

# Catholic Parish of Lindfield-Killara

## Diocese of Broken Bay

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

17 - 11 - 19

**This week:** Mal 3:19-20; 2 Thess 3: 7-12; Lk 21:5-19

**Next week:** 2 Sam 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

The Scriptures for these final weeks of the liturgical year draw on the examples of 'apocalyptic literature' scattered through the Bible,

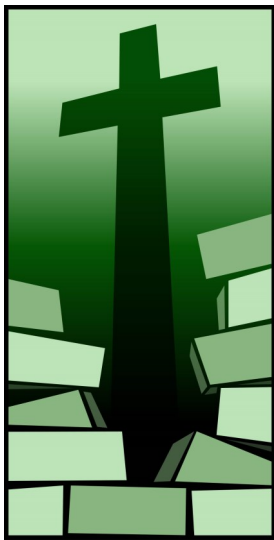
*a form of literature which uses highly figurative and symbolic language to express the dichotomy between the path of the Gospel and the way that the world often operates.*

This dramatic imagery of the 'end times', of stark choices and of judgment evokes a sense of *urgency*.

a challenge to embrace the Gospel **now**, not later;  
a challenge to allow God to have first place in our life **now**, not tomorrow.

We live in a convenience society where we're used to having our choices satisfied;  
**but the Gospel demands otherwise.**

As we approach the end of the Church year the challenge is to recognise that **urgency** in the call of the Gospel, not to postpone our response and our commitment to a more convenient *time*, not to express its demands in a more convenient *form*.  
*Fr Colin*



### On the journey to Easter

We have a great band of people preparing to join the Church next Easter. Pictured here at last Saturday's RCIA meeting are (clockwise from front left):

Kathryn Dent (RCIA Team member), Thomas Andersen, Jos Beunen (Team member), Gloria Cheung (Team member), Angela Chen, Lucy Alderson, Simon Alderson, Yuan Li, Sen Lu, Henry He, Rita Chen, Mary Ramos (Team member) and Katrina Meade (Team member). Madeleine Saville is also a candidate but was not present when the photo was taken.

### ECUMENICAL SERVICE AS WE PREPARE FOR ADVENT

The next gathering of our Roseville-Lindfield-Killara Interchurch Fellowship will be our **Heralding Advent Interchurch Service** on **Tuesday 26th November** at **7:45pm** at **Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church Killara** (cnr Fiddens Wharf Rd & Charles St) with **Rev. Chris Goringe** (from Roseville Uniting Church) as the preacher  
*A collection will be taken up in support of Act for Peace. Supper will follow the celebration.*



### Did you know that our parish has a Piety Stall?

It is located in the vestibule outside the lift on the first floor of Holy Family Church in the Shirley Wallace Parish Centre.

It is open during office hours and we are currently working to have it available on Sundays as well.



### Have Your Say! - Parish Revitalisation and the Plenary Council 2020

Don't miss this chance to have a say about the future of our Church!

Come to our "discernment" meeting on **Thursday 28 November** at **6:30pm** in the Shirley Wallace Parish Centre or submit your comments/suggestions to the Parish Revitalisation cCommittee via [parish@lindfieldkillara.org.au](mailto:parish@lindfieldkillara.org.au).

**Please see the article on page 3 of today's bulletin.**

## Food for the Soul ...

*“Teacher, when will this happen? And what sign will there be when all these things are about to happen?” (Lk 21:7)*

### READING THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES

There’s something very important in the naming of things.

A story is told about Anna Akhmatova, a Russian poet, who used to go each Saturday morning and stand in lines outside a prison in St. Petersburg where she, along with other women, had the hope of dropping off letters and packages for loved ones who had been arrested during Stalin’s purges.

The lines were interminably long, the women were cruelly treated by the guards, and they didn’t even know whether their loved ones were still alive or if the letters and packages they dropped off would ever be delivered. Their waiting was an exercise in frustration. One Saturday, waiting in this way, Akhmatova was recognised by another woman. The woman approached her and said: “You’re a poet, can you describe what’s happening here?” “Yes,” Akhmatova replied, “I can.” Then, the story goes on to say, something like a smile passed between them.

What had happened here? What passed between these women in that covert smile?

Just to be able to name and describe something is a political act, a prophetic act, a defiant act, and an act that in some way makes us transcendent to whatever circumstance we happen to be caught up in. Naming something is also an act of prayer.

How so?

Jesus challenged us to “read the signs of the times.” The challenge here is not so much to have an intellectual insight into a particular event as it is to see the finger of God in that event.

John of the Cross says: “The language of God is the experience that God writes into our lives.” To read the signs of the times is to look at each event of our lives and ask: “What is God saying through this event?”

The Jewish scriptures are already a wonderful example of this. We see there that, for Israel, there were no pure accidents, no purely secular events. God’s finger was everywhere, in every event, in every blessing, in every defeat, in every victory, in every drought, in every rainfall, in every death, in every birth. If Israel was defeated in battle, it wasn’t the Assyrians who defeated her. God defeated her. If Israel reaped a bountiful harvest, it wasn’t simple luck: God was blessing her. Nothing was ever purely secular or simply accidental.

Israel wasn’t so naive or fundamentalistic, of course, as to believe that God was actually the effective cause of these events or that, in the case of death and disaster, God even intended those events. But, nonetheless, in their view of things, God still spoke through those events. The finger of God and the voice of God were seen in the conspiracy of accidents that made up the outer events of their life. To discern the finger of God in the everyday events of life was, for Israel, a very important form of prayer.

My parents and my many of their generation understood this well. Reading the signs of the times was a spontaneous practice for them. They believed in something they called “divine providence” and, for them, like Israel, the finger of God was everywhere, in every event, good and bad. There was no such thing as pure accident or simple good luck. God was in charge, somehow behind everything. Sometimes they took this too far, believing that God actually started wars, burned-down houses, caused someone to get sick, or broke somebody’s leg to teach a lesson. But, generally, they weren’t that naive. Despite the language (“God did this to us!”) they believed only that God spoke through the event, not that God caused the event.

Whatever our religious strengths today, we no longer search in this way for the finger of God in the ordinary events of life. For us, adult children of the Enlightenment, there is a lot of pure accident, pure secular event, simple good luck, sheer luckless fate. In most of the events of our lives, we’re on our own, orphans without God, at the mercy of fate, victims of a pure conspiracy of accidents.

Thus, as we look at the events in the world and the church we see only historical accident: on 9/11, only terrorism, not God, speaks; in the sexual abuse scandal in the church, only the media, not God, speaks; in our incapacity to create peace and justice, we hear only human voices, not God’s; and in the personal blessings and tragedies within our lives, we hear only the voice of luck or fate, not the voice of God.

Partly our instincts are right. God didn’t cause ISIS, God didn’t send AIDS as a punishment for sin, and God doesn’t single out some people to win lotteries, while causing sickness and tragedy for others. A conspiracy of accidents does that. But God speaks to us through all of those accidents, good and bad, and one of the most important tasks of faith is to search within that conspiracy of accidents to try to find there God’s finger and God’s voice.

*(Fr Ron Rolheiser omi, The Centre for Liturgy, University of St Louis)*

**THE PARISH DADS’ CLUB** will gather at **7pm THIS Friday 22nd November** in the Shirley Wallace Parish Centre. Contact Michael Willett for details ([willetm@gmail.com](mailto:willetm@gmail.com)).



### ACCESSING THE SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAYS

A reminder that if you a Reader who wishes to prepare for your Sunday ministry, or if you would just like to prayerfully prepare for the proclamation of the Sunday Scriptures, the Readings for coming Sundays are always available on our parish website under ‘Sacraments’ → ‘Readings for Sundays’.

### CHARITABLE WORKS FUND—PROGRESS REPORT:



Quota for this appeal: \$15,000

Amount received: \$9,915

→ **Shortfall:** **\$5,085** ←

Envelopes are still available near the doors of both our churches if you can help us to avoid this shortfall. Donations are 100% tax deductible.

**THE PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2018-19** along with explanatory notes was published in last weekend’s bulletin. It is also available on the parish website (under ‘Our Parish’ → ‘Parish Finances’) along with previous years’ reports.

The Plenary Council working body, under the auspices of the Catholic Bishops of Australia has published a 'Snapshot Report' on one of the six themes for discernment. The following pieces have been taken from the report:

## A SNAPSHOT OF

# Your Stories of Faith

## GENNI

BUNBURY

As a small group we are cradle Catholics with a strong faith base and love of God, but a floundering confidence in the institution that is the present Catholic Church. We want the Church to move forward to reflect a contemporary outreach while still upholding the high moral values with regards to abortion, euthanasia and the sanctity of marriage for example. We seek to see the Church open its eyes to the needs in the communities in which we live. For example, abolish the "clericalism" attitude of some clergy that causes division and lack of inclusiveness. Our personal experience has seen the Baptism of four babies by a paedophile priest while a former priest in a parish community is deemed unworthy of his priesthood (because he married), but he had been a major positive influence in the day-to-day care of the parish community.



## BENJAMIN

ARMIDALE

To have the courage to let go the trappings of clericalism. To let go of elitism and exclusion. To embrace the downtrodden, the heart broken, the marginalised. For us to contemplate, how each of us may serve the Other? How may we tear down boundaries and take action to walk with others- to show mercy, to forgive, to love. To lead the way in bringing light to darkness- to take action in living-love in all things. To contemplate and act holistically- in our spiritual, social, political, environmental lives.



## RUTH

SANDHURST

The sexual abuse scandal, the anti-gay marriage rhetoric, the patriarchal nature of governance and the attitude towards contraception has made it impossible for [my children] to remain active participants. All of my children are strong advocates for social justice and they applaud the Australian bishops for their stance on offshore detention and other issues such as climate change. However, the Church in Australia must engage with the other issues mentioned if it is to have a hope of retaining educated women within the ranks of its faithful. As a teacher in a Catholic school, I find the only way to recontextualise my faith so that it has relevance to my students is through social justice. I continually promote Caritas and all its wonderful work but I despair at times for the future of my parish and the Church in Australia as a whole.



## A SNAPSHOT OF RESPONSES TO THE QUESTION:

**What questions do you have about the future of Australia that you would like the Plenary Council to consider?**

"How does the Church plan to address the issue of sex offenders within the Church and how will it support its victims?"

"Can we decrease authority in Church hierarchy and give some authority to the people?"

"How do we use Church resources for service to the poor?"

"How can we work to be more welcoming, inclusive, open, kind, loving, forgiving, compassionate, listening, and so build a 'home/community' Church for all, not just an institutional one?"

"How can we make the Church more inclusive of divorced and remarried, LGBTQIQ, people with a disability, including the mentally ill, those who have been damaged by abuse in the Church—emotional, spiritual, physical and sexual abuse?"

## TOPICS: WHAT DID PEOPLE TALK ABOUT?

People spoke about a number of different topics in PHASE 1: LISTENING AND DIALOGUE. Below are some of the topics which informed the theme 'How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Humble, Healing and Merciful (one of the six themes for discernment in the next phase of preparation for the Plenary Council):

- Allow contraception, birth control • Baby Boomer generation to listen to young Catholics • Be a witness in society
- Better communication of what the Church does • Better homilies • Better implementation of Royal Commission recommendations • Better training and support for youth leaders • Call to repentance for clergy sexual abuse
- Care for neighbour • Care for the environment • Care for the family • Defend right-to-life issues • End clericalism
- End discrimination of LGBTQ • Establish more youth programs • Fight for human rights issues • Focus on the new evangelisation • Greater access to Mass and Reconciliation • Greater concern for victims and survivors
- Greater connection with and inclusion of Indigenous Australians • Greater emphasis on prayer and sacraments
  - Greater focus on Jesus Christ • Greater focus on the Word of God • Greater leadership from bishops
  - Greater leadership from priests • Greater recognition of Eastern Catholic Churches • Greater trust, faith and hope in God • Heal and move beyond the clergy sexual abuse scandal • Healing liturgies and public signs or acts of reparation for clergy sexual abuse • Inclusion of the divorced and remarried • Listen to one another more
  - Mass to be appealing to youth and children • More transparency and accountability regarding clergy sexual abuse • More welcoming parishes • New translation of the Mass (inclusive language) • Outreach to all the baptised • Outreach to the wider community • Outreach to youth • Reduce margins between rich and poor
    - Restore the Third Rite of Reconciliation • Special care of rural parishes • Stronger parish communities
    - Transparency in governance and decision making • Youth to be involved more in Church community

Don't forget our own parish opportunity to contribute to the next phase of discernment for the Plenary Council:  
**Thur. 28 Nov.**  
**6:30pm**  
**Parish Centre**

## GIFTS FOR WATERLOO

For many years our Parish, through the St Vincent de Paul Society, has provided Christmas gifts for children in the Waterloo area.

The pressures of daily life are a constant grind for the sick, or those living on very low incomes.

Please help us again to brighten their hearts by taking a tag from the Christmas tree and buying a suitable gift. Each tag shows the age and gender of a child for whom we hope to provide a gift.

There also will be a box near the tree if you wish to donate some Christmas goodies for our friends at Waterloo. The trees will be up from **23<sup>rd</sup> November**.

To assist distribution will you please return your gift to either of our churches by **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December**.

Peace and Joy to you all.



## CANA CHRISTMAS STALLS

Our Social Justice and Youth Ministries are hosting Christmas Stalls to support Cana after Mass on **Saturday 30 November / Sunday 1 December**.

The Cana Christmas Stalls will sell beautifully packaged Christmas cakes, jams, honey, chutney, olives, olive oil and small candles. They are a great gift from the heart for our family and friends and benefit those in our local community who are in need.

Cana Farm and Enterprises are a charity, run by volunteers, who have identified the needs of disadvantaged and marginalised people.

100% of profits raised go toward providing employment or educational opportunities for people. Purchasing these products provides sustainable opportunities for people transforming their lives.

If you are interested in being part of hosting on the Cana Christmas Stalls, please contact Cathy Thomson [cathythomson7@gmail.com](mailto:cathythomson7@gmail.com)

Please join in and support the Cana Christmas stalls, purchase a gift and share Christmas blessings.



## Youth Ministry



Fusion Youth at Lindfield Killara



youth@lindfieldkillara.org.au

youth fusion

All youth  
Christmas Party

Sunday 1st December

More details soon—watch this space!



Community Service & Social Justice  
for High School Students  
Lindfield Killara Catholic Parish

*Two Hands* is a community service & social justice programme at our Parish for youth. Youth can put their “faith in action” through a variety of activities and can complete complete community service hours at the same time. Please contact us via our email for a list of available activities.

## Coming Next Year.....

**Comprehensive Service Program.**

**Do your service hours through our Parish!**

♪ youth & +  
family mass

*Run by youth. Open to all ages.*

1st Sunday of the Month  
Potluck dinner for ALL following mass

**Next Mass..... 1st December 5.30pm**

**Special guest celebrant & preacher:**

**Fr Richard Leonard SJ**

## 2020 PARISH RETREAT AT TARRAWARRA ABBEY



The retreat in 2020 will run from **Tuesday afternoon 21st April till Monday morning 27th April**.

This is a beautiful and prayerful time at a Cistercian Monastery amidst the exquisite scenery of the Yarra Valley.

Please contact Fr Colin to reserve a place.

## THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

### GLORIA:

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

### MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:

### PSALM 97:5-9

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp  
with the sound of music.  
With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
acclaim the King, the Lord.

Let the sea and all within it, thunder;  
the world, and all its peoples.  
Let the rivers clap their hands  
and the hills ring out their joy  
at the presence of the Lord.

For the Lord comes,  
the Lord comes to rule the earth.  
The Lord will rule the world with justice  
and the peoples with fairness.

*At Masses at which the Psalm is sung the response is:*

Lord, when your glory appears , my joy will be full.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION :

Alleluia, alleluia! Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!

### THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord,

*(all bow at the following words in bold):*

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,**  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand  
of God the Father almighty;  
from there he will come  
to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Holy Catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting. Amen

### RESPONSES TO THE PSALM FOR WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK:

Mon: Give me life, Of Lord, and I will do your commands.  
Tues: The Lord upholds me.  
Wed: Lord, when our glory appears, my joy will be full.  
Thurs: To the upright I will show the saving power of God  
Fri: We praise your glorious name, O mighty God  
Sat: I will rejoice in your salvation, O Lord

### CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK:

#### 33rd Week in Ordinary Time

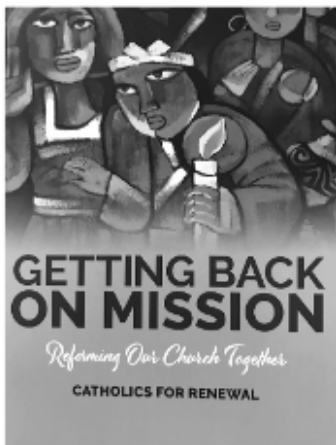
Thurs.: Memoria of the Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary  
Fri: Memoria of St Cecilia

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

**Recently deceased:** Michael K C Wong, Bill Bye, Maureen Smith.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Anthony Ellison, Ron Burke, Nena Umali, Wolfgang Liers, Cyril Ferriere, Alex Noble, William Wise, Lise Therese Ferriere, Daniella Schulze, Ian Coffey, Maureen Hobbs, Russell Adams, Andrew Harvey.



Parish Renewal and Revitalisation  
Plenary Council 2020

### GETTING BACK ON MISSION: REFORMING OUR CHURCH TOGETHER

If you are interested in having a say in the future of our church, this is a "must read". In preparation for the Plenary Council 2020, the book was written by the *Catholics for Renewal*, a group of "Catholics who are committed to their faith and want a Church which is Christlike in all it does, providing leadership in the world based on the teachings of Christ. The book has been endorsed and the forward has been written by Robert Fitzgerald, Former Commissioner, Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse". According to Fr. Frank Brennan, SJ, AO, the book details "...a realistic, hopeful and authentically Catholic roadmap for the forthcoming Australian Plenary Council."

VOCAL (Voice of Catholic Australian Laity) is hosting the Sydney launch of the book on Thursday, 21 November 6.30pm at The Ron Dyer Centre, St Mary's Church, North Sydney. Guest speaker Chris Geraghty (author, judge and theologian) will be there. Contact Fran Grant [frangrant@optusnet.com.au](mailto:frangrant@optusnet.com.au) for more information or just come along! Books will be available for sale at the launch or can be ordered on the Garratt Publishing website for \$25. See <https://www.garrattpublishing.com.au>

常年期第三十三主日

17/11/2019

讀經一 (正義的太陽將要升起。)

恭讀瑪拉基亞先知書 3:19-20

看，那日子來臨，必勢如冒火的火爐，所有驕傲的人，和作惡的人，都要成為禾稈；那日子一到，必要將他們燒盡——萬軍的上主說——不給他們留下根和枝條。但為你們這些敬畏我名號的人，正義的太陽，將要升起，以自己好似箭羽的光芒，普施救恩。——上主的話。(默想片刻)

答唱詠 詠98:5-6, 7-8, 9

【答】：上主要以正義審判普世人民。(參閱詠98:9)

頌：彈著豎琴，向上主讚頌；彈著豎琴，伴著絃韻。吹起喇叭，響起號角，在上主君王面前謳歌。【答】

頌：海洋及其中的一切澎湃；寰宇及其居民驚駭！江河拍手鼓掌；山岳舞蹈歡唱。【答】

頌：請在上主面前歡樂，因為他已駕臨，統治大地乾坤；他要以正義，審判普世人民；他要以公平，治理天下萬民。

【答】

讀經二 (誰若不願意工作，就不應當吃飯。)

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致得撒洛尼人後書 3:7-12

福音前歡呼

頌/ 頌：亞肋路亞。

頌：你們應當挺起身，抬起頭，因為你們的救援近了。(路21:28)

頌：亞肋路亞。

福音(你們要憑著堅忍，保全你們的靈魂。)

恭讀聖路加福音 21:5-19

那時候，有些人正談論聖殿是用美麗的石頭，及還願的獻禮裝飾的；耶穌說：「你們所看見的這一切，當那日子一到，便沒有一塊石頭，留在另一塊石頭上，而不被拆毀的。」門徒於是問：「師父，那麼，什麼時候要發生這些事？這些事要發生的時候，將有什麼先兆？」耶穌說：「你們要謹慎，不要受欺騙！因為將有許多人，假冒我的名字而來，說：我就是(默西亞)；又說：時期近了。你們切不可跟隨他們。你們幾時聽見戰爭及叛亂，不要驚惶！因為，這些事必須先要發生，但還不即刻是結局。」耶穌於是又給門徒說：「民族要起來攻擊民族，國家攻擊國家；將有大地震，到處有飢荒及瘟疫；將出現可怖的異象，天上要有巨大的凶兆。」但是，這一切事以前，你們為了我的名字，要被

拘捕和迫害；人們要把你們解送到會堂，並關進監獄；且押送到君王及總督之前，為給你們一個作見證的機會。「所以，你們心中要鎮定，不要事先考慮申辯，因為我要給你們口才和明智，是你們一切仇敵，所不能抵抗及辯駁的。」你們要被父母、兄弟、親戚及朋友出賣；你們中有一些，要被殺死。你們要為我的名字，受眾人憎恨；但是，連你們的一根頭髮，也不會失落。你們要憑著堅忍，保全你們的靈魂。」——上主的話。

華人天主教會 北區中心主日彌撒12時，彌撒後.午餐聚會. 歡迎各教友參加.

主日學12noon

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24/11午餐北區中心 11月及12月生日會及結婚記念慶祝會，歡迎各教友參加

雪梨總主教區聖體聖血節聖體出遊

TIME:2:30pm-4:30pm

到達聖瑪利天主教堂後隨即舉行明供聖體及聖體降福，

CCC集合點: 2:15pm ANZ corner of Pitt

*It was time for the travellers to move out from the safety of the hut. The hut they were in was familiar and well lit, but they knew that it could no longer serve them. It was time to venture out into dark and unfamiliar terrain, to seek out a new place of life. As they moved away from the hut, the light its windows cast on the world outside grew dim, until there was very little to guide them. They had to move along tentatively. The directions they decided on were often mistaken and they had to rely on each other for any progress they made.*

*Not all shared the same feelings about what they were undertaking. Where one grew frustrated, another continued to trust. Where one took heart from the adventure, another started to turn back to the light of the hut. It was a strange and unprecedented situation for them all. The only ones who knew where they were going were the ones who turned back, for they were turning to light and familiarity. But anyone embracing the future was at a loss. The only knowledge they possessed was the wisdom they accumulated as they explored their way forward...*

From "A Parable for Today's Church" in Prayer for Parish Groups, ed. Donal Harrington, Julie Kavanagh.

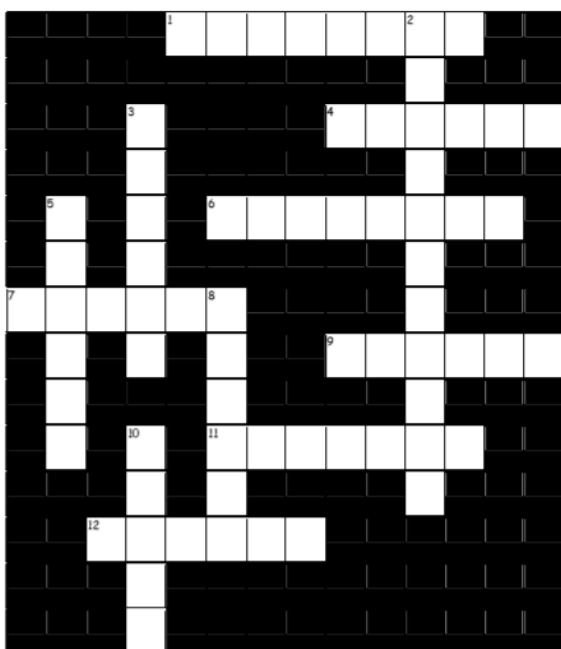
## CHANGES TO OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

9.30am to 4pm  
Closed

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday  
Tuesday

## CROSSWORD

You will be saved by being faithful



### Across

- 1: sicknesses
- 4: the Messiah
- 6: disciplined
- 7: tricked
- 9: to go hungry
- 11: those who are against you
- 12: wise thought

### Down

- 2: when the ground shakes
- 3: a place of worship
- 5: carved rocks used to make buildings
- 8: protect
- 10: belief

FOR THE BIRD

## Catholic Parish of Lindfield -Killara

### Holy Family Church

corner Pacific Hwy & Highfield Rd, Lindfield

### Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

corner Fiddens Wharf Rd & Charles St, Killara

### Fr Colin Blayney, Parish Priest

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### Weekday Masses this week

Day	Time	Location	Time	Location
Mon.	8.00 am	Killara	9:15am	Lindfield
Tues.	8.00 am	Killara		Lindfield
Wed.			9:15am	Lindfield
Thurs.			9:15am	Lindfield
Fri	8.00 am***	Killara	9:15am***	Lindfield
Sat			9.15 am	Lindfield

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

## What's happening in the parish ?

### PARISH DIARY

#### NOVEMBER

Sun. 17th

Welcome to 2020 Year K families at Holy Family School at the 10:15am Mass followed by morning tea.

Tues. 19th

PPC meeting at Killara

Fri. 22nd

7pm: Dads' Group

Sun. 24th

Morning tea after 9:15am and 10:15am Masses

Tues. 26th

Advent Ecumenical Service in our Killara church

#### DECEMBER

Sun 1st

Cana stalls at all Masses

Youth and Family Mass at 5:30pm.

Parish Pot Luck Dinner after Mass.

Tues. 3rd

1pm: Catechists' end of year Mass and lunch

Christmas party for all youth groups (time to be advised)

Sun 8th

\*Welcome morning tea for all families whose children have been baptised this year—after the 9:15am Mass at Killara

\* Morning tea also after 10:15am Mass

Tues. 10th

Year 6 Graduation Mass

### EVERY WEEK:

**PARISH PLAYGROUP** 'Characters Playgroup' meets every **Wednesday** from 9.45 to 11.30am (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](http://www.trybooking.com/JYKW)

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP** gathers every Wednesday in 'The Basement' youth room *at the rear of and under Holy Family Church* each **Wednesday from 8:40am – 9:05am** (finishing in time for 9:15am Mass). Everyone is welcome. For further information contact Kay at 9416 2194 [Kay.Hunt@optusnet.com.au](mailto:Kay.Hunt@optusnet.com.au) or Catherine 9415 6345 [catherinecwillis@gmail.com](mailto:catherinecwillis@gmail.com)

**EXPOSITION OF THE EUCHARIST** after the 8:00am Mass on Fridays at Killara as a time for quiet prayer in the presence of the Lord.

## Catechists needed for 2020

We need the follow Catechists for 2020:

Tuesday	9.15-10am	East Lindfield	Yr 5 & Assistants
Tuesday	10.30-11am	Lindfield Public	Assist/Co-Teacher
Tuesday	11.30-12pm	Beaumont Rd	Assistants
Wednesday	Morning	Killara High	Yr 7, 8 & Assistants
Friday	2.15-2:50pm	Lind Learning Village	Yr 1/2, 3/4 Comb Yr 5/6 Yr 11 & Assistants

Anyone able to be available on 'Stand by' to cover illness or holidays.

(NB: Assistants do not present lessons, but they are a very necessary extra pair of eyes and hands in the classroom.)

Recruitment needs to be finalised to the diocese by 25 November—sign up now. 120 children currently don't have teachers in 2020.

Saturday		16 November	23 November
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Colin Blayney	Fr Thomas Alackakunnel
Killara	5:30pm	Fr Thomas Alackakunnel	Fr Colin Blayney
Sunday		17 November	24 November
Lindfield	8:15am	Fr Colin Blayney	Fr Thomas Alackakunnel
Killara	9:15am	Fr Thomas Alackakunnel	Fr Colin Blayney
Lindfield	10:15am	Fr Colin Blayney	Fr Thomas Alackakunnel
Lindfield	12:00noon	Fr Thomas Alackakunnel	Fr Kelly
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Colin Blayney	Fr Thomas Alackakunnel

**Requiescat in pace .....**  
**....Rest in peace**

**Beryl Cates 12 October 1922 - 28 July 2019**

I know that a tribute to Beryl has already appeared in the bulletin, but as Beryl died while I was on holidays, I would like to add my own words to what has been said of her.

Beryl's diminutive stature was in sharp contrast to her mighty spirit and her keen intellect. Her mind and her razor-sharp wit were as alive as ever in her 97th year. Bent over with the crippling arthritis which afflicted her Beryl never complained and instead wrote so beautifully in her articles in our parish bulletin of the inexpressible love of God and the dignity of human nature.



Beryl endeared herself to all who came to know her. She had a band of faithful friends in the parish who visited her and helped her with shopping and appointments. Longtime members of the parish study group valued her insights—and often controversial opinions! She was a beloved member of the group who gather for morning tea in the Shirley Wallace Parish Centre after 8:15am Mass at Lindfield

Above all however I'd like to pay my own personal tribute to Beryl. We had a wonderful relationship—which we both would have described as a love-hate one as we bickered and provoked one another over our theological disagreements, all done in good fun. I loved to point out when she strayed towards dangerously towards heresy, she remained steadfast in her views. I'm sure Beryl died and had her funeral while I was away because she didn't want me

to have the last word!

I will always miss Beryl's sparkling wit, her indefatigable hope in God—the 'Great Spirit' as she loved to say - and her passionate belief in the world of light, life and love which lies beyond this one.

Beryl and Bill Bye were great friends and great fellow explorers of the mystery of God. There is certainly something of the finger of God in the fact that they died just two months apart from one another. Our faith and hope is that they now explore that great Mystery together.

Beryl was a friend, a supporter, an encourager to so many, certainly to me. I could conclude in no better way that to quote Beryl herself in her Easter Sunday reflection for our bulletin in 2018:

*"Every ordeal in life physical or spiritual is a little death to the self, a deepening and strengthening of the spirit soul in God....Those who live in union with the spirit of Jesus know the spirit's loving comfort, support and direction is with them through all their adversities in life..... That Good Friday is always followed by Easter."*

*Fr Colin*



**ABOUT OUR MONTHLY YOUTH AND FAMILY MASS ON SUNDAY  
 1ST DECEMBER AT 5:30PM .....**

Our special guest celebrant and preacher will be Fr Richard Leonard SJ. Fr Richard is a well-known and engaging presenter. We were blessed to have him with us back in June when he presented a session on 'Why I am still a Catholic.'

**Saving our planet.....  
 Saving our bills.**

Several months ago we advised that, with the agreement of the PPC and Parish Finance Committee, we would be using two recent bequests (totalling \$18,000) to place solar panels on the roof of Holy Family Church, thereby providing clean energy not only for the church but most especially for the very busy Shirley Wallace Parish Centre.

These solar panels went online in September. They produce 14.1kW during daylight hours, more than our energy needs—with the result that we are able to sell back twice as much power as we use to the grid.

By doing this we are playing our small part in helping our planet. The money we save and earn means that those two bequests will be benefitting us for many years to come.

Our decision has been not to simply put that extra money into the bank but to isolate the money we save (and earn) into a special 'pastoral account' to be used for pastoral projects such as youth ministry for which we struggle to find sufficient funds.

*Fr Colin*



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