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.

We are committed to being a Child-Safe Community

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING 22 - 11 - 26
THE LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR

This week: Ezek 34:11-12, 15-17, 1 Cor 15:20-26,28, Mt 25:31-46
Next week: Is 63:16-17; 64:1,3-8, 1 Cor 1:3-9, Mk 1:33-37



With the Solemnity of Christ the King the Church year draws towards a close. Next Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent and the beginning of a new liturgical year.

As such it invites us to new beginnings,
to revitalisation and renewal in our faith, in our spiritual life.

Advent, however, can be the lost season,
buried amidst the swirl of pre-Christmas preparations and festivities.

Our challenge is to try to re-claim some of this coming season of new beginnings
and to arrive at Christmas not simply exhausted by shopping and parties,
but also ready to celebrate *the beginnings* of our salvation.

And please enter into the ecumenical dimension of our Christmas preparations - our own local Advent Ecumenical Liturgy ***this Tuesday 1st December*** *(see page 2). Please be there - this is a celebration which can help to truly make Advent a time of new beginnings.* *Fr Colin*







A lovely gathering was had by all at the ***sausage sizzle*** *following the 6pm Mass last Sunday night....*

HOSPITALITY AND WELCOME
- A TASK FOR US ALL! -

While the call of Jesus is for us to change the face of the earth, at the moment we don't even seem to be able to fill the morning tea roster for 10:15am Mass on the 2nd & 4th Sundays! Pope Francis called us to be a missionary Church - we at least shouldn't be finding it difficult to have a cup of tea!



Please put your name down for a turn on the roster - all the supplies are provided - those rostered just have to put out the cups and make the tea and coffee. You would be rostered no more than once every two months.

If you could be part of this important community-building ministry please contact Michelle at:
parishoffice@lindfieldkillara.org.au

PASTORAL WORKS Broken Bay

Supporting:
Hospital ministry
Catechists
St Lucy's
St Edmund's
Ephpheta Centre

PROGRESS REPORT

Our quota: $23,950

Received so far: $16,510

Shortfall: $7,440

WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE:

1. Envelopes, allowing for cash or credit card payment, are available on the pews. You can also use the QR code on the envelopes.

OR

2. Scan this QR code then under 'My payment is for' scroll down to Pastoral Works Broken Bay':

OR

3. You can contribute from your bank account:
Go to:
https://catholicparish.app/lindfieldkillara/donate
and select option 3 under 'My Payment is for'.



JESUIT REFUGEE SERVICE FOOD DRIVE – A HUGE THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who generously donated to our Jesuit Refugee Service Food Drive.

We have been overwhelmed by the wonderful response and generosity by both communities within our parish.

Gifts for children in Waterloo



Once again this year, through St Vincent de Paul Society, we will be providing gifts to children in the Waterloo area.
If you can help please take a tag from the Christmas Tree in the foyer of either church, purchase a gift and return by
SUNDAY 6TH DECEMBER.

Ecumenical Service for Advent

Our Ecumenical Service for Advent with our fellow local Churches will take place on

Tuesday 1st December
at **7:30pm**
in Holy Family Church.

Please be there to welcome and worship with our sisters and brothers as we prepare to celebrate the Lord's birth.

If you can, please bring a plate for supper.

NEXT SUNDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER, is the First Sunday of Advent, the beginning of a new Liturgical Year. From that day we will move into the cycle of Scripture readings for Year B.





ADVENT SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION
as we prepare our hearts for Christmas
Wednesday 16th December 7:15pm
at Holy Family Church



The sacraments for the children in 2027

The dates and details of our preparation programmes for Confirmation, First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion are now available on our website (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au) under 'Sacraments' → 'Children's Sacraments'.

Why we do the things we do...

Posturing....

Another famous thing 'that Catholics do' is to constantly change our posture at Mass. Famously, in *Downton Abbey*, Lord Grantham after attending a Mass in Rome commented on "all that crossing and bobbing up and down.....It was more like a gymnastics display than a church service." So, **why do we do it?**



We do it because we're *bodily* creatures. The mystery that *God became flesh* is at the heart of our faith - which is why it's a *sacramental* faith: divine realities communicated through *physical* signs.

And so

we pray with our bodies just as much as with our heart and mind:

we **stand** as a sign of honour and respect - such as during the proclamation of the Gospel. We **sit** in order to be reflective and attentive, such as during the First and Second Readings. We **kneel** as an expression of reverence an adoration, such as during the Eucharistic Prayer. We **genuflect (go down on one knee)** on entering the church as a mark of profound honour given to Jesus present in the reserved sacrament in the Tabernacle; for the same reason we make **a profound bow** as we make our approach to share in Holy Communion; and we likewise make **a profound bow** as we speak the words:

and by the Holy Spirit
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man

in the Creed as we honour the holy mystery of the Incarnation which is at the heart of Christian faith.

And so we pray with our bodies as well as our minds, our very posture giving expression to what is hopefully in our heart in each part of the unfolding celebration of the Mass.

Fr Colin

Children's Masses & Nativity Plays



Christmas Eve
Thurs 24 Dec

All children in primary school are invited to participate in the Nativity Story at Mass of Christmas Eve (both churches)

Practice Dates:
Sun 13 Dec & Sun 20 Dec, 9.15-10am

Mass Date: 24 December
Lindfield Mass 6.00 pm
Killara Mass 5.30pm

Please Sign Up if your child would like to participate!

https://forms.gle/bbmSvrTyVjrQFUJF8

End of Year Healing Mass & pre-Christmas lunch

As always, our December Healing Mass (on Friday 11th December at Killara) will be at the later time of **11:00am** and will be followed by **lunch** in St Joseph's Hall. We especially invite all our senior parishioners.

To help with catering please put your name down on the sheets in the foyers of both our churches.

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

STRUCTURE, RITUAL, & HABIT AS ANCHORING LOVE, PRAYER & SERVICE

In his book, *The Second Mountain* David Brooks suggests that a key to sustaining fidelity in any vocation is to build a structure of behaviour for those moments when love falters. He's right.

Anybody who has made a commitment to be faithful for the long haul inside a marriage, a friendship, a faith community, or a vocation to serve others, will need more than initial enthusiasm, bare-footed sincerity, affective energy, and good resolutions to sustain himself or herself on that road. It's one thing to have a honeymoon with someone, it's another to be in a marriage over many years. It's one thing to be an enthusiastic neophyte on a spiritual journey, it's another thing to remain faithful inside that journey for seventy or eighty years. And it's one thing to go out for a season and serve meals to the homeless, it's something else to be Dorothy Day.

So the question is: how do we sustain our initial enthusiasm, sincerity, affective energy, and good resolutions through the boredom, heartbreak, misunderstanding, tiredness, and temptations all of us will undergo in our lives, whether that be in our marriage, our vocation, our church life, our prayer life, or our service to others?

That question was put to me recently, speaking to a group of young seminarians, I shared that I had just celebrated forty-eight years of ministry. The seminarians peppered me with questions: What's the secret? How do you get through the rough times? How do you sustain good intention, good will, and good energy year after year? How do you sustain your prayer life over forty or fifty years?

I answered with an insight from Dietrich Bonhoeffer who, whenever he officiated at a wedding, he would tell the couple: Today you are very much in love and think your love will sustain your marriage. It can't. But your marriage can sustain your love. I advised the seminarians in the same way: don't trust your present enthusiasm and good energy to sustain your priesthood; let your priesthood sustain your enthusiasm and energy. What's at stake here?

A genuine commitment in faith, love, or service becomes a ritual container, an ark, like Noah's, that existentially locks you in. And the fact that you're locked in is exactly what makes the commitment work. You enter naïvely, believing that your good feelings and affective energies will sustain you. They won't. Inevitably they will be worn down by time, familiarity, boredom, misunderstanding, tiredness, wound, and new obsessions that emotionally tempt you elsewhere. So how can you sustain yourself in a commitment through periods of dryness? David Brook's answer is a good one – by building a structure of behavior for exactly those moments.

How do you do that? Through routine, ritual, and habit. Anchor your person and your commitment in ritual habits that steady and hold you beyond your feelings on any given day. Set rituals for yourself, certain ritual behaviours, which you will do regularly no matter how you feel.

For me, as a priest, some of these are pre-set. As a priest, you are to daily pray the Office of the Church as a prayer for the world, no matter how you feel. You are to celebrate the Eucharist for others regularly, irrespective of whether or not this is personally meaningful to you on any given day. You are to do some private prayer daily, particularly when you don't feel like it. The list goes on. These rituals give you structure and healthy routines, and they are needed because in the priesthood as in every other vocation, there are times of fervour when feelings are enough to sustain you; however there are also desert times, bitter times, angry times, times when love falters. It's then that a structure of behaviour can steady and sustain you.

The same holds true for marriage. Couples have to build a structure of behaviour for those times when love falters. To name one such ritual: a wife and husband need to have some ritual expression of affection when they wish each other a good day as they part each morning, no matter their emotions and feelings on a given day. That ritual is a container, an ark, which locks them in and holds them together until a better season and better feelings return. Ritual can sustain love when it falters.

In understanding this, we need beware of "Job's friends", that is, beware of the various books and gurus on spirituality, prayer, and marriage that give you the impression there's something wrong with you if your enthusiasm and emotional affectivity are not the glue that daily sustains you in your commitment. Simply put, these are books written by spiritual novices and marriage manuals written by someone confusing a honeymoon for a marriage. Enthusiasm and good feelings are wonderful, but they can't sustain you through a marathon. For a marathon you need to have long-practiced strategies to carry you through the long tiring miles in the middle and at the end.

Fr Ron Rolheiser omi

PRAYER OF WELCOME AT BAPTISM

Priest: God has brought you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

All: Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.

Priest: God has called you into the Church.

All: We therefore receive and welcome you as a member with us of the body of Christ, as a child of the one heavenly Father, and as an inheritor of the kingdom of God.

PARISH RETREAT AT TARRAWARRA ABBEY IN 2027

We still have a few spaces available for next year's retreat - a beautiful time of quiet and reflection in a beautiful landscape at Tarrawarra Abbey, a monastic community of Cistercian monks.

The dates are:

Arrive Monday 5th April afternoon -
Depart Sunday 11th April afternoon.

If you would be interested, or would just likle to find out more information, please let me know.

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HYMNS FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

ENTRANCE : PRAISE, MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet your tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
evermore God's praises sing.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King!

2 Praise God for his grace and favour
to his people in distress.
Praise God, still the same as ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness!

Angels, help us to adore Him,
you behold Him face to face,
sun and moon bow down before Him,
all that is, in time and space:
Praise God! Praise God! Alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace!

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DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: ALLELUIA, SING TO JESUS

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the sceptre, His the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone!
Hark! The songs of peaceful Sion
Thunder like a mighty flood:
Jesus out of every nation has redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! He is near us; faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received Him,
When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget His promise?
I am with you evermore.

Alleluia! Bread of angels,
Here on earth our Food, our Stay;
Alleluia! Here the sinful come to you from day to day.
Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's redeemer,
plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal, You the Lord of Lords we own.
Alleluia born of Mary,
earth your footstool, heav'n your throne.
You within the veil have entered
Robed in flesh, our great high priest;
You on earth both priest and victim
in the eucharist feast.

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COMMUNION: REJOICE THE LORD IS KING

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

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

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

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RECESSIONAL HYMN : HAIL REDEEMER KING DIVINE

Hail Redeemer, King divine!
Priest and Lamb, the Lord of time,
King, whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of everlasting peace.

Refrain: Angels, saints and nations sing:
Praised be Jesus Christ our King:
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,
King of love on Calvary.

King, whose name creation thrills,
Rule our minds, our hearts, our wills,
Till in peace, each nation rings
With Your praises, King of kings.

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Hymns for the Children's Mass

ENTRANCE : CHRIST IS OUR KING

With Christ as our rock, with Christ as our king
Together with God we can do great things.
Building the kingdom, hearing the call
In the heart of one, in the hearts (pause) of us all

1. From God of all time a king of the earth
In Bethlehem's stable a royal birth
Upon a donkey a king of the poor
And upon the cross a king for all

2. A King for all, all one in God's sight.
For woman, for man, for black and for white
A King for all time, from God above
All one in God's eyes, all one in God's love

3. King of my heart, of all that I am
One heart with many, joined hand in hand
Hearts join with hands in this Holy place
Building a kingdom, showing the way

4. Called to belong, many hearts, many faces
Gathered to here, many hopes, many places
Called to be one, called to belong
Called to the kingdom, called to Christ's song

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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 friend you lived for us.

The things I do (the things I do).
I bring to You (I bring to You).
The gifts I 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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COMMUNION : I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

Chorus: I am the Bread of Life
Those who come to me shall not hunger
All who believe in me shall not thirst
They shall have everlasting life.

All those who come to me I will not turn away
I will raise them all to life on the last day. (Chorus)

No one can come to me unless they are called
I am the living bread given for life, for all. (Chorus)

All who eat and drink of me for my flesh is real food
You will live in me and I will live in you. (Chorus)

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RECESSIONAL : IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS

Chorus: In the footsteps of Jesus we follow on Your way
As we walk on Your path of love and hope and faith.
We journey together each day as we grow
In the love of our God, wherever we go.

God sent us Jesus, to show us the way
To follow in His love as we grow each day..
To walk in the light; to walk in the truth,
In all we say and all we do (Chorus)

God gave us Mary, as mother for all.
She gave her life to follow God's call.
Walk in God's love, walk in God's peace
Walk with our God humbly. (Chorus)

Here in this great land, another heard the call
To reach out to others, to teach the poor.
Reach out in love, reach out in deed
To answer a call from those in need. (Chorus)

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The Prayers and Responses of Mass

THE 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 22 (j23): 1-3, 5-6

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where God gives me repose.

Near restful waters God leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.
The Lord guides me along the right path,
and is true to God's name.

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

(we 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 & 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! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!
Alleluia!

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: A GENEROUS LIFE AND DEATH

Drawing on the wisdom of Henri Nouwen, Father Ron Rolheiser explores the opportunity to give one's life, and even one's death, away for the sake of others:

In one of his last books, *Our Greatest Gift: A Meditation on Dying and Caring*, Henri Nouwen says that at a certain point in our lives, the question is no longer "What can I still do so that my life makes a contribution?" Rather, it becomes "How can I live now so that my death will be an optimal blessing to my family, the church, and the world?" and the central question should not be "How much time still remains?" but rather "How can I prepare now so that my dying will be a new way for me to leave a warm, nurturing, and blessing spirit behind for those who have loved me and whom I have loved?"

For Nouwen, this is predicated on the fact that our lives belong not just to us but also to others. This is also true of our deaths. If we die with guilt, shame, anger, or bitterness, that will be part of what we leave to the world, and it will burden the lives of our family and friends. If we die unreconciled, in bitterness, most every memory we leave behind will cause unease, pain. And that will be our legacy. Conversely, if we die at peace, reconciled with our loved ones and the world, with a warm and grateful heart, then that warmth and love will be the spirit we leave behind, and most every memory of us will bring others warmth so that our dying in peace and reconciliation will then be our last gift—a wonderful, lasting one—to our loved ones. Giving our deaths away as a gift to our loved ones means that at some point in our lives, we need to stop focusing on our agenda and begin to focus on our obituary, on what kind of spirit we will leave behind.

Rolheiser looks to Jesus's life and death as a model for our own:

Ultimately, all the invitations in the Gospel can be summarised in one word—"surrender." Our final human and spiritual task is to let go and, like Jesus in his final act, hand over our spirits in an act of love and trust. But this is also the most difficult task in life....

Dying is the ultimate surrender in trust, and it besets us un-invited. However, God and nature have arranged that the natural debilitations that come with aging give us lots of practice in letting go, long before our deathbeds.... One of our salient spiritual and human tasks as we age is to learn how to let go, how to surrender, so that the spirit we breathe out with our last breath or (ideally) long before our last breath is one that, like Jesus's last breath, issues forth without bitterness as it says, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."

Sunday Mass

Killara Church
5:30pm Vigil
9.00am*

Lindfield Church
8.30am **10.15**am**
12noon Chinese Mass
6:00pm Youth Mass***

** Morning Tea follows 9am Mass at Killara on the 1st Sunday.*
*** 10:15am Mass on the 2nd & 4th Sundays is a Children's Mass, with Children's Choir, and is followed by morning tea.*
**** Sausage sizzle follows 6pm Mass on the 3rd Sunday.*

Weekday Mass this week

THIRTY-FOURTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Mon.	8am	Killara	
Tues.	8am	Killara	*Mem. Sts Andrew Dung-Lac*
Wed.	10am	Lindfield	***(Funeral Mass)***
Thur.	10am	Lindfield	
Fri.	10am	Lindfield	

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		**21 November**	**28 November**
Killara	5:30PM	Fr Hien	Fr Sam French
SUNDAY		**22 November**	**29 November**
Lindfield	8:30AM	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Killara	9:00AM	Fr Hien	Fr Sam French
Lindfield	10:15AM	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Lindfield	12:00PM	Fr Hien	Fr Zhang
Lindfield	6:00PM	Fr Colin	Fr Colin

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1. Direct debit contributions from your bank A/C:

1st Collection:
(providing for the priests of the parish & sick clergy):
BSB 062 784 Ac 10000 1624
2nd Collection:
(providing for all the operating costs of the parish):
BSB 062 784 Ac 10000 1623

2. Credit card: Scan the code & then select each of our two collections

3. **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.

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

Parish Diary

NOVEMBER

Online Meditation Group every Wednesday 8:00-8:30am

Sun 22nd 10.15am Children's Mass followed by Morn.Tea
Wed 25th 10am Book Club
7.30pm Scripture study (online)

DECEMBER

Tues. 1st 7:30pm Advent Ecumenical Service
Wed 2nd 11am Scripture study (online)
7pm PPC/PFC end of year dinner
Thur 3rd 8.45am Playgroup
Fri 4th 5pm Parish & School Carols + Sausage Sizzle
Wed 9th 7.30pm Scripture study (online)

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
5:00-5:15pm Saturdays at Killara

Our Chinese Catholic Community

我們的主、耶穌基督、普世君王（節日）
22.11.2026
常年期最後主日
中文主日彌撒正午12 時

讀經一（我的羊群啊！關於你們，我要在羊與羊之間，施行審判。）
恭讀厄則克耳先知書 34:11-12,15-17
吾主上主這樣說：看，我要親自去尋找我的羊，我要親自照顧我的羊。如同牧人在羊群失散的那日，怎樣尋找他的羊，我也怎樣尋找我的羊；我要把那些曾在陰雲和黑暗之日，四散在各地的羊，從那些地方救回來。我要親自牧放我的羊，親自使他們臥下——吾主上主的斷語——失落的，我要尋找；迷路的，我要領回；受傷的，我要包紮；病弱的，我要療養；肥胖和強壯的，我要看守；我要按正義牧放他們。
我的羊群啊！關於你們，吾主上主這樣說：看，我要在羊與羊，綿羊與山羊之間，施行審判。——上主的話。

答唱詠 詠23:1-2, 2-3, 5, 6
【答】：上主是我的牧者，我實在一無所缺。（詠23:1）
領：上主是我的牧者，我實在一無所缺。他使我躺在青綠的草場。【答】
領：他領我走近幽靜的水旁，還使我的心靈得到舒暢。他為了自己的名號，領我踏上了正義的坦途。【答】
領：在我對頭面前，你為我擺設了筵席；在我的頭上傅油，使我的杯爵滿溢。【答】
領：在我一生歲月裡，幸福與慈愛常隨不離；我將住在上主的殿裡，直至悠遠的時日。【答】

讀經二（基督將自己的王權交於天主父，好叫天主成為萬物之中的萬有。）
恭讀聖保祿宗徒致格林多人前書 15:20-26,28
弟兄姊妹們：
基督確實從死者中復活了，做了死者的初果。因為，死亡既因一人而來，死者的復活，也因一人而來；就如在亞當內，眾人都死了，照樣，在基督內，眾人都要復活；不過，各人要依照自己的次第：首先是作為初果的基督，然後，是在基督再來時，屬於基督的人，再後，才是結局；那時，基督將消滅一切率領者、一切掌權者和大能者，把自己的王權，交於天主父。因為，基督必須為王，直到把一切仇敵，屈伏於他的腳下。最後被毀滅的仇敵，便是死亡。萬物都屈伏於子以後，子自己也要屈伏於那使萬物屈服於自己的父，好叫天主成為萬物之中的萬有。
——上主的話。

福音前歡呼
領：奉上主之名而來的，應受讚頌！那要來的、我們祖先達味之國，應受讚頌！（谷11:9,10）
眾：亞肋路亞。
福音（人子要坐在光榮的寶座上，把義人和惡人分開。）
恭讀聖瑪竇福音 25:31-46
那時候，耶穌對門徒說：「當人子在自己的光榮中，與眾天使一同降來時，那時，他要坐在光榮的寶座上；一切民族，都要聚在他面前。他要把他們彼此分開，如同牧人分開綿羊和山羊一樣：把綿羊放在自己的右邊，山羊在左邊。「那時，君王要對那些在他右邊的說：我父所祝福的，你們來吧！承受自創世以來，給你們預備了的國度吧！因為我餓了，你們給了我吃的；我渴了，你們給了我喝的；我作客，你們收留了我；我赤身露體，你們給了我穿的；我患病，你們看顧了我；我在監裡，你們來探望過我。
「那時，義人回答君王說：主啊！我們什麼時候見過你飢餓，而供養了你，或口渴，而給了你喝的？我們什麼時候見了你作客，而收留了你，或赤身露體，而給了你穿的？我們什麼時候見你患病，或在監裡，而來探望過你？「君王便回答他們說：我實在告訴你們：凡你們對我這些最小兄弟中的一個所做的，就是對我做的。
「然後，君王又對那些在左邊的說：可咒罵的，離開我，到那給魔鬼和他的使者預備的永火裡去吧！因為我餓了，你們沒有給我吃的；我渴了，你們沒有給我喝的；我作客，你們沒有收留我；我赤身露體，你們沒有給我穿的；我患病或在監裡，你們沒有來探望我。
「那時，他們也要回答說：主啊！我們幾時見了你飢餓，或口渴，或作客，或赤身露體，或有病，或坐監，而我們沒有給你效勞？「那時，君王回答他們說：我實在告訴你們：凡你們沒有給這些最小兄弟中的一個做的，就是沒有給我做。
「這些人要進入永罰，而那些義人，卻要進入永生。」——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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**北區中心聯絡 Gloria Cheung 0416-118089

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

The Funeral Mass for Laurie Green will be celebrated this Wednesday 25th November at 10am at Lindfield.

Recently deceased: Michael Kirwan, Edmond Wong, Therese Cashman, Shubei Zhao, Moelle, David Lyons, Sarah Sherwood, Maureen Hathaway.

Anniversary: Mary Graham, James Gibbons, Shirley Smith, Phil Ryan, Edward Hinds, Jean L'Hoste, Peter Rodgers, Robert Webb, John Playoust, Alexander Newton, Maria Moran.

Please pray for those who are sick: Mark Oliphant, Hong Li, Carol Marriott, Sharon Hayes, Noreen O'Sullivan, Margaret Doherty, Fr Clem Hill, Helen Tisdell, Tony Plottel, Elizabeth Wales, Diana Rosewell, Genevieve Larkin, Wolfgang Liers, Tanya Walsh, Jutta Mathur, Jessica Keen, Ali Crawford, William Wise, Janette Brennan, Barbara and John McMullen.

Outcomes from our recent Parish Synodal Assembly.....

Many thanks to all who participated in our recent Parish Synodal Assembly. Last Wednesday our Parish Pastoral Council met to reflect on the issues which arose at the Assembly and to discern our immediate priorities. As a result of that meeting we propose the following priorities for action for all the parish community to consider.

They are gathered under the four reflection themes we used at the Assembly:

An Intentional Welcoming Culture:

- We will progress the development of a Parish Dads' Group.
- We encourage everyone to make (and to wear) a name tag when coming to Mass so that we can get to know one another better.
- A call to remember that hospitality and welcome is *everyone's* job: a suggestion to keep introducing oneself and getting to know the names of fellow parishioners: "Greet the friends by name" (3 Jn 14).

Active Youth Engagement

- Parish to help students whose schools require 'faith in service' hours to find ministry in the parish
- Seek to appoint a youth representative to the Parish Pastoral Council
- Faciliate faith and life discussion circles

Faith Exploration

- Regular snippets to appear in the bulletin under the heading 'Why we do the things we do'
- Organise more formal faith adult education with guest presenters.

Connection between Parish and School

- Seek to involve students with musical skills into our parish liturgy
- An annual Religious Art Show from students in the parish school with a prize awarded.

Our Christmas Choir

for the 10:30pm Mass of Christmas Night on Thursday 24th December (preceded by the Service of Carols at 10pm)



We hope you can take part !

Rehearsals will be as follows:

Sunday 6th Dec. 2:30pm to 4:30pm in Lindfield Church
Sunday 13th Dec. 2:30pm to 4:30pm in Lindfield Church
Sunday 20th Dec. 2:30pm to 4:30pm in Lindfield Church

Please let Catherine Willis know if you can take part so that she can have music prepared for you:
catherinecwillis@gmail.com

Are you a young person who's interested in participating in World Youth Day in 2027?

We are delighted to confirm that WYD applications for young people aged 16-35 and potential leaders aged 21 and over are now open!

The best place to get information about the Broken Bay pilgrimage is to visit our website **www.bbwyd27.org.au** On this page, anyone interested in the pilgrimage can sign up for our E-News 'Baylee's Bulletin' and find out how to apply for WYD27 travelling with Broken Bay. We ask all potential pilgrims and leaders to apply via the website now.

Next week, the diocese is hosting an online promotional session for anyone who could not attend the recent in-person sessions. This session is designed for any young person (along with their parents) and potential leaders who would like to learn more about WYD before applying.
You are also welcome to join the meeting if you'd like to learn more.

WYD SEOUL 2027

Online session: Date: Thursday 26 November 2026 Time: 7 pm - 8 pm
Microsoft Teams meeting
https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/492063450079231?p=GAUKeZJMMvg4oKH6MT
Meeting ID: 492 063 450 079 231 Passcode: nQ2hd6vW

First-round applications will close on 17 December 2026.

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← **A book of Advent and Christmas reflections**

Our diocese has once again prepared a book of reflections for the time of Advent and the Christmas Octave which follows it.

They are available (free) in the two foyers of each church today.

Please take one and make use of it in the coming Season of Advent.

The CANA FARMS stall is back!

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