



Catholic Parish of Lower North Shore

Serving the communities of

St Leonard's Naremburn, St Philip Neri Northbridge, St Thomas' Willoughby

Twinned with the Parish of Letefoho, Timor Leste

We wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather, the Cammeraygal and the Wallumedegal peoples, who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to this Country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

First Sunday of Lent Year B – 21 February 2021



The Rainbow

The Rainbow is God's signature to a treaty with humankind. On God's part, material forces will never be sent to annihilate human beings as a punishment for wrongdoing. On our part, as humans made in the likeness of God, we are to image God's rainbow relationship to nature.

This is the Divine Treaty basis of our responsibility for the environment. We undertake not to engage in practices or support policies which could severely damage the fragile ecology which supports life on our planet. The deforestation of the slopes of the Himalayas, leading to floods which kill thousands, is a catastrophic example.

And, gazing at the rainbow, we can pray for our planet, for the human beings and all other creatures who inhabit it, and quite often for ourselves at a deep personal level. For we know that, just as after a storm and dark clouds, light penetrates the misty sky and the beautiful bow of colour appears, the same phenomenon can occur in our own lives.

We could take a moment to pray that the rainbow will appear, perhaps for ourselves, perhaps for others we know who are going through a stormy time.

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LATEST FROM LETEFOHO

It is with much sadness that the Parish of Letefoho farewells the much loved Fr Eugenio Redentor. He has been assisting Fr Helio for the past 3 years. He has been a wonderful support to Fr Helio, the school students and teachers, and the parishioners of Letefoho. The LETS Committee thanks him most sincerely for his great coordination of the student sponsorship programme, the running of the boarding houses and assisting with the building works, while there. He will be greatly missed! We wish the very best in his new position with Bishop Virgilio in the Diocesan Office in Dili.

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
Fast from worries and have trust in God.
Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
Fast from pressure and be prayerful.
Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
Fast from grudges and be reconciled.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Recently Deceased: Giuseppe Teri, Teresa Tang, Teresa Stephens & Giuseppe Musso.

Anniversaries: Theresa Repton (1yr), Sr Leonie Mc Guire RSJ, Judy Moran (Birthday), Peter Pavisic (4mth), Peter Donkersley.

Deceased: Fr Basil Rosen & Donko Donjerkovic.

Sick: Dale Davidson & Giulietta Cangelli.





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Rev Fr Brian Moloney PP

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Naremburn

St Philip Neri Church

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Cnr Horsley Ave & High St

Willoughby

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LENTEN RESOURCES

The Lenten resource from the Diocese is available at the back of each of the churches. We will be running two groups from the **Parish Office 9:45am Wednesday** mornings with Rosan commencing **17th Feb** and **7pm Wednesday evenings** with Marie commencing **24th Feb**. For more detail or to book your place, contact the parish office 9958 8846.

QR CODES NOW BEING USED AT ALL CHURCHES

We are using **NSW Services QR Codes** for registrations at St Leonards, St Philip Neri and St Thomas' as well as the parish halls and parish office. This is the fastest and most effective way to gather and safely store contact tracing information. To assist us with moving to a close to, paperless registration process, please scan the QR codes at the entrances of the church.



PROJECT COMPASSION

Jamila is a Rohingya refugee living in a camp in Bangladesh with her elderly mother and baby daughter. With the support of Caritas Australia, and through Caritas Bangladesh, Jamila has been able to access emergency food, shelter, counselling, and vocational training that will help to support her family

Please collect your box from the back of the church or donate here

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PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God. Amen.

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.

APOSTLES' CREED

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

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 90:15-16

When he calls on me, I will answer him;
I will deliver him and give him glory,
I will grant him length of days.

FIRST READING

Gen 9:8-15

A reading from the book of Genesis
*I will recall the covenant between myself
and you... the waters shall never again
become a flood to destroy all flesh.*

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 24:4-9. R. see v.10

(R.) Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour. **(R.)**

Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old. In your love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord. **(R.)**

The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who stray,
he guides the humble in the right path;
he teaches his way to the poor. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

1 Pt 3:18-22

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

The water of the flood is a type of the baptism which saves you now.

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 4:4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL

Mk 1:12-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

He was tempted by Satan, and the angels looked after him.

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him. After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 7PM TUESDAYS @ ST LEONARDS

Please join us for Stations of the cross each Tuesday in Lent 7pm St Leonards. All Welcome!

GOSPEL SHARERS

Meet each week in the parish office Thursday afternoon @ 3:45pm. Breaking open the readings for Sunday. All Welcome!



COMMISSIONING OF CATECHISTS FOR 2021

The catechist ministry is carried out in our parish by a large group of dedicated volunteers who go each week into the public schools in our parish to share with the students there the good news of the love of God. At our parish mass on **Sunday 21st February, 9:30 am St Thomas'** Fr Brian will bless and send out our catechist for the new school year. Please join us for Mass and morning tea.

Baptism this Weekend

Phoebe Vieira, Angus Frost & Theodore Redfern



Welcome!

WEEK DAY READINGS

MON 1 Pet 5:1-4; MT 16:13-19

TUES Is 55:10-11; MT 6:7-15

WED Jonah 3: 1-10; LK 11:29-32

THUR Esther 14:1,3-5,12-14;
Mt 7:7-12

FRI Ezek 18:21-28; MT 5:20-26

SAT Deut 26:16-19; Mt 5: 43-48

WEEKEND MASSES	CHURCH	CLERGY 27 & 28 Feb
Sat 5:00pm	St Philip Neri	Fr Chima
Sat 6:00pm	St Thomas'	Fr Brian
Sun 8:00am	St Thomas'	Fr Chima
Sun 9:00am	St Philip Neri	Fr Brian
Sun 9:30am	St Thomas'	Fr Biju
Sun 10:30am	St Leonard's	Fr Brian
Sun 6:00pm	St Leonard's	Fr Biju
Sun 4:00pm	RNSH	Fr Peter

RECONCILIATION

St Leonard's Church

Sat: 9:30am - 9:45am

St Thomas' Church

Sat: 5:15pm - 5:45pm

St Philip Neri Church

Sat: 4:45pm

- Please remember to sanitise hands on your way into Mass.
- Sit 1.5m away from others.
- Follow the distance stickers on pews and for communion.

WEEKDAY MASSES	CHURCH
Mon 9:00am	St Thomas'
Mon 9:15am	St Philip Neri
Tue 9:00am	St Thomas'
Tue 9:00am	St Leonard's
Wed 9:00am	St Thomas'
Wed 9:15am	St Philip Neri
Thu 9:00am	St Leonard's
Thu 9:00am	St Thomas'
Thu 1:00pm	RNSH
Fri 9:00am	St Thomas'
Fri 9:15am	St Philip Neri
Fri 1:00pm	RNSH
Sat 9:00am	St Thomas'
Sat 9:00am	St Leonard's

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Takes place 2nd Tuesday of each month 11am & 3rd Tuesday at 7pm Parish Office. Forms are available from the back of each Church, or our website.

MEMORIAL PLAQUES AT ST THOMAS' CHURCH

If you would like to purchase a memorial plaque for a loved one, please contact the Parish Office.

CHILDREN'S BAPTISM

St Leonard's Church: 12:00noon

4th Sunday of the month

St Philip Neri Church: 12:00noon

2nd Sunday of the month

St Thomas' Church: 10:45am

2nd & 4th Sundays of the month

ADORATION

Tuesdays after 9:00am Mass at St Thomas' Willoughby concluding with Benediction at 10:30am.

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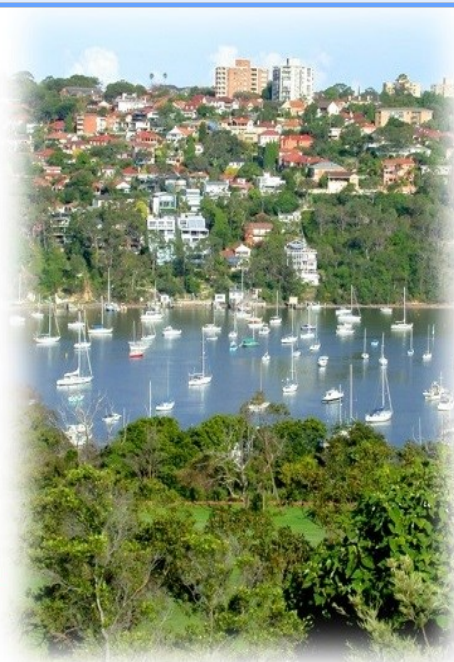
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