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## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUSTRALIA DAY

26 - 1 - 25

As Christians, our celebrations of Australia Day must be multi-focussed. In the first place of course we can celebrate all that is best about our nation - and the spirit of generosity and courage so often demonstrated in times of national and local emergency.

But we also need to face the challenges that the Gospel puts before us, particularly with regard to justice: \* Justice for the first peoples of this land,

\* Justice for those who have lost a safe homeland and come to us seeking asylum,

\* And justice for our environment, heeding Pope Francis' call for 'ecological justice'.

May Australia Day mark our commitment as Christians in this nation to be people of justice in every way: justice for every human being, justice for our fragile world environment. *Fr Colin*

### PRELUDE TO MASS: THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Australians all let us rejoice,  
For we are one and free;  
We've golden soil and wealth for toil;  
Our home is girt by sea;  
Our land abounds in nature's gifts  
Of beauty rich and rare;  
In history's page, let every stage  
Advance Australia Fair.  
In joyful strains then let us sing,  
Advance Australia Fair.

Beneath our radiant Southern Cross  
We'll toil with hearts and hands;  
To make this Commonwealth of ours  
Renowned of all the lands;  
For those who've come across the seas  
We've boundless plains to share;  
With courage let us all combine  
To Advance Australia Fair.  
In joyful strains then let us sing,  
Advance Australia Fair.

### Entrance Hymn

Ancient land of wide and sunburnt plains  
where feet have long since trod,  
You have known the stories of our search  
to find the face of God.  
God you hovered over darkness  
when the void was silent, still;  
then your voice rang out in splendour;  
creation knew your will.  
And your eyes of love beheld in light  
our land of sweeping plains.  
Now our voices too, rejoin again creation's song of praise.  
Holy Spirit, gift of love divine, with you we dare to dream,  
so to walk in justice all our days this land of gold and green.  
From all nations we have gathered. lead us on in unity.  
In this vast and rugged homeland, may You our centre be.  
May our lives show forth your tender love,  
compassion strong and bold.  
Give us bring Good News to all the world,  
Your Spirit Love, unfold.  
Holy Spirit, breathe your life in us,  
your truth to guide our way.  
Now with open hearts we hear your call  
to follow you each day.  
Bring us all, as one together,  
under southern stars above,  
so the Cross will lead us onward,  
Great South land of your love.  
Give us joyful hearts in days to come,  
all fear and dark cast out.  
Help us build in Christ a world reborn in justice and in love.

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### Dedication of the Gifts

Refrain: One bread, one body, one Lord of all,  
one cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many,  
throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more.
2. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.

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### Communion Hymn

Refrain: Send down the fire of your justice,  
Send down the rains of your love;  
Come, send down the Spirit,  
breathe life in your people, and we shall be people of God.

Call us to be your compassion,  
Teach us the song of your love;  
Give us hearts that sing, Give us deeds that ring,  
Make us ring with the song of your love. *Refrain*

Call us to learn of your mercy,  
Teach us the way of your peace;  
Give us hearts that feel, Give us hands that heal,  
Make us walk in the way of your peace. *Refrain*

Call us to answer oppression,  
Teach us the fire of your truth;  
Give us righteous souls, 'Til your justice rolls,  
Make us burn with the fire of your love. *Refrain*

Call us to witness your Kingdom,  
Give us the presence of Christ;  
May your holy light, keep us shining bright,  
Ever shine with the presence of Christ. *Refrain*

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### Recessional Hymn

God's spirit is in my heart  
God has called me and set me apart  
This is what I have to do, What I have to do  
*Refrain:* God sent me to give the Good News to the poor,  
Tell prisoners that they are prisoners no more,  
Tell blind people that they can see,  
And set the downtrodden free  
And go tell everyone the news that Kingdom of God has  
come, And go tell everyone the news....

Just as the Father sent me, So I'm sending you out to be  
My witnesses throughout the world,  
The whole of the world. *Refrain*

Don't worry what you have to say,  
Don't worry because on that day  
God's Spirit will speak in your heart,  
Will speak in your heart. *Refrain*

Text/Tune Kevin Mayhew ©1982, Contributors Alan Dale, Hubert Richards. \*



## NEXT SUNDAY 2ND FEBRUARY ..... BE PREPARED !

2nd February is a special feast in our Christian year - that of Candlemas - the Presentation of the Lord. Coming 40 days after Christmas it remembers Mary and Joseph *presenting* Jesus in the Temple according to Jewish custom. There the prophet Simeon recognised and proclaimed him as '*a light for the nations*'.

For that reason this has long been the day for the blessing of candles - next Sunday we invite you to bring your candle to be blessed that will be in the special place in your home as a focus for prayer. We will then invite you to place the candle on the altar where it will burn during the Eucharist, close to the sacramental presence of Jesus, the Light of the world, before taking it home at the end of Mass.

The blessing of candles takes place at the very beginning of Mass - even before the Entrance Hymn - so unfortunately if you're late you'll miss out. So please be ready with your candle for this beautiful and ancient feast in the life of the Church.



## 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.



# THE PRAYERS AND RESPONSES OF MASS

## GLORIA:

Glorify 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 18 (19): 8-10, 15

The law of the Lord is perfect,  
it revives the soul.  
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,  
it gives wisdom to the simple.  
The precepts of the Lord are right,  
they gladden the heart.  
The command of the Lord is clear,  
it gives light to the eyes.  
The fear of the Lord is holy,  
abiding for ever.  
The decrees of the Lord are truth  
and all of them just.  
May the spoken words of my mouth,  
the thoughts of my heart,  
win favour in your sight, O Lord,  
my rescuer, my rock!

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

**Recently deceased:** Doreen Nanayakkara, Helen Gallasch, Michael Swan, 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:** Vito Zepinic, Freda Mercer, Bini Szacsavay, Chris Williams, Denis Lyons, John Quirk, Henry Yee Joy, Robert Thornton, Peter John Jarvis.

**WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK Mon. & Tues.:** 8:00am at Killara; **Wed., Thu., Fri.:** 10am at Lindfield Next Sunday is Candlemas—the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (see page 2)..

## 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 (Luke 4:18)

Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners. Alleluia!

**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION** Save us, Saviour of the world,  
for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

## SUNDAY MASS ROSTER

Saturday		25 Jan.	1 Feb.
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Stephen	Fr Colin
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Colin	Fr Stephen
Sunday		26 Jan.	2 Feb.
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Killara	9:00 am	Fr Anselam Lakra	Fr Anselam Lakra
Lindfield	10:15 am	Fr Colin	Fr Colin
Lindfield	12:00 pm	Fr Anselam Lakra	Fr Gerard Kelly
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Colin	Fr Colin

## 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

常年期第三主日 (天主聖言主日) 26. 01. 2025

讀經一 (司祭讀一段天主的法律書, 即作翻譯和解釋, 如此, 民眾可以明白所誦讀的。)  
恭讀乃赫米雅書 8:2-6, 8-10

答唱詠 詠 19 (18):8-10, 15

【答】: 上主, 你的話, 就是神, 就是生命。(若 6:63)  
領: 上主的法律是完善的, 能賜快人靈; 上主的約章是忠誠的, 能開啟愚蒙。【答】  
領: 上主的規誡是正直的, 能悅樂心情; 上主的命令是光明的, 能獨照眼睛。【答】  
領: 上主的訓誨是純潔的, 永遠常存; 上主的判斷是真實的, 無不公允。【答】  
領: 上主, 我的磐石, 我的救主! 願我口中的話, 並願我心中的思慮, 常在你前蒙受悅納! 【答】

讀經二 (你們是基督的身體, 各自都是肢體。)  
恭讀聖保祿宗徒致格林多人前書 12:12-30

福音前歡呼 (路 4:18)

【答】: 亞肋路亞。  
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領: 上主派遣我向貧窮人傳報喜訊, 向俘虜宣告釋放。  
【答】: 亞肋路亞。

福音 (這段聖經, 今天應驗了。)

恭讀聖路加福音 1:1-4:4:14-21  
德教斐羅閣下: 有關在我們中間所完成的事蹟, 雖然已有許多人, 依照那些從開始就親眼見過, 並為聖言服務的人, 所傳給我們的, 編寫成書; 我也從起頭仔細查訪了一切, 認為有必要按次序, 給你寫出來, 為使你清楚知道: 給你所傳授的道理, 是正確無誤的。  
那時候, 耶穌充滿聖神的能力, 回到加里肋亞。他的名聲傳遍了附近各地。他在他們的會堂施教, 受到眾人的稱揚。  
耶穌來到了納匝肋, 自己曾受教養的地方; 按他的習慣, 就在安息日, 進入會堂, 並站起來要誦讀。

有人把依撒意亞先知書遞給他; 他於是展開書卷, 找到了一處, 上邊寫著:

「上主的神臨於我身上, 因為他給我傳了油, 派遣我向貧窮人傳報喜訊, 向俘虜宣告釋放, 向盲者宣告復明, 使受壓迫者獲得自由, 宣布上主恩慈之年。」

耶穌把書卷捲起來, 交給侍役, 就坐下了。會堂內眾人的眼睛, 都注視著他。他便開始對他們說: 「你們剛才聽過的這段聖經, 今天應驗了。」

—— 上主的話。(講道後默想片刻)

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# YOUTH NEWS<sup>4</sup>

## YOUNG ADULTS SIP & SNACK



OUR PARISH YOUTH COORDINATOR,  
KATE, WOULD LOVE TO CATCH UP WITH  
YOU!

If you are between 18 and 30, please come along to our  
afternoon tea gathering to share in fellowship.

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

After our catch up, we will head to Lindfield church for  
the 6pm youth Mass for those who are able to attend.

Please text Kate on 0418 864 020 or contact her at  
youth@lindfieldkillara.org if you are interested in coming along!

## Fun Fact!

Mary Help of Christians is the  
Patron Saint of Australia.  
Mary's title celebrates how  
Mary helps people by praying  
for them and standing up to  
challenges against the  
Christian faith. The feast was  
started by Pope Pius VII in 1815.  
He created this feast to  
thank Mary for her help after  
being freed from prison by  
Napoleon Bonaparte. At that  
time, Australia was a new  
colony without Catholic  
priests or Mass. Australian  
Catholics stayed strong by  
praying the Rosary together.

## our children are on break!

We'll be back with our Children's  
Mass and COG on the February  
9th!



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reader, please scan the QR  
Code and fill out the consent  
form for participation.  
This is an extremely important  
step in our child protection  
policy

Permission form for  
participation



Please sign  
up now!



**Starts 7 Feb 2025**

## Playgroup

Preschoolers, parents and carers, come and join us at Holy  
Family, Lindfield for weekly playgroup. Meet other parents  
and let your pre-schooler meet new friends.

Meet in the  
top School  
courtyard

Every  
Friday\*

9:00am -  
10:30am

\*Playgroup will not run during school holidays.

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These are only some of the many gifts donated during our  
community's annual Christmas Gifts for Waterloo Appeal last  
year. **St Vincent de Paul Society**, on behalf of the recipient  
families, want to thank the Lindfield-Killara Parish community for  
the generosity extended to the parents and children of the  
Waterloo area.



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