



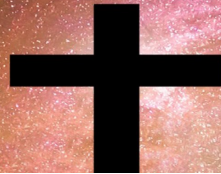
# Catholic Parish of Lower North Shore

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.*

## Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C – 27 February 2022



### Making the Most of Lent 2022

As the season of Lent rapidly approaches, it's helpful to think about where that word comes from. In Old English, 'Lent' means 'springtime', and in Latin, 'Lente' means 'slowly'. So, every Lent we're all invited to slow down our lives, and to spend some time preparing ourselves for Easter and the spiritual springtime that follows it. It's always great to have an excuse to slow down for a while!

Lent this year begins on Ash Wednesday 2nd March, and it lasts for 40 days (46, if you include the Sundays). For these 6 weeks we are all invited to prepare ourselves through almsgiving, fasting and prayer.

In almsgiving we open our loving hearts and lives to the real needs of others. In fasting, we remind ourselves that life isn't just about *me*, so we voluntarily give up something we would otherwise enjoy. And in prayer, we speak personally to God about our deepest hopes, joys and fears. Doing all these things for 6 weeks is surely very good for us! Each of these serves in some way to bring us closer to Jesus and his merciful love.

**Ash Wednesday:** Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 2 March. That day, we'll have 4 Masses in our parish: 9.00 am at St Thomas' and at [St Leonards](#); 9:15 am at St [Philip Neri](#), and 7.00 pm at St Thomas'.

**Thursday Lenten Program:** Sr Damian will be running a Lenten program on Thursday mornings straight after Mass at 9:45am in the 'Blue Room' in the Parish Hall. We will be focusing on the Gospel readings for each week. Please contact the parish office to register by phone: 9958 8846 or email: [office@LNS.org.au](mailto:office@LNS.org.au)

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Every Tuesday after the 9.00 am Mass at St Thomas', Willoughby, concluding with Benediction at 10.30 am.

During lent every Thursday 7pm to 8pm St Leonards

**Stations of the Cross:** The story of the Passion of Jesus is very moving. Join us at 7pm every Friday during Lent, at St Thomas Church

After the 9.15am Mass at Philip Neri church North Bridge.

**2nd Rite of Reconciliation:** We all need to cleanse our hearts and souls before Easter. Join us for the Sacrament of Penance at 7.30 pm on 13<sup>th</sup> April at St. Thomas Church.

**Pray Anytime:** From Ash Wednesday, St Thomas church will remain open every day for prayer. If you have a moment, why not drop in and sit quietly with Jesus? He wants to talk with you.

**Daily Mass:** We encourage everyone to come to daily Mass during Lent. Details are in the Bulletin.

**Project Compassion:** Please take a box or giving envelope from the the back of the church this weekend.

***This year, let's take Lent seriously. Let's each of us do something special to connect ourselves with God's merciful love and prepare ourselves for the remarkable mystery of Easter.***

Fr Jose Philip OSH

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

**Recently Deceased:** Arnaldo Vidal & Kurikose Koikkatil (Fr Biju's Uncle).

**Anniversaries:** Frank Grew, Silvija Bacic, Giovanni Silvo, Richard King (1st), Peter Donkersley (4th).

**Please Pray For:** Beryl Gibson, Dolours (Fr Jose's Niece), Elias Koura, Hilary Gortley, Anne Linder, Maria Trani, Clifford Sun, & Imelda Dickeson.



## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 17:19-20

The Lord became my protector.  
He brought me out to a place of  
freedom; he saved me because he  
delighted in me.

## FIRST READING

Sir 27:4-7

A reading from the book of  
Ecclesiasticus

*Do not praise someone before they have  
spoken.*

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left  
behind,  
so too the defects of a man appear in  
his talk.

The kiln tests the work of the potter,  
the test of a man is in his conversation.  
The orchard where the tree grows is  
judged on the quality of its fruit,  
similarly a man's words betray what he  
feels.

Do not praise a man before he has  
spoken,  
since this is the test of men.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R. See v.2

**(R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to  
you.**

It is good to give thanks to the Lord  
to make music to your name, O Most  
High, to proclaim your love in the  
morning and your truth in the watches  
of the night. **(R.)**

The just will flourish like the palm-tree  
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **(R.)**

Planted in the house of the Lord they  
will flourish in the courts of our God,  
still bearing fruit when they are old,  
still full of sap, still green, to proclaim  
that the Lord is just. In him, my rock,  
there is no wrong. **(R.)**

## Baptism this Weekend

Maggie Jedruszek, Blaise Wyllie,

Sacha Keefe, Hunter Gilmour,

Peta Sarkis, Matilda &  
Hugo Steinfert.

*Welcome!*



## SECOND READING

1 Cor 15:54-58

A reading from the first letter of St  
Paul to the Corinthians

*Victory has been given to us through Jesus  
Christ.*

When this perishable nature has put  
on imperishability, and when this  
mortal nature has put on immortality,  
then the words of scripture will come  
true: Death is swallowed up in victory.  
Death, where is your victory? Death,  
where is your sting? Now the sting of  
death is sin, and sin gets its power  
from the Law. So let us thank God for  
giving us the victory through our Lord  
Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers,  
never admit defeat; keep on working  
at the Lord's work always, knowing  
that, in the Lord, you cannot be  
labouring in vain.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Phil 2:15-16

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars;  
you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

Lk 6:39-45

A reading from the holy Gospel  
according to Luke

*A person speaks from what is in his heart.*

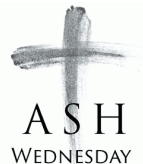
Jesus told a parable to his disciples,  
'Can one blind man guide another?  
Surely both will fall into a pit? The  
disciple is not superior to his teacher;  
the fully trained disciple will always  
be like his teacher. Why do you  
observe the splinter in your brother's  
eye and never notice the plank in  
your own? How can you say to your  
brother, "Brother, let me take out the  
splinter that is in your eye," when you  
cannot see the plank in your own?  
Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your  
own eye first, and then you will see  
clearly enough to take out the  
splinter that is in your brother's eye.  
'There is no sound tree that produces  
rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree  
that produces sound fruit. For every  
tree can be told by its own fruit:  
people do not pick figs from thorns,  
nor gather grapes from brambles. A  
good man draws what is good from  
the store of goodness in his heart; a  
bad man draws what is bad from the  
store of badness. For a man's words  
flow out of what fills his heart.'

## ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

**Lent begins on Wednesday 2nd**

**March. Mass will be available at all 3  
churches at the following times:**

- **9am St Thomas'**
- **9am St Leonards**
- **9:15am St Philip Neri**
- **1pm Royal North Shore  
Hospital Chapel**
- **7pm St Thomas'**



## WEEK DAY READINGS

**Mon 28** 1 Pet 1:3-9; Mk 10: 17-27

**Tue 1** 1 Pet 1:10-16; Mk 10: 28-31

**Wed 2** Ash Wednesday

**Thur 3** Deut 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

**Fri 4** Is 58: 1-9; Mt 9:14-15

**Sat 5** Is 58:9-14; Lk 5: 27-32



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Rev Fr Chima Ofor

### RNSH Chaplain

Rev Fr Peter Dowd

### Deacon

Rev Dr. Anthony Gooley

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Katrina Chemello

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Jessica Bousimon

### Director of Liturgical Music

Lisa Lewis

### Catechist Co-ordinator

Aida Moore

### St Leonard's Church

Cnr Donnelly & Willoughby Rds  
Naremburn

### St Philip Neri Church

224 Sailors Bay Rd  
Northbridge

### St Thomas' Church

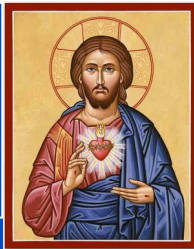
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Willoughby

### St Philip Neri Primary School

67 Baringa Rd, Northbridge  
Principal: Fiona Bylisma  
9958 7136

### St Thomas' Primary School

2 Horsley Ave, Willoughby  
Principal: Enrica Bova  
9958 7308



### FIRST FRIDAY MASS AT ST THOMAS'

Starting on Friday 4th March there will be a First Friday Mass, followed by anointing of the sick, exposition and a novena to the Sacred Heart. Please join us for this beautiful time of quiet prayer, healing and devotion.

### LENTEN PROGRAM WITH SR DAMIAN



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### DROP IN YOUR OLD PALMS

Do You have previous years palms at home? Bring them along to the church this weekend and leave them in the baskets provided and the priests will burn them to distribute as ashes during our Ash Wednesday Liturgies.

### CHANGE IN COVID RESTRICTIONS

From this weekend we CAN now sing as a congregation.

Density limits have now been lifted which means we are no longer bound by limited numbers within the church building. **QR check-in is no longer required.**

From Friday 25th February the wearing of a masks is no longer mandated. However, they are recommended in places where you can't socially distance.



**LAUDATO SI'**  
Action Platform

### LAUDATO SI ACTION PLATFORM—NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 1 March 7.30-9pm, Naremburn

Wednesday 2 March 10.15-11.45am, Parish Office

Contact [pgemmell@tpg.com.au](mailto:pgemmell@tpg.com.au) or the parish office for more information

### CHOIR RESTARTING SOON - COME AND JOIN US! ALL ARE WELCOME

Monday 28 Feb @ 7.30pm - 8.30pm in St Thomas Church

Bring: your mask, water bottle.....no prior experience needed but good vibes and a sense of humour are very welcome! We learn harmonies and are preparing Easter music!

Any questions? chat to one of the choir, or ask Lisa Lewis: [lislewisflute@gmail.com](mailto:lislewisflute@gmail.com)

### ST PIUS X COLLEGE, CHATSWOOD

### OPEN DAY SATURDAY MARCH 19, 2022

Chatswood Campus 10 am – 2 pm and Oxford Falls Sporting Fields 8 am – 12 noon

- Meet the Principal, staff and students
- Principal's Welcome – 11am and 1pm at Chatswood

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL

[www.spx.nsw.edu.au](http://www.spx.nsw.edu.au)

### BARTELS FAMILY GROUP

DINNER Sunday 13 March 6pm Attimo Italian Restaurant 119 Sailors Bay Road Northbridge. A la carte menu.

Reply by 11 March to Kerrie on 9958 8837 or 0407 914699

### CATECHIST NEWS

Our Willoughby Public School Catechists happily returned to the classrooms to do their Ministry.

This Saturday seven Catechists will receive their 5 years Service Awards in Waitara Cathedral. The Parish and students are very grateful for your love and dedication to spread the "Good News"

**Aida Moore - Catechist Coordinator**

### TAIZÉ PILGRIMAGE OF TRUST

Br Matthew from the Taizé Community in France will be visiting NSW in March and leading a number of prayer sessions and retreats. This includes a prayer service at Davidson on 7 March. All are most welcome to attend.

Details are as follows:

**Date:** Monday, 7 March 2022, 7:00pm

**Venue:** St Martin de Porres, 149 Prahran Ave Davidson

**RSVP:** Tony & Carmel [0412 532 657](tel:0412532657)



WEEKEND MASSES	CHURCH	CLERGY 5 & 6 Mar
Sat 5:00pm	St Philip Neri	Fr Jose
Sat 6:00pm	St Thomas'	Fr Chima
Sun 8:00am	St Thomas'	Fr Biju
Sun 9:00am	St Philip Neri	Fr Jose
Sun 9:30am	St Thomas'	Fr Biju
Sun 10:30am	St Leonard's	Fr Jose
Sun 6:00pm	St Leonard's	Fr Chima
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

### MEMORIAL

#### PLAQUES AT ST THOMAS' CHURCH

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

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

### CHILDREN'S BAPTISM

**St Leonard's Church: 12:00noon**  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month  
**St Philip Neri Church: 10:00am**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month  
**St Thomas' Church: 10:45am**  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month

Please note: from Sunday 17th April to Sunday the 1st of May Baptisms at St Philip Neri will be held at 12pm. Contact Jessica for more information [sacraments@LNS.org.au](mailto:sacraments@LNS.org.au)

### ADORATION

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