



## THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

27 - 10 - 24



The Synodal Assembly in MacKillop Hall last Sunday morning



Thank You Evening for Volunteers last Tuesday





Fr Stephen's 50th birthday celebration last Sunday night (with his parents pictured also)

What
happened last
week in the
Parish...

# As November approaches...

- 1. We will once again have our Book of Remembrance in each of our two churches during the month of November. All the names previously written in will of course be retained. If you would like to add further names of those who have died please do that before 2nd November. The Book at Killara is presently on the Sacred Heart altar (to the left of the sanctuary) and at Lindfield it is on the altar in Our Lady's Oratory (where the votive candles are).
- 2. Our annual Mass for those whose names are recorded on our Memorial Walls (and at which new plaques will also be blessed) are:
  - at the 5:30pm Vigil at Killara on Saturday 16th Nov.
  - at the 10:15am Mass at Lindfield on Sun. 10th Nov.

# All Souls' Day Next Saturday 2nd November

Mass on All Souls' Day (2nd November) will be celebrated at 10:00am at Lindfield church. At this Mass we will invite you to come forward and place a lighted candle on the altar (we will provide the candles) which will burn during the Eucharist as a sign of our hope in the Resurrection.



### This week: :Jeremiah 31:7-9; Hebrews 5: 1-6; Mark 10: 46-52 Next week: Deuteronomy 6:2-6; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 12: 28-34



The first reading today from Jeremiah has the image of a very mixed group of people being called by, and following, the Lord:

"the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour."

Basically it's a group of people who would find making a journey difficult.

And that's the point: other people would have probably told them not to try, to stay at home.

### But God invites even those for whom the journey is difficult.

And that's a comforting message – because at many times we ourselves will be numbered among those for whom the journey of being a disciple is a difficult one – and it's good to know that God's invitation isn't withdrawn when that's the case.

Fr Colin

# Parish Financial Report for the Year Ended 30th June 2024

Income	Notes	2023/24 \$'000	2022/23 \$'000	2021/22 \$'000
Second Collections	2	220	199	201
Sacramental programmes	3	4	5	6
Donations - non specific	4	8	5	6
Others	5	14	6	3
Killara Carpark Rental	6	103	100	0
Parish Room Rental	6	24	24	22
Government Stimulus		0	0	32
Total		373	339	270
Expenses				
Employment	7	157	126	93
Repairs & Maintenance	8	79	82	51
Office and Administration		39	40	34
Church Requisites		14	11	10
Insurance	9	33	29	25
Motor Vehicle Expenses		19	23	21
Pastoral Programmes/ Activities	10	16	7	4
Other		12	11	8
Total		369	329	246
Operating surplus/(deficit)		4	10	24
Insurance Claim		0	0	3
Bequest		0	0	0
Net cash flow from operating activities		4	10	27
Capital Expenses				
Presbytery		0	0	1
Loan repayments (principal + int'st)		15	15	15
Church - specific projects		0	8	13
Furniture, Fittings & Plant		6	16	4
Total		21	39	33
Parish Net Cash Flow		-17	-29	-6

## **Notes to the Report:**

- 1.Father Colin together with the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Committee thanks parishioners for your wonderful support in the continuing work of the Parish and your contributions to the collections. Our results for 2023/24 show a surplus in operating activities. After servicing our loan and expenditure on capital expenses this resulted in a negative cash flow of \$17,000.
- 2. The accounts do not include the First Collection and external collections e.g. PWBB, Catholic Mission. These collections are remitted direct to the relevant body. The accounts only include monies received for the second collections, either from planned giving, envelopes, tap machines or cash on the weekly plate. Total second collections were up by 10% from the prior year.
- 3. The net income for Sacramental Programmes comes from the contribution charged to participating families. The employment costs of our Sacramental Co-ordinator (which are taken from this income) are recorded as part of employment costs. Sacramental Income fluctuates annually depending on the timing of the Sacraments & the number of children each year.
- 4. The \$8,000 non-specific donations include \$4,500 for flowers, \$1,000 for printing and \$2,500 for general donations.
- 5.Other income of \$14,000 includes \$4,600 received from advertisements in our bulletin, \$2,400 from the Christmas Festival & the balance from candle, CCD & piety stall sales.
- 6. The lease of the Killara carpark commenced in July 2022. Parish rental income is received from hiring out MacKillop Hall, St Brigid's Hall, St Joseph's Hall and The Basement.
- 7.Employment costs increased in 2023/24 due to the employment of two additional part time employees for the full year, an increase in the superannuation rate from 10.5% to 11.0% and a general increase in pay rates. The employment costs in 2021/22 were lower than usual due to a reduction in employment hours due to CoVid.
- 8. Repairs and maintenance costs include \$17k spent on cleaning costs, \$10k spent on gardening costs across both Churches, \$11k for repairs to sewer pipe at Lindfield Church carpark, \$8.5k spent on testing and inspection of essential fire equipment, \$3.5k on lift maintenance, \$3k on various electrical works across both Churches and Presbyteries and \$4.5k on arborist work around Lindfield Presbytery.
- 9. There was a change with our insurance provider and the increase also reflects an overall increase in the insurance premiums in 2024.
- 10. Costs for the Killara 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, Father Thomas's farewell, Alpha programme, Pizza Nights and Synod conference are reflected in the increase in Pastoral Programmes and Parish Activities in 2024.

# Food for the spirit HOLY AND UNHOLY FEAR

They called the blind man, saying to him, "Take courage; get up, he is calling you." (Mk 10:49)

Not all fear is created equal, at least not religiously.

There's a fear that's healthy and good, a sign of maturity point he grossly abuses that trust. and love. There's also a fear that's bad, that blocks maturity Despite his great sin, it is David to whom Jesus attributes his and love. This needs explanation.

religious circles, especially around the Scriptural passage and never in an unhealthy fear. in the name of God.

particular kind that should not be confused with fear as we priests in sacred ritual. He answers the priest (to this effect): normally understand it.

Holy fear is love's fear, namely, the kind of fear that is inspired by love.

It's a fear based upon reverence and respect for a person or a thing we love. When we genuinely love another person we will live inside of a healthy anxiety, a worry that our And so he took the temple bread and gave it to his soldiers. actions should never grossly disappoint, disrespect, or violate the other person. We live in holy fear when we are anxious not to betray a trust or disrespect someone.

But this is very different from being afraid of somebody or being afraid of being punished. Bad power and bad authority intimidate and make others afraid of them. God is never that kind of power or authority.

God entered our world as a helpless infant and God's power fear," not a blind, legalistic one. still takes that same modality. Babies don't intimidate, even as they inspire holy fear. We watch our words and our actions around babies not because they threaten us, but rather because their very helplessness and innocence inspire an anxiety in us that makes us want to be at our best around them.

The gospels are meant to inspire that kind of fear.

God is Love, a benevolent power, a gracious authority, not someone to be feared. Indeed God is the last person we need to fear. Jesus came to rid us of fear. Virtually every theophany (an instance where God appears) in scripture begins with the words, "do not be afraid"!

What frightens us does not come from God. King David is to be God's child and how God is not so much a law to be revealed as the person who best grasped this.

Among all the figures in the Old Testament, including loving relationship, one of holy fear.. Moses and the great prophets, David is depicted as the figure that best exemplified what it means to walk on this

earth in the image and likeness of God, even though at a

lineage, not to Moses or the prophets. David is the Christ-There's a lot of misunderstanding about fear inside of figure in the Old Testament. He walked in holy fear of God,

that says that the fear of God is the beginning of wisdom. To cite just one salient example, 1 Samuel 2 through 6 Too often texts like these, as well as religion in general, recounts an incident where one day David is returning have been used to instil an unhealthy fear inside of people from battle with his soldiers. His troops are hungry. The only available food is the bread in the temple. David asks We need to live in "holy fear," but holy fear is a very for that and is told that it is only to be consumed by the

> I'm the King, placed here by God to act responsibly in his name. We don't ordinarily ask for the temple bread, but this is an exception, a matter of urgency, the soldiers need food, and God would want us to responsibly do this.

In the gospels Jesus praises this action by David and asks us to imitate it, telling us that we are not made for the Sabbath, but that the Sabbath is made for us.

David understood what is meant by that. He had discerned that God is not so much a law to be obeyed as a gracious presence under which we are asked to creatively live. He feared God, but as one fears someone in love, with a "holy

A young mother once shared this story with me: Her six year-old had just started school. She had taught him to kneel by his bed each night before going to sleep and recite a number of night prayers. One night, shortly after starting school, he hopped into bed without first kneeling in prayer. Surprised by this, she challenged him with the words: "Don't you pray anymore?" His reply:

> No, I don't. My teacher at school told us that we are not supposed to pray. She said that we're supposed to talk to God ... and tonight I'm tired and have nothing to say!

Like King David, he too had discerned what it really means obeyed as a gracious presence who desires a mutually

> Fr Ron Rolheiser OMI (from the Centre for Liturgy, University of St Louis)

## CAN YOU HELP? INTERNATION FOOD FEST in conjunction with our Parish and School Carols night.

Friday 29th November from 5:00pm.



What a great night we had last year, celebrating the cultural diversity of our parish through a rich variety of national culinary offerings.

If you could provide a dish please scan this QR code by Sunday 27th October. (The parish will pay for your ingredients).



#### SOME DATES TO NOTE:

\* Tuesday 26th November 7:30pm: Advent Ecumenical Service (at Holy Family Church)

\* Friday 29th November 5:00pm: Combined Parish & School Carols & Foodfest

\*Wednesday 18th December 7:00pm: Second Rite of Reconciliation preparing for Christmas

# Time to refresh the spirit

Earlier in the year we had three sessions in which we watched & discussed the pre-Synod retreat reflections given by Fr Timothy Radcliff op. They provided rich fodder for the mind & heart from a much-admired spiritual teacher.

In fact that admiration goes to the highest levels because last Sunday Pope Francis named Timothy Radcliffe as one of the 21 new cardinals to be installed at the Consistory on 8th December!

Now, as promised, we will watch and reflect on the final three sessions of Cardinal-elect Timothy Radcliffe's reflections. The dates will be:

> THIS Tuesday 20th October Wednesday 6th November Wednesday 20th November

Each session will start at 7:30pm and will go for about an hour. They will all take place via Zoom.

Scan the QR code (or contact the Parish Office) to sign up for this activity.



# Hymns for the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### ENTRANCE: A NEW HEART FOR A NEW WORLD

Refrain Create a new heart, holy Lord, Beckon our lives through your word, Open our eyes to your call, United as one for your world. Heighten our minds to your thoughts, Heal us of pride and of hurt, May we go forth in your name,

We pray our hearts change.

The heart of the cross lowly and poor, calls us on.

Lord, it is you promising hope, promising truth. *R* 

Restless the hearts

who yearn for your peace in this land. Deepen the dream, justice brings life, justice redeems. **R** 

T. Watts, M. O'Brien @1985, Willow Publishing\*\*

#### DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: LOVE IS HIS WORD

Love is His word, Love is His way, Feasting with all, fasting alone, Living and dying, rising again Love only love is His way.

**Refrain** Richer than gold is the love of my Lord. Better than splendour and wealth.

Love is His way, love is His mark, Sharing His last Passover feast. Christ at the table, host to the twelve Love,

only love, is His mark. R

Love is his mark, love is His sign, Bread for our strength, wine for our joy, This is my body, this is my blood Love, only love is His sign. R

Love is His law, Love is His word, Love of the Lord, Father, and Word, Love of the Spirit, God ever one, Love, only love, is His word. **R** 

Text: L. Connaughton @1970, McCrimmon Publishing;

#### COMMUNION: A NEW COMMANDMENT

A new commandment I give unto you

That you love one another as I have loved you x2By this the world will know that you are My disciples If you have love one for another x2

Source unknown – Roy Crabtree ca. 1973

#### ALL YOU WORKS OF GOD

All you works of God every mountain, star and tree bless the One who shapes your beauty, who has caused you all to be

one great song of love and grace, ever ancient, ever now:

Raise your voices all you works of God Cantor: ALL:

Cantor:
1. Sun and moon:

2. All the earth: 3. All who live

1.Stars of heaven:

2. Hills and mountains3. Men and women:

1. Showers and dew:

2. Snow storms and ice:

3. Servants of God

Bless your Maker

Chant your praise

Raise up your joyful song.

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RECESSIONAL:

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# ENTRANCE: COME AND SING ALONG WITH US

*Chorus.* Come and sing along with us, Snap your fingers clap your hands. Come and sing along with us, Sing praises to God's name.

We are here to pray, and listen to God's Word. We are here to share the bread and wine. *(Chorus)* 

We are here as one, God's own family.

We are here as children of the light. (Chorus)

We are here to love, as Jesus taught us to. We are here to live as Jesus lived. *(Chorus)* 

Brigid McNally @2021

# Hymns for the Children's Mass

*Chorus*: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts of love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? (Chorus)

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide 'til their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (*Chorus*)

Dan Schutte ©1981, OCP.\*

#### DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: I AM THE BREAD OF LIVE

*Chorus.* I am the Bread of Life Those who come to me shall not hunger All who believe in me shall not thirst They shall have everlasting life.

All those who come to me I will not turn away I will raise them all to life on the last day. (Chorus)

No one can come to me unless they are called I am the living bread given for life, for all. (Chorus)

All who eat and drink of me for my flesh is real food You will live in me and I will live in you. *(Chorus)* 

Andrew Chinn @2017, Butterfly Music\*\*

### COMMUNION: HERE I AM, LORD

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I who make the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

RECESSIONAL HYMN: 10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)

*Chorus*: Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul Worship His Holy name

Sing like never before O my soul

I'll worship Your Holy name

The sun comes up—it's a new day dawning It's time to sing Your song again.

Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me Let me be singing when the evening comes (*Chorus*)

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger Your name is great and Your heart is kind

For all Your goodness I will keep on singing

Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find (Chorus)

J. Myrin, M. Redman @2011, Atlas Mountain Songs\*\*

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.

#### Ps 125 (126) THE PSALM

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, It seemed like a dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips there were songs.

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels the Lord worked for them!' What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land. Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap.

They go out, they go out, full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing: they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves.

#### 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. and his kingdom will have no God from God, Light from Light, end. 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

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.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (2 Timothy 1:10)

Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his Gospel. Alleluia!

#### **MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

## OUR FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS ARE APPROACHING

But we celebrate them in such a way that Mass is no longer than (and sometimes is shorter than) a normal Sunday Mass! Killara: 9:00am Sun. 3rd Nov.; Lindfield: Sat. 9th Nov. Vigil; and Sunday 10th Nov. 10:15am

## FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION: DISCERNING GOD'S WILL

We ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord.

-Colossians 1:9–10

discern right action:

Our goal consists in doing the will of God, but first we have to remove our attachment to our own will so that we can recognize the difference between the two. Throughout history, many people who did horrible things were convinced that they were doing God's will. That's why we have to find an instrument to distinguish between God and us. Paul calls this gift the discernment of spirits. We have to learn when our own spirit is at work and when the Spirit of God is at work.

The most convincing social activists in our country were and are people of prayer, like Dorothy Day, Martin I can see no other way for discernment than a life in the Wallis. It's important that quiet, peaceful places (see Mark 6:31).

With this withdrawal and this emptiness, we are, so to speak, cultivating fertile soil where we can be receptive to the seed of God's word. I don't believe that Jesus dumps the harvest into our laps. Rather, he shows us a For Father Richard, contemplation cultivates an ability to process of growth. He shows us a way we can learn to hear God, a path of self-surrender and forgiveness. He trusts that his followers, as they practice this way of prayer, will learn to hear the truth ever more clearly. The great truth will always lie beyond us. The great truth of God will never underpin a small world. This means that the Christian life must be a constant journey back and forth between the radical way inward and the radical way outward.

> Dutch priest and author Henri Nouwen (1932–1996) views discernment as a gift that comes from our intimacy

Luther King Jr., Sister Simone Campbell, John Dear, and Spirit, a life of unceasing prayer & contemplation, a life we bring the of deep communion with the Spirit of God. Such a life contemplatives and the activists together in the Church will slowly develop in us an inner sensitivity, enabling us and in the world, because neither group is credible to distinguish between the law of the flesh [ego] and the without the other. Jesus went into the wilderness for law of the Spirit [soul]. We'll certainly make constant forty days; only after that did he begin to preach the errors & seldom have the purity of heart required to reign of God and to heal the sick. And along the way he make the right decisions all the time. But when we kept reminding his disciples to withdraw and rest in continually try to live in the Spirit, we at least will be willing to confess our weakness & limitations in humility, trusting in the one who is greater than our hearts.

## **SUNDAY MASS**

Killara Church:

5:30pm Vigil 9.00am **Lindfield Church** 

6.00pm Vigil 8.30 am 10.15am \*\* 12 noon Chinese Mass 6:00pm Youth Mass\*

\* On the 3rd Sunday of the month the 6pm Youth Mass is followed by a Parish Pizza Night in St Brigid's Hall.

\*\* The 10:15am Mass on the 2nd & 4th Sundays is a Children's Mass, featuring our Children's Choir (followed by morning tea).

#### **WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK** THIRTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Mon: 8am Killara Feast, Ss Simon & Jude, apostles

Tues. 8am Killara Wed. 10am Lindfield Thur.: 10am Lindfield

Fri.: 10am Lindfield All Saints' Day (School Mass - all welcome)

Sat.: 10am Lindfield All Souls' Day

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays for 15 mins after Vigil Mass at Killara Saturdays 5.15 - 5.45pm at Lindfield

#### THE ORDINARIATE OF OUR LADY OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS (GATHERING IN OUR CHURCH AT KILLARA):

#### Mass

Wednesday 6pm (preceded by Exposition from 5pm) Thursday 9am Friday 9am Sunday 12 noon

**Evensong** 

4th Sunday of the month 4pm

SUNDAY MASS ROSTER							
Satu	rday	26 Oct.	2 Nov.				
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Colin	Fr Stephen				
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Joey Frez	Fr Colin				
Sun	day	27 Oct.	3 Nov.				
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr Colin	Fr Stephen				
Killara	9:00 am	Fr Stephen	Fr Colin				
Lindfield	10:15 am	Fr Colin	Fr Joey Frez				
Lindfield	12:00 pm	Fr Joey Frez	Fr Sam French				
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Joey Frez	Fr Colin				

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DIRECT DEBIT CONTRIBUTIONS from your bank a/c::

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BSB 062 784 Ac 10000 1624

(providing for all the 2nd Collection: parish): operating costs of the BSB 062 784 Ac 10000 1623

CREDIT CARD: scan this code & then

select each of our two collections:

- ♦ PERIODIC PAYMENTS FROM YOUR CREDIT **CARD:** just click on the hotlink box entitled 'Supporting finances' parish o n our homepage (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au) o r email
- accounts@lindfieldkillara.org.au for assistance. • The **TAP MACHINES** are available in our two churches.

PARISH DIARY

8:00am Every Wednesday: Meditation (online)

**OCTOBER** 

Sat. 26th 4:30pm Reader's Inservice (Killara) Sun. 27th 10:15am Children's Mass & choir, followed by activities for the

Tues. 29th 7:30pm Timothy Radcliffe Session 1 Wed. 30th 4:00pm 1st Comm'n practice Killara

NOVEMBER Fri. 1st 10:00am All Saints' Day Mass (L'field) Sat. 2nd 10:00am All Souls' Day Mass (L'field) 4:30pm Readers' Inservice (Killara) Sun. 3rd 9:00am First Communion Killara Wed. 6th Scripture study (online) 11:00am 4:00pm 1st Comm'n practice L'field 5:00pm 1st Comm'n practice L'field 7:30pm Timothy Radcliffe Session 2

#### OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

常年期第三十主日 27.10.2024

讀經一

跛子鰆來・)

恭讀耶肋米亞先知書 31:7-9

上主這樣說:你們應為雅各伯歡呼,向 為首的民族喝采,宣揚及讚頌說:上主救了 自己的百姓、以色列的遗民。

看,我由北方引他們歸來;從大地的盡 頭,召集他們,其中有瞎子,有跛子,有懷 孕的,和正在生產的,形成一大隊,回到這 **禅**來。

他們含淚前行,我卻撫慰引導,領他們踏 上不會跌倒的坦途,來到溪水旁,因為我是 以色列的慈父,厄弗辣因是我的長子。

- 上主的話。*(默想片刻)* 

答唱詠 詠 126 (125): 1-6

【答】:上主向我們行了偉大的奇蹟,我們 的確滿心歡喜。 (訥 126:3)

**領**:上主帶領俘虜回到熙雍 ·我們覺得彷彿 是在夢中;那時 我們笑口盈盈 引吭高歌。 【答】

額:那時 外邦異民都讚歎不已:上主向他 們行了何等奇事!上主向我們行了偉大的 奇蹟,我們的確滿心歡喜。【答】

領:上主 求你轉變我們的命運!就像乃革 布有流水的灌溉。那含淚播種的人,必含笑 獲享收成。【答】

額:他們邊行邊裝 出去播種耕耘;他們載 欣載奔,回來背著禾捆。【答】

讀經二

(你照默基瑟德的品 位・永傲司祭・)

恭讀政希伯來人書 5:1-6

每位大司祭,都是由人間所選拔,奉派 為人,執行關於天主的事,為奉獻供品和 犧牲,以贖罪過。他同情無知和迷途的 人,因為他自己也為弱點所糾纏。因此他 怎樣為人民奉獻贖罪祭,也當怎樣為自己 奉獻。誰也不得自己擅敢這尊位,而應蒙 天主召選,有如亞郎一樣。

照樣,基督也沒有自取做大司祭的光

榮,而是向他說過:「你是我的兒子,我 今日生了你」的那位,光榮了他;在另一 (我無慰及引導瞎子和 處又說:「你照默基瑟德的品位,永做司 祭。」 --- 上主的話。 *(默想片刻)* 

**福音前數呼** (弟後 1:10)

镇:亞肋路亞。

【眾】:亞肋路亞。

**镇**:我們的救主基督耶穌,毀滅了死亡,藉 著福音,彰顯了不朽的生命。

【眾】:亞肋路亞。

(師父!叫我看見!) 福音 恭讀聖馬爾谷福音 10:46-52

耶穌和他的門徒,及一大群人,從耶里哥 出來的時候,有一個瞎眼的乞丐,即提買的 兒子,巴爾提買,坐在路旁。他一聽說是納 匝肋人耶穌,就喊叫說:「耶穌,達味之子 可憐我吧! ] 有許多人就斥責他, 叫他不要 呼叫;但他越發喊叫說:「達味之子,可憐

耶穌就站住,說:「叫他過來!」人就叫那瞎子,對他說:「放心!起來!他叫你 呢!」瞎子就扔下自己的外衣,跳起來,走 到耶穌面前。耶穌對他說:「你願意我給你

瞎子說:「師父!叫我看見!」 耶穌對他說:「去吧!你的信德救了 你。」瞎子立刻看見了,就在路上,跟隨耶 穌去了。

--- 上主的話。 (講禮後默想片刻)

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Anne Ridley, Bev Gledhill, Diane McGirr, Aida Casorzo, Mary Moran, Peter Tsang, Wolfgang Liers, Tanya Walsh, Jutta Mathur, Jessica Keen, Therese Playoust, Ali Crawford, Morna Sutherland, Barbara McMullen, Jesse Langford, Cyril Ferriere, Alex Noble, William Wise, Rosanna Comastri, Janette Brennan,

## SAFEGUARDING NEWS

(ensuring the safety and well-being of children, vulnerable adults and the elderly)

This week we received two important communications from the diocese in this regard. The first is a letter from Bishop Anthony (below left). The second is a press release on the exceedingly positive report from the body entrusted with an external audit of our diocese in this regard (below right).

Following the Royal Commission, the Catholic Church set up an independent body - Australian Catholic Safeguarding Limited (ACSL) - which oversees the periodic audits of each diocese in the country with regard to safeguarding. Our diocese is the first the have undergone this process. It's heartening to see the very positive outcome of this process. At the bottom of that article you will find the links to where you can access the detailed reports.

At the local level our own parish Safeguarding Committee (Maia Schulze Tsang, our Child Protection Coordinator on staff, plus Fran Grant and Aaron Tang, met last week to review our own safeguarding processes.

Fr Colin



22 October 2024

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Six years ago, on 22 October 2018, the then Prime Minister of Australia delivered the National Apology to Victims and Survivors of Institutional Child Sexual Abuse in the Parliament of Australia. His words remain pertinent:

"For too many years our eyes and hearts were closed to the truths we were told by children. For too many years governments and institutions refused to acknowledge the darkness that lay within our community. Today, we say we are sorry. Sorry that you were not protected, sorry that you were not listened to. We are sorry for refusing to trust the words of children, for not believing you. As we say sorry, we also say we believe you. We say what happened was not your fault."

As an institution which has experienced the darkness of abuse present in our communities, we can never sufficiently apologise. We acknowledge the enduring hurt felt by victim-survivors. As Bishop of Broken Bay, I once again acknowledge the harm caused to those entrusted to our care and say sorry.

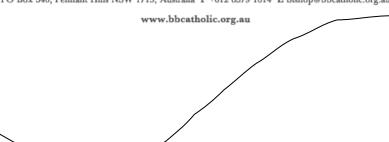
Our Diocesan crest is that of the Barrenjoey lighthouse, which overlooks Broken Bay. We read in scripture "the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it" (John 1:5). As a Diocese, we pray to have our eyes, and our hearts open to Christ our Light; a light that brings forth truth and shines in the deepest recesses of whatever darkness.

In the coming days, the outcomes of our first external audit of our application of the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards will be published. It will demonstrate how we have implemented and embedded actions in the Diocese of Broken Bay to ensure our communities are places of safety and care. For today, we pray for forgiveness and healing when they have not been.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Author Nandato

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# MEDIA RELEASE 24 October 2024 Diocese Congratulated on National Safeguarding Standards Audit

The Diocese of Broken Bay welcomes the publication of its first external Audit Report against the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards (NCSS) recently undertaken by Demetrius Consulting. The Board of Australian Catholic Safeguarding Limited (ACSL) and its Audit Review Committee has confirmed that the Audit scope has been fulfilled.

The Diocese of Broken Bay is the first Diocese in Australia to have a NCSS Audit completed by an external auditor listed on ACSL's NCSS Auditor Register.

The audit assessed the extent to which the Diocese had developed and embedded indicators that reflect a safe & secure safeguarding culture.

Most Reverend Anthony Randazzo DD JCL, Bishop of Broken Bay, is pleased to report that 100% of the relevant NCSS indicators were developed and 96% of those already embedded in the Diocese.

The report noted that "the Diocese's approach to safeguarding is characterised by strong leadership, robust governance and mature systems and practices. This approach exceeds compliance & consists of proactively embedding the NCSS standards in everyday practice."

Bishop Randazzo said, "I am deeply encouraged by the conclusions of the Audit Report and the acknowledgement by Demetrius Consulting that a culture of safeguarding has been genuinely developed in the Diocese. While the Audit outcome confirms the substantial work that has been achieved over a number of years, continuing vigilance and development are essential, and I am grateful for the recommendations in the Audit Report. These recommendations provide ways we can continue to improve, and I am committed to ensuring our community is one of safety and care."

Bishop Randazzo paid tribute to all those who had been engaged in the Audit process with generosity and diligence, including Chancery, clergy, and parish personnel.

The Diocese has committed to implementing the recommendations by the end of 2025. The audit report can be viewed on both the website of the Diocese of Broken Bay https://www.dbbsafeguarding.com.au and the ACSL website https://www.acsltd.org.au/about us/publications-and-reports/, which also includes the ACSL media release.



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Saint of the Week

St Jude



St Jude was one of Jesus' 12 apostles, and said to have been a relative of Jesus himself. We hear about Jude in Scripture. Jude was present at the Last Supper and received the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. St Jude was martyred for his faith, and some of his bones are located at St Peter's Basillica in Rome. St Jude reminds us that we need to have a mind and heart that desires to serve the Lord.

St Jude's feast day is October 28th and is the patron saint of lost and desperate causes.

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