

22nd September 2019  
25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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Please submit items for the bulletin to  
[bulletin@lakesparish.org.au](mailto:bulletin@lakesparish.org.au)  
by 10 am on Wednesdays.

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS 29th September

Amos 6:1, 4-7  
1 Tim 6:11-16  
Lk 16:19-31



## Time to 'Listen and Discern' for Plenary Council

### Let's Listen & Discern

*How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is:*



Plenary Council president Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB says the involvement of Catholics across the country remains critical as the Council's Listening and Discernment stage ramps up.

The Council recently published the "Let's Listen and Discern" guide, a tool to help

people participate in the practice of communal discernment. A number of resources, including videos, have also been released to offer advice on how discernment has evolved in the Catholic tradition.

"After almost a year of inviting people to share their experiences – both past and present – of the Church and of their own personal faith, it is important that we now shift gears and fix our eyes on the Church's future through the National Themes for Discernment," Archbishop Costelloe said.

"The voices we captured through Listening and Dialogue represent the largest collaborative process the Church has ever undertaken in Australia and it forms a central plank of our ongoing reflection.

"But the process of discernment requires those voices to be considered in the light of Sacred Scripture, the living tradition of the Catholic Church, magisterial teachings and our evolving understanding of matters like leadership and governance – often gained from our ministries and the broader community."

The six National Themes for Discernment invite people to reflect, to pray and to consider how God is calling the People of God to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is: Missionary and Evangelising; Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal; Prayerful and Eucharistic; Humble, Healing and Merciful; A Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community; Open to conversion, Renewal and Reform.

Groups are encouraged to meet to consider one of the six National Themes for Discernment. Those responses will be provided to the Discernment and Writing Groups that will draw together the wisdom of the Church and the broader community to draft papers for consideration in the lead-up to the first session of the Plenary Council.

"More than 400 people – from all parts of the country, from various cultural and linguistic backgrounds, from teenagers to people in their nineties – expressed their interest in helping the Church discern what God is calling us towards at this time in our history," she said.

"From that number, about 60 lay people, priests and religious will join 12 bishops to form the six Discernment and Writing Groups – skilled and faith-filled people who will prayerfully discern what the Spirit is saying to the Church in Australia."

Download the "Let's Listen and Discern" guide and access other discernment resources on the Plenary Council website: <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au>

<https://mediablog.catholic.org.au/time-to-listen-and-discern-for-plenary-council/#more-8174>



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## September 16-23 is Catholic Week for the Environment



Last month, Australians learned how seriously the Pacific Island nations take climate change, and what they expect from Australia and from other developed nations. At a time when the Australian Government fears the long-term effects of Chinese diplomacy in the Pacific on Australian security, it has discovered that many of the Island leaders are more afraid of the shorter term effects on their survival of Australian irresponsibility on climate change.

The urgency with which the Island nations addressed climate change evoked Pope Francis' pleas to take seriously the threat to our environment. It is important enough to him to set aside this month for the Catholic Church to reflect and act in response to it. Pope Francis insisted that action to protect the environment and to address climate change is as much an issue of justice as is providing shelter and food for the poor. The effects of neglecting and exploiting the environment fall heaviest on the poor. They also threaten the future of the planet and betrays the trust by which we hold our world for our children and grandchildren.

Pope Francis offers a vision of an interrelated world in which what we do well or badly in one of our relationships will affect all our other relationships. Our environment is not part of the world; it is our whole and only world. If we exploit and pollute the natural world, we shall also foul and put at risk our entire human world.

This vision is challenging but it is also reassuring. From this perspective, our commitment to address the big environmental issues of our day begins with the small details of our daily life. We attend to the power we use, to the packaging we accept, to composting our food scraps for the growing of herbs, and to the ways we travel, for example. Attention to small details is not an attempt to look good but an expression of respect. Like the disciplines of fasting and of prayer that have traditionally undergirded a life lived to God, they form the matrix of a life that takes the environment seriously.

<https://catholicoutlook.org/catholic-week-for-the-environment/>



## SAFEGUARDING MONTH – inclusion of people with disability is about evangelisation and mission

### COMMUNITY FORUM – ALL WELCOME

The Diocese of Broken Bay is hosting a community forum promoting safety for people living with Disability  
Wednesday 25 September 2019  
St Joseph's Hall, Killara 1:30-3:30pm

## SERRA VOCATIONS MASS



### AND DINNER MEETING

**Bishop Emeritus David Walker**, will be celebrating Mass for Serra at Sacred Heart Church, 2 Richard Porter Way Pymble on **Thursday 26th September 2019**. The evening commences with Mass at **6.30PM** followed by a light meal and a short meeting.

Following the meeting Bishop David will be our guest speaker. He will speak about the letter of His Holiness Pope Francis to priests on the 160th anniversary of the death of the Holy Cure of Ars, St John Vianney.

Everyone is welcome. Please "come and see".

*Please remember to pray every day for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, the consecrated life, ecclesial women, all seminarians and novices and for the perseverance of existing vocations.*

Please telephone: Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email [terry\\_scanlan@bigpond.com](mailto:terry_scanlan@bigpond.com) if you would like to attend.



### Genuine Encounter in the Digital World

This formation event marks Social Justice Sunday, and will allow participants to begin to engage with the 019-2020 Social Justice Statement "Making it Real: Genuine Human Encounter in Our Digital World". Presented by **Dr Anthony Maher**

**Date:** Saturday 28 September 2019

**Time:** 1:30pm – 4:30pm

**Venue:** Caroline Chisholm Centre, Building 2, 423 Pennant Hills Rd, Pennant Hills

**RSVP:** 23 September 2019 to [faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:faith.formation@bbcatholic.org.au) or Pina Bernard 8379 1627

### Broken Bay News wins three ACPA Awards

*Broken Bay News* won three awards at the Australasian Catholic Press Association Awards dinner held last Thursday 12

September in Bathurst. Melissa Loughlin, Editor, received the awards from Bishop Michael McKenna, Bishop of Bathurst.



Annie Carrett, former editor and Director of Communications received a Lifetime Membership Award and gave a wonderful keynote speech at the Awards Dinner.

*Broken Bay News* won awards in the following categories:

Winner - Most Improved Publication

Highly Commended - Best Column - Catherine Day

Highly Commended - Best Devotional Article Applying Faith to Life - Deacon Peter McCulloch for his article about his parents' 75th anniversary "God is an equal partner in our marriage".



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## KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who are sick: Pauline Bedford, Margaret McNamara, Margaret Collins, Wendy Ochs, Tony Adrian, Berna Banister, Mandy Rossetti, Sharon Frazer, Elizabeth (Betty) Borg, Trish Townley and Fr Gerry Ryan.



**Anniversary:** Robert Scanlon. May he rest in God's peace and love forever.

**In Remembrance:** Colleen Moore.



The 4th Anniversary of Colleen's death occurs on 27 September 2019, when she left us in this life for Everlasting Life in heaven.

Hail Mary full of Grace...



**Anna Grantham** has joined the Catechist team and is helping in the Year 2 classroom at Narrabeen Lakes. If you would like to find out more about being involved in this very important ministry, contact Alicen van Bokhoven at the parish office.



Please purchase some raffle tickets after Mass and support the catechists' goal to present a bible to each of our Year 6 Catholic students at the parish public schools.... A treasured reminder that the Lakes Catholic Parish will always be there to walk with them on their faith journey.

*All catechists – please return money and sold/unsold raffle tickets to the parish office no later than Tuesday 24 September or bring them along to our lunch on Thursday 26 September.*



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# CatholicCare

Diocese of Broken Bay

Catholicare Community Visitors Scheme needs you!

There are residents in aged Care homes and hostels across the Northern Beaches who are lonely and may not have family or friends living nearby.

We are looking for volunteers who could spare an hour once a fortnight to develop a friendship have a chat, share a cuppa and provide some much-needed companionship.

**Be surprised by the joy you can share!**

**For further details contact:**

**Rosemary Edgar**

**Northern Beaches Family Centre**

**PH: 0418435304**

**E: [rosemary.edgar@catholicaredbb.org.au](mailto:rosemary.edgar@catholicaredbb.org.au)**

**Family Mass**  
**Sunday 22nd Sept**  
**6.00pm St Rose Church**  
**All Welcome!**



## Parish Pastoral Council

I would like parishioners to consider if they wish to be on the new Parish Pastoral Council (PPC).

PPCs are one of the structures strongly recommended by the

Bishops of the Second Vatican Council. The PPC is to assist the parish priest and the parish community in the Church's apostolic work in the field of making the Gospel known.

PPCs witness to the basic equality of dignity of all members by reason of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, highlighting the role of all to share in the Saving mission of Jesus.

During the Easter Season our readings focused on the Acts of the Apostles and the growth of the Early Church after the Resurrection. It is a good time for our parish to look at how we grow our parish.

So if you feel that is an appropriate way for you to focus your talents in the parish, please contact the Parish Office and leave your details.

I will have a gathering of those interested to open up more as to what the PPC can do for the parish and the commitment it will involve.

Fr Robert



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# What's Happening at The Lakes

See parish calendar on website [www.lakesparish.org.au/parish-calendar](http://www.lakesparish.org.au/parish-calendar)

## BEING PART OF THE COMMUNITY

### ARE YOU REGISTERED WITH OUR PARISH?

If you are new to The Lakes Parish, WELCOME. Please provide your details on the 'Parishioner Information Form' available in church foyers or go to:

<http://www.lakesparish.org.au/parish-registration>

Already registered? Please let us know if you:

- Have changed address.
- Welcomed a new child into the family.
- Would like to support our Parish and join our Planned Giving program.
- Plan to enrol your child in one of our Parish Schools.
- If you require a reference for high school. Privacy laws requires the Parish Priest to have met with the family prior to completing the reference request. Please contact the office to make an appointment.

## MINISTERS NEEDED



Our parish is in need of more ministers. We could do with many more Altar Servers and Acolytes. We are also in need of Ministers of Communion and Readers. Our ministries show us that we are called by our baptism to participate in the liturgical life of our parish. If you would like to become actively involved in our parish, please consider joining one of our ministries. You will be rostered on usually once per month. Please contact the parish office if you would like more information on the various ministries you could be involved in. [parishoffice@lakesparish.org.au](mailto:parishoffice@lakesparish.org.au)



**There will be No 11.00am Mass at the War Vets on Sunday 22nd September due to the Annual Village Thanksgiving and Harvest Festival service.**



**LATEST ISSUE OF CATHOLIC WEEKLY AND BROKEN BAY NEWS AVAILABLE IN CHURCH FOYER**



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## Liturgical Calendar (Subject to Change)

### Next Week - Weekday Masses and Devotions

Date	Title	Time
Mon, 23-9- 2019	Mass - St Joseph - Fr Robert	7:30am
Tue, 24-9-2019	Mass - St Joseph - Fr Bogdan	7:00pm
Wed, 25-9- 2019	Mass - St Rose - Yr 3 - Fr Robert	9:30am
Thu, 26-9- 2019	Mass - St Joseph - Fr Robert	9:30am
Fri, 27-9- 2019	Mass - St Joseph - Fr Bogdan	7:30am
Sat, 28-9- 2019	Morning Prayer & Rosary - St Joseph	8:30am
Sat, 29-9- 2019	Mass, Adoration, Penance - Anoint Sick - SJ - RB	9:30am

### Next Week Other Events

Date	Title	Time
Mon, 23-9- 2019	Kidsgroup - LPH	9:30am
Mon, 23-9- 2019	Cantor Lessons - SR	3:00pm
Mon, 23-9- 2019	Cantor Lessons - SJ	3:00pm
Mon, 23-9- 2019	Community Prayer Evening - SJ	7:30pm
Wed, 25-9- 2019	Tai Chi Group - LPH	11:00am
Wed, 25-9- 2019	Cantor Lessons - SR	3:00pm
Thu, 26-9-2019	Catechist Lunch - Bored Monkey	12:00pm
Thu, 26-9-2019	Dance Group - LPH	7:30pm
Fri, 27-9- 2019	Cantor Lessons - SR	3:00pm
Fri, 27-9- 2019	Cantor Lessons - SJ	3:00pm

### Next Sunday Masses

Date	Title	Time
Sat, 28-9-2019	Vigil Mass - St Joseph - Fr Bogdan	5:30pm
Sun, 29-9-2019	Mass - St Rose - Fr Bogdan/Dcn David	8:00am
Sun, 29-9-2019	Mass - St Joseph - Fr Bogdan/Dcn David	9:30am
Sun, 29-9- 2019	No Mass - War Vets - Fr Robert	11:00am
Sun, 29-9- 2019	Mass - St Rose - Fr Robert	6:00pm

## Safeguarding Children



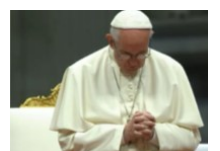
A culture of Safeguarding values WISDOM... "Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom." - James 3:13



To report concerns or complaints please contact a member from the Diocesan Safeguarding and Child Protection team.

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**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for September**  
**Politicians, Scientists and Economists.** That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.



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