Catholic Parish of Lindfield-Killara

Diocese of Broken Bay

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

22 - 12 - 19

This week: Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24 Next week: Sir 3:2-6 12-14; Col 3: 12-21; Mt 2:13-15 19-23

LIGHTING OF THE FOURTH CANDLE OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, you are our Saviour, the true light who has come into our world. We ask you to send your blessings on this community who gather around this wreath. Strengthen our hearts with the example of your love that we may receive you with joy and gladness on the day of redemption, when you will come to reign as Universal King for ever and ever.



Celebrant: Come, Wisdom of our God Most High, guiding creation with power and love.

All: Teach us to walk in the path of wisdom.

Celebrant: Come, flower of Jesse, sign of God's love for all people.

All: Save us without delay.

Celebrant: Come, Radiant Dawn, splendour of eternal light, sun of justice.

All: Shine on those who walk in the valley of darkness. Celebrant: Come, Emmanuel, God's presence among us.

All: Save us, Lord our God.

Celebrant: As we conclude this Advent season may almighty God let the light of the Word made flesh shine upon us. May God fill our hearts with joy at the coming of Jesus and lead

us to life everlasting. All: Amen.

Please join in singing one more verse of the Entrance Hymn.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

Our parish, with its two churches of Immaculate Heart of Mary at Killara and Holy Family at Lindfield warmly invites you to join us for our celebrations of the Lord's birth at Christmas. Our celebrations are as follows:

CHRISTMAS EVE EVENING:

Lindfield: 6:00pm Christmas Vigil Mass Killara: 5:30pm Christmas Vigil Mass

These are the Children's Masses.

A CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS GIFT TO THOSE IN NEED:



We invite the children at both Children's Masses to bring an envelope containing a donation towards the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal. We will invite the children to come forward at the time of the Presentation of the Gifts to put their envelopes in the boxes under the Christmas Tree.

Lindfield: 10:30pm Mass

(an earlier 'Midnight Mass') preceded by Carols at 10pm.

CHRISTMAS MORNING:

Lindfield 7:45am Mass (not 8:15am)
Killara 9:00am Mass (not 9:15am)

Lindfield 10:15am Mass

NO Chinese Mass & NO evening Mass on Christmas Day.

Ring out your joy to the Lord!

Thanks to some of our bellringers the bells at Lindfield will ring out as follows over the Christmas celebrations:

For 15 minutes after the Children's Vigil Mass For 15 minutes before the 10:30pm Mass of Christmas Night on Christmas Eve.





Make our family yours, and join us for lunch at St Andrew's Roseville on Christmas Day.

Christmas Lunch is open to anyone who would like a little more company this Christmas.

There is no charge for this event

- Tuesday 25th December | 11.30am 2.30pm
- St Andrew's Church Hall | 3a Hill St Roseville

RSVP ASAP to www.tiny.cc/christmaslunch

Food for the Soul ...

"... when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home." (Matthew 1:20a)

JOSEPH'S FIDELITY

There are countless persons, basilicas, churches, shrines, seminaries, convents, and even towns and cities named after St Joseph. My native country, Canada, has him as its patron.

Who exactly is this Joseph? He is that quiet figure prominently named in the Christmas story as the husband of Mary and the stepfather of Jesus, and then basically is never mentioned again. The pious conception of him is that of an older man, a safe protector to Mary, a carpenter by trade, chaste and holy, humble and quiet, the perfect patron for manual laborers and anonymous virtue, humility incarnate.

But what do we really know about him?

In the Gospel of Matthew the annunciation of Jesus' conception is given to Joseph rather than to Mary: Before they came together, Mary was found to be with child by the Holy Spirit. Joseph, her husband, being an upright man and unwilling to shame her, had decided to divorce her quietly, when an angel appeared to him in a dream and told him not to be afraid to take Mary as his wife, that the child in her had been conceived through the Holy Spirit.

What can we learn from this text?

Partly it is symbolic: the Joseph of the Christmas story is clearly reminiscent of the Joseph of the Exodus story, he too has a dream, he too goes to Egypt, and he too saves the family. Likewise King Herod is clearly the counterpart of the Egyptian Pharaoh; both feel threatened and both kill the Hebrew male children only to have God protect the life of the one who is to save the people.

But, after that, the Joseph of the Christmas story writes his own history: he is presented to us as an "upright" man, a designation that scholars say implies that he has conformed himself to the Law of God, the supreme Jewish standard of holiness. In every way he is blameless, a paradigm of goodness, which he demonstrates in the Christmas story by refusing to expose Mary to shame, even as he decides to divorce her quietly.

What actually happened here?

The background, in so far as we can reconstruct it, to the relationship between Joseph and Mary would have been this: the marriage custom at the time was that a young woman, essentially at the age of puberty, would be given to a man,

usually several years her senior, in an arranged marriage by her parents. They would be betrothed, technically married, but would not yet live together or begin sexual relations for several more years. The Jewish law was especially strict as to the couple remaining celibate while in the betrothal period. During this time, the young woman would continue to live with her parents and the young man would go about setting up a house and an occupation so as to be able to support his wife once they began to live together.

Joseph and Mary were at this stage of their relationship, legally married but not yet living together, when Mary became pregnant. Joseph, knowing that the child was not his, had a dilemma: if he wasn't the father, who was? In order to save his own reputation, he could have demanded a public inquiry and, indeed, had Mary been accused of adultery, it might have meant her death. However, he decided to "divorce her quietly," that is, to avoid a public inquiry which would leave her in an awkward and vulnerable situation.

Then, after receiving revelation in a dream, he agrees to take her home as his wife and to name the child as his own. Partly we understand the significance of that: he spares Mary embarrassment, he names the child as his, and he provides an accepted physical, social, and religious place for the child to be born and raised. But he does something else that is not so evident: he shows how a person can be a pious believer, deeply faithful to everything within his religious tradition, and yet at the same time be open to a mystery beyond both his human and religious understanding.

And this was exactly the problem for any Christians, including Matthew himself, at the time the Gospels were written: they were pious Jews who didn't know how to integrate Christ into their religious framework. What does one do when God breaks into one's life in new, previously unimaginable ways? How does one deal with an impossible conception? Here's how Raymond Brown puts it: the hero of Matthew's infancy story is Joseph, a very sensitive Jewish observer of the Law. ... In Joseph, the evangelist was portraying what he thought a Jew [a true pious believer] should be and probably what he himself was.

In essence what Joseph teaches us is how to live in loving fidelity to all that we cling to humanly and religiously, even as we are open to a mystery of God that takes us beyond all the categories of our religious practice and imagination.

Isn't that one of the ongoing challenges of Christmas?

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

CHRISTMAS OFFERING ENVELOPES

are available on the seats in both our churches.



The contributions via the Christmas Offering supplements the funds raised via the First Collection for the support and upkeep of the priests

of our parish and diocese. The fund it goes to depends very much on these special contributions at Christmas and Easter, without which it struggles to meet its commitments.

This diocesan fund not only provides the living allowance and household costs for the priests of the parish, but also provides funds for health care for priests and maintains priests in their retirement. Please support the Christmas Offerings. The envelopes can be placed on either plate at Masses over the next few weeks.

MASSES FOLLOWING CHRISTMAS DAY

Fr Thomas will be flying home to India on Christmas morning to join in the celebrations of the silver jubilee of ordination of his brother. We wish him well for this wonderful occasion. Because of that I will be celebrating all three Masses on Christmas morning which has necessitated a change to some of the Christmas morning Masses so that I can do that. The times are advised on the font page of the bulletin once again today and on the parish website.

After that I would like a breather so please note that there will be no Mass on Boxing Day and Mass this coming Friday and Saturday at Lindfield will be at the later time of 10am (no Mass at Killara this Friday).

Fr Thomas will actually be taking some of his holidays and so will be away for several weeks after Christmas. Please check the bulletin each Sunday for weekday Mass times.

Finally, please note that there will be NO 6pm Vigil Mass at Lindfield on Saturday 4th January—there will be just the one vigil Mass at 5:30pm at Killara that evening. (The two vigil Masses will be celebrated as normal this coming Saturday 28th). Many thanks for your understanding. Fr Colin

A thought on the Mass of Christmas Night ...

One of the most beautiful things in the treasury of our Church is the tradition of the Mass of Christmas Night – celebrated either at Midnight itself or late in the evening on Christmas Eve.

The people that walked in darkness has seen a great light.' Advent reminds us of something that's true of all life – that we search and look for God sometimes in darkness, sometimes full of our human uncertainties. We discover God in that darkness – we glimpse those moments of light and peace which enable us to continue on the journey.



The timing of the Mass of Christmas Night is beautiful. Our gift to God is to stay awake on this great feast till those still night hours, that time of deep darkness which symbolises the darkness in which we wait for God to enter our lives. And then the celebration of the light of God's coming is even more symbolic: light and joy break into the stillness and darkness of that night hour. It's a beautiful way to keep vigil and to usher in the celebration of the birth that changes the world. We do it at a time free from

all the frantic preparations of Christmas Eve and before the busyness of Christmas Day itself.

Please try to come along to the beautiful celebration of the Mass of Christmas Night this Christmas – at 10:30pm in Lindfield church on Christmas Eve (preceded by a Service of Carols from 10:00pm). Mass will be concluded by 11:30pm and you can be tucked up in bed before midnight! *Fr Colin*

An exciting new initiative coming to our parish in 2020...

Book Club

General Idea: A social gathering to explore themes of our Christian faith through literature.

2020 Theme: Hope

Suggested Book: Hope Promise, Possibility and Fulfillment Ed. Richard Lennan and Nancy Pineda-Madrid, Paulist Press, New York 2013

Meeting time: 4th Wednesday of Month, 10:00~11.30am, February to December.

Meeting Place: The Library in the Shirley Wallace Parish Centre.

Format: Morning Tea, friendly get together, an exploration of the theme of hope through readings that have been made available to all participants.

Want to take part? If you'd like to be added to the email list to receive updates about gatherings in 2020 please contact either Catherine Willis (catherinecwillis@gmail.com) or Elizabeth Reedy (elizabethreedy@msn.com)



Hymn for Masses this Weekend

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord! Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice; Tender to me the promise of his word; In God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name! Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done; His mercy sure, from age to age to same; His holy Name~the Lord, the Mighty One

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might! Powers and dominions lay their glory by Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight The hungry fed, the humble lifted high

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word! Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord To children's children and for evermore!



Words; Timothy Dudley-Smith Based on Mary's Magnificat in Luke 1: 46-55 Sung today because of Mary's prominence on this Fourth Sunday in Advent

CHRISTMAS ON THE PARISH WEBSITE All the times for Christmas in the parish can be found by clicking the 'Christmas' hotlink box on the homepage of our parish website.

WELCOME A very warm welcome to anyone visiting our parish this Christmas. It is good to have you with us. If you have any questions or would like to know more about our community please visit our parish website at www.lindfieldkillara.org.au for information on our parish life.

PARISH FINANCIAL—ANOTHER UPDATE

As of the end of **November:**

- our Second Collection (which provides all the operating costs of the parish) was <u>\$4,595 behind</u> compared to the same point last year.
- Our First Collection (which provides for Frs Colin & Thomas, as well as supporting retired and sick priests of the diocese) was **\$2.155** behind compared to the same point last year.

Please help us to maintain our income at last year's levels.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME DATES FOR 2020



The letter giving all the details and dates for our Sacramental Preparation Programmes for First Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion is now available on the parish website under 'Sacraments'

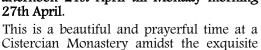
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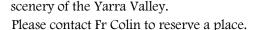
Sacraments.'

Please download the letter and note all the dates involved in the sacraments which your child will celebrate next year.

2020 Parish Retreat at Tarrawarra Abbey

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







Children's Involvement in our Christmas Masses

* Calling all shepherds and angels *
*Calling all children to re-enact the Christmas Story
* Calling all children who wish to be in the
Christmas choir



~ at Killara ~

* A children's choir rehearsal will take place at Killara Church after the 9.15am Mass on Sunday 22 December from 10.15 ~ 11am (a morning tea will take place for parents while the children practise). All children and teenagers who would like to join the Christmas Vigil Choir are invited to attend. Contact Bernie Hallyburton if you have any questions

bernie.hallyburton@gmail.com



~ at Lindfield ~

• For those interested in being part of the Children's Vigil Mass: nativity play, choir and readers please email Rose at: roseingham@optusnet.com.au. The rehearsal will be held on Monday December 23rd at 2pm in Lindfield church.

HOME PRAYER SERVICE FOR CHRISTMAS DAY

This is a short liturgy that you might like to celebrate with family or friends or by yourself on Christmas Day, perhaps before sharing the Christmas meal or before opening gifts, or at some other suitable time:

Setting: Have a Christmas crib on the table or close by where all can see it.

Together: Sing a Christmas carol.

Leader:

Today we rejoice at the birth of Jesus. For four weeks we have been preparing to celebrate this event. It is time to rejoice and be glad, for Jesus is our friend and saviour. Jesus is God-with-us, the good news for the whole world.

Let's now listen to our reading which describes how the shepherds welcomed and announced the good news.

Reader: Luke 2:15~20.

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Reader 1: Jesus comes to bring us peace and joy.

Together: Rejoice and be glad for Jesus our Saviour is born.
Jesus comes to show us God's love and mercy.
Together: Rejoice and be glad for Jesus our Saviour is born.
Jesus comes to live with us and make us one with him.
Together: Rejoice and be glad for Jesus our Saviour is born. Amen.

CONGRATULATIONS to Olivia Kugel Clarke who celebrated their marriage Family Church at Lindfield this



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Training for new Altar Servers for Lindfield church will be happening in early February 2020. This is for any child who has received their First Holy Communion and is willing to be on the parish roster. Anyone interested in being an Altar Server please contact Rose Brown on roseingham@optusnet.com.au

PARKING AT LINDFIELD Now that school has finished parking is available in the church grounds for weekday Mass - though please don not park in or block the spaces reserved for Parish Staff.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE:

Bishop Anthony has recorded a message to us all for Christmas. You can view it here:

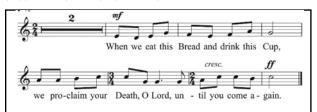
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7T aUHfURP4

THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

GLORIA:

We abstain from the joyful words of the Gloria during these days of Advent as we prepare our hearts and our community to celebrate once again the birth of the Lord Jesus

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:



PSALM 23:1~6

The Lord's is the earth and its fullness, the world and all its peoples. It is the Lord who set it on the seas; on the waters God made it firm.

Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord? Who shall stand in his holy place? Those with clean hands and pure hearts, who desire not worthless things.

They shall receive blessings from the Lord and reward from the God who saves them. Such are those who seek the Lord seek the face of the God of Jacob.

At Masses at which the Psalm is sung the response is: Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! A virgin will give birth to a son; his name will be Emmanuel: God is with us. Alleluia!

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. is adored and glorified, 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 I confess one Baptism of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried. Amen

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 who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

RESPONSES TO THE PSALM FOR WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK:

Left up your heads and see; your redemption is near at Mon:

Tues: For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Wed: All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of

Thurs: Into your hands, O Lord, I entrust my spirit.

Fri: Let the just rejoice in the Lord.

Sat: Our soul has escaped like a bird from the hunter's

nest.

Tord, 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 Geoffrey Ranson (father of our Vicar General, Fr David Ranson) who died during the week.; and for Jeanette McInerney, who died this week, and whose Funeral Mass will be celebrated at Lourdes Chapel on Mon. 6th January.

Recently deceased: Tom Howley, Colin Randazzo, Helen McQuoin, Joan Cassidy, Edward (Ted) Hinds, Andrew Harvey, Michael K C Wong, Delia Rodriguez.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

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

CHINESE~CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

將臨期第四主日 22/12/2019

讀經一(看,有位貞女要懷孕 生子。)

恭讀依撒意亞先知書 7:10-14 那時候, 上主又對阿哈次說: 「你向上主、你的天主,要求 一個徵兆吧!或求諸陰府深 處, 或求諸上天高處。」 阿哈次回答說:「我不要求, 我不願試探上主。」 依撒意亞說:「達味的家族」 你們聽吧!你們使人厭惡還不 夠,還要使我的天主厭惡嗎? 因此, 吾主要親自給你們一個

(默想片刻)

上主的話。

答唱詠 詠24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 【答】:光榮的君王要進入城 內,他就是萬軍的上主。(詠 24:7.10)

徵兆:看,有位貞女要懷孕生

子, 給他起名叫厄瑪奴耳。」

領:大地和其中的萬物,屬於 上主;世界和其間的居民,屬 於上主。是他在海洋上奠定了 大地, 是他在江河上建立了全 世。【答】

領:誰能登上上主的聖山?誰 能居留在他的聖殿?是那手潔 心清、不慕虚幻的人,是那不 發假誓、不行欺騙的人。 【答】

讀經二(耶穌基督是達味的後 裔,他是天主子。)

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致羅馬人書 1:1-7

福音前歡呼

領:亞肋路亞。 眾:亞肋路亞。

領:一位貞女將懷孕生子;人 將稱他的名字為厄瑪奴 耳, 意思是:天主與我 們同在。 (瑪1:23)

眾:亞肋路亞。

福音(耶穌生於瑪利亞,瑪利 亞許配於達味之子若瑟。) 恭讀聖瑪竇福音 1:18-24

耶穌基督的誕生是這樣 的:他的母親瑪利亞,許配於 若瑟後, 在同居前, 因聖神有 孕的事,已顯示出來。她的丈 夫若瑟, 因是義人, 不願公開 羞辱她,有意暗暗休退她。

當若瑟在思慮這事時, 看,在夢中,上主的天使顯現 給他, 說:「達味之子若瑟, 不要怕, 娶你的妻子瑪利亞, 因為在她內受生的,是出於聖 神。她要生一個兒子;你要給 他起名叫耶穌,因為他要把自 己的民族,由他們的罪惡中拯 救出來。」

這一切事的發生, 是為 應驗上主藉先知所說的話: 「有一位貞女, 將懷孕生子, 人將稱他的名字為厄瑪奴耳,

意思是:天主與我們同在。」 若瑟從夢中醒來,就照 上主的天使所囑咐的去做,娶 了他的妻子。——上主的話。 (講道後默想片刻)

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主日學22/12-26/1/2020假期 2/2/2020恢復 午餐聚會22/12-19/1/2020 假期26/1/2020恢復

第二十九屆家庭營 26th -28th December 2019成人組: 聖馬加 利大堂周景勳神父主持,主題 《生命的飛揚》On-line Registration: ccc-inc.org.au 29/12主日彌撒周景勳神父主 禮, 2:30pm,Lindfield中心講座, 隨後晚宴與周景勳神父聚餐報 名聯絡Helen Shek Henry Choi

依士活中心,聖誕子夜彌撒24/12 星期二 8:30 pm歲晚感恩祭 30/12 星期一 8:30 pm Fr. Edward Chau 周景勳神父主禮

MARY'S DREAM

had a dream, Joseph. I don't understand it. not really, but I think it was about a birthday celebration for our Son. I think that was what it was all about. The people had been preparing for it for about six weeks. They had decorated the house and bought new clothes. They'd gone shopping many times and bought elaborate gifts. It was peculiar, though, because the presents weren't for our Son. They wrapped them in beautiful paper and tied them with lovely bows and stacked them under a tree. Yes, a tree, Joseph, right in their house. They'd decorated the tree also. The branches were full of glowing balls and sparkling ornaments. There was a figure on the top of the tree. It looked like an angel might look. Oh, it was beautiful. Everyone was laughing and happy. They were all excited about the gifts. They gave the gifts to each other, Joseph, not to our Son. I don't think they even knew Him. They never mentioned His name. Doesn't it seem odd for people to go to all that trouble to celebrate someone's birthday if they don't know Him. I had the strangest feeling that if our Son had gone to this celebration He would have been intruding. Everything was so beautiful, Joseph, and everyone so gay, but it made me want to cry. How sad for Jesus — not to be wanted at His own birthday party. I'm glad it was only a dream. How terrible, Joseph, if it had been real.

Author Unknown

Mt 1:18-24

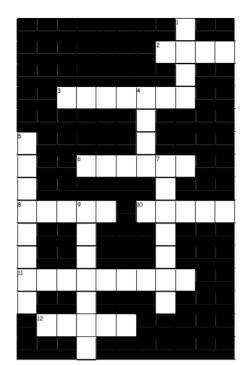
ST VINCENT DE PAUL—CARDS AND CALENDARS

Columban Calendars (\$10 each) are now available in both of our churches. A new range of Christmas cars are also available, \$8 for a packet of 10. Please place payment in the poor box.

CROSSWORD

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His name will be Emmanuel: God is with us



Across

2: Jesus' mother

3: with little or no noise

6: he was engaged to Mary

8: a special messenger of God

10: not old

11: to make someone feel uncomfortable or self-conscious

12: the angel appeared to Joseph in a ...

Down

1: a newborn

4: the opposite of false

5: this name means 'God is with us'

7: to give someone your word

9: betrothed, to be married

Catholic Parish of Lindfield -Killara

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corner Pacific Hwy & Highfield Rd, Lindfield

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PARISH ACTVITIES HAVING A JANUARY BREAK:

PARISH PLAYGROUP is in recess until the new school year

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP is also in recess in January

EXPOSITION OF THE EUCHARIST will take a break until the end of January **HEALING MASS**There is no Healing Mass on the second Friday in

January.

Catechists needed for 2020

Thank you to all those that have recently signed up to be a catechist in 2020. We have had a wonderful response to our appeal for catechists! Thank you!

There are still a few classes needing a catechist:

~ Wed Killara High

~ Friday Lindfield Learning Village

Also: anyone available on 'Stand by' to cover illness or holidays.

A CHANGE TO THE DATE OF OUR MONTHLY YOUTH AND FAMILY MASSES IN 2020

In order to avoid as many clashes with school holidays etc. as possible next year our monthly Youth and Family Mass will be at 5:30pm on the last Sunday of each month (so sometimes it will be the fourth Sunday, sometimes it will be the fifth Sunday—but it will always be the last Sunday of the month).

Therefore our first Youth and Family Mass for 2020 will be on Sunday 26th January—a great way to celebrate Australia Day!

CHRISTMAS MASSES							
	LINDFIELD	KILLARA					
CHRISTMAS EVE EVENING:							
Children's Vigil Mass	6:00pm: Fr Colin	5:30pm: Fr Thomas					
Mid-evening (early 'Midnight') Mass	10:30pm: Fr Colin						
CHRISTMAS MORNING:							
7:45am (NOT 8:15am)	Fr Colin						
9:00am (NOT 9:15am)		Fr Colin					
10:15am	Fr Colin						

WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK

Saturday		14 December	21 December	
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Colin Blayney	Fr Colin Blayney	
Killara	5:30pm	Fr Thomas Alackakunnel	Fr Thomas Alackakunnel	
Sunday		15 December	22 December	
Lindfield	8:15am	Fr Colin Blayney	Fr Colin Blayney	
Killara	9:15am	Fr Thomas Alackakunnel	Fr Thomas Alackakunnel	
Lindfield	10:15am	Fr Colin Blayney	Fr Colin Blayney	
Lindfield	12:00pm	Fr Thomas Alackakunnel	Fr Gerard Kelly	
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Thomas Alackakunnel	Fr Colin Blayney	

	Mon.	Tues	Wed	Thu.	Fri*	Sat.
Killara	8am	8am		?	?	?
Lindfield	9:15	?		2	10am	10am

^{*} Healing Mass for whole parish at 10am each 2nd Friday of the month at Killara except in January (no 8am Mass and no Mass at Lindfield that day).

Merry Christmas from Playgroup







Last week our Playgroup celebrated the end of the year with their Christmas Party. Lots of happy kids enjoyed a lovely morning together, especially the jumping castle! Santa even stopped by!

Playgroup will resume next year on 5 February 9.45—11.30am.

Requiescat in paceRest in Peace EDWARD (TED) HINDS 1ST JULY 1940—20TH NOVEMBER 2019



Ted was an exceptional and caring man. A man of integrity with strong principles. A son, brother, husband, father, grandfather and friend. He was a family man with deep relationships that spanned many generations.

Ted and his wife Judy, with their shared faith, beliefs and principles, plus a deep and enduring love, stood them in good stead and they enjoyed over 55 years of marriage.

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Ted and Judy moved to Lindfield in 1969 and remained in this parish for the next 50 years. His three daughters and grandchildren all attended primary school here at Holy Family. Their families continue to participate and celebrate

services here at Holy Family.

Ted lost his battle with cancer on 20 November 2019, surrounded by his loved ones. He will always be remembered with love. May he rest in peace.



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