

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.

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY

6 - 7 - 25



This week: Isa 66:10-14; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12,17-20 Next week: Deut 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37



In today's Gospel Luke continues to draw together some of Jesus' reflections on what discipleship involves. As Jesus sends the 72 out on their first mission we can draw several messages for ourselves:

- he sends them in pairs: discipleship is not something we can do on our own.
 We're called to be community, to be Church. For a Christian, the journey to God must involve a journey to others; and with others.
- he tells them to 'carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals': discipleship involves
 having an unencumbered heart that there is one God in our life, not
 many.
- 'stay in the same house' in other words, don't shop around for where your heart and your service will be given. Do we constantly need to be entertained as we are trained to be by the media so that unless we are our heart and our attention and our commitment wanders? And yet discipleship is about doing the same thing for a lifetime: keeping focussed following the Gospel because it's enriching, not because it's entertaining.

Are these the marks of our own discipleship?

Fr Colin

Happy School Holidays!

WE HOPE YOU HAD A WONDERFUL TERM 2!

PLEASE NOTE, THERE WILL BE NO CHILDREN'S MASS

NEXT SUNDAY JULY 13TH; ALSO THERE WILL NOT BE

A COG SESSION DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

OUR NEXT COG AND CHILDREN'S MASS

WILL RESUME ON JULY 27TH

Healing Mass

Our next Healing Mass will be celebrated
this Friday 11th July at 10am
at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church
at Killara
followed by morning tea
in St Joseph's Hall





Peter's Pence Appeal

Each year, throughout the whole Catholic world, a collection is taken up close to the Feast of Ss Peter & Paul (29th June) which provides the Pope with a discretionary budget for supporting pastoral & philanthropic works around the world

Peter's Pence also aims to support a range of charities which bring aid and comfort to the poor, children, families, the elderly, the marginalised, victims of war and natural disasters, refugees and migrants.

In recent times this support has gone to people in Ukraine, Lithuania, Tanzania, the Philippines, Iraq, Haiti, the Republic of Congo, South Sudan and Brazil among other countries.

The appeal will take place this weekend and envelopes are available on the seats. There will be a separate collection taken up after Communion for the appeal.

Or you can use this QR code. When you scan it use the drop down box entitled 'Biller Code' and select the Peter's Pence Appeal.



Fr Hien and Mission Broken Bay warmly invite vou

to journey for an extraordinary, faith-filled ten day pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome. Breathe in the beauty of Assisi, walk in the footsteps of Saint Francis and Saint Clare, visit the tomb of Bl Carlos Acutis, pay a personal tribute at the resting place of Pope Francis, walk through the Holy Doors of the Papal Basilicas, and join the Papal Mass.

Registrations closing soon

Diocese's link for more information: https://bookings.harvestjourneys.com/pv25102

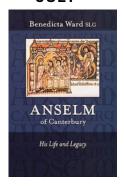


Our Parish's Book Group

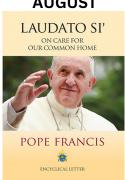
Our monthly Book Group provides an opportunity to read interesting books and to share thoughts (and coffee and cake!) with fellow members of the parish. Gatherings are in the Parish Library on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 10:00am.

Just let Catherine (catherinecwillis@gmail.com) or Elizabeth (elizabethreedy@msn.com) know if you'd like to join the group. The books up till November are:

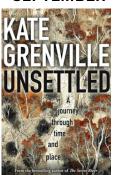
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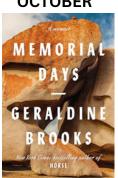
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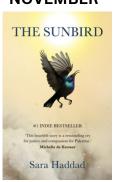
SEPTEMBER



OCTOBER



NOVEMBER





Charity Jumble Sale 8am - Ipm Lindfield Uniting Church 454 Pacific Highway



All proceeds support local families in crisis via the Lindara Family Program. LUC Ph 9416 2106 e: lindfielduca@gmail.com 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.

Food for the spirit

BREAKING THE EUCHARISTIC BREAD

""Yet know this: the kingdom of God is at hand." (Lk 10:11)

There is parable that I heard some years ago from John Shea about a Cretan peasant. It runs this way:

There once lived a peasant in Crete who deeply loved his life. He enjoyed tilling the soil, feeling the warm sun on his naked back as he worked the fields, and feeling the soil under his feet. He loved the planting, the harvesting, and the very smell of nature. He loved his wife and his family and his friends, and he enjoyed being with them, eating with them, drinking wine, talking, and making love. And he loved especially Crete, his tiny, beautiful country! The earth, the sky, the sea, it was his! This was his home.

One day he sensed that death was near. What he feared was not what lay beyond, for he knew God's goodness and had lived a good life. No, he feared leaving Crete, his wife, his children, his friends, his home, and his land. Thus, as he prepared to die, he grasped in his right hand a few grams soil from his beloved Crete and he told his loved ones to bury him with it.

He died, awoke, and found himself at heaven's gates, the soil still in his hand, and heaven's gate firmly barred against him. Eventually St. Peter emerged through the gates and spoke to him: "you've lived a good life, and we've a place for you inside, but you cannot enter unless you drop that handful of soil. You cannot enter as you are now!"

The man was reluctant to drop the soil and protested: "why? Why must I let go of this soil? Indeed, I cannot! What's inside of those gates, I have no knowledge of. But this soil, I know, ... it's my life, my work, my wife and kids, it's what I know and love, it's Crete! Why should I let it go for something I know nothing about?"

Peter answered: "When you get to heaven you will know why. It's too difficult to explain. I am asking you to trust, trust that God can give you something better than a few grains of soil."

But the man refused. In the end, silent and seemingly defeated, Peter left him, closing the large gates behind. Several minutes later, the gates opened a second time and this time, from them, emerged a young child. She did not try to coax the man into letting go of the soil in his hand. She simply took his hand and, as she did, it opened and the soil of Crete spilled to the ground. She then led him through the gates.

A shock awaited him as he entered heaven ... there, before him, lay all of Crete!

When Jesus gave us the Eucharist, he left it to us with the words: receive, give thanks, break, and share. With these words, he was referring to a lot more than ritual and rubrics for the reception of the Eucharist at a liturgy. These words contain an entire spirituality in that they lay out the way that we must live all of life. The story helps us to understand what is meant by one of those word, break.

How do we break so as to become a Eucharistic person? Parable and story can touch deep affective levels in us and move us in rationally inexplicable ways, and so a story of this kind shouldn't be given too much explanation. It should be more an object for meditation than explanation. Nonetheless, a tiny application might be helpful.

When Jesus links the idea of "breaking" to the Eucharist, the rending and breaking down that he is talking about has to do with narcissism, individualism, pride, self-serving ambition, and all the other things that prevent us from letting go of ourselves so as to truly be with others. Buddhism suggests that everything that is wrong the world can be explained in one image, that of the group photo. Whenever anyone looks at a group photo, he or she always first looks how he or she turned out and, only afterwards, considers whether or not it is a good picture of the group.

Breaking the Eucharistic bread has a whole lot to do with looking first at how the group turned out.

St. Augustine, in his Eucharistic homilies, was fond of telling people: "if you receive this well, you are what you receive. ... For the loaf that contains Christ is made up of many individual kernels of grain, but these kernels must, to become the loaf containing Christ, first be ground up and then baked together by fire." (Sermo 227, *In Die Paschae* IV).

Ron Rolheiser



Changes in the Parish Office

Because of the limited number of office staff during this school holiday period, our parish office will be open for this week (July 8th-11th) only during the following hours:

Tue. to Fri. 9:30am - 12:30pm

If you have an urgent of pastoral need to contact the office outside the above hours, please contact the priests (details on **pg 6**), or leave a voicemail at **9416 3702**

Hymns for the Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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! R

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! R

Bernadette Farrell ©1986,2012, OCP.*

DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: Let Heaven Rejoice

Refrain Let heaven rejoice and earth be glad; Let all creation sing.

Let children proclaim to every land: Hosanna to the King.

Sound the trumpet into the night;

The day of the Lord is near.

Wake His people, lift your voice, proclaim it to the world. R

Rise in splendour, shake off your sleep;

Put on your robes of joy.

And in the morning you shall see The glory of the Lord. R Bob Dufford ©1972, OCP.*

COMMUNION: Come to the Water

Refrain Come to the water! You who are thirsty! Though you have nothing, I bid you come! And be filled with the goodness I have to offer! Come! Listen! Live.

Why spend your money on what cannot fill The emptiness deep in your heart? Listen to My word and you will enjoy Goodness and peace in your heart! R Just as the heavens are high above earth; My ways and thoughts beyond you! Call me your Father and know I am near! I will be Father to you! **R**

Frank Andersen ©1978, Missionaries of the Sacred Heart**

RECESSIONAL: Go Now You are Sent Forth

Go now you are sent forth. To live what you proclaim; To show the world you follow Christ In fact, not just in name.

Go now, you are sent forth To walk the troubled earth. To share your faith with all you meet And prove your real worth.

Go now, you are sent forth As God's ambassador; By serving Christ in those we meet We love him more and more.

Go now, you are sent forth And Christ goes with you, too. Today you help his kingdom come In everything you do.

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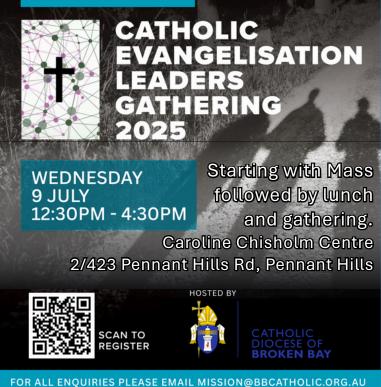


Get connected and explore faith with others

Alpha is a series of sessions that freely explore the big questions of life. It's an opportunity to get connected, discover more about the Christian faith, and share your thoughts in a friendly environment

YOU'RE INVITED

TUESDAY 7-9PM LINDFIELD CHURCH (Library) STARTS 5TH AUGUST Everyone welcome! **Contact Teresa** alpha@lindfieldkillara.org.au



An invitation is extended to all who work and serve in evangelisation. Mass, lunch, shared conversation and facilitation on topics such as evangelisation inputs, workshops, fellowship, wisdom walks and building a new vision.

The Prayers and Responses of Mass

I believe in God,

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.

THE PSALM Ps 65 (66): 1-7, 16, 20 Cry out with joy to God all the earth,

O sing to the glory of God's name. O render God glorious praise. Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds!

'Before you all the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your name!'

Come and see the works of God, tremendous God's deeds among us. God turned the sea into dry land,

they passed through the river dry-shod. Let our joy then be in God;

the Lord rules for ever by his might.

Come and hear, all who fear God. I will tell what the Lord did for my soul.

Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer

nor withhold his love from me.

Fr Richard Rohr OFM's Meditation:

A BIBLICAL COMMAND Father Richard Rohr invites us to consider how well we love others, Jesus forthrig

especially the stranger, as Jesus teaches: If our love of God doesn't directly influence, and even change, how we

engage in the issues of our time, I wonder what good religion is. "God talk" becomes an opaque screen in which we see only reflections of ourselves, rather than any kind of true light. "Anyone who says they love God, and hates their brother or sister, is a liar" (1 John 4:20). None of us wants to be a liar, yet religion's high goals make failure almost inevitable for all of us (read Paul's attempts to describe this paradoxical phenomenon in Romans 7:7-25). Our daily question is this: "Have I even begun to love?"

Most Christians tend to echo the cultural prejudices and worldviews of the dominant group in their country, with only a minority revealing any real transformation of attitudes or consciousness. It has been true of slavery and racism, classism and consumerism, and issues of immigration and health care for the poor. From a religion based on a man who was always healing poor people and praising foreigners, it defies any logical analysis!

One would think that people who insist they believe in one God would understand that everyone on Earth is equally a child of that one God. Christians ought to be first in line to cross artificial boundaries created by nation states, class systems, cultures, and even religions. Often, we're the last! It makes one wonder if we believe what we say we believe. Religion too often becomes the way to defend the self instead of the way to "let go of the self" as

The Apostles' Creed

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

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Colossians 3:15. 16)

Alleluia, alleluia! May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,

and the fullness of his message live within you. Alleluia!

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

Jesus forthrightly taught (see Luke 9:23).

Pope Francis reminds Christians of their duty to welcome the stranger:

Let us concentrate on these words of Jesus: "I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me" (Matthew 25:35-36). In our time, charitable action regarding foreigners is more relevant than ever. The economic crisis, armed conflicts, and climate change have forced many people to emigrate. However, migration is not a new phenomenon; it is part of the history of humanity. It is a lack of historical memory to think that this phenomenon has arisen only in recent years.... At times it seems that the silent work of so many men and women who, in various ways, do all they can to help and assist the refugees and migrants is obscured by the clamour of others who give voice to an instinctive selfishness. However, closure is not a solution, but instead ends up fostering criminal trafficking. The only path to a solution is through solidarity. Solidarity with the migrant, solidarity with the foreigner....

We all ... are called to welcome our brothers and sisters who are fleeing from war, from hunger, from violence and from inhuman living conditions. All together we are a great supportive force for those who have lost their homelands, families, work, and dignity.

(Pope Francis, "A Stranger and You Welcomed Me," in A Stranger and You Welcomed Me: A Call to Mercy and Solidarity with Migrants and Refugees, ed. Robert Ellsberg (Orbis, 2018), 53, 54, 55.)

Sunday Mass Killara Church Lindfield Church 5:30pm Vigil 6.oopm Vigil 9.00am*

8.30am 10.15am** 12noon Chinese Mass 6:00pm Youth Mass*** * Morning Tea follows the 9am Mass at Killara on the 1st Sundays

(Memorial - St Benedict, abbot)

Fr Thomas

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

*** 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 Killara Mon. 8am

Killara Tues. 8am Wed. 10am Lindfield Thurs, 10am Lindfield

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10am Lindfield

6:00PM

The Ordinariate of Our Lady of the Southern Cross (gathering in our church at Killara):

Mass Wednesday 6pm (preceded by Exposition from 5pm) Thursday 9am Friday 9am Sunday 12 noon

Evensong 4th Sunday of the month 4pm

Sunday Mass Roster -**12 JULY**

SATURDAY 5 JULY

Fr Biju Matthew Lindfield 6:00PM Fr Stephen 5:30PM Fr Thomas Fr Hien Killara **SUNDAY 13 JULY** 6 JULY

Lindfield 8:30AM Fr Anselam Fr Thomas Killara 9:00AM Fr Hien Fr Hien Lindfield 10:15AM Fr Thomas Fr Thomas Lindfield 12:00PM Fr A. Capirayan Fr Hien

Fr Thomas

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For all of our staff click on 'Our Parish' on the website.

Holy Family School: 4 Highfield Rd, Lindfield E info@holyfamily.nsw.edu.au Ph.7256 2141

Ways that you can support our parish

Direct debit contributions from your bank A/C:

1st Collection: (providing for the priests of the

parish & retired & sick clergy of the diocese): BSB 062 784 Ac 10000 1624

2nd Collection: (providing for all the operating

costs of the parish): BSB 062 784 Ac 10000 1623



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Periodic payments from your credit card: Just click on the hotlink box entitled 'Supporting parish

finances' on our homepage (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au) or email accounts@lindfieldkillara.org.au for assistance.

The **Tap Machines** are available in our two churches.

Parish Diary

JULY

8:00am Meditation (online)

10:00am Healing Mass and morning tea

弟兄們! 願我們主耶穌基督的恩寵, 常與你們的

願基督的平安, 在你們心中作主; 讓基督的

福音(那裡如有和平之子,你們的和平,就要停

那時候, 主另外選定了七十二人, 派遣他們兩個

兩個, 在他前面, 到他自己將要去的各城各地

耶穌對他們說: 「莊稼多,而工人少,所以,你

們應當求莊稼的主人,派遣工人來,收割他的莊

稼。你們去吧!看,我派遣你們猶如羔羊,往狼 群中。你們不要帶錢囊,不要帶口袋,也不要帶

「不論進入那一家, 先說: 願這一家平安! 那裡

如有和平之子, 你們的和平就要停留在他身上;

否則, 仍歸於你們。你們要住在那一家, 吃喝他

們所供給的,因為工人自當有他的工資。你們不

可從這一家, 挪到那一家。不論進入那座城, 人

如果接納你們,給你們擺上什麼,你們就吃什

麼。要醫治城中的病人,並給他們說: 天主的

Sunday School主日學 12:00 (中英雙語) 6/7-20/4

國,已經臨近你們了。」—上主的話。

**牧職修女司徒金美修女 40419-426899

**北區中心聯絡 Gloria Cheung 📞 0416-118089

彌撒後.請各教友參加午餐聚會

假期 27/7恢復

心靈同在! 阿們。——上主的話。

話,充分地存在你們內。 (哥3:15,16)

福音前歡呼 領: 亞肋路亞。

眾: 亞肋路亞。

眾: 亞肋路亞。

留在他身上。)

夫.

恭讀聖路加福音 10:1-9

鞋; 路上也不要向人請安。

9:00am Playgroup at St Brigid's Hall Fri 11th

Every Wednesday:

at Killara Wed. 16th & Thu. 17th 9:00am HSC Practice Camp Fri 18th 11:00am Seniors Group Wed 23rd 10:00am Parish Book Group Sun 27th 10:15am Children's Mass, followed by

morning tea

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturdays for 15 mins after Vigil Mass at Killara Saturdays 5.15 - 5.45pm at Lindfield

Our Chinese Catholic Community

常年期第十四主日 6.7.2025 上了: 我於世界, 也被釘在十字架上了。其實, 中文主日彌撒正午12時 割損或不割損, 都算不得什麼, 要緊的, 是新受 讀經一(看! 我要在她身上, 廣賜和平, 有如河 造的人。 凡遵循這準則而行的人,願平安與憐

流一樣。) 憫, 降臨在他們身上, 即降臨在天主的新以色列 恭讀依撒意亞先知書 66:10-14 身上! 凡愛慕耶路撒冷的, 你們都應同她一起快樂, 因 從今以後,我切願沒有人再煩擾我,因為在我身 上, 我帶有耶穌的烙印,

她而歡喜! 凡為她而憂傷的, 你們都要同她盡情 如此,你們能從她充滿安慰的懷裡吃奶,而得到 飽飫; 你們能從她那豐滿的乳房哺乳, 而得到快

因為上主這樣說:看! 我要在她身上 廣賜和 平, 有如河流一樣; 我要賜給她萬國的財寶, 好 似氾濫的江河。 她的乳兒,將被抱在懷裡,放在膝上搖幌。就如

人怎樣受母親的撫慰,我也要怎樣撫慰你們; 你 們必要在耶路撒冷, 享受安慰。 你們見到這種情形,你們的心必要歡樂,你們的 骨骸, 必要如青草一樣茂盛; 那時, 上主的手,

【答】: 普世大地, 請向天主歡呼! (詠66:1) 領: 普世大地, 請向天主歡呼! 請歌頌他聖名的 光榮;請獻給他輝煌的讚頌。請你們向天主說: 「你的作為是何等驚人!」【答】

將顯示於他的僕人。——上主的話。

答唱詠 詠66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16,20

領: 普世都要朝拜你, 歌頌你; 全球也都要歌頌 你的聖名。請你們前來觀看天主的作為; 他對世 人所做的一切,實在令人敬畏。【答】 領: 他曾使海洋乾涸,使人徒步走過江河,叫我 們因他而喜樂。他以自己的大能, 永遠統治萬

邦。【答】 領: 凡敬畏天主的人, 請你們前來靜聽; 我要敘 述他為我靈魂所做的一切。天主應受讚美,因他 從未拒絕我的哀禱,也從來沒有從我身上,撤回 他的憐憫。【答】

讀經二(在我身上,帶有耶穌的烙印。) 恭讀聖保祿宗徒致迦拉達人書 6:14-18

至於我,我只以我們主耶穌基督的十字架,來誇 耀,因為藉著基督,世界於我,已被釘在十字架

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

Recently deceased: Teresa Kulesz (Anna's mother), Carolyn Lamb, Mary Brown (Bronwyn's in-law family), John Kouvelis, Frank Dearn, John Caleo, Margaret McGiveren. Anniversary: Keith McCormick (Josie's father), Margaret Murphy, Eileen Lyon s, Ellen Bennett, William Gahan, Vincent Pelosi, John Donnellan, Ruth Peel, John Joseph, Carmella Gallace, Joanna Wong & Joseph Kwong, Donald Drake, Helen Loneragan, Anthony Baynie, Eileen Wade, Greg Wade, Anunciacion

Gadiane

Please pray for those who are sick: Margaret Doherty & her sister; Kath Kelly, Evelyn Jones, Elvira Escay Rodriguez, Mary Moran, Wolfgang Liers, Tanya Walsh, Jutta Mathur, Jessica Keen, Therese Playoust, Ali Crawford, Morna Sutherland, Barbara McMullen, William Wise, Janette Brennan.







Our next potluck supper is happening on July 19th!

We can't do this without
your help! If you would like
to assist us in preparing a dish or
serving on the night, please sign up here!





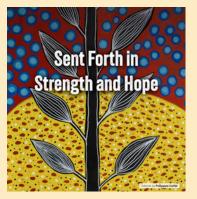


Parking for Mass



Now that Coles is open we would like to encourage everyone to make use of the generous number of car spaces available in their carpark. We will no longer be opening the school playground for cars after 20 July.

Please note that parking is still available on the driveway and, of course, in the church car park. These spaces, especially the driveway, are for our parishioners who are less able and therefore need to park a bit closer to the entrance of the church. Thanks for your consideration and cooperation with this matter.



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday

In this Sunday's Gospel from Luke, the disciples are sent forth ahead of Jesus being told to not be weighed down by possessions; to rely upon hospitality; to have

no roadside chats but most importantly be prepared for the hostility and rejection ahead. In other words, leaving behind the guarantee of shelter and support, being prepared to walk into places where we may feel neither welcomed nor valued nor safe. All of this is for the sake of the Kingdom of God. Imagine telling a group of followers (mainly Jewish) that you must lead a radical life of facing homelessness and travelling into a foreign territory where "you must eat and drink what is set before you". Therefore, a disciple must be open to being vulnerable. Vulnerability that opens to all of us greater possibilities to encounter the hospitality of God which is at the heart of Luke's Gospel. Hospitality where God enters our lives and the lives of those around us providing for our needs. Vulnerability is

experienced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait communities that has both strengthened culture and faith. Jesus continues to invite us as disciples into the hospitality of God, into being bearers of peace sending us forth in strength and hope. What is it that Jesus asks of us today? He asks us not to be too comfortable but rather to be ready to carry what the late Pope Francis wrote - the Joy of the Gospel to everyone we meet. "We should carry it in our minds, carry it in our hearts, carry it on our faces, making sure that it is peace we bring into people's lives rather than turmoil and division." Or put simply as William J Thoms once wrote, "Be careful how you live; you will be the only Bible some people ever read."

In this Jubilee Year of hope who are the people around us who most need peace and hope in their lives. Are they in our families, workplaces, our schools, our communities, our parishes? Hope encourages us "to look outside ourselves, to embrace authentic beauty, change attitudes that exclude others, overcome life's challenges with courage, and trust that joy and hope are still possible, even in challenging times." (Pope Francis, A Gift of Joy and Hope) Hope challenges us to see every day and every person we encounter with Easter eyes and calls us all, to make places where all will feel the hospitality of God, places where we are all made welcome, valued and safe. Lord send us forth in strength and hope.

from the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council

High School Christmas In July games & dinner Party

Get ready for a feastive night of games, food and Christmas (in July) cheer! Wear your most feastive Christmas outfit - there will be prizes to be won! and bring your favourite Christmas dish!

📆 Date: Friday, July 25th

■ Time: 6:00 – 8:30pm

Location: St Brigid's Hall, Lindfield Parish

For all students in Years 7 to 12.





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