



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.



## TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 24- 08 - 25

This week: Is 66:18-21, Heb 12:5-7,11-13, Lk 13: 22-30

Next week: Sirach 3:17-20,28-29, Heb 12: 18-19,22-24, Lk 14:1,7-14

*'Christians have always had a flare for telling people that they are outside God's love, outside of the Kingdom.'*

And yet in today's Gospel, as in so many other passages, Jesus reminds his disciples that in fact it may be **they** who find themselves on the outer:

that it may be we who are out of touch with who God is, and what the Kingdom is like:

*'And those from east and west, from north and south, will take their places...'*

Jesus' challenge is that we do not know the mysterious workings of God's love, and that therefore 'pointing the finger' should be the last thing that disciples of the Kingdom are tempted to do.

Fr Colin

**FINAL CALL**  
LK Parish Retreat  
Next weekend  
Reset, refresh and  
reignite with  
John & Anne



SAVE THE DATE

Morning Tea for  
Fr Thomas

Sunday 31 August  
after 9am Mass in Killara



How Can I  
align my heart  
with the heart  
of Jesus?

YOU ARE INVITED TO A WEEKEND OF PRAYER  
AT JESUIT VILLA, GERROA BEACH, NSW  
Fri 29 Aug 6pm to Sun 31 Aug 2pm

Cost: twin share rooms \$250 per person  
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Coordinators of the prayer network in Australia  
RSVP by 25 August 2025 at  
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LINDFIELD KILLARA PARISH RETREAT

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IN THIS HOLY YEAR  
24 DEC 2024 - 6 JAN 2026

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# Social Justice *news*

31 August is  
*Social Justice Sunday*

*Social Justice Morning Tea*

**When:** Sunday 31st August after the 10.15 Mass

**Where:** Hall above the Church at Lindfield

*ACT for Justice invites all Parishioners to come and hear about the activities we are undertaking to take action.*

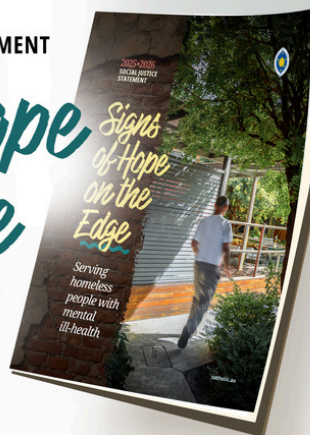
There are many opportunities for you to participate and connect.

DOWNLOAD the document at [socialjustice.catholic.org.au](https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au)

2025-2026 • SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT

## Signs of Hope on the Edge

*Serving Homeless People  
with Mental Ill-Health*



### OUR RESPONSE AS CHRISTIANS

#### Noticing

Love notices.  
The Gospels too have eyes - eyes that notice and penetrate and transform.

#### Knowing

We are good at knowing about - and writing about - people overwhelmed by poverty and mental illness, but we are not so good at knowing them, at knowing their names.

#### Serving

Our love for those who are poor brings them to the centre of the Church's life. Our care for them is not self-centred. It does not seek to be noticed or praised.

### REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. Why is service to the poor considered essential to the Gospel and not optional?
2. What does Pope Francis mean by a Church that is bruised, hurting and dirty?
3. What does authentic service look like in your life or community?

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In this Jubilee Year, Pope Francis reminded us, as Christians, of our “fundamental vocation to be, in the footsteps of Christ, messengers and builders of hope.” We appeal to all Christians to join us in going to the edge of society to befriend our fellow Australians who are living on the streets, who are often struggling with serious mental ill-health, to be signs of hope, to be the good news that God's unfailing love embraces everyone.

Archbishop Timothy Costelloe, SDB  
PRESIDENT, AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE



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**Sunday, August 31st**  
Wentworth Common, Sydney Olympic Park



**Free | All Welcome**  
**12:00 pm to 2:00 pm**



For more information and to register



Gather together  
& get connected



Watch an episode on a topic of faith



Ask Qs and share thoughts

**Alpha**

**ON  
TUESDAYS**

**7:00-9:00pm**  
**@Parish Library**  
(above Lindfield Church)

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

And... it includes a **FREE MEAL!**

For more info: contact Teresa  
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**IN LIGHT OF OUR RECENT INCIDENT IN KILLARA CHURCH PLEASE HELP KEEP OUR PARISH SAFE BY REPORTING ANY SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOUR.**



*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

### The Agony in the Garden—The Place Where Angels Strengthen Us

*All discipline seems a cause not for joy but for pain,  
yet later it brings the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who are trained by it.  
(Lk 12:49)*

Trevor Herriot writes: “Only after we have let the desert do its full work in us will angels finally come and minister to us.”

That’s one of the lessons of Gethsemane. It’s only after the deserts of loneliness, duty, and helplessness have done their work in Jesus that “an angel from heaven came and ministered to him.” A unique thing can happen to us when we are overwhelmed. When the burden of self-sacrifice prostrates us in weakness and leaves us sweating blood, it’s then that God’s strength can flow into us most deeply. Many people have experienced this.

Because of his strengthening Jesus brings a certain divine energy, he is indeed more ready than any athlete. Jesus gets up off the ground and walks with courage to face the ordeal that awaits him.

Martin Luther King, for example, recounts his own Agony in the Garden and the angel that came to strengthen him:

*One night toward the end of January, I settled into bed late, after a strenuous day. Coretta had already fallen asleep and just as I was about to doze off the telephone rang. An angry voice said, ‘Listen, nigger, we’ve taken all we want from you, before next week you’ll be sorry you ever came to Montgomery.’ I hang up, but I couldn’t sleep. It seemed that all of my fears had come down on me at once. I had reached a saturation point. I got out of bed and began to walk the floor. Finally I went to the kitchen and heated a pot of coffee. I was ready to give up. With my cup of coffee sitting untouched before me I tried to think of a way to move out of the picture without appearing a coward.*

*In this state of exhaustion, when my courage had all but gone, I decided to take my problem to God. With my head in my hands, I bowed over the kitchen table and prayed aloud. The words I spoke to God that midnight are still vivid in my memory:*

*“I am here taking a stand for what I believe is right. But now I am afraid. The people are looking to me for leadership, and if I stand before them without strength and courage, they too will falter. I am at the end of my powers. I have nothing left. I’ve come to the point where I can’t face it alone.”*

*At that moment I experienced the presence of the Divine as I had never experienced him before.*

The parallel to Jesus in Gethsemane is so obvious that it’s superfluous to elaborate on it. God sends angels to strengthen us precisely when God finds us lying prostrate, sweating the blood of duty. Moreover that particular kind of sweat does something else for us as well.

In the Gethsemane accounts we’re told that Jesus, right after being strengthened by an angel, gets up off the ground and walks with courage to face the ordeal that awaits him. His agony and the strengthening he receives within it, readied him for the pain that lay ahead. Indeed, at the time of Jesus, the word “agony” had a double sense: beyond its more obvious meaning, it also referred to a particular “readying” that an athlete would do just before entering the arena or stadium. The athlete would ready himself (in those days the athlete normally was a he) for the contest by working up a certain sweat (agony) with the idea that this exercise and the lather it produced would concentrate and make ready both his energies and muscles for the rigors that lay ahead. No athlete wants to enter the contest unprepared, unready.

The gospel writers want us to have this same image of Jesus as he leaves the Garden of Gethsemane: his agony has brought about a certain emotional, physical, and spiritual lather so that he is now readied: a focused athlete, properly prepared to enter the battle. Moreover, because of his strengthening he brings a certain divine energy, he is indeed more ready than any athlete.

Christina Crawford, writing about a low time in her life, once commented: “Lost is a place too!” Indeed, biblically, it’s a very important place. It’s the place where angels can come and minister to us and it’s the place that readies us for spiritual battle. When our own strength gives out, when the pain of duty seems too much, when we lie prostrate in weakness and cringe before what truth, justice—and God—seem to be asking of us, when we’ve come to the point where, like Martin Luther King, we can no longer face it alone, we’re finally at that place where angels can minister to us and we’ve finally worked up the spiritual lather that has readied our souls and bodies for the Good Fridays that await us all.

Certain things, Trevor Herriot suggests, can only happen in gardens and deserts:

How long, covered in the sackcloth of grass, thorn and sky, before our desires and illusions fall to intimations of communion; before edges dissolve and we comprehend the mystic’s dream of union beyond all boundaries and distinctions?

**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.**

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**DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: THIS DAY GOD GIVES ME**

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

This day God sends me strength as my steersman,  
might to uphold me, wisdom as guide.  
Your eyes are watchful, your ears are list'ning,  
your lips are speaking, friend at my side.

God's way is my way, God's shield is round me.  
God's host defends me, saving from itll.  
Angels of heaven, drive from me always,  
all that would harm me, stand by me still.

Rising I thank you, mighty and strong One,  
King of creation, giver of rest,  
firmly confessing Threeness of Persons,  
Oneness of Godhead, Trinity blest

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**ENTRANCE: ALL ARE WELCOME**

Let us build a house where love can dwell  
And all can safely live  
A place where saints and children tell How hearts learn to  
forgive  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions Rock of faith and vault  
of grace  
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions All are welcome  
All are welcome  
All are welcome in this place

Let us build a house where prophets speak And words are  
strong and true  
Where all God's children dare to seek To dream God's reign  
anew  
Here the cross shall stand as witness And as symbol of God's  
grace  
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus All are welcome  
All are welcome  
All are welcome in this place

Let us build a house where love is found In water, wine and  
wheat  
A banquet hall on holy ground Where peace and justice meet  
Here the love of God, through Jesus Is revealed in time and  
space  
As we share in Christ the feast that frees us All are welcome  
All are welcome  
All are welcome in this place

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**COMMUNION: FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH**

For the beauty of the earth  
For the beauty of the skies  
For the love which from our birth  
Over and around us lies

**Refrain:** Christ our God, to you we raise  
This our sacrifice of praise

For the beauty of the hour  
Of the day and of the night  
Hill and vale and tree and flow'r  
Sun and Moon and stars of light. **R.**

For the joy of human love  
Brother, sister, parent, child  
Friends on earth and friends above  
Pleasures pure and undefiled, **R.**

For each perfect gift divine  
To our race so freely given  
Joys bestowed by love's design,  
Flow'rs of earth and fruits of heav'n **R.**

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**RECESSIONAL: THIS DAY WAS MADE BY THE LORD**

**Refrain (all):** This day was made by the Lord,  
Let us rejoice be glad. Let us be glad.  
This day was made by the Lord, Let us rejoice in salvation!

1. Cantor: I thank you, your love is eternal.  
You have given me life.

**All:** You have given me life.  
I will proclaim the wonders you do.

2. Cantor: You are my strength and my saviour.  
You have given me life.

**All:** You have given me life.  
I will proclaim the wonders you do.

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**Hymns for the Children's Mass**

**DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: WE BRING TO YOU**

We bring to You (we bring to You) Our gifts today (Our gifts  
today)  
Of bread and wine (Of bread and wine) You share with us  
(You share with us)

**[CHORUS]** We lift our voice to sing for You  
we praise your name in every land  
Jesus my friendyou lived for us

The things I do ( The things I do)  
I bring to you (I bring to you)  
The giftsI share (The gifts I share)  
Because of you (Because of you)

**[CHORUS]**

The love I share (The love I share)  
For those that care (For those that care)  
The times I work( The times I work)  
The times I play (The times I play)

**[CHORUS]**

We bring to You (we bring to You) Our gifts today (Our gifts  
today)  
Of bread and wine (Of bread and wine)  
You share with us (You share with us)

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## 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 116.

**R.** Go out to all the world  
and tell the Good News.

O praise the Lord, all you nations,  
acclaim him all you peoples! **R.**  
Strong is his love for us;  
he is faithful for ever. **R.**

## The Apostles' Creed

I believe in 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

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord;  
no one comes to the Father, except through me.  
Alleluia!

## MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

## Hymns for the Children's Mass continued

### COMMUNION: JESUS LOVES ME

Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to him belong;  
they are weak, but he is strong.

#### Refrain:

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus  
loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me he who died heaven's gate to open  
wide. He will wash away my sin,  
let his little child come in. **R.**

Jesus loves me, this I know, as he loved so long ago,  
taking children on his knee,  
saying, "Let them come to me." **R.**

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### RECESSIONAL: SHINE AMONG THEM

#### Chorus:

We are called to shine (la la la) shine (la la la) shine among them  
We are called to shine (la la la) shine (la la la) Shine like the stars  
above

We are called to shine (la la la) shine (la la la) shine among them  
We are called to shine (la la la) shine (la la la) Shine me a light of  
love

Jesus is a light, a light for all the world. His light shines in the fire  
of his words A light of love, for all the world to see

A shining star, a call for you and me **[Chorus]**

A star of light, a star of love

The love of Jesus, given by God, Love one another, as I have  
loved you

As stars of love, we are called too **[Chorus]**

As stars of love, we are called be to be strong Compassion and  
justice - are called our song In this way too, we must shine like the  
stars Shine with God's love wherever we are **[Chorus]**

With all our gifts, we are called to shine To be all we can be, to  
light up the sky

We will shine among them and show them the way Shine among  
them, every night every day **[Chorus]**

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## Killara Church

5:30pm Vigil  
9.00am\*

## Lindfield Church

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

\*\*\* The 3rd Sunday after 6pm Youth Mass is Parish Pot Luck Supper

### Weekday Mass this week

Mon. 8am Killara  
Tues. 8am Killara  
Wed. 10am Lindfield - St Monica  
Thurs. 10am Lindfield - St Augustine  
Fri. 10am Lindfield - The Passion of St John the Baptist

### 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

SATURDAY	23 AUGUST	30 AUGUST
Lindfield 6:00PM	Fr Hien	Fr Anselem
Killara 5:30PM	Fr Stephen	Fr Thomas
SUNDAY	24 AUGUST	31 AUGUST
Lindfield 8:30AM	Fr Thomas	Fr Anselem
Killara 9:00AM	Fr Hien	Fr Thomas
Lindfield 10:15AM	Fr Thomas	Fr Stephen
Lindfield 12:00PM	Fr Hien	Fr Gerard Kelly
Lindfield 6:00PM	Fr Thomas	Fr Thomas

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

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## 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

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(providing for all the operating costs of the parish):

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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.

## AUGUST

Sun 24 10:15am Children's Mass,  
followed by COG and Morning Tea  
Wed 27 10am Bookclub  
Sun 31 Morning Tea for Father Thomas after  
9am Mass in Killara  
Every Tues 7pm Alpha

## SEPTEMBER

Fri 5th 9am Father's Day School Liturgy  
Fri 12th 10am Healing Mass,  
followed by morning tea at Killara  
Tues 16 Parent Meeting - First Communion  
Every Wed 8:00am Meditation (online)

## THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays for 15 mins after Vigil Mass at Killara

Saturdays 5.15 - 5.45pm at Lindfield

## Our Chinese Catholic Community

常年期第二十一主日 24.8.2025

中文主日彌撒正午12時

讀經一 (你們要從各民族中, 把你們的弟兄, 送到我的聖山: 耶路撒冷。)

恭讀依撒意亞先知書 66:18-21

上主這樣說: 「我要來聚集萬民, 及各種語言的民族; 他們都要前來, 觀看我的榮耀。我要在他們中, 施行奇事, 並派遣生還的人, 到外邦人那裡, 即往塔爾史士、普特、路得、默舍客、洛士、突巴耳、雅汪, 及遼遠的海島上, 即沒有聽過我的聲譽, 沒有見過我光榮的地方。『他們要從各民族中, 用馬、車、轎、騾、獨峰駝, 把你們的弟兄, 送到我的聖山: 耶路撒冷, 當作獻於天主的獻儀, 好像以色列子民, 用潔淨的器皿, 將供物獻於上主的聖殿一樣: 這是上主說的。我要從他們中間, 選拔司祭和肋未人: 這是上主說的。』——上主的話。

答唱詠 詠117:1,2

【答】: 你們往普天下去, 宣傳福音。(谷 16:15)

領: 列國萬民, 請讚美上主; 一切民族, 請歌頌上主! 【答】

領: 因為他的仁愛, 厚加於我們; 上主的忠誠, 必要永遠常存。【答】

讀經二 (上主懲戒他所愛的。)

恭讀致希伯來人書 12:5,11-13

弟兄姊妹們:

你們竟然忘記了天主勸你們, 好像勸子女所說的話: 「我兒, 不要輕視上主的懲戒, 也不要厭惡他的譴責, 因為上主懲戒他所愛的, 鞭策他所接納的每個兒子。」

為接受懲戒, 你們應該堅忍, 因為天主對待你們, 有如對待子女。那有兒子, 做父親的, 不懲戒他呢?

固然各種懲戒, 在當時, 似乎不是樂事, 而是苦事; 可是, 以後, 為那些這樣受過訓練的人, 就會結出正義與和平的果實。

為此, 你們應該伸直衰弱的手, 及麻木的膝; 你們的腳, 應履行正直的路, 叫瘸子不要偏離正道, 反叫他獲得痊癒。——上主的話。

福音前歡呼

領/眾: 亞肋路亞。

領: 主說: 我是道路、真理、生命, 除非經過我, 誰也不能到父那裡去。(若14:6)

福音 (將有從東從西而來的人, 參加天主國裡的筵席。)

恭讀聖路加福音 13:22-30

那時候, 耶穌經過各城各鄉, 前往耶路撒冷, 隨處施教。

有一個人對耶穌說: 「主, 得救的人果然不多嗎?」

耶穌對群眾說: 「你們竭力由窄門進入吧! 我告訴你們: 因為將來有許多人, 想要進去, 卻不能進去。及至家主起來, 把門關上, 你們在外面站著, 開始敲門, 說: 主, 請給我們開門吧! 他要回答你們說: 我不認識你們是那裡的人。那時, 你們會說: 我們曾在你面前, 吃過喝過; 你也曾在我們的街市, 施教過。」

「他要說: 我告訴你們: 我不認識你們是這裡的; 你們這些作惡的人, 都離開我吧!

「幾時你們望見亞巴郎、依撒格、雅各伯, 及眾先知, 在天主的國裡, 你們卻被摒棄在外面, 你們只有哀號和切齒。將有從東從西, 從北從南而來的人, 參加天主國裡的筵席。」

「看! 有最後的, 將成為最先的, 也有最先的, 將成為最後的。」——上主的話。

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彌撒後, 請各教友參加午餐聚會

Sunday School主日學 12:00 (中英雙語)

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

**Recently deceased:**

John Pera (Michelle's father), Dennis Tonitto (Liana Stella's uncle), Sylvia Yee Joy, Frank Hallissy

**Anniversary:**

Nora Kelliher, Faye Bartlett, Norma Campbell, Joan Mary Reynolds, Patricia Darwell, June Connors

**Please pray for those who are sick:** Margaret Doherty & her sister; Kath Kelly, Elvira Rodriguez, Wolfgang Liers, Tanya Walsh, Jutta Mathur, Jessica Keen, Ali Crawford, Barbara McMullen, William Wise, Janette Brennan.

## Fr Richard Rohr OFM's Meditation: The Kingdom as Consciousness

In his letter to the Philippians, Paul offers a puzzling turns this world into a different place. . . The injunction to the new Christians. He writes, "Let the hallmark of this awareness is that it sees no same mind be in you that was in Jesus Christ" (2:5). separation—not between God and humans, not CAC faculty member Cynthia Bourgeault explores how between humans and other humans. And these developing this kind of "Christ-consciousness" is the are indeed Jesus's two core teachings, underlying key to understanding Jesus's teaching on the "Kingdom everything he says and does. . . of Heaven."

How do we put on the mind of Christ? How do we see When Jesus talks about this Oneness . . . what he through his eyes? How do we feel through his heart? more has in mind is a complete, mutual How do we learn to respond to the world with that indwelling: I am in God, God is in you, you are in same wholeness and healing love? That's what God, we are in each other. His most beautiful Christian orthodoxy really is all about. It's not about symbol for this is in the teaching in John 15 where right belief; it's about right practice. . . he says, "I am the vine; you are the branches. Abide in me as I in you" [see John 15:4–5]. A few

Jesus uses one particular phrase repeatedly: "the Kingdom of Heaven." You can easily confirm this so I have loved you. Abide in my love" [John 15:9]. yourself by a quick browse through the gospels; the . . . There is no separation between humans and words jump out at you from everywhere. . . God because of this mutual interabiding which expresses the indivisible reality of divine love. . .

So what do we take it to be? . . . [Jesus] says, "The Kingdom of Heaven is within you" (that is, here) and No separation between human and human is an "at hand" (that is, now). It's not later, but lighter—equally powerful notion—and equally challenging. some more subtle quality or dimension of experience One of the most familiar of Jesus's teachings is accessible to you right in the moment. You don't die "Love your neighbor as yourself" [Matthew 22:39] into it; you awaken into it. . . . . as a continuation of your very own being. It's a complete seeing that your neighbor is you. There

The Kingdom of Heaven is really a metaphor for a are not two individuals out there . . . there are state of consciousness; it is not a place you go to, but a simply two cells of the one great Life. place you come from. It is a whole new way of looking at the world, a transformed awareness that literally

References: Cynthia Bourgeault, *The Wisdom Jesus: Transforming Heart and Mind—A New Perspective on Christ and His Message* (Shambhala: 2008), 29, 30–32.

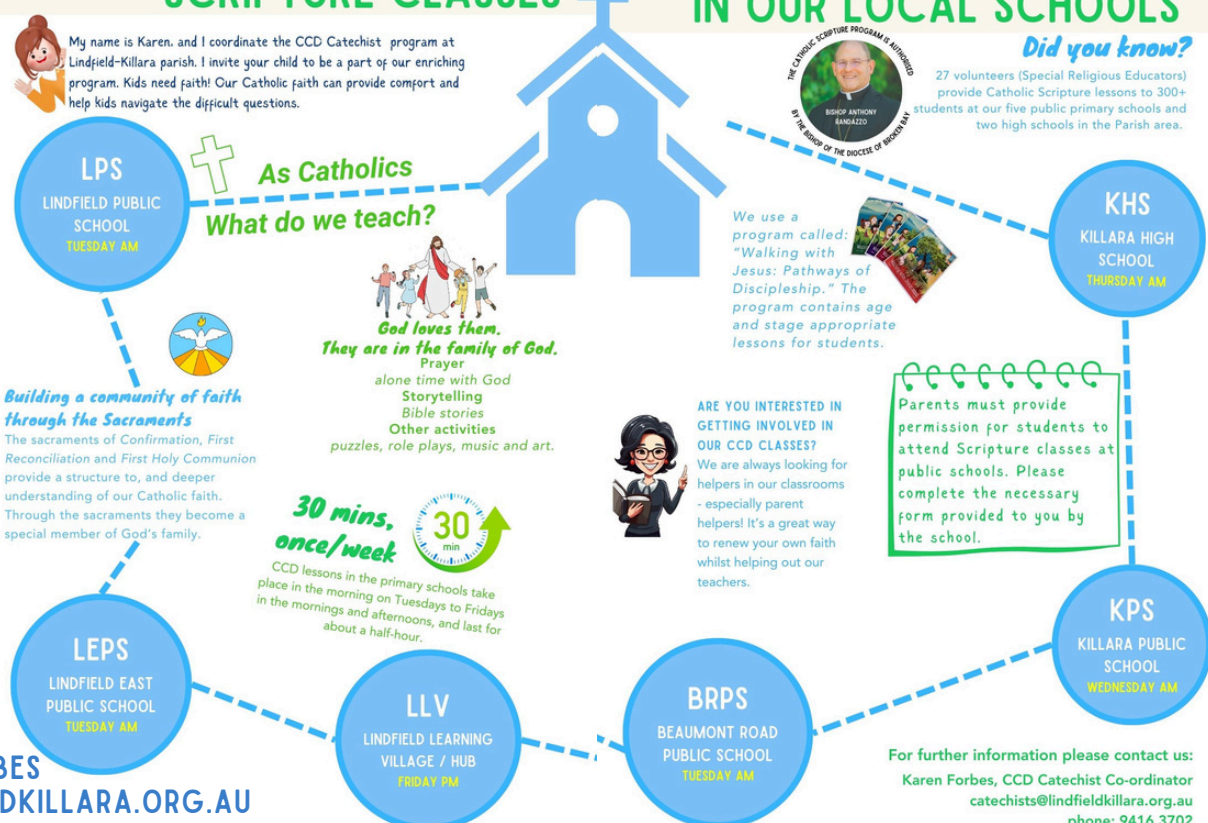
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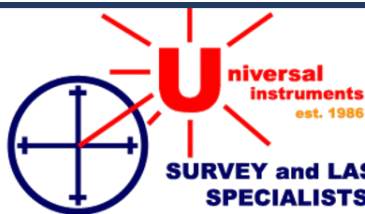
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## Youth News

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A light supper and non-alcoholic drinks will be provided.

**Saturday, September 13th**  
**6:45PM - 9PM**

**St Brigid's Hall,  
Lindfield Parish**

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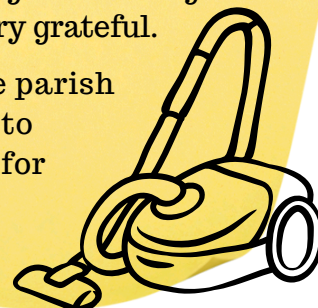
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Please contact the parish office if you'd like to assist. Thank you for your generosity!



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ADULTS**



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94 Archer St Chatswood

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 6:30PM**

Join our friends at Our Lady of Dolours at Chatswood for a powerful and moving film about the short yet extraordinary life of soon-to-be Saint Carlo Acutis—a young man whose deep love for Christ continues to inspire people across the world.

A light meal will be served from 6:30 with the film starting at 7pm

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- Travel insurance
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Pilgrimage is open to young people in Year 9 at school, through to the age of 25, and their leaders and clergy.



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