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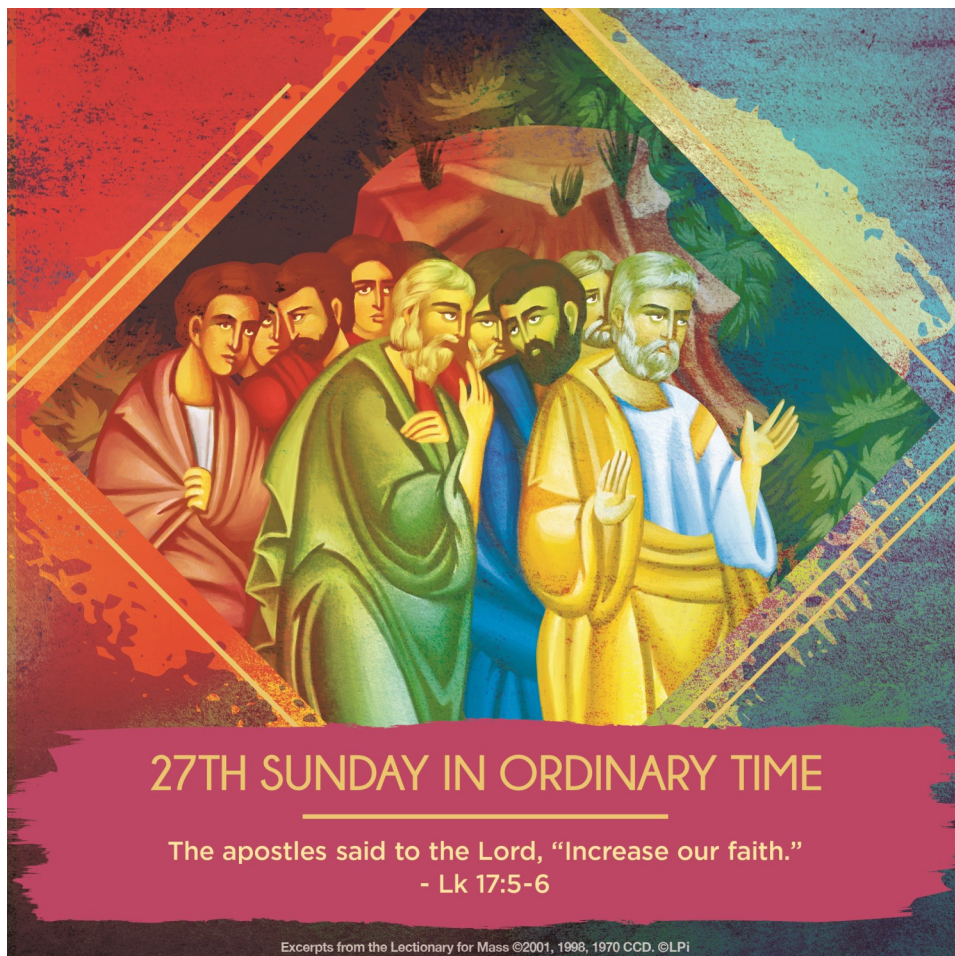


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27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith."
- Lk 17:5-6

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First Reading

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4
The just one shall live.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8
If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.

Second Reading

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14
The Spirit makes us strong.

Gospel Acclamation

1 Peter 1:25
Alleluia, alleluia!
The word of the Lord stands for ever;
it is the word given to you, the Good News.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 17:5-10
The apostles ask for increased faith.

MASS & LITURGY TIMES

CHURCH OF ST. CECILIA

Wanganella St and White St, Balgowlah 2093

MASS:

Wednesday, 9am
Sunday, 9am

BAPTISM:

Sunday, 10.30am
1st Sundays of the month (within the 9am Mass)

Baptism Preparation is required for first baptisms.
Contact Parish Office for more details. Thank you.

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday, 5.00 to 5.45pm
Church of St. Kieran

YOUTH MASS:

2nd Sundays of the month
during the school term.

WEDDING:

Require six months notice and
include Pre-Marriage Course as
part of the preparation.

CHURCH OF ST. KIERAN

2 King Street, Manly Vale 2093

MASS:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday*, Saturday,
8.30am
Saturday (Vigil), 5.30pm
Sunday, 7.30am, 9.30am, 5pm

* Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament after Mass
on Fridays.

BAPTISM:

Sunday, 11.30am
1st Sundays of the month (within the 9.30am Mass)

Baptism Preparation is required for first baptisms.
Contact Parish Office for more details. Thank you.

In the spirit of reconciliation the Catholic Community of North Harbour acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of these lands on which we gather.
We recognise their continuing connection to the lands and waterways and pay our respect to their elders past and present
and extend that respect to all First Nations people in our community.



WELCOME TO NORTH HARBOUR

- YOU ARE INVITED
- JOIN US IN OUR VARIED CELEBRATIONS & ACTIVITIES
- CONSIDER SHARING YOUR GIFTS TO US

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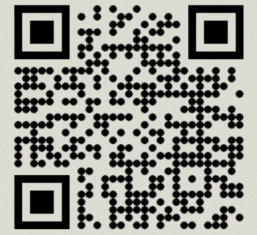


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WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Who invented the Stations of the Cross?

Answer:

The first Stations of the Cross were walked by Jesus himself on the way to Calvary. Known as the "Via Dolorosa" ("The Way of Suffering") or the "Via Crucis" ("The Way of the Cross"), it was marked out from the earliest times and was a traditional walk for pilgrims who came to Jerusalem. The early Christians in Jerusalem would walk the same pathway that Jesus walked, pausing for reflection and prayer. Later, when Christians could not travel to the Holy Land, artistic depictions of "The Way of the Cross" were set up in churches, or outside and Christians would walk from station to station, reading the Gospel account of the Passion, or simply praying and reflecting on each event. While the content or place of each station had changed, the intention was to make a mini-pilgrimage and follow in the footsteps of Jesus. This devotion became better known in the Middle Ages, and the Franciscans are credited with its spread. Lent is a time when many people make the Stations and some churches present Passion plays or Living Stations. But anyone can pray the Stations at any time. It is a simple and personal reflection on the passion of Jesus and what it means to us. ©LPI

BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

Some of the greatest theologians and saints once questioned the existence of God. It's not a sin to doubt our faith. Sometimes it's a healthy sign of growth. But it can be pretty scary when our youngsters begin questioning the truths we hold most sacred. My youngest son was fourteen when he put the question to me: "Mom, what if there isn't a God?" After some discussion about what he was thinking and feeling, I realised he was just as concerned about the fact that he was questioning as the question itself. I offered some advice that I've tried to follow myself: "As long as you keep honestly searching for the truth, you'll be fine."

This search for truth can be a lifelong adventure; questioning and even doubting are often a part of the process. Our job as parents is to lay a solid faith foundation so our children feel free to ask their questions, but also know where to look for answers. We do this from their earliest years by sharing Scripture and praying with them, by talking about what we believe and by taking them to church to worship, learn and serve with their peers and the larger parish. We cannot argue our children into faith. We cannot make them believe. We know they were gifted with faith at their baptism, and we can only trust that if they keep honestly searching for the truth, they will find it. In the end they will see God, because God is truth.

FAMILY RESPONSE:

Talk about the good deeds family members did last week. Ask each family member to think about the following question: "If you could ask God one question, what would it be?" Share your questions.

PERSONAL RESPONSE:

Is faith important to you? Why or why not? If it is important, in what ways do you model your faith at home?

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WEEKLY SOCIAL JUSTICE CHALLENGES

October is the Month of the Rosary. We honor our Blessed Mother and focus on her role in the life of Christ through the Mysteries of the Rosary. The Second Joyful Mystery, the Visitation, reminds us of how Mary, even when she carried the Son of God in her womb, was still mindful of others. She went in haste to visit and support her cousin Elizabeth, who in her old age was pregnant with John the Baptist. Your challenge this week is to pray this decade of the Rosary, then discuss who needs you to visit and support them. Then do it! At the end of the week, pray the Magnificat (Luke 1:46-56) and, like Mary, praise God for lifting up the meek and the lowly.



CARE FOR CREATION TIPS

We celebrate the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi this week. Francis is without a doubt one of the most well-known and beloved saints in our tradition. He is particularly known for his love of creation so he is the patron saint of ecology. In honor of Francis, choose one thing, anything, you can do this week to protect our earth. It might be drinking tap water instead of bottled water, or recycling if you aren't already doing so, or walking or riding bikes instead of taking the car somewhere close. Then, at the end of the week, challenge yourselves as a family to continue the practice on a regular basis.

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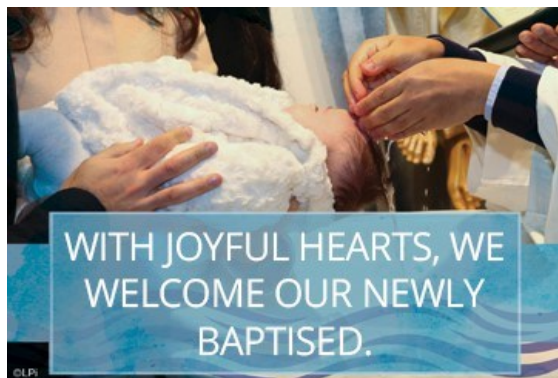
Our clergy and pastoral care ministers bring the sacraments of Eucharist, reconciliation, and anointing of the sick to parishioners who are unable to participate because of illness or aging. For more information and to arrange receiving the sacraments, contact Parish Office.

SICK CALLS AND OTHER URGENT MATTERS

If you need a priest urgently, please call the appropriate number:

BUSINESS HOURS:
PARISH OFFICE—9949 4455

AFTER HOURS:
(Evenings & Weekends)
0490 898 464



Final Baptism Preparation Course for 2025

11am Sunday 7 December
St Kieran's Church

Call the parish office to make a booking
9949 4455

PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY:

SICK:

Harrison Foresto, Leslie Rana, Odette James, Greg Hyde, Joyce Arnold, Peter and Jan Van de Velde, Cecilia Yeung

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Charles Hawksley, Adrienne Leonard, Brian Tierney, Antonio Bersamin

ANNIVERSARIES:

Violetta Filacuridi, Maria Campbell

Our community would love to pray for you.

If you have an intention you would like to be included in this bulletin please e-mail office@nhcatholic.org.au

Baptism of School-aged Children



If you are considering to baptise your child aged 7-12 years old into the Catholic Community of North Harbour, please enrol for the course via the link or QR code below.

PREP SESSION 1:

2:30-4:30pm 26th October St Kieran's Parish Centre

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM 9th NOVEMBER:

10:30am at St Cecilia's Church and 11:30am St Kieran's Church



<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/north-harbour/sacraments/baptism/baptism-children-rcic>

Month of the Rosary

October is the month of the Rosary and October 7th is the day of Our Lady of the Rosary. We encourage you to join us in praying the rosary after the 8.30am mass at St Kieran's on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays as we pray for our parish renewal.

PARISH ROSARY PRAYER

JOYFUL MYSTERIES

Monday and Saturday

SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

Tuesday and Friday

GLORIOUS MYSTERIES

Wednesday and Sunday

LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

Thursday



You are invited to pray the Rosary with your family for the renewal of our parish.

Prayer booklets are available in our churches.

You can pray with others using this meditation after Mass on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

The program to be baptised as an adult is starting soon. If you are interested, please contact Ursula as soon as possible via the below details.



Mob: 0450 101 767

Email: families@nhcatholic.org.au OR catechist@northharbourcatholic.org.au

Upcoming masses:

Sunday 26 Oct:

- 9am St Cecilia's—Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 9.30am St Kieran's—Children's Liturgy of the Word
- 5pm St Kieran's—Parish Family Mass & Supper and Children's Liturgy of the Word



Children's Liturgy of the Word is designed to help children engage with the Sunday readings in a way that is easy for them to understand and reflect on the Word of God. Let's learn about God together!

SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN VOCATIONS MINISTRY?

THURSDAY 23RD OCTOBER 2025

AT SACRED HEART CHURCH PYMBLE

COMMENCING WITH MASS AT 6.30 PM

OUR MASS CELEBRANT WILL BE FATHER LUKASZ KLECZKA SDS ASSISTANT PRIEST AT PYMBLE CATHOLIC PARISH.




EVERYONE IS WELCOME, SO PLEASE COME AND SEE. For catering purposes kindly telephone Anna Leung on 0478 083 116 or email terry_scanlan@bigpond.com.

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YOUNG ADULTS

COMMUNITY

Every 2nd Saturday at pub/restaurant
Every 4th Saturday at Manly Parish
message: (6 Raglan St)
Fr Marek at 0422532173
or Cam at 0432895304


NORTH SYDNEY CATHOLICS

HEAD & HEART

An Ignatian Reflection Series For Young Adults

Led by Fr Robin Koning SJ

STARTING AUGUST 6TH

Ignatian Reflection Series

Explore Ignatius' Rules for the Discernment of Spirits: simple, grounded insights to help you notice what's going on in your heart and how God might be at work, even in the messier seasons of faith. Visit North Sydney's Instagram page for more information.

7:30pm—9pm at St Francis Xavier Church Hall,
17 MacKenzie Street, Lavender Bay NSW 2060

DATES:

September 3 & 17

October 1 & 15

November 5 & 19


MARY MACKILLOP PLACE

**SCHOOL
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PROGRAM**

Explore the life of Mary MacKillop through art, stories and games. Discover courage, resilience and hope that inspire everyday life!

 **10:30am - 12:30pm**

Week 1
1 OCTOBER

Week 2
8 OCTOBER

Cost \$8 per child

Ages 6 - 12

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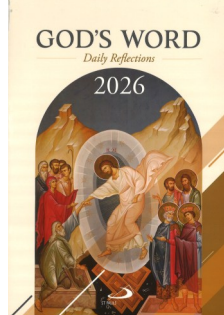


- Storytelling
- Reflection Circle
- Lawn Games
- Chalk Wall
- Treasure Hunt
- Museum Visit

More Information:  helen.chan@mmp.org.au  (02) 8912 4847

God's Word 2026 Book

God's Word 2026 book can be purchased in the church foyer or at the parish office for \$22 per copy.



LITURGICAL FORMATION SERIES

**Session
4**

Facilitated by Chris Ohlsen

Rekindle the Wonder

Pope Francis, in his 2022 Apostolic Letter *Desiderio Desideravi* (on the liturgical Formation of the People of God) encouraged us to **rekindle our wonder** in the liturgy and the celebration of the Sacraments. This presentation will scope out some core principles such as: **what is liturgy, what is liturgical sign and symbol**, as well as delving into the **who, what, where, why** and some **practical aspects** of the Sacraments.

An exciting and interactive formation opportunity for all Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Musicians, Servers, Parish Liturgical Commission Members, diocesan parish staff and interested parishioners.

Saturday 25 October

9:30 am - 3:00 pm


Caroline Chisholm Centre

2/423 Pennant Hills Rd Pennant Hills

Morning tea and lunch provided



REGISTER NOW

 mission@bbcatholic.org.au



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St Kieran's School News

School Fair

The school fair two weeks ago was an absolute joy! With beautiful weather, delicious food, creative arts and inflatable fun, it was a celebration of everything that makes our community special. A big thank you to our wonderful and accommodating Parish for letting us takeover half of the car park for the inflatable!

Farewell Marisa

After 15 incredible years at St Kieran's as assistant principal and recently as principal, we said our goodbyes to Marisa with deep gratitude and admiration. Her legacy is woven into the fabric of our diverse learning program, where her passion and dedication have made a lasting impact on students and staff alike.

Playgroup

Please join us for more playgroup fun when we return in Term 4.



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Age



Little Kieran's
Playgroup

Term 4

24 Oct
31 Oct
7 Nov
14 Nov

Weekly on Fridays
9.00am- 10.15am

- **Form connections** with other local families
- **Engaging crafts** and sporting activities
- **Play-based learning** in an inclusive setting



St Kieran's School - 63 Gordon St, Manly Vale

Sharing the Gospel

God wants you to have faith and trust him completely. Jesus said, "If your faith is as small as a mustard seed, you can tell a tree to grow in the ocean, and it will." A mustard seed is smaller than a freckle. You trust your school bus will go to your school. You have faith that clowns will make you laugh. You just need a little bit of faith and God will be there for you.

Prayer

Lord, I believe you will help me.

Mission

I will remind others that God will help them.

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Promoting a safer *Church*

The care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in Church activities is the responsibility of everyone who participates in the LIFE of the Church.

SAFEGUARDING
is everyone's responsibility



COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.





*You are one God, and You come to my aid.
 In You nothing is lacking and nothing is in excess.
 In You the One Who generates and the One generated are one alone.*
 Soliloquies 1, 4
 St Augustine of Hippo

NEXT WEEKEND (12 Oct 2025): 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

<p>First Reading 2 Kings 5:14-17 <i>Naaman is cured of leprosy.</i></p> <p>Responsorial Psalm Ps 97:1-4. R. see v.2 (R.) <i>The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.</i></p> <p>Second Reading 2 Timothy 2:8-13 <i>If we die with Jesus we will live with him.</i></p> <p>Gospel Acclamation 1 Thessalonians 5:18 <i>Alleluia, alleluia!</i> <i>For all things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus.</i> <i>Alleluia!</i></p> <p>Gospel Luke 17:11-19 <i>Jesus cures ten lepers, one returns with thanks.</i></p>	<p>11 OCT, 5.30PM ST KIERAN'S</p> <p>Senior Server Louise</p> <p>Readers Bob John Edelvine (R)</p> <p>Music Parish Choir</p> <p>Communion Min Volunteer needed</p> <p>Powerpoint Volunteer needed</p> <p>Welcomers Volunteers needed</p>	<p>12 OCT, 7.30AM ST KIERAN'S</p> <p>Senior Server Michael</p> <p>Readers Olivier Jenny Pauline</p> <p>Music none</p> <p>Communion Min Volunteer needed</p> <p>Powerpoint Lea</p> <p>Welcomers Volunteers needed</p>	<p>12 OCT, 9AM ST CECILIA'S</p> <p>Senior Server Ilde</p> <p>Readers Louise Ailis Julien</p> <p>Music tba</p> <p>Communion Min Volunteer needed</p> <p>Powerpoint Volunteer needed</p> <p>Welcomers Volunteers needed</p>	<p>12 OCT, 9.30AM ST KIERAN'S</p> <p>Senior Server Catherine</p> <p>Readers Terry Tania Sol (R)</p> <p>Music Ben</p> <p>Communion Min Volunteer needed</p> <p>Powerpoint Volunteer needed</p> <p>Welcomers Volunteers needed</p>	<p>12 OCT, 5PM ST KIERAN'S</p> <p>Senior Server Stephen</p> <p>Readers Gerry Kevin Sacha (R)</p> <p>Music tba</p> <p>Communion Min Volunteer needed</p> <p>Powerpoint Volunteer needed</p> <p>Welcomers Volunteers needed</p>
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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 5 OCT

Mon 6 Oct: St Bruno
Tue 7 Oct: Our Lady of the Rosary
Wed 8 Oct: Wednesday of the 27th Week in Ordinary Time, Year 1
Thu 9 Oct: St Denis & companions; St John Leonardi
Fri 10 Oct: St Thomas of Villanova
Sat 11 Oct: St John XXIII

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