# Catholic Parish of Tindfield-Killara

Diocese of Broken Bay

### SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT 17 - 3 - 19

Last Sunday, the First Sunday in Lent, the catechumens from all over the diocese gathered at our cathedral at Waitara for the Rite of Election at which our Diocesan Administrator, Fr David Ranson, formally welcomed them as candidates for baptism at Easter in their parishes. Pictured below: Left: our catechumens Eric & Coey, plus Richard, one of our candidates for reception to the Church. Right: All the catechumens gathered with Fr David at the cathedral.



Youth News





LENT AND EASTER ON THE PARISH WEBSITE You will find plenty of information on our Lenten activities and also the timetable for our Easter celebrations on our website (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au). This Lenten and Easter information can be accessed either under 'Mass and Prayer Times' or even more easily via the special highlight box for Lent (pictured above).

Come challenge your brain.. pop culture to science and everything in betwee

22 March / 6.30 - 8.30pm

The Basement Youth room under the church @ Lindfield

> \$5 entry Covers dinner and prizes

### New parish website

Our diocese pays the costs of each parish's website and has been in the process of changing over to a new hosting service requiring the re-construction of each website. Ours was launched last week and essentially has the same structure so you can easily find everything where you were used to finding it.

The address remains the same: www.lindfieldkillara.org.au



### Aletter from Fr Colin...

The pain in our hearts has no doubt been stirred again over the last week with the sentencing of Cardinal Pell, and the very public nature of this event.

Our hearts have once again had to face the awful reality of abuse in our Church and in our society and the suffering of its victims. As a Church we have to be committed to addressing the healing of those who have suffered abuse in any way that we can, and of course ensuring the safety of children as we move forward.

At the same time we cannot accept the rhetoric that this is our *whole* story as a Church, or even the major part of our story. We all know and have known the great mass of good disciples, people whose hearts have been lifted, whose lives have been transformed, by their faith in Jesus; who have become instruments of so much good work in the world, so often unsung. Whose lives have been enriched by their faith. This is part of our story too. A huge part of our story.

During this last week our parish lost a wonderful member, Paula Clarkstone, who at the age of 92 was still a member of the choir until Christmas. Facing a diagnosis of terminal cancer, Paula's journey to her death was simply inspirational, a journey suffused with joy in God and with gratitude for the goodness of God she recognised in her life. She was always effusively grateful for the loving nuns who educated her so many years ago, who provided her with lifelong inspiration in faith, and who now we trust are her companions in the joy of God. Paula, wonderful Paula, is part of our story too.

We **cannot** deny the evil that has happened in the Church and we must do everything possible to redress it. But we cannot deny the good either.

Fr Colin



Don't forget our Parish Pilgrimage on Sunday 31st March.

A wonderful way to pray with our feet in the beautiful days of autumn. See page 8 for details.





Tati is a Dayak woman, living in a remote forest of West Kalimantan, Indonesia, with her husband and two of her three childrer

Her two youngest children go to school nearby while her 19 year old son lives in a rented room close to his school 60 kilometres away. The family pays for his living-away-from-home expenses, in addition to providing for school expenses.

Tati's Dayak culture is deeply linked to the rainforest and her family has relied on it for sustenance for generations.

Over the last few years, communities which depend on the native forests have seen them shrink, along with vital habitats for endangered orangutans, rhinos and tigers.

Caritas Australia, with its partners Caritas Indonesia – KARINA and the Diocesan Caritas are working with local communities to develop alternative sustainable livelihoods, by training them in eco-tourism activities.

Before Tati joined the Caritas program, she and her husband mainly earned their income from rubber tapping and raising chickens.

Now, Tati has increased her family income ten times over by cooking for tourists and making souvenirs. Her community is also developing a strong financial base so that it can manage its own land.

Around 600 people have directly benefitted from the program so far – with hopes it car be expanded to other districts.

"I hope to continue living with fresh air, clear water, protected forest," Tati says," and to be able to pay for my children's education and that my grandchildren can still enjoy the forest."

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*This week : Gen 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17-4:1 Lk 9:28-36 Next week: Ex 3:1-8, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42* 

### Transfiguration.

The Second Sunday in Lent always presents us with the account of the Transfiguration of Jesus.

Why? Because of its appropriateness to Lent – the Scriptures see the Transfiguration as a foretaste of the resurrection, *a glimpse of Easter* as it were.

Which means that its message for our lives is to challenge us to look for the *glimpses of Easter* in the everyday of our own lives:

where do we see God's life and love appearing in human lives and actions?

And even more importantly *how am I* a glimpse of Easter for others in the way I live my life, speak to and about others, act as a minister of compassion and love?

As this Lent unfolds

can we work to become more attentive to the glimpses of Easter in life? can we work to become, for others, glimpses of Easter ourselves? *Fr Colin* 

### **RICHARD ROHR'S MEDITATION:**

### SEEING CHRIST EVERYWHERE

We need to look at Jesus until we can see the world with his eyes. In Jesus Christ, God's own broad, deep, and all-inclusive worldview is made available to us.

Too often, we have substituted the messenger for the message. As a result, we spent a great deal of time worshiping the messenger and trying to get other people to do the same. Too often this obsession became a pious substitute for actually following what Jesus taught—he did ask us numerous times to follow him (for example, Matthew 4:19; Mark 10:21; John 1:43), and never once to worship him.

If you pay attention to the text, you'll see that the Apostle John offers a very evolutionary notion of the Christ message. Note the active verb that is used here: "The true light that enlightens every person was coming (*erxomenon*) into the world" (John 1:9). In other words, we're talking not about a one-time Big Bang in nature or a one-time Incarnation in Jesus, but an ongoing, progressive movement continuing in the ever-unfolding creation. Incarnation did not just happen two thousand years ago. It has been working throughout the entire arc of time and will continue. This is expressed in the common phrase the "Second Coming of Christ." Unfortunately, this was often heard as a threat ("Wait till your Dad gets home!"). It could more accurately be spoken of as the "Forever Coming of Christ," the ongoing promise of eternal resurrection and the evolution of consciousness into the mind of Christ.

Christ is the light that allows people to see things in their fullness. The precise and intended effect of such a light is to see Christ everywhere else. In fact, that is my only definition of a true Christian. A mature Christian sees Christ in everything and everyone else. That is a definition that will never fail you, always demand more of you, and give you no reasons to fight, exclude, or reject anyone.

The point of the Christian life is not to distinguish oneself from the ungodly, but to stand in radical solidarity with everyone and everything else. This is the intended effect of the Incarnation—symbolized by the cross, God's great act of solidarity instead of judgment. Without a doubt, Jesus perfectly exemplified this seeing and thus passed it on to the rest of history. This is how we are to imitate Jesus, the good Jewish man who saw and called forth the divine in Gentiles like the Syro-Phoenician woman and the Roman centurions; in Jewish tax collectors who collaborated with the Empire; in zealots who opposed it; in sinners of all stripes; in eunuchs, astrologers, and all those "outside the law." Jesus had no trouble whatsoever with otherness. In fact, these "lost sheep" found out they were not lost to him at all and tended to become his best followers.

### **REFLECTING ON THIS SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURES**

Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him."

### GOD'S INEFFABILITY-WHAT'S REVEALED IN JESUS' EYES?

"God, as I understand him, is not very well understood." A colleague of mine, now deceased, was fond of saying that. It's a wise comment.

Anyone who claims to understand God is deceived because the very first dogma we have about God affirms that God is ineffable. That means that we can know God, but never adequately capture God in a concept. God is unimaginable. God cannot be circumscribed and put into a mental picture of any kind. Thank goodness too. If God could be understood then God would be as limited as we are.

But God is infinite. Infinity, precisely because it's unlimited, cannot be circumscribed. Hence it cannot be captured in a mental picture. Indeed, we don't even have a way of picturing God's gender. God is not a man, not a woman, & not some hybrid, halfman & half-woman. God's gender, like God's nature, is intellectually inconceivable. We can't grasp it & have no language or pronoun for it. God, in a modality beyond the categories of human thought, is somehow perfect masculinity & perfect femininity all at the same time. It's a mystery beyond us.

But while that mystery cannot be grasped with any rational adequacy, we can know it intimately, and indeed know it so deeply that it's meant to be the most intimate of all knowledge in our lives. It's no accident that the bible uses the verb "to know" to connote sexual intimacy. There are different ways of knowing, some more inchoate, intuitive, and intimate than others. We can know God in a radical intimacy, even as we cannot conceptualise God with any adequacy. And that's also true of all the deep realities in life, we can know them and relate to them intimately, but we can never fully understand them.

So where does that leave us with God? In the best of places! We are not on a blind date, struggling to develop intimacy with a complete stranger, with an unknown person who could be benign or malignant. God may be ineffable, but God's nature is known.

Divine revelation, as seen through nature, as seen through other religions, and especially as seen through Jesus, spells out what's inside God's ineffable reality. And what's revealed there is both comforting beyond all comfort and challenging beyond all challenge.

What's revealed in the beauty of creation, in the compassion that's the hallmark of all true religion, and in Jesus' revelation of his Father, takes us beyond a blind date into a trustworthy relationship. Nature, religion, and Jesus conspire together to reveal an Ultimate Reality, a Ground of Being, a Creator and Sustainer of the universe, a God, who is wise, intelligent, prodigal, compassionate, loving, forgiving, patient, good, trustworthy, and beautiful beyond imagination.

Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, once, in a mystical vision, saw all of this hidden inside the eyes of Jesus. Staring at a painting of Jesus on a church-wall one day, Jesus' eyes suddenly became transfigured and this what Teilhard saw:

These eyes which at first were so gentle and filled with pity that I thought my mother stood before me, became an instant later, like those of a woman, passionate and filled with the power to subdue, yet at the same time so imperiously pure that under their domination it would have been physically impossible for the emotions to go astray.

And then they changed again, and became filled with a noble, virile majesty, similar to that which one sees in the eyes of men of great courage or refinement or strength, but incomparably more lofty to behold and more delightful to submit to. This scintillation of diverse beauties was so complete, so captivating, and also so swift that I felt it touch and penetrate all my powers simultaneously, so that the very core of my being vibrated in response to it, sounding a unique note of expansion and happiness.

Now while I was ardently gazing deep into the pupils of Christ's eyes, which had become abysses of fiery, fascinating life, suddenly I beheld rising up from the depths of those same eyes what seemed like a cloud, blurring and blending all that variety I have been describing to you. Little by little an extraordinary expression of great intensity, spread over the diverse shades of meaning which the divine eyes revealed, first of all penetrating them and then finally absorbing them all. ... And I stood dumbfounded. For this final expression, which had dominated and gathered up into itself all the others, was indecipherable. I simply could not tell whether it denoted an indescribable agony or a superabundance of triumphant joy.

God cannot be deciphered, circumscribed, or captured in human thought; but, from what can be deciphered, we're in good, safe hands. We can sleep well at night. God has our back. In the end, both for humanity as a whole and for our own individual lives, all shall be well, and all shall be well, and every manner of being shall be well.

God is good.

### ENTERING INTO THE SEASON OF LENT . .

**LENTEN 'LECTIO DIVINA'** Once again our diocese has provided books with guided reflections for the Sunday Scriptures of the Lenten Season. These are available today in both foyers of both our churches. It can also be accessed on the diocesan website: www.bbcatholic.org.au

**WEEKDAY MASS IN LENT** is a wonderful way to enter in this season – to draw on the richness of the daily Scriptures and to draw closer to the Lord and each other through sharing in the Eucharist.

## THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND LENT

Since Lent is the time of Easter preparation please make use of the *whole* of Lent to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation, which is celebrated each Saturday (see p. 6). When Easter arrives our Lenten preparation is over so please note that there will be NO opportunities for the celebration of of Reconciliation once Holy Week begins, including no Reconciliations at the normal Saturday time on Holy Saturday.

There will also be a celebration of the **Second Rite** (Communal Rite) **of Reconciliation** on **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April** (Wednesday before Holy Week) at **7:30pm**.

This celebration is for our two communities and will take place in **at Killara** (since the Advent celebration took place at Lindfield).

### A LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

Once again our diocese and its parishes will be offering a time on the Fridays of Lent as a quiet reflective space during which time the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available.

In most churches this will be offered on a Friday evening. In our parish this will be offered **on Friday mornings between 8-9am at Killara** (following the morning Mass and during the quite prayer time of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. It will not however take place on the second Friday of April as that is when we have our Healing Mass.

For details of other churches where *A Light Is On For You* is taking place please visit **www.thelightisonforyou.org.au** 

### **PROJECT COMPASSION THIS LENT**

You are helping to empower the world's poorest people. Your donation will support programs around the world that provide vulnerable people with the skills and opportunities they need to establish sustainable food sources for life.

Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of Lenten donation envelopes and give generously to the appeal this Lent.

You can donate through Project Compassion boxes and envelopes which are available to take home from near the doors of both our churches, or by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion

### CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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望上主!【答】	兩個人正要離開時,	24/3 舉行 3 月及 4 月		
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### ROSEVILLE – LINDFIELD – KILLARA INTERCHURCH FELLOWSHIP LENTEN ECUMENICAL SERVICES 2019

We are blessed that this year we will again be having **three Lenten Ecumenical Services** with our fellow Churches in our local area. Please be part of this wonderful opportunity to build the bridges of Christian Unity during the Lenten season of renewal:

Tuesday 26th March at 7:45pm

Tuesday 9th April

at 7:45pm Preacher: R *at Killara* 

at Lindfield Uniting Church Cnr Pacific Hny and Provincial Rd, Lindfield Preacher: Rev. Colin Blayney at Killara Uniting Church Cnr Arnold St and Karanga Ave, Killara Preacher: Rev. David Gill.

會,請各教友參加.

# THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

We fast from the joyful words of the Gloria during these days of Lent as we prepare our hearts and our community to celebrate once again the saving death and resurrection of Jesus

### MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:



### THE PSALM Ps 26:1. 7~9. 13~14.

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life before whom shall I shrink?

O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer. Of you my heart has spoken: 'Seek God's face.'

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek, hide not your face. Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help.

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in God, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord!

RESPONSES TO THE PSALM FOR WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK: **Monday**: Go out to all the world, and tell the Good News. Tues: The son of David will live for ever. Wed:. Save me, O Lord, in your steadfast love. **Thursday:** Happy are they who hope in the Lord. Friday: Remember the marvels the Lord has done. Saturday: The Lord is kind and merciful.

At Masses at which the Psalm is sung the response is: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

### THE NICENE CREED I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (all bow at the following words in bold): and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father & the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen

Jord, in Jesus your Son, you restored to us the gift of everlasting life. Grant that life to:

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Paula Clarkstone of our parish who died on Tuesday evening. The Funeral Mass for Paula will be celebrated at Holy Family Church Lindfield this Tuesday 19th March at 10:30am. Recently deceased: Jack Quinn, Valerie Re, Gwenda ('Gwen') Bradley. Anniversary: George Joseph Blayney, Piera Della Vedora, Fr Patrick Ryan, Sylvia Dobbie.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK : Cyril Ferriere, John Quirk, Alex Noble, William Wise, Lise Therese Ferriere, Daniella Schulze, Ian Coffey, Rebecca Turner, Maureen Hobbs, Russell Adams.

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### WHY am I STILL a Catholic ?

*Why am I still a Catholic ?* is a question that perhaps many of us ask ourselves at this time when we are confronted with the sins and crimes of (a minority of) members of our Church.

This year, as part of our parish adult faith education programme, we will be inviting a number of guest speakers to address this topic from their own experience of faith.

- For the first session Fr Frank Brennan SJ addressed this topic in his homily at our monthly Youth and Family Mass last Sunday.
- The second session we have so far organised will be led by Fr Richard Leonard SJ on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June from 7:30 – 9:00pm in the Shirley Wallace Parish Centre.

Keep checking our parish website for details of further sessions as they are organised ('Groups and Ministries' 'Adult Education'). By next weekend we should be able to advise of a third session – to be led by Carmelite Friar, now Bishop of Lismore, Greg Homeming.

### Celebrating Easter - Making a Joyful Sound Unto the Jord

### ~ Please be part of a combined choir for Easter ~

As we are one parish this year we will once again come together for a combined celebration of the greatest liturgical celebration of our Christian Year – the Mass of the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night: a single Mass at 7:30pm in our Lindfield church And also once again we will come together for a single celebration of the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening in our Killara church.

Anyone who is interested in being part of the special choir for the Easter liturgy (especially the Easter Vigil and Holy Thursday, and Good Friday for those who wish) is invited to join our Easter choir (even if you are not a regular member of any of our parish choirs).

**Rehearsals** are on **Saturday mornings March 30th, April 6th and April 13th** from 10:00am to 11:30am in Holy Family church at Lindfield. Please contact Catherine Willis at <u>catherinecwillis@gmail.com</u> for further information. Thank you!

Please help to make our Easter special by being part of the choir.

### STATE SCHOOL CATECHESIS ~

Tuesdays- 9.15-10am Yr 5 Lindfield EastTuesdays- 11.30-12pm Yr 6 Beaumont RdWednesdays- 8.50am and/or10am - Killara High assistantThursdays- 9.15-10am Killara Primary Yr 2/3(small class)- from term 2 LINDFIELD LEARNING VILLAGE – pls register interest to teach andassist asap to start training(Training Mondays or Fridays end Feb and March - enrol asap)

Contact <u>sue-anne@lindfieldkillara.org.au</u>

Please note: With the opening of the Lindfield Learning Village on the site of the former UTS campus (which is in our parish) we now have a new K-12 State School for which we are responsible).

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#### (no Mass at Lindfield). 16 Mar 23 Mar Saturday Lindfield 6:00pm Fr Colin Blayney Fr Thomas Alackakunnel Killara 5:30pm Fr Thomas Alackakunnel Fr Colin Blayney Sunday 17 Mar 24 Mar Fr Thomas Alackakunnel Lindfield 8:15am Fr Colin Blayney Fr Thomas Alackakunnel Fr Colin Blayney Killara 9:15am Fr Colin Blayney Lindfield 10:15am Fr Thomas Alackakunnel Lindfield 12:00noon Fr Thomas Alackakunnel Fr Gerard Kelly Lindfield 6:00pm Fr Colin Blayney Fr Thomas Alackakunnel

Sunday: 8:15am 10:15am 12:00 (Chinese Community Mass) 6:00pm (for both our communities) (5:30pm on 1st Sun. of month) KILLARA Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm Sunday: 9:15am WEEKDAYS THIS WEEK: Lindfield Killara 7:30am Mon.: 9:15am

MASS TIMES LINDFIELD:

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm

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Fri.:	9:15am***	7:30am***		
Sat.:	9:15am	~		
<b>RECONCILIATION</b>				

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**Lindfield:** Sat. 5:00~5:30pm **Killara:** Sat. after the Vigil Mass

\*\*\* Healing Mass for whole parish at 10am each 2nd Friday of each month at Killara (no Mass at Lindfield).

### Parish groups and events ...

### PARISH DIARY: MARCH

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March: Holy Family School Open Day (see above). Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>-Sun.17<sup>th</sup> Mar.: Holy Family School Art Show (see above).

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March: 7pm - Dads' Club (see page7).

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March: Morning tea after 9:15am and 10:15am Masses.

**Tuesday 26th March:** Lenten Ecumenical Service at 7:45pm (see page 3).

Wednesday 27th March: PPC meeting.

Sunday 31st March: Parish Pilgrimage – see page 8.

### PARISH YOUNG ADULTS' GROUP ('J~Walk'):

Next gathering takes place **NEXT Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March** immediately following the 6pm Mass, in the lounge in the Shirley Wallace Parish Centre on the first floor of Lindfield church – a relaxed gathering over a meal with discussion. All the dates



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for 2019 can be found on the parish website under 'Groups and Ministries'  $\rightarrow$  'Young Adults'.



THE PARISH DADS' CLUB will gather at 7pm on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March in the Shirley Wallace Parish Centre. Contact Michael Willett for details (<u>willetm@gmail.com</u>).

**PARISH PLAYGROUP 'Characters Playgroup'** meets every **Wednesday** from 10:45am till 12:15pm (during school terms) in the Shirley Wallace Parish Centre on the first floor of Holy Family church. Please register via Trybooking: www.trybooking.com/JYKW





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Second Sunday of Lent 17<sup>th</sup> March 2019





Tati lives in the remote forest of Indonesia with her husband and children. Earning an income working in a local rubber plantation, her Dayak culture has relied on the rainforest for generations. However, due to land clearing, many indigenous people are losing their land and livelihoods. Through eco-tourism training supported by Caritas Australia, Tati can now afford to send her children to school. With new hope and commitment Tati aspires to a future free from poverty for her family.

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### A NEW LOOK TO OUR PARISH BULLETIN

Following some suggestions, we are trialling this new format for our parish bulletin – please let us know what you think (charitably!).

### RENOVATIONS & BUILDING MAINTENANCE

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### PARISH PILGRIMAGE IN HONOUR OF ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP SUNDAY 31ST MARCH

Please be part of our parish pilgrimage to the shrine of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop at North Sydney on Sunday 31st March..

### THE ROUTE:



### Bring a picnic lunch to share in Hyde Park (we'll gather on the grass as close to the Archibald Fountain as possible – 12 noon).

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We will then move to the statue of Our Lady outside the northwestern corner of St Mary's Cathedral (12:40pm)for an introductory prayer and a reflection from the writings of Mary MacKillop.

At two further stops along the way - St Patrick's at Church Hill and St Francis Xavier's at Lavender Bay- we will again stop for a short time of input and prayer.

Then at the chapel of Mary MacKillop itself at 7 Mount St, North Sydney we will gather for our parish Mass at 3:30pm.

WHAT IS A PILGRIMAGE? Pilgrimage has a strong tradition in our Catholic faith. It is like a prayerful journey - as we walk we interact with our fellow pilgrims as fellow disciples, chatting and talking; but we also have those times and spaces for prayer and reflection. The pilgrimage walk is like a sacrament of the journey of our life helping us to focus once again on God who is the goal of that journey. It is like a mini-retreat 'on foot'.



**WHO CAN COME?** We hope that this will be a day for **ALL** the parish. Children and adults are all welcome.

WHAT IF IT'S A BIT TOO FAR FOR YOU TO WALK? For those who might find it difficult to do any or all of the walk there is the option of course of joining us at points along the journey – at Church Hill (near Wynyard) or at Lavender Bay church (not too far from either North Sydney or Milsons Point Stations) or

just for the Mass itself at Mount Street (again not far from North Sydney Station).

But if you can walk all the way please do it -a pilgrimage is a wonderful way to pray with our bodies rather than just with words.

CHANGES TO OUR SUNDAY MASS PROGRAMME THAT WEEKEND As we hope that the majority of the parish will take part in the pilgrimage we will have less Masses in the parish that weekend – there will be no 10:15am Mass or Sunday evening 6pm Mass at Lindfield on 31<sup>st</sup> March.

### WHAT ABOUT WET WEATHER?

In the event of really bad weather we will cancel the pilgrimage, including the Mass. If it's pouring rain on Sunday morning then it will be obvious that this is the case. However if the weather simply looks doubtful and we decide that cancellation is the best choice we will advise of a late decision re cancellation in two ways:

- a. A sign will go up on the changeable sign at the front of Holy Family church at Lindfield by 9:30am on the Sunday if the pilgrimage is cancelled
- We will leave a similar message on the parish website by 9:30am.

If there is no notice given either on the sign or on the website then the pilgrimage will be going ahead as planned.

### Please be there! Fr Colin



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