

Catholic Parish of Lower North Shore







St Thomas' Willoughby

St Philip Neri Northbridge

St Leonard's Naremburn

MISSION—'Together, in Christ's love, for others' **VISION**—'To know and love God, and to be Christ to one another'

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.

World Mission

Sunday

Hearts on fire.

feet on the move."

October 22, 2023

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29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A 22nd OCTOBER 2023

This Sunday, October 22, His Holiness Pope Francis invites people around the world to come together in celebration of World Mission Sunday. This

annual event serves as a poignant reminder of the life-giving work carried out by missionaries in Australia and across the globe.

His World Mission Sunday message draws inspiration from the Gospel of Luke (cf. 24:13-35), recounting the story of the disciples on their journey to Emmaus. With the theme "Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move," Pope

Francis reminds us that the missionary spirit resides within the hearts of all individuals.



SUNDAY'S READINGS

Entrance Antiphon (Cf Psalm 16:6,8)

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words.
Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

First Reading (Isaiah 45:1.4-6)

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him that their gates be closed no more: It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name, conferring a title though you do not know me. I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me. Though you do not know me, I arm you that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 95:1. 3-5. 7-10. R. v.7)

(R.) Give the Lord glory and honour.

Second Reading (1 Thessalonians 1:1-5)

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown

your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ. We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

Gospel Acclamation (Philippians 2:15. 16)

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

Gospel (Matthew 22:15-21)

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar - and to God what belongs to God.'

IN OUR PRAYERS

Recently Deceased: John Plowman.

Anniversaries: Gus Larkin, Jim Biggs, Nikola Mirosevic, Eileen Elizabeth Hurrell, Veronica Jean Stinson, Leona Oudin and Juan Lira.

Sick: Bishop Peter Ingham, Peter Champion, Julie Wong, Anne-Maree Nevil, Nicole Eve Van de Gard, Lana Zalmic, Lucy Rappa

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LITURGY of THE WEEK 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mon 23rd St John of Capistrano

Tue 24th St Anthony Claret

Wed 25th Weekday, Ordinary Time

Thurs 26th Weekday, Ordinary Time

Fri 27th Weekday, Ordinary time

Sat 28th Sts Simon and Jude FEAST

Please join us for our Parish All Souls Day Mass celebrations on Thursday 2nd November St Thomas' Church Willoughby - 9am St Leonard's Church Naremburn - 9am St Plilip Neri Church Northbridge - 9.15am SPECIAL REMEMBRANCE MASS St Thomas' Church - 7.30pm

November Mass Intentions

During the month of November there will be Mass Intentions offered for your deceased loved ones. Envelopes will be available in the entry of each church, you can drop them to the office, or place them on the collection plate.

If you would like to add a loved ones name in this year's November Mass Memorial Book it will also be located at the entry of each church.



we pray for the many people whose lives have been torn apart by conflict in Gaza and Israel.

We pray especially those who have died, those who are grieving, the injured and those now without food, shelter or medical supplies. Strengthen and support the work of all relief organisations.

WYD THANK YOU NIGHT

Supper and Reflections

We are excited to invite you to an evening of gratitude and sharing as we express our heartfelt thanks for the incredible support and generosity that made our recent World Youth

Day pilgrimage possible. Your prayers, encouragement, and donations have played a significant role in allowing us to embark on this life-changing journey. This night is just a small way to say thank you to the community!



<u>Date/Time</u>: Saturday 28 October after the 6pm Mass <u>Location</u>: St Thomas' Church

God Bless,

The Lower North Shore WYD Pilgrims:
Adeline, Frances, Clara, Maria and Aaron

WYD strengthened our faith and enriched our lives. We warmly welcome all members of our parish community to attend, whether you supported our pilgrimage financially, through prayer, or simply wish to hear all about our experiences. Your presence will make this night even more meaningful. We look forward to seeing you there!

Prayer for Peace Thursday Oct 26, 2023



Taize

Simple meditative worship

Looking for some peace, stillness and a message of hope in a shaken world? Come and join as we pray for dignity, mercy, justice, peace and love to triumph.

candlelight, song, prayer, silence

Please join with us for this beautiful, quiet time of spiritual nourishment, no preaching. Everyone is most welcome.

From 6:30pm: A delicious supper, drinks and hospitality
7:15pm: Service commences in Church. (40 mins.)

Venue: St Philip Neri Church and Hall, 224 Sailors Bay Road, Northbridge

Hosted by St Philip Neri Catholic Community, for the Northbridge Combined Christian Churches (NCCC)

St Marks Anglican Church, Northbridge
Willoughby and Northbridge Uniting Church
Catholic Parish of Lower North Shore

The World Community for Christian Meditation (NSW) presents:

'Introduction to Meditation'

An introduction to the contemplative practice of silent meditation in the Christian Tradition.

Each 1-hour session covers the same content.

Choose 1 of the three options all held on Monday 27th November:

- 9:15am at the Blue Room cnr. of High Street& Horsley Avenue
 - 4:30pm at the Parish Office on 182 High Street Willoughby
- 6:30pm at the Blue Room cnr. of High Street
 & Horsley Avenue

RSVP via email maximoc@gmail.com





María S.S. Assunta

A celebration for the Feast of the

Assumption is being held on the
12th November at 1pm St Leonard's
Church, Naremburn
This special Mass will be celebrated
by Bishop Anthony Randazzo and
will include a Procession.

After the Procession there will be refreshments served in the hall where there will be some great prises to be won.

All are welcome

PARISH SCHEDULE			
	St Thomas' Willoughby	St Leonard's Naremburn	St Philip Neri Northbridge
Weekend Masses	6.00pm Vigil Saturday 8.00am & 9.30am Sunday	10.30am Sunday 6.00pm Sunday (Youth Mass)	5.00pm Vigil Saturday 9.00am Sunday
Weekday Masses	9.00am: Mon – Sat	9.00am: Tue, Thu, Sat	9.15am: Mon, Wed, Fri
Adoration	Tuesday: 9.30am - 10.30am	Saturday: 9.30am - 10.00am	
Reconciliation	Saturday: 5.15pm - 5.45pm	Saturday: 9.30am - 10.00am	Saturday: 4.15pm - 5.45pm
Healing Mass	9.00am on First Friday (Divine Mercy & Adoration)	9.00am on 3 rd Saturday	
Baptism	9.00am 1 st Sunday 11.00am 3 rd Sunday <i>(outside Mass)</i>	10.30am on 2 nd Sunday	9.00am on 4 th Sunday
Children's Liturgy	9.30am Sunday (during school term)		9.00am 4 th Sunday (Family Mass)

Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal

An estimated 1 million people have been displaced in Gaza with immediate food, shelter, health, and psychosocial needs. 'This is a period of incredible turmoil and sadness. The escalation of violence has only exacerbated needs for the people in Gaza and West Bank, who already live in dire conditions. We are working with our partners on the ground to provide comprehensive and critical support to over 17,000 families affected by this devastating conflict.' Sally Thomas, Humanitarian Lead, Caritas Australia

With your support, we will be able to help our partners on the ground to assist people displaced and affected by the current conflict.

Please donate to Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal.

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Vox Populi 19 October 2023

Another very busy schedule at the Synod on Synodality at the Vatican this week. Discussions included the possibility of revising canon law and addressing equality for women in the Church.

Bishop Anthony Randazzo was asked to join a Holy See press briefing in which he clarified the distinction between the "procedural or situational canon law."

"It's one very large, ongoing process," he said. "The law itself of course can change with the needs of the Church... [procedural] law can be adapted according to the needs of particular communities and situations and circumstances. Other laws are more deeply rooted in the Second Vatican Council and Sacred Scripture.

"So it is not just a matter of changing them to accommodate the changing circumstances of the world," he said. "We have to first ask what was in the mind of the legislator, what was the mind of the council, what were the theological, spiritual, pastoral fruits that led to those being prepared, not just in the 1960s but over the last 2000 years of the community of the Church."

Prof Reneé Köhler-Ryan, Dean of Philosophy and Theology at the University of Notre Dame Australia and one of the lay women delegates at the Synod, also took part in the same press briefing.

After being asked about whether Synod participants have addressed equality for women in the Church, she commented that she doesn't focus on the fact that she's not a priest.

Dr Kohler-Ryan also added there is currently a lot of focus on women's ordination.

"What happens when we place too much emphasis on this question is we forget about what women need throughout the world," she said.

"We could be making sure that professional women are not forced to choose between having families and being out there in the workforce; we could be doing more to make sure that families are supported in all kinds of way."

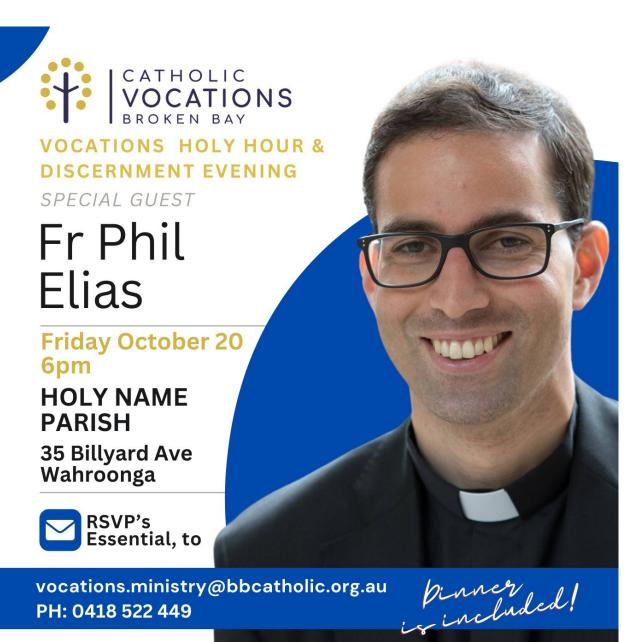
In his role of president of the Federation of Catholic Bishops Conferences of Oceania, Bishop Anthony also spoke about digital evangelization and how that affects different cultures.

"When we talk about the synodal way of walking together, we really should be talking about how we might swim or boat together," he joked. "There are people in the Church and communities of Oceania who are vast distances away from anyone else, and they live in deep isolation and so communication can be a real challenge."

"This raises for us even deeper questions with regards to the way we speak, the way we act, the way we involve various people in the community of the Church and in the society in which we live," he said.

One of the wonderful experiences for me here is sitting at a table with people who come from all over the world, who are not just from Europe, who don't come from traditional European communities of the Church.

"That sounds very synodal to me."
Bishop Anthony sent a video message to the people of Broken Bay and can be viewed at https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/news/latest-news



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CatholicCare would like to express our gratitude for supporting our Homelessness Week fundraiser in August. Our parish and school communities raised over \$90,000 which will allow us to continue supporting some of the most vulnerable people in our Diocese.

We provide a women's refuge, transitional accommodation options, young parent's homelessness services and street sleeping outreach supports. We also operate Dom's Place in Hornsby and Mary Mac's in Woy Woy where people who are homeless or transient can connect with others over a meal and access pathways to homelessness support services and health assistance.

Without your generosity CatholicCare would need to turn many people away. Thank you again.



Conference 2023

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Wednesday 25 October 2023 10am - 4pm Hornsby RSL

Followed by Pastoral Ministry Network AGM at 4.30pm

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Steph <u>la</u>ngley

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Keynote Speaker

Qwayne Guevara

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10:45 AM | ROSARY - JOYFUL MYSTERIES

11:30AM | PRAISE AND WORSHIP SESSION #1

12:00PM | ANGELUS

12:10PM | ROSARY - SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

1:00PM | REFLECTION ON ST JOHN PAUL II

2:00PM | ROSARY - GLORIOUS MYSTERIES

3:00PM | DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

3:30PM | STATIONS OF THE CROSS

4:30PM | ROSARY - LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

5:00PM | LITANY OF ALL SAINTS

5:15PM | PRAISE AND WORSHIP SESSION #2

5:45PM | LITANY OF JPII

6:00PM | YOUTH MASS

AFTER MASS 10:30AM-12PM

BBQ | HOSPITALITY | LIVE MUSIC | MARKET STALLS | PRAYER STATIONS

COFFEE, TEA, REFRESHMENTS ALL DAY