

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.



Women and War

Jesus entered Jerusalem, not as a warrior in the tradition of King David as many had hoped for, but riding simply on a donkey. The disciples and the crowd applauded him, but they proved fickle in their support.

On the other hand, Jesus remained steadfast in his commitment to *non-violent* revolutionary change of the religious and political systems so as to establish the reign of God. Why did he renounce marshalling human and angelic warriors to further his cause?

First, Jesus embodied God-for-us, and God does not want the destruction of those he has created out of love. Second, Jesus had a premonition that an armed revolt would lead to the destruction of Jerusalem and the dispersal of the Jewish people (as occurred in 70AD).

Third, another Gospel (Luke) recounts that as Jesus laboured up Mount Calvary he turned to some wailing women and said, 'Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, weep rather for yourselves and for your children.' He knew that they suffer grievously in armed uprising. This is seen in barbaric reality in our own time with women being tortured and raped in campaigns of terror, trafficked into sexual slavery, suffering the loss of sons, husband and lovers.

We could take a moment to pray that the Church of the 21st century, successor of the pacifist Church of the first three centuries, may enter on a new period of reflection on these issues, grappling with the desire to protect the innocent, yet always challenged by the man on a donkey, Divine Prince of Peace. © Fr Michael Tate; mtate@bigpond.com

EASTER LITURGIES 2021	St Leonard's Church Naremburn	St Philip Neri Church Northbridge	St Thomas' Church Willoughby
Holy Thursday Thursday 1st April		7:30pm Mass	7:30pm Mass
Good Friday Friday 2nd April	10:00am Stations of the Cross	10:00am Stations of the Cross	10:00am Stations of the Cross
	3:00pm The Passion of our Lord		3:00pm The Passion of our Lord
Easter Vigil Saturday 3rd April	7:00pm Mass		
Easter Sunday Sunday 4 th April	10:30am Mass 4:00pm Mass RNSH (Royal North Shore Hospital Chapel) **There is no 6:00pm Mass	9:00am Mass	8:00am Mass 9:30am Mass

STATIONS OF THE CROSS St Leonards Church, Friday 2nd April 2021 at 10.00 am. **Contemporary reflections** accompanied by a Tableaux of art music. Works by Stainer, Telemann, Bach and Dubois, with Faure's In Paradisum and Pie Jesu. Soloists and Choir from the Catholic Parish of the Lower North Shore, Director Lisa Lewis. Soprano Jennifer Bonner, Violinist Joshua Kok and Chamber Organ, Jim Forsyth.

Dear Parishioners, 27 March 2021

Thank you again for your ongoing interest in the development of St Leonard's, Naremburn. My sincere thanks as well to those of you who were able to attend the recent parish consultation forum. The main purpose of the forum was to discuss with you the results of the EOI campaign and the recommended development partner identified and associated design concepts as a result and to seek your feedback prior to entering into any arrangement with the preferred developer. It was very helpful to gather together and to hear from you. What was especially pleasing about the evening was the positive support and endorsement I received from you as a result of those discussions. It is a very exciting result and outcome for the parish.

With that support obtained and on the recommendation of the Parish Finance Council, with Pastoral Mission Council input, I am delighted to advise and share with everyone that **Metro Property Development** is the recommended development partner selected.

The calibre and quality of all parties interested in our site was very high and we are most appreciative of the time and very genuine effort each of them took in preparing their submissions and in presenting their proposals to us.

<u>Ultimately, having regard to a mix of evaluation factors</u>, Metro was selected as the preferred development partner. It was determined that Metro possess the track record, local experience, financial strength and development and construction capabilities to successfully deliver both the parish and development assets required. Metro's design concept responds to our parish needs identified and is low-scale, low-impact and complements the character of our beloved St Leonard's Church.

Metro has recently successfully completed a similar townhouse development approximately 200m south of the Parish site on Willoughby Road, known as "The Nines".

The Metro Scheme involves the development of:

A new Parish Hall (to accommodate c. 200 people standing) with ancillary kitchen and bathroom amenities. The hall itself will be located on the ground floor whilst the amenities will be located on the mezzanine level. A viewing platform/ balcony will be constructed for persons situated on the mezzanine level to view the events occurring below. The Parish Hall will be constructed in a contemporary glazed-style. The Hall is proposed to be built to the north of the Church and will have a shared plaza allowing for both the Church and Parish Hall activities to spill out into the plaza.

A delicate enclosed glazed link will be constructed to connect the existing Church with the new Parish Hall.

- A new 3 or 4-bedroom Presbytery will be constructed as a large style apartment located above the Parish Hall and will have easy access and visibility to the church and plaza. The Presbytery will have basement carparking with private access to the apartment by way of an internal lift.
- The existing Presbytery will be adaptively reused into 4x generously sized apartments with building extensions added to the current structure and 10x on-grade car spaces are proposed to service the apartments.
- **16 x 3-storey townhouses with internal lifts and basement car parking** (3 car spaces per townhouse) are proposed to be constructed as the Development Assets. The proposed townhouses will be appropriate to the streetscape and the low-density residential surrounds. They will be built with high-spec finishes.
- **57x vehicle basement carpark**. The car park will service the development assets (32 x spaces) as well as the Priest and Parishioners (25 x spaces).

It is envisaged the construction period will be 16 months from the time of commencement. The Church will remain in operation throughout construction and the development will not impact on Parish activities into the future.

I remain most grateful to members of my Parish Finance Committee and Parish Mission Council in providing me guidance and advice as well as to all of you for your shared interest, enthusiasm and strong desire to sustain our wonderful Parish well into the future.

I look forward to sharing with you more details regarding the design concept, DA preparation and construction program in the coming months ahead.

Yours sincerely in Christ,



Option Two - Version Two Ground Floor Plan

MERRENBURN AVENUE









CONSULTATION FOR WOMEN

Catholic women are being invited to participate in a national consultation via Zoom on 27 March. The event invites women to articulate and celebrate their contribution to and vision for the mission of the Catholic Church in Australia. The event is being organised by the Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry.

Consultation Details:
Date: Saturday 27 March
Time: 2pm-4pm AEDT
Platform: Zoom

Participants must register to attend. Please register by **4pm, Friday 26 March**, using the <u>form on this link</u>. (**NOTE**: There is a limit of 300 participants. Upon reaching capacity you are invited to register for the Wait List, which will keep you informed of availability and future initiatives):

Find more information at www.nce.catholic.org.au/catholicwomen

A crowd of people came to see Jesus as he entered Jerusalem on the back of a donkey. Draw yourself amongst a crowd of people waving palm fronds at Jesus.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Jn 12: 1, 12-13; Ps 23: 9-10

Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem,

the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches

and with a loud voice cried out:

- * Hosanna in the highest!
 Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!
 O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors.
 Let him enter, the king of glory!
 Who is this king of glory?
 He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory.
- * Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

FIRST READING

Is 50:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech.

Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple.

The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away.

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I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

WEEK DAY READINGS

MON: Is 42: 1-7; Jn 12:1-11 **TUE:** Is 49: 1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38 **WED:** Is 50: 4-9; Mt 26:14-25

THUR: Holy Thursday FRI: Good Friday SAT: Holy Saturday

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. v.2

(R.) My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.' (R.)

Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones. (R.)

They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe.
O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! (R.)

I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. 'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons.' (R.)

SECOND READING

Phil 2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of and that every tongue should acclaim

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Phil 2:8-9

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

Christ became obedient for us even to death

dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.

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

GOSPEL

Mk 14:1 - 15:47

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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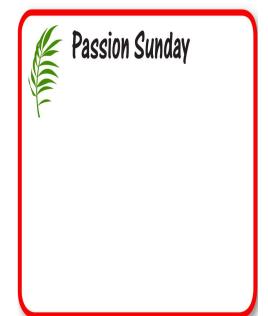
A liturgy will be held for the late

Robert 'Bob' Walsh,

Monday 29th March

10:30am St Thomas' Willoughby

Draw or write what happened on each





Jesus Christ as Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.



Parish Priest

Rev Fr Brian Moloney PP

Assistant Priest

Rev Fr Biju Mathew Rev Fr Chima Ofor

RNSH Chaplain

Rev Fr Peter Dowd

Deacon

Rev Dr. Anthony Gooley

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Rosan Mathew

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St Leonard's Church

Cnr Donnelly & Willoughby Rds
Naremburn

St Philip Neri Church

224 Sailors Bay Rd Northbridge

St Thomas' Church

Cnr Horsley Ave & High St Willoughby

St Philip Neri Primary School

67 Baringa Rd, Northbridge Principal: Fiona Bylsma 9958 7136

St Thomas' Primary School

2 Horsley Ave, Willoughby Principal: Jenny McKeown 9958 7308

PROJECT COMPASSION

Please return your project compassion boxes to Masses during Holy Week. Or donate by

visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

Charitable Works Fund
Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay
Survey 2021

We invite you to complete the CWF Survey 2021. It will only take about 2-3 minutes of your time.

Listening to our parish community is important and we would love to know more about you and what you value most about CWF. Your feedback will help us better serve the community, plan our priorities and how to communicate with you more effectively. The survey is open to all parishioners in the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay. Closing date for responses is **Wednesday 7 April 2021**.

The online CWF survey can be found here - www.surveymonkey.com/r/CWF2021
We take your privacy seriously, and please be assured your answers are confidential. If you require a physical copy of the survey, please call David Armstrong 02 8379 1664 with your contact details.

ROBERT FITZGERALD AM Sunday, March 28th, 2021 – 2.00pm – 4.00pm VILLA MARIA PARISH HALL Cnr Mary St and Gladesville Rd, Hunters Hill "PEOPLE OF ENDURING HOPE, YOUR TIME IS NOW! HOW WILL THESE TURBULENT TIMES RESHAPE US AND OUR CHURCH, STATE AND SOCIETY?"

'For there is always light, if only we're brave enough to see it. If only we're brave enough to be it' (Amanda Gordon's 'The Hill We Climb')

An expansive conversation to explore the impacts of the current turbulent times on ourselves, our church and our society. As people of faith, how do we respond? What are our choices, challenges and opportunities? Where do we find hope and courage? Robert Fitzgerald, AM, was a Commissioner on the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to child Sexual Abuse for five years. He is currently the NSW Ageing and Disability Commissioner. Married to Gabrielle, he has three adult children.

Entry: \$10 per head or donation

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CATHOLICCARE'S WOMEN'S REFUGE FUNDRAISER

CatholicCare Diocese of Broken Bay is partnering with Bespoke & Beautiful Interiors to undertake a much needed renovation of Erin's Place, a refuge in Northern Sydney for women and children escaping domestic and family violence.

CatholicCare's Domestic Violence Response Enhancement (DVRE) team provide crisis support for women and children who are experiencing domestic violence. Many of these women are referred to their Specialist Homelessness Services (SHS) for transitional accommodation at the refuge. Specialist caseworkers then work closely with the women to ensure their safety and navigate the legal, logistical and emotional hurdles associated with leaving a violent relationship.

By making a donation to Erin's Place, you can help us create a transformational space and improve the lives of hundreds of victims of domestic violence. Please donate at https://www.chuffed.org/project/design-for-hope.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Recently Deceased: Bob Walsh & Mara Cetinic.

Anniversaries: Wilma Selvakumaraswarmy (1yr), Bob Ljubic (16yrs)

Jerry Glebatsas & Carmelina (Lina) Scicluna

Deceased: Antoine.

Sick: Joe Pulis & Donata Manapat.





Update from the Parish Missionary Council (PMC)

Easter Connection – Letterbox Drop

Easter is a time of togetherness and this Easter the Parish has created a bookmark designed to bring our local community together. The bookmark includes a special Easter message and mass details for Easter.

We are looking for volunteers to help distribute the bookmarks to households in our local area. Distribution to households will be over **the weekend of 26 to 28 March**. If you are interested in volunteering please email your contact details to Bev Jones at PMC@Ins.org.au. There will also be a volunteer sign up sheet at the back of the church.

This can be a family activity, using the time together to reflect on Easter.

PMC Contact Details
Bev Jones: 0407 033 773,
pmc@lns.org.au

Jacqui Jones Speaker Event 22 April

Jacqui Jones is the founder of the Gratefulness Program and the author of The Gratefulness guide: How to think not what to think. Jacqui will be speaking at a parish event on **22 April.** We are coordinating covid appropriate logistics and will update you in future bulletins.

Are you interested in....

We have two connection opportunities we are exploring. The PMC wants to gather interest before putting in plans in place:

Winter Hamper Creation for Community Sunday in July.
Involving the collection of hamper items to our 3
churches, then rostering of small groups/ families to
create hampers for issue to a local charity.

Street Retreat with Ralph Kershler. Ralph takes small groups of high school students and adults on a walk through the streets of Sydney to meet some of the local homeless people he connects with. Allowing you to hear their stories and understand their lives.

If you like the sound of these options, please email me with your contact details at PMC@Ins.org.au Also, if you are aware of a charity that would appreciate hampers from us in July, please share their contact details.

Seeking PMC members from St Philip Neri

The PMC is a great way to connect with the community. This year we will be focusing on growing connection with our schools and establishing regular connection activities as you see in this update. It is important we have representation from all our churches. We currently have a need for new members from St Philip Neri.





THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH & THE FAMILY **2021**

BB35 – Celebrating 35 years of the Diocese of Broken Bay

Thirty five years ago, the Diocese of Broken Bay was established and this anniversary is an opportunity to look back and remember the story of our Diocesan journey with hearts of gratitude, so that we might look forward to the future in hope.

In the Universal Church, Pope Francis has also proclaimed a year for St Joseph and the Family for

2021. The combination of these three themes allow us to approach our activities and mission this year with renewed depth of faith in what God is calling us to be in the community of the Church of Broken Bay.

Resources, including a logo have been developed to use in various contexts to help us mark the anniversary. If you have any stories you can share about the history of the Diocese of Broken Bay, and any old photos, please send them through to Melissa Loughlin, Editor, Broken Bay News news@bbcatholic.org.au

WEEKEND MASSES	CHURCH		CLERGY 3 & 4 April	WEEKDAY MASSES	CHURCH
Sat 7:00pm Easter Vigil	St Leonards		All Clergy	Mon 9:00am	St Thomas'
Sun 8:00am	St Thomas'		Fr Biju	Mon 9:15am	St Philip Neri
			·	Tue 9:00am	St Thomas'
Sun 9:00am	St Philip Neri		Fr Brian	Tue 9:00am	St Leonard's
Sun 9:30am	St Thomas'		Fr Biju	Wed 9:00am	St Thomas'
Sun 10:30am	St Leonard's		Fr Chima	Wed 9:15am	St Philip Neri
Sun 6:00pm	St Leonard's		No Mass	Thu 9:00am	St Leonard's
Sun 4:00pm	RNSH		Fr Peter	Thu 9:00am	St Thomas'
			Thu 1:00pm	RNSH	
St Leonard's Church to sa		se remember nitise hands on	Fri 9:00am	St Thomas'	
Sat: 9:30am - 9:45am		your	way into Mass.	Fri 9:15am	St Philip Neri

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 plague 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.

School Term Only

St Thomas' Church Sat: 5:15pm - 5:45pm

St Philip Neri Church

Sat: 4:45pm

- •Sit 1.5m away from others.
- •Follow the distance stickers on pews and for communion.



Fri 1:00pm

Sat 9:00am

Sat 9:00am

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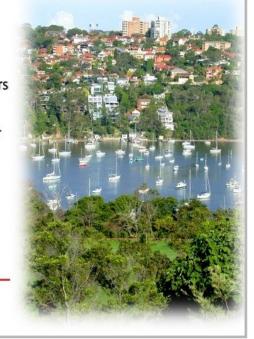


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