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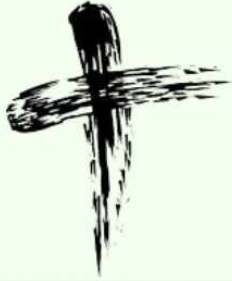
We support each other to grow in faith
and create a loving and compassionate community.
We aspire to live as Christ's witnesses of God's unconditional love.



EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2-3-25
QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY - THE SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

Let's truly enter the Season of Lent

THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT BEGINS THIS WEEK ON ASH WEDNESDAY, 5TH MARCH



Mass on Ash Wednesday will be celebrated as follows:

10:00am	at our Lindfield church
12 noon	at our Lindfield church (we will be joined at this Mass by our Parish School - all are welcome)
7:00pm	at our Killara church

LENTEN ECUMENICAL SERVICES

Once again we'll gather with our sisters and brothers from our fellow local Churches to keep the time of Lent together and to build the bonds of unity for which Jesus prayed at his last supper: 'Father, may they be one...' Please make it a priority to take part in these precious opportunities:

Tuesday 11th March 7:30pm
at Roseville Uniting Church (5 Lord St, Roseville)
Preacher: Rev. Colin Blayney

Tuesday 25th March 7:30pm
at Lindfield Uniting Church (cnr Hwy & Provincial Rd)
Preacher: Rev. Christian Hohl

Tuesday 8th April 7:30pm
at Holy Family Catholic Church, Lindfield
Preacher: Rev. Chris Goringe

PROJECT COMPASSION....



is at the heart of Lent with its opportunity for real Lenten sacrifice which is turned into aid for those most in need in our world. You can use the boxes or envelopes or go online at caritas.org.au/project-compassion or call 1300 024413

AT THE PERSONAL LEVEL:

Why not set a little time aside and tap into the short daily guided meditations at: <https://pray-as-you-go.org/>
Or explore the immensely rich and wider offering of prayer resources at: <https://pray-as-you-go.org/discover>



THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION



Reconciliation

Please make use of the beautiful sacrament of God's mercy during Lent. The sacrament is available each Saturday in our two churches. Once Holy Week begins there will be no times for Reconciliation as by then our Easter preparations should be concluded.

We will also have a celebration of the **Second Rite of Reconciliation** in our Killara church on **Wednesday 9th April at 7:00pm.**

LENTEN STUDY GROUPS

We have two alternative meeting times:

- **Thursdays 7:30pm online** commencing 13th Mar.
- **Thursday 10:30am**, in parish centre commencing 13/3

A chance to meet together to reflect on the Scriptures of the Lenten Season and to enrich our journey to Easter.

Let's not allow Lent, with its call to renewal, slip by.



To sign up for either group just scan this QR code or put your name on the sheets in the foyers of our two churches this weekend.

HELP US TO MAKE OUR EASTER BEAUTIFUL - PLEASE BE PART OF OUR EASTER CHOIR

Our Easter Choir will sing on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Mass of the Easter Vigil. To ensure we are well prepared there will be three rehearsals. If you wish to sing please attend **all** rehearsals.

Sunday 30th March	2pm to 4pm at Lindfield Church
Sunday 6th April	2pm to 4pm at Lindfield Church
Sunday 13th April	2pm to 4pm at Lindfield Church

Rehearsals start promptly so please arrive 10 minutes early to get settled.

We look forward to contributing the beauty of these wonderful celebrations through our music.

For any further information please contact Catherine Willis at catherinewillis@gmail.com





Please here! Please be there!

*Our next parish synodal gathering:
next Sunday 9th March*

A NOTE FROM FR COLIN:

As I write this Pope Francis lies ill in hospital. Next Sunday we have another opportunity to play our part in bringing his vision for the Church alive.

Last May we had our first parish synodal assembly - next Sunday 9th we gather again to pick up where we left off.

'Synodos', 'journeying together', is our call to gather, to listen to each other and so to listen for the call of the Holy Spirit.

Where we got to:

At last year's assembly in May our conversation identified three areas of priority for our parish:

- * Our Community
- * Youth
- * Faith Formation

Our focus next week:

At our coming assembly our focus will be to reflect on the first of those priorities: "Our Community."

(we'll focus on the other two issues at subsequent assemblies).

Before next Sunday:

You might like to make a cuppa and give some thought to these three aspects of 'Our Community':

* Inclusion and Participation

* Relationships

* Service & Outreach

AND

to ask yourself:

"Where is the Holy Spirit nudging me personally in regard to this area?"

"Where might the Holy Spirit be nudging us as a community in regard to this area?"

We gather next Sunday in MacKillop Hall at Lindfield beginning with morning tea after the 10:15am Mass and concluding at 1:30pm.

Both lunch and child-minding will be available. Please rsvp via the QR code to the right (or type <https://lindfieldkillara.chmeetings.com/forms/930B2F95C68E46A8> in your browser) so that we can (i) plan for numbers (ii) plan for catering and (iii) for child minding.



As we gather in worship on this day we acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which our parish is found.
We also pay our respects to Elders past and present.

THE 'ORDER OF LOVE' IN TODAY'S WORLD

It's certainly an interesting time to be a Canadian. Never in living memory have we felt our sovereignty more threatened by a foreign power. (The last time was the War of 1812, when the Americans waltzed on to Canadian soil on a "mere military promenade", only to be pushed back so far by British forces they even managed to set fire to the White House along the way.) Some 200 years later, it's not only Canada that's caught in the crosshairs of the current occupant of the Oval Office. There's Greenland, Gaza & Ukraine, & the list goes on, as President Trump transforms the world into a modern-day Wild West, where whoever has the fastest draw & the biggest pistol wins the ranch.

But it was the Trump administration's policies targeting migrants that spurred Pope Francis to pen a letter to the US bishops. Quoting Pius XII, he reminds them that the Holy Family exiled in Egypt, "refugees there to escape the wrath of an ungodly king", is "the model, the example and the consolation" of all migrants. The 10-point letter is succinct but incisive and deserves to be read in full. It includes a sharp corrective to comments made by Vice-President J.D. Vance, a recent Catholic convert, who had justified the administration's "America First" policy by recourse to the concept of the "order of love" – a notion developed by St Augustine to teach the right ordering of affections, according to the degree of love that befits what or whom we are loving.

Francis clarified that "Christian love is not a concentric expansion of interests that little by little extend to other persons and groups." The Pope affirmed that "the true *ordo amoris* that must be promoted is that which we discover by meditating constantly on the parable of the Good Samaritan, that is, by meditating on the love that builds a fraternity open to all, without exception." The lesson that Jesus derives from that Gospel parable is that we should show mercy to those who are suffering regardless of what culture they come from, and not prioritise the people who live closest to us or those who are most similar to us. Here in Rome, my fellow Canadian, Cardinal Michael Czerny, Prefect of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, expressed his regret that USAID is "recklessly" being suspended, disrupting humanitarian aid programmes around the world and "terrorising" the

millions of vulnerable people whose lives depend on them. Across the pond, Cardinal Robert McElroy, Francis' appointee as Archbishop of Washington, has been outspoken in protesting the government's crackdown on undocumented migrants. At a recent prayer service, the Cardinal affirmed: "We must speak up and say, 'Go no farther', because the safety [and] humanity of our brothers and sisters, who are being targeted, are too precious in our eyes and in God's eyes." McElroy also reacted to the executive order to defund charities and organisations that aid migrants: "This is the antithesis of being Christian."

In the last few days, media attention has turned to the Pope's health. After trying to keep his bronchitis under check from home for over a week, the Holy Father has sought care at Rome's Gemelli hospital. Insiders chalk it up to the pontiff, who suffered falls in both December and January, being "very, very tired". Vaticanistas note that Francis has frequently battled with respiratory illnesses over the past winters, including a case of pneumonia in 2023. This latest confinement has been the Holy Father's longest stay in hospital since June 2023, when he spent nine days at the Gemelli having abdominal surgery. In July 2021 Francis had part of his colon removed during a 10-day hospital stay. Francis has written that he sees resignation as a "distant hypothesis" to be considered only in the case of a "serious physical impediment". In the early days of this bout of bronchitis, Pope Francis had relocated his audiences to his residence, the Casa Santa Marta. I was moved when I saw him up close as he interacted with survivors and advocates at a private audience for the annual World Day of Prayer against Human Trafficking. I couldn't help but think that this is surely the compassionate, engaged, prophetic leadership needed in today's world. At a moment when some world leaders are trying to annex sovereign nations or advocate taking ownership of a strip of land and redeveloping it as a beachside resort, the 88-year-old pontiff offers a stark alternative, both in substance and style. Whether at Santa Marta or the Gemelli, in this Jubilee year Francis remains stalwart as a fellow pilgrim of hope.

Julian Paparella

(from 'The Tablet'. To subscribe to The Tablet go to www.thetablet.co.uk)

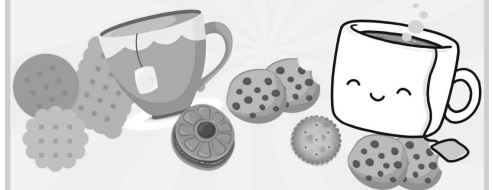


WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR POPE FRANCIS that the healing and strengthening gifts of God may support him in both body and spirit.

OPENING OF NEW COLES AT LINDFIELD At this stage the planned opening will take place in early April. For us as a parish this brings the good news of the return of ample short term parking right on the doorstep of our Lindfield site. Pass the word on !

Killara Morning Tea

on the 1st Sunday of each month
after 9:00am Mass:



We would like 2 to 4 more people joining our Morning Tea roster; if you could help twice each year please email

parishoffice@lindfieldkillara.org.au

Hymns for the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE: LET HEAVEN REJOICE

Refrain Let heaven rejoice and earth be glad;
Let all creation sing.
Let children proclaim to every land: Hosanna to the King.
Sound the trumpet into the night;
The day of the Lord is near. Wake His people, lift your voice,
proclaim it to the world. **R**

Rise in splendour, shake off your sleep;
Put on your robes of joy. And in the morning you shall see
the glory of the Lord. **R**

Raise your voices, be not afraid.
Proclaim it in every land. Christ has died, but he has risen;
he will come again. **R** *Bob Dufford ©1972, OCP.**

DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: HOSEA

Come back to me with all your heart,
don't let fear keep us apart.
Trees do bend, tho' straight and tall;
so must we to others' call.

Refrain Long have I waited for your coming
home to me and living deeply our new life.

The wilderness will lead you
to your heart where I will speak.
Integrity and justice
with tenderness you shall know. **R**

You shall sleep secure with peace;
faithfulness will be your joy. **R**

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COMMUNION: LORD, BE MY VISION

Lord, be my vision, supreme in my heart,
bid every rival give way and depart:
you my best thought in the day or the night,
waking or sleeping, your presence my light.

Lord, be my wisdom and be my true word,
I ever with you and you with me, Lord:
you my great Father and I your true child,
you in me living and I with you one.

Lord, be my breastplate, my sword for the fight:
be my strong armour, for you are my might;
you are my shelter, and you my high tower
raise me to heaven, O Power of my power.

I need no riches, nor earth's empty praise:
you my inheritance through all my days;
all of your treasure to me you impart.
high King of heaven, the first in my heart.

High King of heaven, when battle is done,
grant heaven's joy to me, bright heaven's sun;
Christ of my own heart, whatever befall
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

From the Irish, 8th century. Tr. Mary E. Byrne (1880-1931) and Eleanor Henrietta Hull (1860-1935)

RECESSIONAL: WILL YOU LOVE ME?

Will you give me your life forever?
Will you carry my cross every day?
Will you walk in the light of my presence?
Will you follow the truth of my ways?

Refrain Will you love me as I have loved you?
Will you live with me the darkness as I die?
For the moon and the stars will be gone like the night,
And the sun will be shining on you.

Like the purest of gold in the furnace,
Is your love strong enough to endure?
Does your faith carry on through the shadows?
Does it shine in the night for the world? **R**

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This week: Sirach 27:4-7; 1 Corinthians 15:54-58; Luke 6:39-45

Next week: Deuteronomy 26:4-10; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13

Hip, hip, hypocrisy. That's the theme of the Scriptures this weekend.

And it's not the hypocrisy of 'the hypocrites' that they're talking about,
of the one or ones that everyone so happily points the finger at.

It's the hypocrisy of each one of us (me included),
of each person who points a finger other than at themselves.

Jesus challenges those who point out the splinter in another's eye
without noticing the plank in their own.
Some may excuse themselves by saying: well that person's sin is itself a plank, it's so big.

That doesn't change the fact that none of us is perfect,
that planks come in different shapes and sizes,
that we all fall short of God's grace,
and that the only gaze upon the world which is worthy of a disciple
is the gaze of compassion and love.

Fr Colin

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.

THE PSALM Ps 91 (92): 2-3, 13-16

It is good to give thanks to the Lord
to make music to your name, O Most High,
to proclaim your love in the morning
and your truth in the watches of the night.

The just will flourish like the palm-tree
and grow like a Lebanon cedar.

Planted in the house of the Lord
they will flourish in the courts of our God,
still bearing fruit when they are old,
still full of sap, still green,
to proclaim that the Lord is just.
In God, my rock, there is no wrong.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in 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 (Philippians 2:15-16)

Alleluia, alleluia! Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

**FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION:
MYSTICS OF THE RHINE VALLEY**

We live in a time of both crisis and opportunity. While there are many reasons to be anxious today, I still have hope, not only in God, but in the fact that many Westerners, including Christians, are rediscovering the value of nonduality: a way of thinking, acting, reconciling, boundary-crossing, and bridge-building based on inner experience of God and God's Spirit moving in the world. It moves us beyond binary, either-or, us-against-them mentality. To be clear, nondual thinking isn't about throwing out our rational mind or refusing to act against injustice; it's about growing in mystical, contemplative, and unitive consciousness. When we have both, we're able to see more broadly, deeply, wisely, and lovingly. We can collaborate on creative solutions to today's problems. I'm encouraged that there's renewed appreciation in the Christian tradition for people like the mystics who model such wholeness.

My own cultural roots are in the Rhineland of Northern Europe. The Rhineland mystics were mostly German-speaking spiritual writers, preachers, and teachers, who lived largely between the 11th and 15th centuries. Their importance has only recently been rediscovered. The "trans-alpine" Church (meaning those on the other side of the Alps from Rome) always enjoyed a certain degree of freedom from Roman oversight and control, simply by reason of distance, and drew upon different sources and inspirations than did the "cis-alpine" Church of Italy, France, and Spain. The Rhineland Mystics were outstanding in their courage and very creative viewpoints.

Some of the most familiar Rhineland mystics would include the Benedictines Hildegard of Bingen (1098–1179) and Gertrude the Great (1256–1302); the Beguine Mechthild of Magdeburg (c. 1212–c. 1282); the Dominicans, including Meister Eckhart (c. 1260–1327), Johannes Tauler (c. 1300–1361), and Henry Suso (1295–1366); and Cardinal Nicholas of Cusa (1401–1464). ...

After the Protestant Reformation, the mystical path was largely mistrusted. Some would even say it was squelched because of Martin Luther's (1483–1546) emphasis on the Bible as the only source of knowledge about God (sola Scriptura). Personal spiritual experience was considered unimportant and suspect. To be fair, Luther's contributions led Christians to an early stage "rational" use of the Scriptures which was a necessary corrective to Catholic over-spiritualisation. But within Luther's own reformed tradition, profound mystics arose such as the German shoemaker Jacob Boehme (1575–1624) and the inventor Emanuel Swedenborg (1688–1772).

In the following centuries, German academic theology flourished, relying almost exclusively on post-Reformation rationalism. While theological study continues to be an immense gift to the world, one can easily get trapped inside of endless discussions about abstract ideas with little emphasis on experience or practice. In contrast, mystics honour the experience of the essential mystery and unknowability of God and invite us to do the same.

(in following weeks Fr Richard will explore each of the Rhineland mystics in turn)

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***

* Morning Tea follows the 9am Mass at Killara on the 1st Sundays

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

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

WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK**EIGHTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME, LEADING INTO LENT**

Mon. 8am Killara

Tues. 8am Killara

Wed. **ASH WEDNESDAY** See page 1

Thurs. 10am Lindfield

Fri. 10am Lindfield

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

Saturday		1 Mar.	8 Mar.
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Stephen	Fr Colin
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Colin	Fr Stephen
Sunday		2 Mar.	9 Mar.
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr Ansaalem Lakra	Fr Colin
Killara	9:00 am	Fr Colin	Fr Hien Vu
Lindfield	10:15 am	Fr Ansaalem Lakra	Fr Colin
Lindfield	12:00 pm	Fr Ansaalem Lakra	Fr Hien Vu
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Colin	Fr Colin

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◆ The TAP MACHINES are available in our two churches.

**PARISH DIARY**

Every Wednesday: 8:00am

Meditation (online)

Every Friday: 9:00am

Playgroup

MARCH

Wed. 5th

Ash Wednesday ~ see p.1

11:00am Scripture study (online)

Sun. 9th

10:15am Children's Mass

11:15-1:30 Parish Synodal Assembly

Tues. 11th

7:30pm Lent Ecumenical Service (p.1)

Wed. 12th

7:30pm Scripture study (online)

Thurs. 13th

Lenten Study Groups (see p.1)

Fri. 14th

10:00am Healing Mass & morn. tea

Sun. 16th

7:00pm Pot luck parish dinner

Wed. 19th

11:00am Scripture study (online)

OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

常年期第八主日 2.03.2025

力, 因為你們知道, 你們的勤勞, 在主內決不會落空。

讀經一

(一個人沒有發言以前, 不要讚美他。)

—— 上主的話。 (默想片刻)

恭讀德訓篇 27:5-8

篩篩子, 總留下一些渣滓; 人的言談, 也總有一些不乾淨。

爐火試煉陶匠的陶器; 言談試驗人的性格。

一棵樹的栽培, 可由它所結的果實看出來; 同樣, 一個人的心意, 也可從他思想後, 所說的話看出來。

一個人沒有發言以前, 不要讚美他, 因為人的好壞, 從言談中, 才可見到。

—— 上主的話。 (默想片刻)

福音前歡呼 (斐 2:15,16)

領: 亞肋路亞。

【歡】: 亞肋路亞。

領: 你們應在世人前大放光明, 有如宇宙間的明星, 將生命的話, 顯耀出來。

【歡】: 亞肋路亞。

福音

(人心裡充滿什麼, 口裡就說什麼。)

恭讀聖路加福音 6:39-45

那時候, 耶穌對門徒講了這個比喻: 「瞎子豈能給瞎子帶路? 不是兩人都跌在坑裡嗎?」

「沒有徒弟勝過師父; 凡受過完備教育的, 僅相似自己的師父而已。」

「怎麼, 你看見你兄弟眼中的木屑, 而不理會你眼中的大樑呢? 你怎能對你的兄弟說: 兄弟, 讓我取出你眼中的木屑吧! 而你竟看不見自己眼中的大樑呢? 假善人啊! 先取出你眼中的大樑, 然後才看得清楚, 以便取出你兄弟眼中的木屑。」

「沒有好樹結壞果子的, 也沒有壞樹結好果子的。每一棵樹的好壞, 憑它的果子, 就可認出來。人從荆棘上, 收不到無花果; 從茨藤上, 也摘不到葡萄。善人從自己心中的善庫, 發出善來; 惡人從惡庫中, 發出惡來; 因為心裡充滿什麼, 口裡就說什麼。」

—— 上主的話。 (禱後默想片刻)

答唱詠

詠 92 (91):2-3, 13-16

【答】: 上主, 歌頌你的聖名, 是多麼美好! (詠 92:2)

領: 至高的上主, 感謝你, 歌頌你的聖名, 是多麼美好; 清晨傳述你的慈愛, 夜間宣揚你的仁義, 是多麼幸福。【答】領: 正義的人像棕櫚樹一樣茂盛, 似黎巴嫩香柏一樣高聳。他們被栽植在上主的殿裡, 在我們天主的庭院裡, 開枝散葉。【答】

領: 他們雖已年老, 仍然結果, 枝葉茂盛, 永遠長青。可見上主是多麼公義; 他是我的磐石, 他處事無不公允。【答】

讀經二

(天主賜我們因主耶穌基督獲得了勝利。)

恭讀聖保羅宗徒致格林多人前書 15:54-58

姊妹弟兄們:

幾時這可朽壞的, 穿上了不可朽壞的; 這可死的, 穿上了不可死的, 那時, 就要應驗經上所記載的: 「在勝利中, 死亡被吞滅了。」 「死亡! 你的勝利在那裡? 死亡! 你的刺在那裡?」

死亡的刺, 就是罪過; 罪過的權勢, 就是法律。感謝天主, 他賜給了我們, 因我們的主耶穌基督, 所獲得的勝利。

所以, 我親愛的弟兄, 你們要堅定不移, 在主的工程上, 該時常發奮勉

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彌撒後, 請各教友參加午餐聚會

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Lord, in Jesus your Son, you restored to us the gift of everlasting life. Grant that life to:**Recently deceased:** John Barker, Fr Joe Martins, John Barker, Doreen Nanayakkara, Helen Gallasch, Cynthia Tickle, Michael Swan, Cyril Ferriere, Diana Beckley, Bev Gledhill, Evelyn Newman, Grace Jessup. **Anniversary:** Valerie Re, Mary Klausner, Thomas Wade.**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:**

Pope Francis, Elvira Escay Rodriguez (grandmother of Maia Schulze Tsang), Michelle Son (wife of Rev. Yangrae Son), 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.

CATECHIST SUNDAY

On the weekend of 1-2 March we celebrate Catechist Sunday, acknowledging the important work of Catechists at public schools within our parish.

The act of catechesis is the bringing of the teachings of the Church to the world. A Catechist is one who teaches in the name of the Church.

Why do we have a special day set aside to commission Catechists?

The work of a Catechist is a distinct and special ministry in the Church. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church makes clear, "Catechesis is intimately bound up with the whole of the life of the Church - her inner growth and correspondence with God's plan depend essentially on catechesis". This ministry of teaching in the name of the Church has a profound dignity, which is why catechists are formally commissioned by the Church. It is only fitting that we set aside a day to highlight this ministry and invite the entire church community to think about our responsibility to share our faith with others.

Parents, the primary catechists of their children

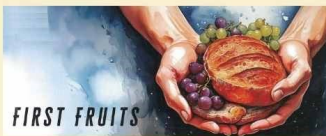
Parents and caregivers are truly the primary teachers of their children. They prepare the soil and plant the first seeds of faith. On Catechist Sunday, we not only highlight the work of Catechists in parishes and schools, but we also commend parents and caregivers, and encourage them to take seriously their role of making their Catholic households a place where faith is passed on to the next generation.

WE WELCOME NEW CATECHISTS AND CLASSROOM ASSISTANTS TO JOIN OUR TEAM.

Please contact Karen Forbes at the parish office

Phone: 9416 3702 Email: catechists@lindfieldkillara.org.au

FIRST FRUITS OFFERING



The 'First Fruits' appeal is not an appeal as such (there will be no collection for it) - rather, it's an invitation to consider 'PLANNED Giving': starting by reflecting on how important our Church, our parish, the mission of Jesus is, and then considering a commitment to an annual amount of giving.

If you are already giving in a planned way it's also an invitation to review the amount of that giving

The Old Testament tradition of offering the 'first fruits' was the call to give *the best* to God, the first and best fruits of the harvest, not what was left over.

There will be envelopes available today which you can take home and return next week which provide the opportunity to indicate a weekly, fortnightly, or monthly amount you would be happy to be charged to your credit card.

OR

you can set up a regular contribution from your own bank account. The details of our 1st and 2nd collection accounts can be found on our parish website (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au) under 'Our Parish' → 'Parish Finances'



OPENDAY

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Do you love your faith?

Could you be a godparent to one of those being baptised this Easter?)



We have quite a band of catechumens who - wonderfully - are seeking to be baptised and join our family of faith this Easter - both adults and children.

Could you be a godparent, a 'sponsor in faith', for one of our group?

Please let me know asap if you could be part of this wonderful act of outreach and support.

Fr Colin

(0475 558500; colin@lindfieldkillara.org.au)

CHILDREN'S MASS

Our next Children's Mass is on March 9th - Next weekend



Come sing our hearts out with the Children's Choir, hear God's Word be proclaimed!

Come learn about a fearless Saint at COG!

After the Children's Mass next weekend, head down to the COG room under the church and learn about the amazing saint - Maximilian Kolbe. Learn how this saint reflects Jesus by choosing love even when he knew he would suffer.



Last week at COG, we learnt how to pray a personal prayer using the PAIL technique. We also made our own rosary beads.

- P** Praise God for all his goodness
- A** Apologise for your wrong doings
- I** Share your intentions
- L** Listen to what God is saying



Young Adults

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2:30pm, March 2nd



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Last week in the Parish



Left: our RCIA team and the adults preparing for baptism this Easter at their meeting last Saturday.



Right: our Parish Book Club at the monthly gathering last Wednesday.

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