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We support each other to grow in faith  
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We aspire to live as Christ's witnesses of God's unconditional love.*



## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

19 - 1 - 25



As in today's passage, the Gospel often imagines the coming of the Kingdom in terms of the image of new wine:

something fresh that brings new heart to those who share in it.

But elsewhere the Gospel also reminds us that new wine can only be held in new skins.

It's a reminder that the message of the Gospel can't be expressed in the old language of religious legalism:

that it's about a conversion of the *heart*.

**And the heart is about love.**

And so if our faith isn't about that, then it isn't the faith of Jesus.

*Fr Colin*



### ENROLMENTS FOR THE PREPARATION PROGRAMME FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION

Enrolments open this Monday 20th January. To enrol go to our parish website ([www.lindfieldkillara.org.au](http://www.lindfieldkillara.org.au)) and go to 'Sacraments' → 'Children's Sacraments'. There you'll find details of the dates involved in the programme as well as a clickable link to the enrolment form (or just type [www.trybooking.com/EDND](http://www.trybooking.com/EDND) in your browser).

If you wish your child to receive First Holy Communion this year they will need to have taken part in this year's First Reconciliation programme.

### EXPLORING FUTURE DIRECTIONS FOR WOODS COTTAGE

As you know, in 1985, the parish established Woods Cottage as a residence for those with a mild intellectual difficulty and this wonderful service continues to this day. In 2015 we handed over the management of this service to CatholicCare Broken Bay while the parish committee continued to manage and maintain the building itself.

The Parish Management Committee now proposes that the house and the invested funds all be placed in the hands of CatholicCare to better provide for the continuation of this service in the years ahead. This proposal has the support of the outgoing Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Committee.

We now propose to have a **Parish Meeting** to consider this issue. This will take place **following the 10:15am Mass on Sunday 16th February** and we hope that you can be there to be part of this discernment.

A paper prepared by the Committee outlining the proposal and the reasons behind it can be found on our parish website under 'Groups' and 'Ministries' → 'Woods Cottage'.

### OUR NEXT PARISH SYNODAL ASSEMBLY

As you know, as a parish we're trying to follow the synodal pathway of discernment in the Holy Spirit which has been put before the Church by Pope Francis.

We had a wonderful inaugural gathering last May but we were sadly to have our planned second assembly due to the diocese's assembly as part of the north Shore Deanery discernment.

However, we will now return to our own on-going parish discernment and our first of two gatherings this year will be on **Sunday 9th March from 11:15am - 1:30pm**.

Be assured that this will not be in the format of the Deanery discernment - we will return to last May's format of an open-ended agenda and much mutual listening.

## Hymns for the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### ENTRANCE: GATHER YOUR PEOPLE O LORD

*Refrain* Gather your people, O Lord.  
Gather your people, O Lord.  
One bread, one body, one spirit of love.  
Gather your people, O Lord.

Draw us forth to the table of life: brothers and sisters,  
each of us called to walk in your light. **R**

We are parts of the body of Christ, needing each other,  
each of the gifts the Spirit provides. **R**

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### DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: OUR SUPPER INVITATION

Take of my bread and eat, drink my new wine.  
Take of my life and live, branch of my vine.  
Let me befriend you now; eat take your fill.  
Don't be afraid to dream; love has its will.

Take up your burden now, walk 'til you find  
Just what the journey means; walk while there's time.  
Food for the journey will answer your need.  
Don't be afraid to walk; love, my love will lead.

Take of my bread and eat, drink my new wine.  
Be a sweet nourishment to good friends of mine.  
Let me befriend you now; eat, take your fill.  
Share with your people, that love has its will.

Take of my bread and eat, drink my new wine.  
Take of my life and live, branch of my vine.

*Kevin Bates ©1985, Willow Publishing\*\**

### COMMUNION: SEEK, O SEEK THE LORD

*Refrain* Seek, O seek the Lord, while He is near;  
Trust Him, speak to Him in prayer, and He will hear.  
God be with us in our lives, direct us in our calling;  
break the snares the world contrives,  
keep us from falling. **R**

God, increase in us the life that Christ by dying gave us.  
Though we faint with mortal strife,  
His blood will save us. **R**

Strengthen in our hearts the love we owe to one another.  
How can we love God above  
and not each other? **R**

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### RECESSIONAL: NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

Now thank we all our God,  
With heart and hands, and voices,  
Who wondrous things hath done,  
In whom his world rejoices;  
Who from our mother's arms has blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

All praise and thanks to God who reigns in highest heaven;  
to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:  
this one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,  
who ever was, is now, and shall be ever more.

*Text: Martin Rinkart (1586-1649), alt. Music: Johann Crüger (1598-1662)*

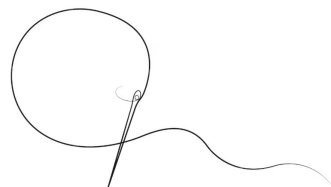
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### HOW ARE YOU WITH A NEEDLE AND THREAD?

As you know, following baptism the newly-baptised person is clothed in a white garment. We'd like to develop a set of simple white garments for our annual Easter baptisms - just a 'poncho' style garment - and to do that it would be great to have a small team of volunteers to cut out the material and sew them up. If you could help please let me know ([colin@lindfieldkillara.org.au](mailto:colin@lindfieldkillara.org.au); 0475 558500) as soon as possible.

I am very grateful to those who have already responded to this request but just a few more helpers will be a great help.

*Fr Colin*



### FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION: LOVE DRAWS US FORWARDS

*Father Richard points to the transformative power of St Francis and other more recent mystics and prophets.*

Francis of Assisi (1182–1226) was a living exemplar of where we are all being attracted and led. Just as Christ serves as the Omega Point (Teilhard de Chardin's term) for all of history, Francis is also a prime attractor, or what medieval theologians called a "final cause." Christ, Francis, draw humanity forward just by walking the full journey themselves. Transformed people quite simply transform people and set the bar of history higher for all of us. That is one of the ways we fundamentally "help" other people.

If we ourselves are totally focused on our own personal security or on a need for answers and explanations, we have almost no ability to even minimally understand the what, why, and who of persons like Francis, other mystics, even someone like Jesus himself, who operate out of a completely different level of consciousness. ... We tend to drag down such profound humanisers and divinisers to our own comfortable level and actually have little curiosity or ability to care about their major message.

Developmental experts state that the best we humans can do—on a very good day—is perhaps understand someone a bit beyond ourselves. Being invited forward by prophets and mystics—though they invariably face great resistance—is the clear pattern of history. We sadly know

this to be true in recent centuries from the lives of Abraham Lincoln, Mahatma Gandhi, Nelson Mandela, Wangari Maathai, Dorothy Day, many UN secretaries-general, and Martin Luther King Jr. Tragically, we don't usually love and embrace more advanced people, but quite often hate and fear them. Francis is really an amazing exception. He somehow succeeds in being loved, admired, and imitated even by non-Christian religions and very secular people to this day.

God gives us highly evolved people to pull us all forward. The Christian word for them was simply "saint." We cannot imagine something until we see it through a living model or archetypal figure. Then it constellates in our consciousness as maybe possible for us too. Through his story, Francis is still greasing the wheels of consciousness and holiness. It then rubs off and spreads out by osmosis.

I felt this strongly when I was invited to accompany the Dalai Lama. He said little beyond, "My religion is kindness," but the stadium was packed. The lines just to see him, or perhaps touch him, reached across the Ohio River bridge to Louisville. Many pointed out the direct line between that event and Thomas Merton's presence down the Kentucky road at Gethsemani Abbey. Merton, Mother Teresa, Pope Francis, and the Dalai Lama are all good examples of prime attractors in our own time.

# 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

## THE PSALM Ps 95 (96): 1-3, 7-10

O sing a new song to the Lord,  
sing to the Lord all the earth.  
O sing to the Lord, bless God's name.  
Proclaim God's help day by day,  
tell among the nations God's glory  
and God's wonders among all the peoples.  
Give the Lord, you families of peoples,  
give the Lord glory and power,  
give the Lord the glory of his name.  
Worship the Lord in his temple.  
O earth, tremble before the Lord.  
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'  
God will judge the peoples in fairness.

**Lord, 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 Doreen Nanayakkara whose Funeral will be at our Killara church this Monday 20th at 2:30pm.*

*Please pray for the repose of the soul of Helen Gallasch of our parish. Helen's Funeral will be at the chapel at Lourdes Retirement Village, Stanhope Rd Killara this Thursday 23rd at 1:30pm. (NOT our Killara church).*

**Recently deceased:** Cyril Ferriere (father of Joelle Vrisakis), Diana Beckley, Paul Clements, Bev Gledhill, Evelyn Newman, Grace Jessup, Lisa Ford, Michael Swan, Fr Johny Arattukulam OCD, Dolly Fitzpatrick, Cyril Crouch.. **Anniversary:** Freda Mercer, Bini Szacsavay, Chris Williams, Denis Lyons, John Quirk, Henry Yee Joy, Robert Thornton, Peter John Jarvis.

*Please pray also for the repose of the soul of Michael Swan of our parish whose funeral will be at St Benedict's Church Arcadia this Mon. 20th at 11am.*

## 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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (2 Thessalonians 2:14)

Alleluia, alleluia! God has called us with the Gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION** When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

## SUNDAY MASS ROSTER

Saturday		18 Jan.	25 Jan.
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Stephen	Fr Stephen
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Ansalem Lakra	Fr Colin
Sunday		19 Jan.	26 Jan.
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr David Strong	Fr Colin
Killara	9:00 am	Fr Stephen	Fr Ansalem Lakra
Lindfield	10:15 am	Fr David Strong	Fr Colin
Lindfield	12:00 pm	Fr Ansalem Lakra	Fr Ansalem Lakra
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Stephen	Fr Colin

**WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK Mon. & Tues.:** 8:00am at Killara;  
**Wed., Thu., Fri.:** 10am at Lindfield Next Sunday is Australia Day.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Carmen Stewart, Diane McGirr, Mary Moran, Peter Tsang, Wolfgang Liers, Tanya Walsh, Jutta Mathur, Jessica Keen, Therese Playoust, Ali Crawford, Morna Sutherland, Barbara McMullen, William Wise, Rosanna Comastri, Janette Brennan.

## OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

常年期第二主日 19.01.2025

讀經一

(新郎怎樣喜愛新娘, 你的天主也要怎樣喜愛你。)

恭讀依撒意亞先知書 62:1-5

答唱詠 詠 96 (95): 1-3, 7-10

【答】：請在萬民中，宣揚上主的奇功。(詠 96:3)  
領：請歡欣向上主歌唱新歌；普世大地，請向上主謳歌！請向上主歌唱，讚美他的聖名。【答】  
領：一日復一日，宣揚他的救恩。請在列邦中，傳述他的光榮；請在萬民中，宣揚他的奇功。【答】  
領：上主，你的化工，何其繁浩，全是你以智慧所創辦；你創造的萬物，充滿大地。看，汪洋大海，一望無際；其中水族，不可數計；大小生物，浮游不息。【答】  
領：各民各族，請將光榮歸於上主；各家各戶，請將威能歸於上主。請將主名的光榮，歸於上主！【答】  
領：請穿上聖潔的禮服，叩拜上主。普世大地，要在他面前戰戰兢兢！請在萬民中高呼：上主為王！他以正義公道，來治理萬邦。【答】

讀經二

(一切神恩都是由唯一而同一的聖神，隨他的心願，個別分配給人。)

恭讀聖保祿宗徒致格林多人前書 12:4-11

福音前歡呼 (得後 2:14)

領：亞肋路亞。

【答】：亞肋路亞。  
領：天主藉著福音，召叫了我們，為使我們獲得耶穌基督的光榮。

【答】：亞肋路亞。

福音

(這是耶穌所行的第一個神蹟，是在加里肋亞加納行的。)

恭讀聖若望福音 2:1-11

第三天，在加里肋亞加納有婚宴，耶穌的母親也在那裡；耶穌和他的門徒也被請去赴婚宴。酒不夠了，耶穌的母親向耶穌說：「他們沒有酒了。」耶穌回答說：「女人，這於我和你有什麼關係？我的時刻尚未來到。」

耶穌的母親給僕役說：「他無論吩咐你們什麼，你們就做什麼。」

在那裡放著六口石缸，是為猶太人取潔禮用的；每口可容納兩三桶水。耶穌向僕役說：「你們把缸灌滿水吧！」他們就灌滿了，直到缸口。然後，耶穌給他們說：「現在你們舀出來，送給司席！」他們便送去了。

司席一嘗已變成酒的水，他並不知道是從那裡來的；舀水的僕役卻知道。司席便叫新郎來，向他說：「人人都先擺上好酒，當客人都喝夠了，才擺上次等的；你卻把好酒保留到現在。」

這是耶穌所行的第一個神蹟，是在加里肋亞加納行的；耶穌顯示了自己的光榮，他的門徒就信從了他。

—— 上主的話。(講道後默想片刻)

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# NEW YEAR! NEW PLANS? WE'VE GOT THEM!

(PLUS OUR CURRENT ACTIVITIES!)

MORE BINGO & TRIVIA EVENTS WEEKLY YOUTH MASSES

CHILDREN'S MASSES MONTHLY POTLUCK DINNERS

HIGH SCHOOL MOVIE/GAME & PIZZA NIGHTS COG ACTIVITIES

MONTHLY YOUNG ADULTS CATCH UP FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

JUNIOR ALTAR SERVING CHILDREN'S MASS CHOIR

BELL RINGING & MORE!

GET READY FOR AN ACTION PACKED YEAR!

PLEASE CONTACT KATE (OUR YOUTH MINISTER) TO  
FIND OUT MORE OR TO GET INVOLVED!

[youth@lindfield.killara.org.au](mailto:youth@lindfield.killara.org.au)

## Young Adults Sip & Snack

If you are  
between 18  
and 30, we  
would love to



invite you to our afternoon  
tea gathering to share in  
fellowship.

We will meet at the Runaway  
Spoon at Lindfield on Sunday  
February 2nd at 3:30pm

Please text Kate on 0418 864 020  
or contact her at  
[youth@lindfieldkillara.org.au](mailto:youth@lindfieldkillara.org.au) if  
you are interested in coming along!

## Let's Get Serious

If your child is under 18 and  
attends COG, any movie/pizza  
nights, or is in the choir or is a  
reader, please scan the QR  
Code and fill out the consent  
form for participation.

This is a extremely important  
step in our child protection  
policy



Permission form for  
participation

Please sign  
up now!

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on break!**

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Mass and COG on the February  
9th!



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