



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.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C – 24 July 2022



HEAVEN AND EARTH CAN COINCIDE

People often imagine huge distance between Earth and a Heaven beyond the horizon of the universe. But Jesus Christ taught us to pray 'Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven.' How can this come about? Jesus identified two areas on which we need to focus to help make Heaven and Earth share the same space.

'Give us this day our daily bread.' This petition is very real for most inhabitants of the world – a plea for the necessities of life to stave off real hunger. If we respond to this plea, we can change a Hellish situation to a place where Heaven and Earth coincide. 'Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.' But, first to Shakespeare: 'The quality of Mercy is not strained. It falleth as the gentle rain of Heaven on to the place beneath.'

If we develop a hardness of heart which refuses to show forgiveness, then we are like earth concreted over and are unable to absorb God's forgiveness into our own lives. When we forgive someone, we become more able to absorb the gentle rain of heavenly mercy and forgiveness.

So, Heaven and Earth need not be as distant as supposed. Our Lord has shown us how we can help make these dimensions of existence coincide.

We could take a moment to resolve to pray the 'Our Father' by our lives, helping to provide evidence for our acclamation:

'Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Hosts,
Heaven and Earth are full of your Glory'

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On May 10, the Vatican released Pope Francis' message for the 2nd World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will be celebrated on Sunday, July 24, 2022. Last year, [Pope Francis announced](#) a new celebration in honour of all grandparents and the elderly to be celebrated every year on the fourth Sunday in July.

Dear grandparents, dear elderly persons, *we are called to be artisans of the revolution of tenderness in our world!* Let us do so by learning to make ever more frequent and better use of the most valuable instrument at our disposal and, indeed, the one best suited to our age: prayer. "Let us too become, as it were, poets of prayer: let us develop a taste for finding our own words, let us once again take up those taught by the word of God".[6] Our trustful prayer can do a great deal: it can accompany the cry of pain of those who suffer, and it can help change hearts. We can be "the enduring 'chorus' of a great spiritual sanctuary, where prayers of supplication and songs of praise sustain the community that toils and struggles in the field of life".[7]

To all of you, and to your loved ones, I send my blessing and the assurance of my closeness and affection. And I ask you, please, not to forget to pray for me!

Rome, Saint John Lateran, 3 May 2022, Feast of the Apostles Philip and James

FRANCIS

Read Pope Francis full letter in the online version of the bulletin.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Recently Deceased: Colleen Dunn.

Anniversaries: Max Joseph Thew, John Edwards(1st) Marija & Ivan Petkovic, Marija Zabica & deceased members of the Zabica & Petkovic families, Ivan & Ivica Pecotic, Br Ivan & deceased members of the Pecotic family.

Please Pray For: Fr Martin Aye Ngwe, Remegio Sioson, Elipidio Jala, & Clifford Sun.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 67:6-7,36

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

FIRST READING

Gen 18:20-32

A reading from the book of Genesis

Lord, do not be angry if I speak.

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.' The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No', he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 137:1-3. 6-8. R. v.3

(R.) Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. (R.)

I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. (R.)

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Though I walk in the midst of affliction you give me life and frustrate my foes. (R.)

You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. (R.)

SECOND READING

Col 2:12-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

He has made you alive with Christ for he has forgiven all our sins.

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins.

He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Rom 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 11:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Ask, and it will be given to you.

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

"Father, may your name be held holy,
your kingdom come;
give us each day our daily bread,
and forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us.
And do not put us to the test."

He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

Baptism this Weekend



**Oliver Urmston, Isla Fernandez
& Phoenix Carpenter**



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SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

This weekend we welcome the new cohort of families to the sacramental program. The children and parents will journey together over the next 12 months through Confirmation, Reconciliation and Communion. The forming of candidates, whether young or old is a parish wide endeavour so we ask you to join with these families as they journey. Not only can we support them in prayer but we can as a community make sure they experience our hospitality and welcome as they attend various Masses across the formation process.

Fr Jose



YOUTH GROUP GAMES NIGHT

Join us on 7 August after 6pm Mass at St Leonard's for LNS Youth and Young Adults' Games Night. Bring your favourite board game. Pizza dinner will be provided. **Adeline - Youth Leader**

YOUTH GROUP AT LOWER NORTH SHORE

Our parish's Youth Group is a great bunch of teenagers and young adults that come from all over the community twice a month to gather, share stories, and reflect on our spirituality, experiences and everyday life. My sister and I have been a part of the LNS youth group for a while now and it has changed our experience of attending church and our connection to our faith. Our Youth Dinners are a time for us to share stories and casually chat about our days, but we also make time for deeper reflection and discussion to understand our faith and the world around us. It's very refreshing to be surrounded by like-minded people who we can speak to about our spirituality and who we can lean on for support and guidance in our own growth. We meet every 1st and 3rd Sunday after the 6pm Youth Mass at St Leonards and we would love to see some new faces. So if you're in high school or university, please come along, bring a friend, and join us as we move forward in faith. - **Frances and Clara De Asis**



Join "Refreshed and Renewed", a 3-day online retreat featuring talks by Fr James Mallon, Dr Ed Sri, and other national and international speakers plus panels, workshops, prayer and worship.

Date: 28-30 July 2022

<https://www.divinerenovation.org/refreshed-renewed>

[Register for this event here](https://www.divinerenovation.org/refreshed-renewed)

LOWER NORTH SHORE PARISH

Admin Assistant – Casual

Lower North Shore Parish is a vibrant Catholic faith community comprised of St Thomas' (Willoughby), St Leonard's (Naremburn) and St Philip Neri (Northbridge). The Admin Assistant will need to work as part of a collaborative team with the Parish Staff, and priests of our Parish. Central to this role will be your ability to contribute to and provide a shared understanding of the Parish's mission, and to provide a confident, personal and professional image of welcome, openness and service.

Reporting to the Parish Priest, the Admin Assistant's primary responsibilities are: Parish Bulletin, Reception duties, Church deliveries, Registers, Music Copyright, Liturgical Rosters and Database and Ministries maintenance. The position is casual, working in the office on a Wednesday and on call to cover staff leave when required. The Admin assistant is required to have a driver's license and access to a car. For a Position Description please contact Caitlin Douglas - Parish Secretary E:office@lms.org.au P: 9958 8846

Applications must be submitted via email to the Parish Priest Fr Jose Philip jose.philip@bbcatholic.org.au by Friday 5th August 2022 with the following items:

Cover Letter (outlining why you are interested in this position and how your skills and experience align with the Key Requirements listed above.)
Resume.

MASS/ SERVICE/ SCHEDULE	ST THOMAS' WILLOUGHBY	ST LEONARDS NAREMBURN	ST PHILIP NERI NORTHBRIDGE
Sunday Masses	6pm Vigil Saturday 8am & 9:30am Sunday	10:30am & 6pm Sundays	5pm Vigil Saturday & 9am Sunday
Weekday Masses	9am Mon to Sat	9am Tue -Thu - Sat	9:15am Mon - Wed - Fri
Royal North Shore Hospital Chapel	Weekday Mass Thursday & Friday 1pm	Weekend Mass 4pm Sunday	
Reconciliation	Saturday 5:15pm - 5:45pm	Saturday 9:30am - 9:45am	Saturday 4:45pm
Youth Mass		6pm Sunday 1 st & 3 rd of the month	
Children's Liturgy	During 9:30am Mass Each Sunday in school term.		TBC
Community Masses		PNGCCAA 1 st Saturday 7pm	
Healing Mass/ Anointing Novena to the Sacred Heart	9am Mass 1 st Friday		
Adoration	Tuesday after 9am Mass During School Term		
Baptisms	11:00am 2nd & 4th Sundays	12pm 4th Sunday	12pm 3rd Sunday
Baptism Prep Parish Office	2nd Tuesday of the month 11am 3rd Tuesday of the month 7pm		
Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group CCCR	St Thomas' Parish Hall 7:15pm Tuesday Evenings Enquiries 0419 977 531		
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"IN OLD AGE THEY WILL STILL BEAR FRUIT" (PSALM 92:15)

Dear Friends,

"In old age they will still bear fruit" (Ps 92:15). These words of the Psalmist are glad tidings, a true "gospel" that we can proclaim to all on this second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. They run counter to what the world thinks about this stage of life, but also to the attitude of grim resignation shown by some of us elderly people, who harbour few expectations for the future.



World Day
for Grandparents
and the Elderly
2022

Many people are afraid of old age. They consider it a sort of disease with which any contact is best avoided. The elderly, they think, are none of their concern and should be set apart, perhaps in homes or places where they can be cared for, lest we have to deal with their problems. This is the mindset of the "throw-away culture", which leads us to think that we are somehow different from the poor and vulnerable in our midst, untouched by their frailties and separated from "them" and their troubles. The Scriptures see things differently. A long life – so the Bible teaches – is a blessing, and the elderly are not outcasts to be shunned but living signs of the goodness of God who bestows life in abundance. Blessed is the house where an older person lives! Blessed is the family that honours the elderly!

Old age is not a time of life easily understood even by those of us who are already experiencing it. Even though it eventually comes with the passage of time, no one prepares us for old age, and at times it seems to take us by surprise. The more developed societies expend large sums on this stage of life without really helping people to understand and appreciate it; they offer healthcare plans to the elderly but not plans for living this age to the full.[1] This makes it hard to look to the future and discern what direction to take. On the one hand, we are tempted to ward off old age by hiding our wrinkles and pretending to be forever young, while on the other, we imagine that the only thing we can do is bide our time, thinking glumly that we cannot "still bring forth fruit".

Retirement and grown children make many of the things that used to occupy our time and energy no longer so pressing. The recognition that our strength is ebbing or the onset of sickness can undermine our certainties. The fast pace of the world – with which we struggle to keep up – seems to leave us no alternative but to implicitly accept the idea that we are useless. We can resonate with the heartfelt prayer of the Psalmist: "Do not cast me off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength is spent" (71:9).

Yet that same psalm – which meditates on how the Lord has been present at every stage of our lives – urges us to persevere in hope. Along with old age and white hairs, God continues to give us the gift of life and to keep us from being overcome by evil. If we trust in him, we will find the strength to praise him still (cf. vv. 14-20). We will come to see that growing old is more than the natural decline of the body or the inevitable passage of time, but the gift of a long life. Aging is not a condemnation, but a blessing!

For this reason, we ought to take care of ourselves and remain active in our later years. This is also true from a spiritual standpoint: we ought to cultivate our interior life through the assiduous reading of the word of God, daily prayer, reception of the sacraments and participation in the liturgy. In addition to our relationship with God, we should also cultivate our relationships with others: first of all by showing affectionate concern for our families, our children and grandchildren, but also for the poor and those who suffer, by drawing near to them with practical assistance and our prayers. These things will help us not to feel like mere bystanders, sitting on our porches or looking out from our windows, as life goes on all around us. Instead, we should learn to discern everywhere the presence of the Lord. [2] Like "green olive trees in the house of God" (cf. Ps 52:10), we can become a blessing for those who live next to us.

Old age is no time to give up and lower the sails, but a season of enduring fruitfulness: a new mission awaits us and bids us look to the future. "The special sensibility that those of us who are elderly have for the concerns, thoughts and the affections that make us human should once again become the vocation of many. It would be a sign of our love for the younger generations".[3] This would be our own contribution to the *revolution of tenderness*,[4] a spiritual and non-violent revolution in which I encourage you, dear grandparents and elderly persons, to take an active role.

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Our world is passing through a time of trial and testing, beginning with the sudden, violent outbreak of the pandemic, and then by a war that is harming peace and development on a global scale. Nor is it a coincidence that war is returning to Europe at a time when the generation that experienced it in the last century is dying out. These great crises risk anaesthetizing us to the reality of other “epidemics” and other widespread forms of violence that menace the human family and our common home.

All this points to the need for a profound change, a conversion, that disarms hearts and leads us to see others as our brothers or sisters. We grandparents and elderly people have a great responsibility: to teach the women and men of our time to regard others with the same understanding and loving gaze with which we regard our own grandchildren. We ourselves have grown in humanity by caring for others, and now we can be teachers of a way of life that is peaceful and attentive to those in greatest need. This attitude may be mistaken for weakness or resignation, yet it will be the meek, not the aggressive and the abusive, who will inherit the earth (cf. *Mt* 5:5).

One fruit that we are called to bring forth is protecting the world. “Our grandparents held us in their arms and carried us on their knees”;[5] now is the time for us to carry on our own knees – with practical assistance or with prayer alone – not only our own grandchildren but also the many frightened grandchildren whom we have not yet met and who may be fleeing from war or suffering its effects. Let us hold in our hearts – like Saint Joseph, who was a loving and attentive father – the little ones of Ukraine, of Afghanistan, of South Sudan...

Many of us have come to a sage and humble realization of what our world very much needs: the recognition that we are not saved alone, and that happiness is a bread we break together. Let us bear witness to this before those who wrongly think that they can find personal fulfilment and success in conflict. Everyone, even the weakest among us, can do this. The very fact that we allow ourselves to be cared for – often by people who come from other countries – is itself a way of saying that living together in peace is not only possible, but necessary.

Dear grandparents, dear elderly persons, we are called to be artisans of the *revolution of tenderness* in our world! Let us do so by learning to make ever more frequent and better use of the most valuable instrument at our disposal and, indeed, the one best suited to our age: prayer. “Let us too become, as it were, poets of prayer: let us develop a taste for finding our own words, let us once again take up those taught by the word of God”.[6] Our trustful prayer can do a great deal: it can accompany the cry of pain of those who suffer, and it can help change hearts. We can be “the enduring ‘chorus’ of a great spiritual sanctuary, where prayers of supplication and songs of praise sustain the community that toils and struggles in the field of life”.[7]

The World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly is an opportunity to proclaim once more, with joy, that the Church wants to celebrate together with all those whom the Lord – in the words of the Bible – has “filled with days”. Let us celebrate it together! I ask you to make this Day known in your parishes and communities; to seek out those elderly persons who feel most alone, at home or in residences where they live. Let us make sure that no one feels alone on this day. Expecting a visit can transform those days when we think we have nothing to look forward to; from an initial encounter, a new friendship can emerge. Visiting the elderly who live alone is a work of mercy in our time!

Let us ask Our Lady, Mother of Tender Love, to make all of us artisans of the *revolution of tenderness*, so that together we can set the world free from the spectre of loneliness and the demon of war.

To all of you, and to your loved ones, I send my blessing and the assurance of my closeness and affection. And I ask you, please, not to forget to pray for me!

Rome, Saint John Lateran, 3 May 2022, Feast of the Apostles Philip and James

FRANCIS

Can you undertake an Overseas Mission?

Our sister churches in Africa, Asia and the Pacific are requesting Australian Catholics to join them to build the skills of those in their community who have had less opportunity than ourselves. Please consider these [Mission opportunities abroad](#).

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference provide support. [Palms Australia](#), who have prepared Australian Catholics for global mission since 1961, will ensure accommodation and a living allowance is provided to you during your time away. [Enquire online](#) or Ph: 0422 742 567 to find out about a placement to engage your skills.

You can also [Register](#) for a Webinar on **Monday August 1st at 7:00 pm** to talk directly with a Palms' partner community in Timor Leste and two Australians recently posted to work with them. Invite your friends. **The stories will inspire.**

ROBERT M. HADDAD

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First Talk @ 11:00am

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Thinking about World Youth Day 2023? Bishop Anthony Randazzo is inviting young people of the Diocese to join him on an experience of a lifetime.

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Fr Paul Durkin will be presenting our third talk on Discernment: Awareness, Understanding & Action, starting with Holy Hour at 6pm, followed by dinner. This promises to be a special evening for all young adults who are seeking guidance and direction in their lives.

During the talk, Fr Paul will explore what it means to be aware of God's will for our lives, how to understand His call, and how to take action in response. This promises to be a rich and informative evening, so please join us! Hope to see you there!

Friday July 22, 6pm
35 Billyard Ave, Wahroonga 2076
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Please RSVP for catering purposes.

Vocations.ministry@bbcatholic.org.au

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You are cordially invited to the Broken Bay Seminarian Benefit Dinner!

Join us for an evening of good food and company as we support our Broken Bay seminarians and raise awareness of the importance of vocations within our diocese. Our seminarians will be sharing their testimonies and musical talents, and you will have a chance to get to know them better.

The dinner will be held on Saturday, August 13, 2022, at 6:30pm at Our Lady of Dolours Parish, Harrington Hall (94 Archer St, Chatswood). Tickets are \$15 per person. All are welcome!

Please follow the link below to secure your tickets. We hope to see you there!

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For more info contact: the parish office on (02) 9410 9000 Email: chatswoodoffice@bbcatholic.org.au or the Vocations Office at vocations.ministry@bbcatholic.org.au



Congratulations Bishop David Walker

It was a pleasure and blessing to attend a celebration last night for Bishop David Walker's 60th Ordination Anniversary at Our Lady of Dolours Parish, Chatswood. Following Mass the many priests, parishioners and friends who attended were treated to a wonderful supper, and my thanks to the parish and Parish Priest – also our Vicar General – Fr David Ranson, for organising and hosting the celebration. Bishop David was Bishop of the Diocese of Broken Bay from 3 September 1996 for 17 years before officially retiring on 13 November 2013.

Bishop David's ongoing support for furthering theological study and adult faith formation to the wider Catholic community led to the development and founding of the Catholic Correspondence Centre, The Centre for Christian Spirituality and The Broken Bay Institute.

Although retired, Bishop Walker continues to be part of the life of our Church – albeit at a more relaxed pace!

+ Anthony

A series of Zoom events addressing *Inclusion in the Church*

Join us over four Wednesday evenings in August as we focus on synodality, governance, and leadership of the Church in the context of Church inclusion.

As the official Plenary process moves to a new phase, there is much work still required to create a just, synodal Church; a Church where all are included equally and inclusively.

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EVENT DETAILS

WHEN: Wednesday Evenings – August 10, 17, 24 & 31

TIME: 7:30-9:00pm (AEST)*

WHERE: Online via Zoom

COST: \$22.00 incl. GST (covers all four sessions). Excludes TryBooking fee.

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A Just Synodal Church

Bill Uren SJ: Scholar-in-Residence at Newman College at the University of Melbourne.

Miriam Pawlak: International Coordinator for the *German Synodal Path*.

Teresa Hohmann: International Coordinator for the *German Synodal Path*.

WEDNESDAY 17 AUGUST, 7.30-9.00pm

Women in a Just Synodal Church

Patricia Gemmell: Member of the National Leadership Team of the Grail in Australia.

Peter Maher: Retired priest and editor of *The Swag*.

WEDNESDAY 24 AUGUST, 7.30-9.00pm

LGBTQIA+ Inclusivity in a Just Synodal Church

Benjamin Oh: Founder and co-chair of Rainbow Catholics InterAgency for Ministry.

Claude Mostowick msc: President, Pax Christi Australia.

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