



We are a welcoming Christian community which embraces all people.  
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.



THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

23 - 3 - 25



*Above: The Rite of Peace, part of the preparation for First Reconciliation, at last Sunday night's Mass.*

*Right: Morning tea in St Joseph's Hall following the monthly Healing Mass last Friday week.*



## *Making our churches beautiful for Easter - can you help us?*



As you know we always put a lot of effort into making our two churches beautiful for Easter - but it comes at a substantial cost to the parish.

Can you help us with the costs of our Easter flower arrangements? If you can, could you please respond as soon as possible so that we can determine what our budget for Easter flowers will be.

You can either contact the Parish Office, or email Karen (at [accounts@lindfieldkillara.org.au](mailto:accounts@lindfieldkillara.org.au)) who can assist you with your donation, or you can use this QR code: .



*(Scan the code & on the page which opens tap on 'Biller Code' which opens a drop-down menu. Scroll down and select 'Flowers Fund'. Enter your details, click 'Next' and you can then donate via your credit card).*

## LENTEN ECUMENICAL SERVICE

The second of our three Ecumenical Services in Lent takes place

**THIS TUESDAY 25TH MARCH at 7:30pm**

at Lindfield Uniting Church (cnr Pacific Hwy and Provincial Rd) with Rev. Christian Hohl of the Lutheran Church as our preacher.

Please be there as we make Lent a time of building the bonds of Christian unity..





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*This week: Exodus 3: 1-8, 13-15; 1 Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12; Luke 13: 1-9*  
*Next week: Joshua 5: 9-12; 2 Corinthians 5: 17-21; Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32*

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In today's Gospel Jesus had a very radical message for his contemporaries: that misfortune is **not** a sign of punishment from God.

Hopefully these days we don't find that too radical a message.

But in saying that, Jesus implies another conclusion:

that if misfortune is not punishment, then it clearly follows that the opposite is true:

that good fortune is not a blessing from God for being good.

And when we let it sink in, perhaps it's a challenging thought.

Because perhaps subtly we'd like to think that if we're doing the right thing, if we have God in our life, if we pray, if we come regularly to the Eucharist, then bad things won't happen to us. And we may be shocked if and when they do.

But in the end when we think that way

it's just a more subtle way of thinking the way Jesus' contemporaries did:

by assuming that our good works should protect us from misfortune,

that is subtly saying that if you don't do that then either you will get punished, or you deserve it.

**And in the end that way of thinking corrupts and diminishes our spiritual life:**

because it means that we do what we do because of the reward that we'll get.

However Jesus' challenge is that we do it simply because it's good.

we choose to pursue the good simply because that's a good thing to do.

That's the very profound challenge of the Gospel and of this season of conversion:

to re-assess our very motives for being a disciple.

*Fr Colin*

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## *Ways to keep the Season of Lent ....*

### 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

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



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.

### 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...'

**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  
(please bring a plate for supper)



### 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](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or call 1300 024413



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COMPASSION

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.

## Food for the spirit .....

### PRAYER

*I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did! (Lk 13:3)*

In her masterful book, *Guidelines for Mystical Prayer*, Ruth Burrows has a section within which she lists the faults of those who are beyond initial conversion. What are these faults?

Burrows has her own list, what I offer here is the perspective that Henri Nouwen gives in his spiritual masterpiece, *The Return of the Prodigal Son*.

Among many things in that book, Nouwen tells us that as persons who understand ourselves as already committed, we still need to make a three-fold conversion movement: 1) We need to move from being a bystander to being a participant; 2) from being a judge to being a repentant sinner; and 3) from speaking about love to actually letting ourselves be loved. What is involved in each of these?

1) We need to move from being a bystander to being a participant: in essence, what we need to do here is to move from studying life, speaking about it, teaching about it, writing about it, and perhaps even at times mimicking it, to actually living it. I know this sounds very much like a cliché devoid of substance, but a lot of what is wrong in the world, the church, and within our personal lives today is precisely the fact that we study things, talk about them, strongly voice our convictions about them, but often, in fact, do little or nothing about them.

For example, we do not lack for literature, moral rhetoric, or good analysis on social justice. But there is, in fact, very, very little being done. This is not so much because our passion for justice is insincere, but because at the end of the day we are bystanders not participants.

The same holds true for prayer. There's no shortage of literature in this area (no shortage of workshops either). We talk enough about prayer. We just don't pray a lot. In terms of deep private prayer, we pray very little. Again, we are much more in the position of the bystander than participant. Therese of Lisieux wrote: "I always preferred to pray rather than to have spiritual conversations about prayer." For most of us, the opposite is true.

Robert Moore suggests that this failure to move from bystander to participant is a disease that particularly afflicts those among us who do any kind of ministry or are in any teaching or healing profession. Invariably we end up studying life and speaking about it rather than living it. It is no accident that those of us in these vocations frequently feel anger towards anyone who actually does

anything. It will also be no accident that when the last tree on the planet has been cut down there will have been libraries of studies written about the ill effect of cutting down trees, but very little will have been done by a way of action by those who wrote all those books. We generally respond to the issue of violence against children and women in the same way—with yet another study. We are too much bystanders, not participants.

2) We need to move from being a judge to being a repentant sinner. What is meant by this? All of us pray the prayer of the Pharisee—"thank God that I'm not like that other person!" We are all self-righteous, it is only a question of what we are self-righteous about.

We used to stereotype self-righteousness in one phrase: "holier-than-thou." We are all "holier-than-thou," except we each define holiness according to our own idiosyncratic preference, that is, as "more-sensitive-than-thou," "brighter-than-thou," "less-hypocritical-than-thou," "more-experienced-than-thou," "less-bigoted-than-thou," "less-rigid-than-thou," or "more-of-a-victim-than-thou." In subtle and not so subtle ways, each of us is more judge than repentant sinner.

We stop being a judge only when we claim our proper place among the broken, among God's little ones, the unfaithful, sinners. Only when we watch the news at night and recognise that every pathology, every act of violence, and every sin we see on our television screen is also inside of us will we lose all interest in making comparisons and be content to let God's grace simply work in us.

3) Finally, we must move from speaking about love to actually letting ourselves be loved. Nouwen uses his own life as an example. For years, he went all over the world giving talks about love, even while not letting those around him really love him. Only after moving in with the physically handicapped, with people who were not interested in what he had to say about love, did he actually allow himself to be loved. What was true for him is true for most of us. It is far easier for us to speak about love than to let ourselves actually be loved.

Those around us, family and friends, already know all these things about us. It's time we recognised them too.

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

## 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.

**Please bring your voice to these rehearsals to help us praise God and lift one another's hearts this Easter!**

Please let us know that you'll be a part of the Easter choir so that we can have music ready for you: contact Catherine Willis at [catherinewillis@gmail.com](mailto:catherinewillis@gmail.com)

## Hymns for the Third Sunday in Lent

### ENTRANCE: LOVE WILL BE OUR LENTEN CALLING

Love will be our Lenten calling,  
love to shake and shatter sin, waking every closed,  
cold spirit, stirring new life deep within,  
till the quickened heart remembers  
what our Easter birth can mean.

Peace will be our Lenten living as we turn for home again,  
Longing for the words of pardon,  
stripping off old grief and pain, till we stand,  
restored and joyful, with the Church on Easter day.

Truth will be our Lenten learning:  
hear the Crucified One call!  
Shadowed by the Saviour's passion, images and idols fall,  
and, in Easter's holy splendour, God alone is all in all.

*Elizabeth Smith ©1997\**

### DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: COME TO THE WATER

**Refrain** Come to the water! You who are thirsty!  
Though you have nothing, I bid you come!  
And be filled with the goodness I have to offer!  
Come! Listen! Live!

Why spend your money on what cannot fill  
The emptiness deep in your heart?  
Listen to My word and you will enjoy  
Goodness and peace in your heart! **R**

Just as the heavens are high above earth;  
My ways and thoughts beyond you!  
Call me your Father and know I am near!  
I will be Father to you! **R**

Just as the rain falls to water the earth;  
Just as a seed becomes bread  
My word upon you can never return  
Until My longing is filled! **R**

*Frank Andersen ©1978, Missionaries of the Sacred Heart\*\**

### COMMUNION: TABLE OF PLENTY

**Refrain** Come to the feast of heaven and earth!  
Come to the table of plenty!  
God will provide for all that we need,  
here at the table of plenty.

O come and sit at my table  
where saints and sinners are friends.  
I wait to welcome the lost and lonely  
to share the cup of my love. **R**

My bread will ever sustain you  
through days of sorrow and woe.  
My wine will flow like a sea of gladness  
to flood the depths of your soul. **R**

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### RECESSIONAL: 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 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.

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# LENT

Pray + Fast + Give

## Hymns for the Children's Mass

### ENTRANCE: LOVE WILL BE OUR LENTEN CALLING

Same as ENTRANCE above

### DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS: HERE I AM, LORD

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people's cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

**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 for love alone.  
I will speak My word to them. Whom shall I send? **(Chorus)**

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### COMMUNION: THESE HANDS

**Chorus:** These hands, this heart, this voice, my God.  
These hands, this heart, this voice, my God.

With these hands I pray to you,  
with these hands I work for you.

With these hands I show my love for you. **(Chorus)**

With this voice I speak to you, with this voice I sing to you.

With this voice I share my love for you. **(Chorus)**

With this heart I share your love,

with this heart I feel your love.

With this heart I live my love for you. **(Chorus)**

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### RECESSIONAL HYMN: 10,000 REASONS

**Chorus:** Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul.  
Worship God's 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)**

And on that day when my strength is failing,  
the end draws near and my time has come.

Still my soul will sing Your praise unending.

Ten thousand years and then forevermore **(Chorus)**

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

*We fast from the joyful words of the Gloria during these days of Lent as we prepare our hearts & our community to celebrate the saving death & resurrection of Jesus*

**THE PSALM Ps 102 (103):1-4, 6-8, 11**

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,  
all my being, bless God's holy name.  
My soul give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all God's blessings.  
It is the Lord who forgives all your guilt,  
who heals every one of your ills,  
who redeems your life from the grave,  
who crowns you with love and compassion.  
The Lord does deeds of justice,  
gives judgement for all who are oppressed.  
The Lord made known God's ways to Moses  
and his deeds to Israel's children.  
The Lord is compassion and love,  
slow to anger and rich in mercy.  
For as the heavens are high above the earth  
so strong is the Lord's love for those who fear Him.

**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

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

**THE NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were  
made.

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  
and his kingdom will have no  
end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father &  
the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
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.  
Amen

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Matthew 4:17)**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!  
Repent, says the Lord; the kingdom of heaven is at hand. Praise  
to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!



**FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION:  
MYSTICS OF THE RHINE VALLEY IV:  
JOHN RUUSBROEC: THE STRUGGLE FOR LOVE**

*Jesuit scholar Harvey Egan writes about the Dutch mystic John Ruusbroec:*

John Ruusbroec, "the Admirable," [1293–1381] has been called the greatest contemplative and mystical writer in the Christian tradition. He has also been praised as the most articulate trinitarian mystic of the West, unmatched in his power to describe the unitive life. Yet, if those who know something about the Christian tradition are asked to list the great mystics, rarely is Ruusbroec named first—if he is named at all.

John was born in Ruusbroec, South Brabant, about five miles from Brussels. When he was 11 years old, he went to live with an uncle of his who was a canon [senior priest] of Brussels cathedral.... Ordained at the age of 24, Ruusbroec spent 26 years at St. Gudula's. There he maintained close contact with the local Beguines. At 50 years of age, Ruusbroec ... retired for a more contemplative life to the forest of Soignes, Groenendaal (green valley), just outside of Brussels.... Here Ruusbroec lived the "God-seeing" life for 38 years before dying at the age of 88.

*James Finley recommends that we read John Ruusbroec and mystics like him with a deliberate, contemplative reading style:*

When we look at these writings of this mystic, what makes him so worth reading in my mind is the poetic eloquence of his language. It's just exquisite. There are certain passages where he reaches a certain sublime altitude. It's his gift to

put words to these very subtle unitive states of oneness with God. You can read him one paragraph at a time, outline it and sit with it, take it in, walk with it; it's like a rich inner landscape of the awakened heart, a very carefully nuanced, rich, and grounding place.

*We invite you to use Finley's instructions to sit with this passage from Ruusbroec's famous text The Divine Espousals, in which he describes intimate union with God "without difference":*

In this storm of love two spirits struggle—the Spirit of God and our spirit. God, by means of the Holy Spirit, inclines [Godself] toward us, and we are thereby touched in love; our spirit, by means of God's activity and the amorous power, impels and inclines itself toward God, and thereby God is touched. From these two movements there arises the struggle of love, for in this most profound meeting, in this most intimate and ardent encounter, each spirit is wounded by love. These two spirits, that is, our spirit and God's Spirit, cast a radiant light upon one another and each reveals to the other its countenance. This makes the two spirits incessantly strive after one another in love. Each demands of the other what it is, and each offers to the other and invites it to accept what it is. This makes these loving spirits lose themselves in one another. God's touch and his giving of himself, together with our striving in love and our giving of ourselves in return—this is what sets love on a firm foundation.

### 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

THIRD WEEK IN LENT

Mon. 8am Killara  
Tues. 8am Killara Solemnity, Annunciation of the Lord  
Wed. 10am Lindfield  
Thurs. 10am Lindfield  
Fri. 9am Lindfield (School Mass - note earlier time)

### 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  |          | 22 Mar.    | 29 Mar.          |
|-----------|----------|------------|------------------|
| Lindfield | 6:00 pm  | Fr Colin   | Fr Colin         |
| Killara   | 5:30 pm  | Fr Hien Vu | Fr Stephen       |
| Sunday    |          | 23 Mar.    | 30 Mar.          |
| Lindfield | 8:30 am  | Fr Colin   | Fr Colin         |
| Killara   | 9:00 am  | Fr Stephen | Fr Anselam Lakra |
| Lindfield | 10:15 am | Fr Colin   | Fr Colin         |
| Lindfield | 12:00 pm | Fr Hien Vu | Fr Anselam Lakra |
| Lindfield | 6:00pm   | Fr Hien Vu | Fr Colin         |

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◆ DIRECT DEBIT CONTRIBUTIONS from your bank a/c::

**1st Collection:** (providing for the priests of the parish and diocese) BSB 062 784 Ac 10000 1624

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

**CREDIT CARD:** scan this code & then under 'Biller Code' select each of our two collections:

◆ PERIODIC PAYMENTS FROM YOUR CREDIT CARD: just click on the hotlink box entitled 'Supporting parish finances' on our homepage (www.lindfieldkillara.org.au) or email accounts@lindfieldkillara.org.au for assistance.

◆ The TAP MACHINES are available in our two churches.



### PARISH DIARY

Every Wednesday: 8:00am Meditation (online)  
Every Friday: 9:00am Playgroup

### MARCH

Sun. 23rd 10:15am Children's Mass, morning tea and COG  
Tues. 25th 7:30pm Lenten Ecumenical Service II  
Wed. 26th 7:30pm Scripture study (online)  
Thurs. 27th 7:30pm Lenten Study Group (online)  
Fri. 28th 9:00am School Mass

### APRIL

Wed. 2nd 11:00am Scripture study (online)  
Thurs. 3rd 7:30pm Lenten Study Group (online)  
Sun. 6th 9:00am Morning tea after 9am Mass

### OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

四旬期第三主日 23.03.2025

恭讀出谷記 3:1-8, 13-15 (我是自有者。)

那時候，梅瑟為他的岳父，米德楊的司祭那特洛放羊。有一次，梅瑟趕羊往曠野去，到了天主的山葛勒布。天主的使者，從荆棘叢中的火焰，顯現給梅瑟。梅瑟遠遠看見那荆棘被火焚燒，而荆棘卻沒有燒毀。

梅瑟心裡說：「我要到那邊，看看這個奇異的現象，為什麼荆棘沒有被燒毀？」上主見梅瑟走來觀看，天主便由荆棘叢中叫他說：「梅瑟！梅瑟！」

梅瑟回答說：「我在這裡。」  
天主說：「不可到這邊來！將你腳上的鞋脫下，因為你所站立的地方是聖地。」又說：「我是你父親的天主、亞巴郎的天主、依撒格的天主、雅各伯的天主。」梅瑟因為怕看見天主，就把臉遮起來。

上主說：「我看見我的百姓，在埃及所受的痛苦；聽見他們因工頭的壓迫，而發出的哀號；我已注意到他們的痛苦，所以我要下去，拯救百姓脫離埃及人的手；領他們離開那地方，到一個美麗寬闊的地方，流奶流蜜的地方。」

梅瑟對天主說：「當我到以色列子民那裡，向他們說：『你們祖先的天主，打發我到你們這裡來』的時候，他們必要問我：他叫什麼名字？我要回答他們什麼呢？」

天主向梅瑟說：「我是自有者。」又說：「你要這樣對以色列子民說：那『自有者』打發我到你們這裡來。」

天主又對梅瑟說：「你要這樣對以色列子民說：上主、你們祖先的天主、亞巴郎的天主、依撒格的天主和雅各伯的天主，打發我到你們這裡來；這是我的名字，直到永遠；這是我的稱號，直到萬世。」——上主的話。(默想片刻)

答唱詠 詠 103 (102):1-4, 6-8, 11

【答】：上主富於仁慈寬恕，極其慈悲。(詠27:1)

領：我的靈魂，請讚頌上主；我的五內，請讚頌上主的名。我的靈魂，請讚頌上主，請你不要忘記他的恩寵。【答】

領：是他赦免了你的各種罪行；是他治癒了你的所有痛苦；是他叫你的性命，在死亡中得到保全；是他用仁慈以及愛情，給你作了冠冕。【答】

領：上主時常履行正義，為受壓迫者主持公道。上主將自己的道路，告知梅瑟，給以色列子民，彰顯自己的行徑。【答】

領：上主富於仁慈寬恕，極其慈悲，遲於發怒，就如上天距離下地，有多麼高，他待敬畏他的慈愛，也多麼高。【答】

讀經二 (以色列民與梅瑟在曠野裡的歷史，是為勸戒我們而寫的。)

恭讀聖保祿宗徒格林多人前書 10:1-6, 10-12

姊妹弟兄們：

我願意提醒你們，我們的祖先都曾在雲柱

下，都從海中走過，都曾在雲中和海中受了洗，而歸於梅瑟，都吃過同樣的神糧，都飲過同樣的神飲；原來他們所飲的，是來自伴隨他們的屬神磐石；那磐石就是基督。可是，他們中多數人，都不是天主所喜悅的，因而倒斃在曠野裡。

這些事都是我們的鑑戒，為叫我們不要像他們一樣貪戀惡事。你們也不可像他們一樣抱怨；他們中有些人抱怨過，因而被毀滅者所消滅。

發生在他們身上的這一切事，都是為給人作鑑戒，並記錄下來，為勸戒我們這些生活在末世的人。所以，凡自以為站得穩的，務要小心，免得跌倒。

——上主的話。(默想片刻)

福音前歡呼 (瑪4:17)

領：基督、天主聖言，願光榮歸於你。

【答】：基督、天主聖言，願光榮歸於你。

領：耶穌說：「你們悔改吧！因為天國臨近了。」

【答】：基督、天主聖言，願光榮歸於你。

福音 (如果你們不悔改，你們都要同樣喪亡。)

恭讀聖路加福音 13:1-9

那時候，有幾個人，把有關加里肋亞人的事，即比拉多把他們的血，攙和於他們的祭品的事，報告給耶穌。

耶穌回答說：「你們以為這些加里肋亞人，比其他所有加里肋亞人更有罪，才遭此禍害嗎？不是的。我告訴你們：如果你們不悔改，你們都要同樣喪亡。」

就如羅羅亞塔倒下，壓死了十八個人，你們以為他們比耶路撒冷其他所有居民，罪債更大嗎？不是的。我告訴你們：如果你們不悔改，你們都要同樣喪亡。」

耶穌講了這個比喻，說：「有一個人將一棵無花果樹，栽種在自己的葡萄園內。他來在樹上找果子，但沒有找到，便對園丁說：你看，我三年來，在這棵無花果樹上找果子，竟沒有找到。你砍掉它吧，為什麼讓它白白佔地？」

園丁回答說：主人，再留它這一年吧！等我在它周圍掘上土，加上糞；將來，如果結果子，便算了；不然的話，你就把它砍掉。」

——上主的話。(講道後默想片刻)

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### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

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**OPENING OF NEW COLES AT LINDFIELD** At this <sup>7</sup> 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 **(250+ places)** short term parking right on the doorstep of our Lindfield site. Pass the word on!

**REGARDING MASS THIS FRIDAY** Please note that Mass at Lindfield this Friday 28th will be at **9:00am** and will be a School Mass celebrating Lent. All are welcome.

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



**THE TIMETABLE FOR OUR EASTER CELEBRATIONS** is available via the hotlink box 'Lent and Easter' on the homepage of our website ([www.lindfieldkillara.org.au](http://www.lindfieldkillara.org.au))

**ABOUT PALM SUNDAY (13TH APRIL) - PLEASE READ THIS!**

Once again we're going to need your help to ensure that we have palms for our community for Palm Sunday. Do you (or a friend) have some palms trees? Could you bring them - cut down to individual person's size (~15cm segments of the branch) - in time for Palm Sunday? Please bring them to drop off in the baskets provided in our two churches on 6th April (the Sunday before Palm Sunday).



And a reminder that, as usual, members of the congregation at Lindfield Uniting Church will join us for a common blessing of palms **and so the 10:15am Mass on 13th April WILL START AT THE EARLIER TIME OF 10:00AM.**



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**Lent**





# Youth Ministry

A place we can call home



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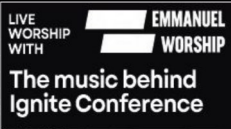


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Must register to attend. Please visit:  
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