hoard, do not cling—not even to life itself. Let it go, let it be—"Not my will but yours be done, O Lord. Into your hands I commend my spirit."

life and death, losing himself, squandering himself, will and gracious Spirit. "gambling away every gift God bestows." It was not love

Over and over, Jesus lays this path before us. There is embraced, but the catch is to cling to nothing. You let it go. You go through life like a knife goes through a done cake, picking up nothing, clinging to nothing, sticking to nothing. you can then throw yourself out, pour yourself out, being able to give it all back, even giving back life itself. That's the kenotic path in a nutshell. Very, very simple. It only costs

form. And he emptied himself still further ("even unto Depth psychologist and contemplative author David Benner

Christ is the epitome of life lived with willingness. "Your will be done," he prayed in what we call the Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:10). And more than just in prayer, he lived this posture of preferring God's will to his own. Christian spirituality is following Christ in this self-abandonment. It is

The abundant life promised us in Christ comes not from grasping but from releasing. It comes not from striving but from relinquishing. It comes not so much from taking as from giving. Surrender is the foundational dynamic of Christian freedom—surrender of my efforts to live my life Thus he came and thus he went, giving himself fully into outside of the grasp of God's love and surrender to God's

#### **SUNDAY MASS** Killara Church:

9.00am\* 5:30pm Vigil **Lindfield Church** 

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

\* Morning Tea follows the 9am Mass at Killara on the 1st Sundays \*\* The 10:15am Mass on the 2nd & 4th Sundays is a Children's Mass, featuring our Children's Choir (followed by morning tea). \*\*\* On the 3rd Sunday of the month the 6pm Youth Mass is followed by a Parish Pot Luck Dinner in St Brigid's Hall.

#### **WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK** THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

Mon. 8am Killara Tues. 8am Killara Wed. 10am Lindfield

10:30am Lindfield (Funeral Mass) Thurs. 10am Lindfield (ANZAC Day) Fri.

#### THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

No times next weekend in the Easter Octave.



#### THE ORDINARIATE OF OUR LADY OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS (GATHERING IN OUR CHURCH AT KILLARA): Sunday Mass 12 noon

Please note that during Fr Stephen's holidays there are no Ordinariate weekday Masses until 21st May

SUNDAY MASS ROSTER			
Saturday		.19th April	26th April
Lindfield		7:30pm Fr Colin	Chatswood priest
Killara	5:30 pm	No Mass	Fr Colin
Sunday		20th April	27th April
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Killara		Fr Stephen	Fr David Strong
Lindfield	10 :15am	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Lindfield	12:00 pm	Fr Hien	tba
Lindfield	6:00pm	No Mass	Chatswood priest

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PARISH DIARY

8:00am Every Wednesday: Meditation (online) 9:00am Every Friday: Playgroup

APRIL

10:00am Wed. 23rd Parish Book Group 7:30pm Scripture study (online) Fri. 25th 10:00am ANZAC DAY. See p.2. Sun. 27th 10:15am Children's Mass

#### **OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

20. 04. 2025 耶穌復活主日

**讀經**— (我們在他從死者中復活後,與他同食共飲。) **恭讀宗徒大事錄** 10:34,37-43 那時候,伯多祿說:「你們都知道:在若翰宣講洗禮以後,從加里肋亞 道:任在賴直講院懷以侯,從加里加亞開始,在全猶太所發生的事:天主怎樣以聖神和德能,傳了納匝肋人耶穌,使他巡行各處,施恩行善,治好一切受魔鬼壓制的人,因為天主同他在一起。「耶穌在猶太人地區,及在耶路撒冷而行一切,我們報料具實養人,但是,他

所行一切, 我們都是見證人。但是, 他 們卻把耶穌懸在木架上,殺死了。第天,天主使他復活了,叫他顯現出來, 下,天主使他復活了,叫他顯現出來, 不是給所有百姓,而是給天主所預先揀 選的見證人,就是給我們這些、在他從 死者中復活後,與他同食共飲的人。

「他吩咐我們向百姓講道,指證他就 是天主所立:生者與死者的判官。一切 先知都為他作證:凡信他的人,賴他的 名字, 都要獲得罪赦。

- 上主的話。 (默想片刻)

答唱詠 詠118 (117):1-2, 16-17, 22-23

【答】: 這是上主所安排的一天, 我們 (青) 是上土工 人,我们能该為此鼓舞喜歡。 (詠118:24) 領:請你們讚頌上主,因為他是美善寬仁,他的仁慈永遠常存。願以色列家讚美說:他的仁慈永遠常存。【答】 領:土主的右手將我高舉;上主的右手

大顯威能。我不至於死,必要生存,並 要宣揚上主的工程。【答】 領:匠人棄而不用的廢石,反而成了屋 角的基石;這是上主的所作所為,在我 們眼中,神妙莫測。【答】

**呸二** (你們就該追求天上的事;在 那裡,有基督坐在天主的右邊。)

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致哥羅森人書 3:1-4

**恭護聖保祿宗徒為 RJ Marker** 姊妹弟兄們: 你們既然與基督一同復活了,就該追求天上的事;在那裡,有基督坐在天主的右邊。你們該思念天上的事,不該思念地上的事,因為你們已經死了,你們的生命,已與基督一同藏在天主內;當基督、我們的生命,顯現時,那時,你們也要與他一同,出現在光榮之中。——上主的話。 *(默想片刻)* 

福音前歡呼 (格前5:7-8) 亞肋路亞

質:亞肋路亞,亞肋路亞。 【眾】:亞肋路亞,亞肋路亞。 質:我們的逾越節羔羊基督,已被祭 殺,作了犧牲;所以,我們要歡欣慶賀

主的復活。 【眾】:亞肋路亞,亞肋路亞。

(你們為什麼在死人 中找活人呢?)

恭讀聖路加福音 24:1-12 一周的第一天,天還很早,婦女們 便帶著預備好的香料,來到墳墓那裡, 見了主耶好的達開了。她們進去,不 見了主耶穌的遺體。

婦女們正為此事疑慮的時候, 有兩個人,穿著耀目的衣服,站在她們身邊。她們都害怕,於是把臉垂向地上。那兩個人對婦女們說:「你們為什麼在死人中找活人呢?他不在這裡了, 医红化八叶状活人呢?他个在這裡了,他已經復活了。你們應當記得:他還在 加里肋亞時,怎樣告訴你們說:人子必 須被交付於罪人之手,被釘在十字架 上,並在第三日復活。」婦女們於是想 起了耶穌的話。

起了耶穌的話。 婦女們從墳墓那裡回去,把這一切 事,報告給那十一位門徒,及其餘的稅 人。這些婦女是瑪利亞瑪達肋納,及終 人。這些婦女是瑪利亞;其餘的稅 安納,及雅各伯的母親瑪利亞;其餘 他們一起的婦女,也把這些事,報告給 宗徒。但婦女們的這些話,在他們 來,好像是無稽之談,不敢相信。 伯多祿卻起來,跑到墳墓那裡,屈 身向裡面獨看,只看見殮布,就走了, 心裡驚訝所所發生的事。 上主的話 (辦道徐默相片刻)

- 上主的話。 (講道後默想片刻)

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

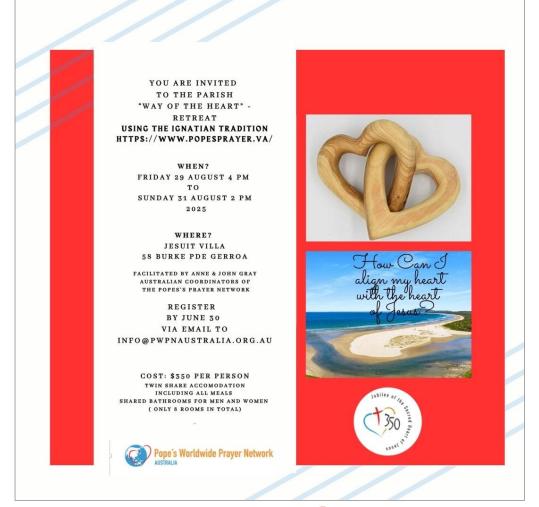
Please pray for the Easter gift of eternal life for Michael O'Sullivan (who was once one of our Adult Servers for the Sunday evening Mass) who died during the week. The Funeral Mass for Michael will be celebrated this Thursday 24th at 10:30am at Lindfield.

Recently deceased: Michelle Son, Carmen Stewart, Pedro Edrie Laqui.

Anniversary: Leif Weidlich .

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Elvira Escay Rodriguez, Diane McGirr, Mary Moran, Peter Tsang, Wolfgang Liers, Tanya Walsh, Jutta Mathur, Jessica Keen, Therese Playoust, Ali Crawford, Morna Sutherland, Barbara McMullen, William Wise, Rosanna Comastri, Janette Brennan.



#### A HUGE THANK YOU

to those who provided palms for our two churches for Palm Sunday.

We had a great abundance. Thank you so much.

Fr Colin

#### ABOUT OUR RECENT PARISH SYNODAL ASSEMBLY

Apologies that we haven't as yet published a summary of the outcomes of the day—Lent and Easter have been keeping us occupied!

However the work is in progress and will soon appear in these pages.

In the meantime, please note the date of our next assembly: Sunday 26th October 11:15am ~ 1:15pm.

Fr Colin



And he departed from our sight that we might return to our hearts and find him there. For he left us, and behold, he is here. He could not be with us long, yet he did not leave us. He went back to the place that he had never left, for the world was made by him.

St Augustine, Confessions, Book 4, Chapter 12

#### A note from Fr Colin ....

As you all know, I will be heading off shortly after Easter for my sabbatical leave which will involve looking after a parish in England—and hopefully gaining some pastoral experience to bring back with me. My sabbatical time plus my annual holidays will see me absent for May, June, July and August. I'll have you all in my prayers during that time.

As you also know, the good news is that Fr Thomas Alackakunnel will be back for that period as the Administrator of the parish. Please make him very welcome.

I will be heading off after next weekend's Masses. After that I'll see you at the beginning of September!



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Sunday May 4th

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### Kid's DBB Jubilee **Passports**

Our Diocese have a Jubilee passport made just for kids! Visit all of our shrines in our diocese and you may receive a special certificate at the

Check out the QR Code here to access it for free!







Please note on the Sunday of the ANZAC Day long weekend - April 27<sup>th</sup>, There will not be a COG session after the Children's Mass



## Canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis - 'The Saint in Sneakers'

