

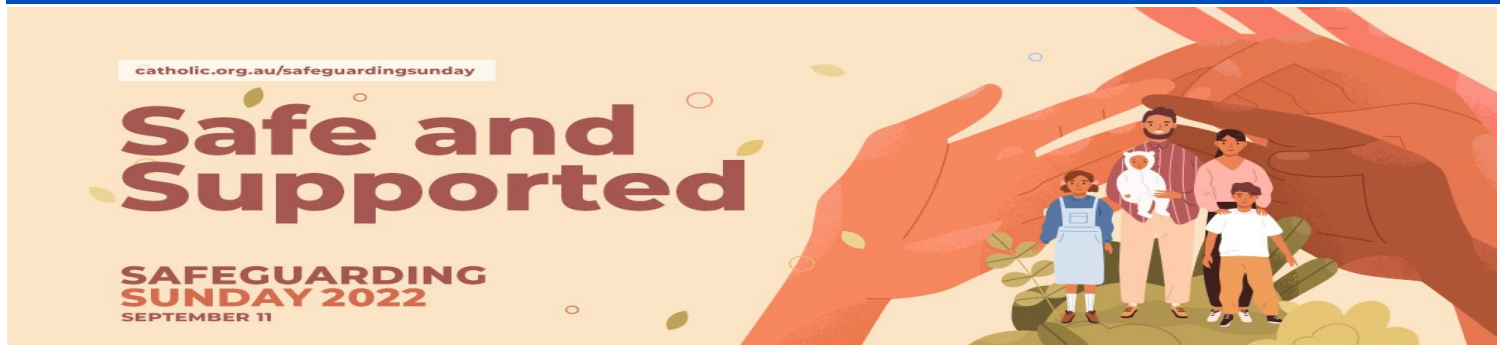


# Catholic Parish of Lower North Shore

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.

Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C – 11th September 2022



## Sinners and Archery

Rule-obsessed Pharisees complained that Jesus 'welcomes sinners and eats with them'. So, who are 'sinners'? The word commonly used in the Gospels for sin is 'hamartia' which refers to an arrow falling short of the target.

Our target is sharing in the life of God, but we often miss the mark, falling short through laziness and negligence, sometimes by deliberately shooting the arrow of our life in the wrong direction. We need the forgiveness of God, expressed in the hospitality of Jesus Christ, to encourage us to aim better.

At every Mass, we are invited to share in the re-enactment of Jesus' expert drawing of the bow, letting fly and perfectly hitting the mark in his life, death, resurrection and ascension to heavenly glory.

We could pause for a moment to pray that Jesus may encourage and empower us to be the archers we are meant to be.

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### VALE QUEEN ELIZABETH II

We pray for the late Queen's eternal rest and acknowledge her life of dedicated service to her family, her people and the Commonwealth.



### SAINTS, FEASTS AND SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS

Tuesday 13th - *St John Chrysostom*

Wednesday 14th - *The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

Thursday 15th - *Our Lady of Sorrows*

Friday 16th - *St Cornelius and Cyprian*

Saturday 17th - *Healing and Anointing Mass— St Leonard's Church 9am*

### COMMUNION SERVICES AT LNS PARISH

This Wednesday 14th September, there will be Communion Services at St Thomas' 9am and St Philip Neri 9.15am as the clergy are away on a retreat. All other days are as per normal.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

**Recently Deceased:** Mary Doughty & Bernardo Buono.

**Anniversaries:** Sheldon Jannings, Barbara Smith, Tanya Brooks, Joe Andrade & Brendan Crumpton.

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



## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Sir 36:18

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

## FIRST READING

Ex 32:7-11. 13-14

A reading from the book of Exodus

*The Lord relented and did not send the evil he had threatened.*

The Lord spoke to Moses, 'Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and offered it sacrifice. "Here is your God, Israel," they have cried, "who brought you up from the land of Egypt!" I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation.'

But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. 'Lord,' he said, 'why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this promise: I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever.' So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 50:3-4. 12-13. 17. 19. R. Lk 15:18

**(R.) I will rise and go to my father.**

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin. **(R.)**

A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **(R.)**

O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall declare your praise. My sacrifice is a contrite spirit; a humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn. **(R.)**

## SECOND READING

1 Tm 1:12-17

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

*Christ came to save sinners.*

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, and who judged me faithful enough to call me into his service even though I used to be a blasphemer and did all I could to injure and discredit the faith. Mercy, however, was shown me, because until I became a believer I had been acting in ignorance; and the grace of our Lord filled me with faith and with the love that is in Christ Jesus. Here is a saying that you can rely on and nobody should doubt: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I myself am the greatest of them; and if mercy has been shown to me, it is because Jesus Christ meant to make me the greatest evidence of his inexhaustible patience for all the other people who would later have to trust in him to come to eternal life. To the eternal King, the undying, invisible and only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.

Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

Lk 15:1-10

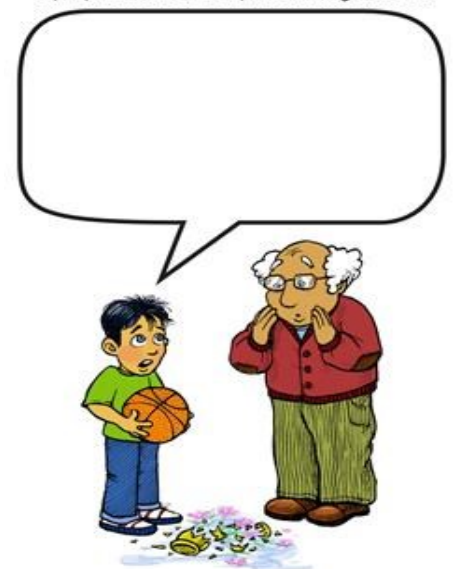
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke *(shorter form)*

*There will be joy in heaven over one sinner who does penance.*

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them: 'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," he would say "I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance.

'Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," she would say "I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.'

*Sometimes it's hard to say I'm sorry. What could the boy say to show he is sorry for breaking the vase?*



## Baptism this Weekend

Isla Bogema &  
Violette Moyle

**Welcome!**



## CHANGE IN OFFICE OPENING DAYS

Please note, the Parish office will be **CLOSED** on Wednesdays for the month of September. We are open 9am to 3pm Mon, Tue, Thur & Friday.



### Parish Priest

Rev Fr Jose Philip OSH  
jose.philip@bbcatholic.org.au

### Assistant Priests

Rev Fr Biju Mathew  
Rev Fr Chima Ofor

### RNSH Chaplain

Rev Fr Peter Dowd  
**Deacon**

Rev Dr. Anthony Gooley

### Parish Missionary Council

Chair: Bev Jones

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### Parish Office Hours

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Caitlin Douglas

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### Director of Liturgical Music

Lisa Lewis

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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: Enrica Bova  
9958 7308

## SERRA VOCATIONS MASS AND DINNER MEETING

Father Ed Travers Resident Chaplain to the Benedictine Abbey at Jamberoo and previously External Spiritual Director of the Good Shepherd Seminary Homebush will be celebrating Mass for Serra at

Sacred Heart Church Pymble on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2022. The evening commences with Mass at 6.00 PM followed by a light meal and a short meeting.

**Following the meeting Father Ed will be speaking to us; his topic is "The Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist".**

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, novices, and diaconate aspirants and for the perseverance of existing vocations.*



Please telephone: Terry Scanlan on **0438 887 295** or email

terry\_scanlan@bigpond.com if you would like to attend.

## FUNERAL FOR THE LATE MARY DOUGHTY

Mary's funeral will be on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 10am at the Monte St Angelo Mercy Chapel.

### SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY-

**11 SEPTEMBER 2022**

The Parish of Lower North Shore and the Diocese of Broken Bay are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. Mindful of the theme for National Child Protection Week, may we work together to ensure all people feel safe and supported.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: [www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday](http://www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday)



## WE ARE SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY VISITORS SCHEME

JUST ONE HOUR A FORTNIGHT IS REQUIRED

Would you like to volunteer for an organisation with exceptional values? Are you passionate about achieving positive outcomes for seniors?

CatholicCare Diocese of Broken Bay is seeking volunteers for our federally funded Community Visitors Scheme. Our volunteers have flexibility to choose a day and time that suits them, we just ask for a commitment of at least one hour per fortnight. As a volunteer you will support seniors in a local Aged Care facility or in their own home to help improve their quality of life.

Affectionately referred to as CatholicCare's 'friendship program', you will be able to build new connections and positive relationships with someone who will greatly appreciate your company. The time will be spent having a cuppa, going on outings, reading together, listening to music, playing games and other activities. We receive regular requests for volunteers who speak other languages so it's a bonus if you are multilingual! All volunteers are supported with regular check-ins. Can you help?

Please call Nicki on 0418 435 304, email [nicki.bispham@catholiccaredbb.org.au](mailto:nicki.bispham@catholiccaredbb.org.au) or visit [www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/volunteer](http://www.catholiccaredbb.org.au/volunteer).

### Children's Liturgy



### St Thomas'

**During 9:30am Mass**

**Each Sunday in school term.**

### St Philip Neri

**9am- 18th September  
9am- 25th September**



## LAUGHTER AND FRIENDSHIPS TO BE FOUND, EACH WEDNESDAY IN THE PARISH HALL

Each Wednesday between 9.30am and 11.00 am, you are welcome to drop in to the Parish Hall in Willoughby. There is fun, laughter and good company. Wheeled access is available. Enquiries Marie Harris 0417 077020.



MASS/ SERVICE/ SCHEDULE	ST THOMAS' WILLOUGHBY	ST LEONARD'S NAREMBURN	ST PHILIP NERI NORTHBRIDGE
<b>Sunday Masses</b>	6pm Vigil Saturday 8am & 9:30am Sunday	10:30am & 6pm Sunday	5pm Vigil Saturday & 9am Sunday
<b>Weekday Masses</b>	9am Mon to Sat	9am Tue -Thu - Sat	9:15am Mon - Wed - Fri
<b>Royal North Shore Hospital Chapel</b>	Weekday Mass Thursday & Friday 1pm	Weekend Mass 4pm Sunday	
<b>Reconciliation</b>	Saturday 5:15pm - 5:45pm	Saturday 9:30am - 9:45am	Saturday 4:45pm
<b>Youth Mass</b>		1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 6pm	
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	During 9:30am Mass Each Sunday in school term.		9am- 18th September 9am- 25th September
<b>Community Masses</b>		PNGCCAA 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday 7pm	
<b>Healing Mass/ Anointing Novena to the Sacred Heart</b>	9am Mass 1 <sup>st</sup> Friday	9am Mass 3rd Saturday	
<b>Adoration</b>	Tuesday after 9am Mass During School Term		
<b>Baptisms</b>	11:00am 2nd & 4th Sundays	12pm 4th Sunday	12pm 3rd Sunday
<b>Baptism Prep Parish Office</b>	2nd Tuesday of the month 11am 3rd Tuesday of the month 7pm		
<b>Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group CCCR</b>	St Thomas' Parish Hall 7:15pm Tuesday Evenings Enquiries 0419 977 531		
<b>Legion of Mary</b>	Meets every Friday in the 'Blue Room' at the Parish Hall 9:45am All Welcome		

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