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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.



## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD THE BEGINNING OF HOLY WEEK

13 - 4 - 25

This week: Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Luke 23: 1 - 49  
 Next week: The Easter Triduum



'Today we enter Jerusalem with Jesus and so enter into Holy Week, the holiest week in our calendar. As we reflect on the Passion of Jesus today's liturgy calls us to set this week aside as no other week. We do not prepare for Easter *holidays* - we prepare for the Easter *holy days*.

We enter into the most wonderful week of our year, a week with liturgy rich in its symbolism and its power to touch our hearts and give life to our spirits. But it's up to us whether we give the Easter liturgy the chance to do that to us, and within us.

Let's enter together into the entirety of the Easter Triduum, from the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening, through the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday morning and the Solemn Liturgy in the afternoon, and climaxing in the celebration of the Mass of the Easter Vigil and the joyful celebration of the resurrection at 7:30pm on Holy Saturday evening.

The days of the life-giving death and resurrection of Jesus are fast approaching. Let's enter into them and be renewed as individuals and as a parish. *Fr Colin*

### Easter Offerings



Easter Offering envelopes are available on the pews in both our churches. These can be placed on the plate over the next few weeks.

The Easter Offerings are not retained personally by the priests but are a vital supplement to the First Collection income which provides for the priests of the parish and for the health care of priests across the diocese. This fund depends very much on the income raised by Christmas and Easter Offerings. Whatever you can give will be most appreciated.



Would you prefer to contribute by credit card? Just scan this code and in the drop-down menu under 'Bill Code' simply choose 'Easter Offerings'.

This hotlink box on the homepage of our website takes you to the timetable for our Easter celebrations (which can also be found on p.2)



### As we prepare for the great celebrations of Easter ...

#### fasting ...



A reminder that Good Friday is a day of fast and of abstinence from meat. Holy Saturday, as the solemn day of prayerful waiting for the resurrection, is the day of the even more solemn Paschal Fast.

#### and feasting! ...

Following the Easter Vigil everyone is once again invited to stay on and share beer, wine, tea, coffee and supper together. All drinks will be provided. Please bring a plate of food if you are able (which can be dropped off to St Brigid's Hall above Holy Family church before the Easter Vigil).



#### And above all ...

please be part of the celebration of the entire Easter Triduum. Easter is too great a feast to be confined to one day - the richness and beauty of the Easter liturgy is spread over three days, from the gentle Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday night, through the prayerful meditation of the Good Friday celebrations, and culminating in the sheer joy and beauty of the great Mass of the Easter Vigil at 7:30pm on Holy Saturday night. Let's enter into these beautiful days together so that together we might be renewed in the risen Lord. *Fr Colin*

### Please PLEASE help us - in our preparations to make Easter special.....

- \* **A HOLY FOREST:** on Holy Thursday night we again want to create a beautiful 'Garden of Gethsemane' at the Altar of Repose at Killara. To do that could we ask you to do some garden trimming and drop us off your offcuts - they can include plenty of large leafy branches up to 2 metres tall, palm fronds etc. We also need a loan of large pot plants if that's possible. If you can help please drop your foliage off to St Joseph's hall at Killara - either on the Wednesday night of this Holy Week, or on Holy Thursday morning before 11am.
- \* **SETTING UP:** then we need helpers to set up the Garden of Gethsemane - at 11am at Killara this (Holy) Thursday.
- \* **EASTER FLOWERS:** at Easter the parish pays for the flowers since there is a much larger quantity needed. If you would like to help by making a donation towards the cost of the Easter flowers please contact the Parish Office.
- \* **EASTER PARTY:** and finally there will again be our wonderful 'Easter Party' in St Brigid's Hall above Holy Family Church following the Easter Vigil. Please bring a plate if you can and drop it off before the Easter Vigil begins.





## \*\*\* THE EASTER TRIDUUM \*\*\*

*This year, once again, on Holy Thursday we will have a single celebration of the Mass of the Lord's Supper and it will be in our church at Killara. In this way on the night that Jesus gathered at table with his disciples for the Last Supper we too can gather as a parish at one altar. We hope that everyone from both the Lindfield and Killara communities can come.*

### HOLY THURSDAY (No morning Mass)

**EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: 7:30pm** at our Killara church  
*After Mass you are welcome to stay or return for prayer at the Altar of Repose which concludes with Night Prayer at 10pm.*



### GOOD FRIDAY

#### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS : 10:00am**

*(one celebration for the whole parish at Killara in a dramatised form by young parishioners)*

**SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION:  
3:00pm in both Lindfield and Killara churches**

### HOLY SATURDAY

**MORNING PRAYER: 10AM** in Lindfield church

*(Holy Saturday is traditionally a day of solemn vigil [and fast], of waiting for the resurrection. Mass and the sacraments are not celebrated on this day. However, to spend some of this vigil of prayer together, there will be MORNING PRAYER at 10:00am in Lindfield church.*

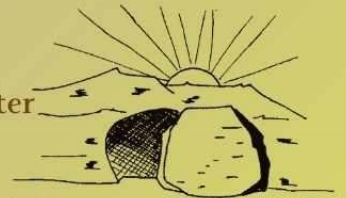
*Since it is the principal celebration of the entire Church year we will again have a single celebration of the Easter Vigil for the whole parish. This will be celebrated in Holy Family church at Lindfield and we hope that everyone from both the Killara and the Lindfield communities in the parish can come:*

#### **MASS OF THE EASTER VIGIL :**

#### **THE CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION:**

**7:30PM on Holy Saturday (in our Lindfield church)**

**This is the most important Mass in our Church's year and the principal Easter celebration. Please be there, rain, hail or shine!**



*The Easter Vigil will be followed by a Parish Easter Party in St Brigid's Hall. Please keep the time for this parish party free to continue the Easter celebration as a community. Please bring a plate if you can.*



### EASTER SUNDAY:

8:30am (Lindfield)

9:00am (Killara )

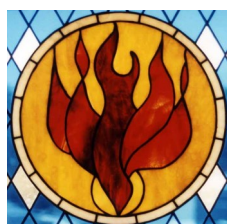
10:15am (Lindfield)

12 noon Chinese Catholic Community Mass

*(There is no Sunday evening Mass on Easter Sunday)*

**Do you love the faith which gives us so much life and joy?**

**Invite someone who may have gently stopped coming to the Eucharist to come back to join us in our community of faith.**



### **THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

**will be celebrated by Bishop Anthony Randazzo on Thursday 5th June (not Friday 13th June).**

Enrolments are now open. You can find out more about the preparation programme and also find the link for enrolments by going to our website ([www.lindfieldkillara.org.au](http://www.lindfieldkillara.org.au)) and clicking on 'Sacraments' and then on 'Children's Sacraments'.

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.

## A Holy Week reflection ..... The way of the Cross and prayer

Five years ago, as I began my prison sentence, I promised myself I'd go to Mass as often as I could. I imagined I'd be there at least every Sunday. Seventy-nine Communion services to help me through. In that way, as in so many others, my beliefs about prison were proved wrong. I arrived at HMP Wandsworth on 6 February 2020. They were quick to ask my religion. "Catholic," I said, and they promised to put me on the list for Mass. Someone was supposed to unlock me from my cell each Sunday morning. This did not happen. Despite week after week of requests and demands, it seemed that Wandsworth's Catholic service would remain beyond my reach. But then, at last, it happened. My cell door opened one Sunday morning. I was on the list at last! Mass. Prayer and worship together. Having this each week will help, I thought.

A few days later the UK entered the first Covid lockdown. Prison locked down harder, and for longer, than the outside world. So it wasn't until May 2021 that, still a prisoner, I received Communion again. All that long lockdown I had to find ways to stay sane. I painted toy soldiers, I wrote in my journal every day. I wrote poems and began a fantasy novel. I imagined myself in other places, other times, with those I loved. And I prayed. Those were tough months. Twenty-two or twenty-three hours a day in a cell the size of a parking space. Endless monotony, apart from the times when something awful happened. In prison everything is scarce, apart from time, and pain.

I prayed. Of course I prayed. I spoke to God of my guilt, of my regret and of my suffering. I prayed for my loved ones outside, that they might be spared from Covid. I prayed for myself, that I might survive prison and find some way to build a new life after it. I prayed for other men trapped there with me. My prayers then were simple pleas, or conversations. Often, I struggled to find the words.

It didn't feel like enough. The Church is a gathering. Praying alone, although calming, did not nourish me in the way that Mass would have done. I cursed all the times I took Mass for granted. I felt so alone.

Just before Christmas 2020 they moved me to Hollesley Bay, an "open" prison on the Suffolk coast. We had rooms, instead of cells, and far more freedom. But even in this kind of prison our church services were still banned, thanks to Covid. At least I could walk around the site, breathe fresh air, stare at the sea and the sky. I began to heal, a little.

I couldn't go to church, but I was able to visit the small chapel and browse its collection of books and pamphlets. I took one thin, pocket-sized book with me: A Simple Prayer Book published by the Catholic Truth Society. In there I found something I'd missed and longed for: structure. The

Creed. Prayers for the morning, daytime and evening. I found the "If you can't get to Mass" section bleakly funny, but even that helped. And most wonderful of all was the Order of Mass.

Almost half a year would pass before our chapel held worship again, but now I could read the words and imagine myself there. I'd "hear" the priest's words in my mind, and speak the responses out loud. The ritual, the familiarity soothed me. Something I love about Mass is how timeless and universal it is. We are connected not just to all other Catholics around the world, but to past and future worshippers. Holding that pamphlet, reading and imagining, wasn't the same, of course, but I felt so much better than I had before.

And then there were the prayers. Familiar prayers. Beautiful prayers. Prayers written with purpose, which connected me to generations of the faithful before, and generations to come. I no longer felt so alone. There are only a few dozen prayers in that little book. I know. I've just thumbed through it. It's lived close to me ever since prison. Those prayers, their words honed by Christians wiser and better than I, have a rightness to them.

I'd begun a Creative Writing degree that winter and turned the skills of "close reading" to my book of prayers. I studied each line, each word, considering its weight and meaning. I read the words aloud, feeling their presence on my tongue. With so few prayers to choose from I became intimately familiar with each one.

In prison we are powerless, or almost so. I might have expected that I would prefer and benefit from taking charge of my own worship, writing my own prayers. In fact, handing myself over to the rhythm and familiarity of those prayers, I found peace.

Even so, when I finally attended Mass again, on 1 May 2021, I felt uncertain, almost awkward. The priest's voice, thin & light, changed to something powerful, deep & resonant as he said, "Behold the Lamb of God". Afterwards I strolled back to my accommodation block & found my release paperwork waiting for me. I felt blessed & promised myself that I'd never take Communion for granted again.

Of course, I've not lived up to those promises. I'm a very mediocre Catholic, and in the years since prison I've struggled to -balance the demands of my life and my faith. I've not been to church anything like as much as I ought to have done. But still, I keep that little blue book, and still those prayers help, especially when my memories take me back to the darkness of Wandsworth, with all its pain.

*David Shipley (from 'The Tablet'. To subscribe to The Tablet go to [www.thetablet.co.uk](http://www.thetablet.co.uk))*

### PROJECT COMPASSION...

Please RETURN Project Compassion boxes & sets of envelopes over the coming days of the Easter Triduum.

You can also contribute online at [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or call 1300 024413



### SAY IT WITH FLOWERS. . . .

If you could help us with a contribution towards the cost of our flowers for our two churches for Easter you could do that either by:



\* scanning the QR code to the left (on the page which opens tap on 'Billar 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).



OR

\* contacting the Parish Office

Many thanks to those who have already contributed.

## Hymns for Palm Sunday

### ENTRANCE:

*Ref: All glory, laud, & honour, to you, Redeemer, King.  
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.*

You are the king of Israel  
And David's royal Son,  
Now in the Lord's name coming,  
Our King and Blessed One. *Ref.*

The company of angels  
Are praising you on high;  
Creation and all mortals  
In chorus make reply. *Ref.*

The multitude of pilgrims  
With palms before you went,  
Our praise and prayer & anthems  
Before you we present. *Refrain*

To you, before your Passion,  
They sang their hymns of praise.  
To you, now high exalted,  
Our melody we raise. *Ref.*

Their praises you accepted;  
Accept the prayers we bring,  
Great author of all goodness,  
O good and gracious King. *Ref*

*Translator: J. M. Neale (1854); Author: Theodulf, Bishop of Orléans (c. 820)*

### DEDICATION OF THE GIFTS:

When I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
Save in the death of Christ my God!  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!



Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a present far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all. *Isaac Watts (1707)*

### COMMUNION HYMN:

*Ant.* Keep in mind that Jesus Christ has died for us & is risen from the dead. He is our saving Lord, he is joy for all ages.

- 1.If we die with the Lord, we shall live with the Lord.
- 2.If we endure with the Lord, we shall reign with the Lord.
3. In him all our sorrow; in him all our joy.

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### RECESSIONAL HYMN:

1 Rejoice, the Lord is King:  
Your Lord and King adore!  
Rejoice, give thanks and sing,  
And triumph evermore.  
Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice!  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

2 Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,  
The God of truth and love;  
When He has purged our stains,  
He took his seat above;  
Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice!  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

3 Rejoice in glorious hope!  
Our Lord and judge shall come  
And take His servants up  
To their eternal home:  
Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice!  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

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## *What's in a name ? Quite a lot in fact !*

Hopefully we as Christians can at least be permitted to name our own holy days!

Despite the illiteracy of the retail industry:

- ◆ this coming Thursday is **Holy** Thursday, not Easter Thursday
- ◆ this coming Friday is **Good** Friday, not Easter Friday
- ◆ this coming Saturday is **Holy** Saturday, not Easter Saturday

### **Why is that important?**

Firstly, because the stark barrenness of Holy Saturday speaks of a world *without Easter*: what might have been. Our churches are stripped, stark and bare. It is not yet Easter !

And secondly - because every day of the week following Easter Sunday is preceded by the word 'Easter': 'Easter Sunday', then 'Easter Monday', 'Easter Tuesday'...all the way up to 'Easter Saturday' (the Saturday *after* Easter Sunday!). That week is the *Easter Octave*, a week of the overflowing joy of the Resurrection which spills into the rest of the 50 days of the Easter Season. We can't peak too early ! As in life, so in liturgy, the Resurrection only comes through the way of the Cross.

*Fr Colin*

### PLEASE NOTE:

- ◆ There is no 5:30pm Vigil Mass at Killara nor 6:00pm Vigil Mass at Lindfield next weekend on Holy Saturday. We gather as one parish for the great Mass of the Easter Vigil at 7:30pm at Lindfield church.
- ◆ There is no Sunday evening Mass on Easter Sunday.
- ◆ As outlined throughout Lent there are no further scheduled times for the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Easter (including no celebration of Reconciliation on Good Friday or Holy Saturday) as our Easter preparations should now be complete.

**CHRISM MASS** This coming Tuesday 15th, Bishop Anthony Randazzo, joined by all the priests and deacons of the diocese, will celebrate the **Chrism Mass** at our Cathedral at Waitara (23 Yardley Ave) at 7:30pm. At this Mass the Oils of Catechumens and of the Sick will be blessed and the Chrism will be consecrated—the oils which we will receive into our parish on Holy Thursday night for the celebration of the sacraments over the next year. The priests of the diocese also renew their commitment to ministry.

If you can, come along—a special celebration which brings together the bishop, priests, deacons and all the members of the Church of Broken Bay.



*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 21 (22): 8-9, 17-20, 23-24*

All who see me deride me.  
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.  
'He trusted in the Lord, let God save him;  
let God release him if this is God's friend.'  
Many dogs have surrounded me,  
a band of the wicked beset me.  
They tear holes in my hands and my feet.  
I can count every one of my bones.  
They divide my clothing among them.  
They cast lots for my robe.  
O Lord, do not leave me alone,  
my strength, make haste to help me!  
I will tell of your name to my brethren  
and praise you where they are assembled.  
'You who fear the Lord give the Lord praise;  
all children of Jacob, give God glory.  
Revere the Lord, Israel's children.'

**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

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

**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 2:8-9*)

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!  
Christ became obedient for us even to death dying on the cross.  
Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above  
all other names.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!



**FR RICHARD ROHR OFM'S MEDITATION:  
A CHYANGE IN CONSCIOUSNESS**

*Richard Rohr emphasises how the desert mystics were not just seeking a change in lifestyle but a change in consciousness:*

The desert fathers & mothers emerged in the early centuries after Jesus. Despite their seeming primitiveness and asceticism, they often demonstrated an amazing awareness of the connection between the one seeing and what is seen. In this regard, they are similar to Zen Buddhists in their simplicity, stories, and insight. The Syrian deacon Evagrius Ponticus (c. 345–399) says that "When the passions are aroused in the non-rational part of our nature, they do not allow the intellect to function properly." He and many others make this insight foundational to their understanding of the science of prayer.

The seeking of "dispassion" or apatheia for ancient solitary monastics referred to the inner peace and contentment that they discovered through their profound experience of what they often called "prayer of quiet," building on Jesus' talk of "going to your inner room" and "not babbling on like the pagans do" (see Matthew 6:6–8). In this early period, "prayer" didn't refer to some kind of problem-solving transaction between humans and God, nor was it about saying words to God. It was quite literally "putting on a different thinking cap," as the nuns used to say to us. It seems that it wasn't "thinking" at all, as we now understand it, because such thinking is too often just reacting to or writing repetitive commentaries on the moment.

For these desert mothers and fathers, prayer was understood not as a transaction that somehow pleased God (the problem-solving understanding of prayer that emerged much later), but as a transformation of the consciousness of the one who was doing the praying. Prayer was the awakening of an inner dialogue that, from God's side, had never stopped. That's why the Apostle Paul could speak so often of praying "always" (1 Thessalonians 5:17). In simple words, prayer is not changing God's mind about us or anything else but allowing God to change our mind about the reality right in front of us—which we are usually avoiding or distorting.

"Dispassion" was the desert mothers' and fathers' notion of freedom and salvation, long before we devolved into the much-later notion of salvation as being transported to another realm. For many today, God is seen—and used—as a partner in our private evacuation plan more than any Love Encountered that transforms mind or liberates heart. This is revealed in the little, if any, concern that many Christians show for justice, the earth, or the poor. The fruits of love are often not apparent in them, and not even of much interest to many of them.

I now believe that the other reality we are rightly seeking is not elsewhere or in the future but right in our own hearts and heads! If we put on an entirely different mind, then heaven takes care of itself and, in fact, begins now.



**SUNDAY MASS**

FOR OUR TIMETABLE FOR EASTER PLEASE SEE PAGE 2 OF TODAY'S BULLETIN

**WEEKDAY MASS THIS WEEK  
HOLY WEEK**

Mon. 8am Killara  
Tues. 8am Killara  
Wed. 10am Lindfield  
Thurs. The Easter Triduum - see page 2  
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**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
No further times for the Sacrament before Easter.

**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		12 Apr.
Lindfield	6:00 pm	Fr Colin
Killara	5:30 pm	Fr Anselam
Sunday		13 Apr.
Lindfield	8:30 am	Fr Colin
Killara	9:00 am	Fr Stephen
Lindfield	10 am	Fr Colin
Lindfield	12:00 pm	Fr Anselam
Lindfield	6:00pm	Fr Colin

**EASTER TRIDUUM**  
(p.2 for times & locations)  
**Holy Thursday** Fr Colin  
**Good Friday**  
Stations: Fr Colin  
3pm Lindfield: Fr Colin  
3pm Killara: Fr Anselam  
**Easter Vigil:** Fr Colin  
**Easter Sunday:**  
8:30am (Fr Colin); 9am  
Fr Stephen; 10:15am: Fr

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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](http://www.lindfieldkillara.org.au)) or email [accounts@lindfieldkillara.org.au](mailto: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

**APRIL**

Sun. 13th Palm Sunday  
Morning tea after 10z:15am Mass  
Chrism Mass at the Cathedral  
Tues. 15th The Easter Triduum (see p.2)  
Thurs.- Sunday 10:00am Parish Book Group  
Wed. 23rd 7:30pm Scripture study (online)

**OUR CHINESE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

**基督苦難日 (聖枝主日)**  
13. 04. 2025

**恭讀聖保祿宗徒格林多人前書**  
10:1-6, 10-12  
姊妹弟兄們:

**讀經一** (對於侮辱和唾污, 我沒有遮掩我的面, 因為我知道我不會受辱。)

耶穌雖具有天主的形體, 並沒有以自己與天主同等, 為應當把持不捨的, 卻使自己空虛, 取了奴僕的形體, 與人相似, 形狀也一見如人; 他貶抑自己, 聽命至死, 且死在十字架上。為此, 天主極其舉揚他, 賜給了他一個名字, 超越其他所有名字, 致使上天、地上和地下的一切, 一聽到耶穌的名字, 無不屈膝叩拜; 一切唇舌, 無不承認耶穌基督是主, 以光榮天主聖父。  
—— 上主的話。 (默想片刻)

**恭讀依撒意亞先知書 50:4-7**

我主上主賜給了我受教的口舌, 叫我會用言語, 來援助疲倦的人。他每天清晨喚醒我, 喚醒我的耳朵, 叫我如同學生一樣靜聽。我主上主開啟了我的耳朵。

我並沒有違抗, 也沒有退避。我將我背, 轉給打擊我的人; 把我的腮, 轉給扯我鬍鬚的人; 對於侮辱和唾污, 我沒有遮掩我的面。

因為, 我主上主協助我, 因此, 我不怕蒙羞; 所以, 我板著臉, 像一塊燧石, 因為我知道: 我決不會受辱。  
—— 上主的話。 (默想片刻)

**福音前歡呼** (斐2:8-9)

**頌:** 基督, 願光榮和讚頌歸於你!

**【眾】:** 基督, 願光榮和讚頌歸於你!

**頌:** 耶穌貶抑自己, 聽命至死, 且死在十字架上。為此, 天主極其舉揚他, 賜給了他一個名字, 超越其他所有的名字。

**【眾】:** 基督, 願光榮和讚頌歸於你!

**答唱詠 詠 22 (21):8-9, 17-20, 23-24**

**【答】:** 我的天主, 我的天主, 你為什麼捨棄了我? (詠22:2)  
**頌:** 凡看見我的人都譏笑我; 他們都撇著嘴, 搖著頭說: 「他既信賴上主, 上主就應救他; 上主既喜愛他, 也就該拯救他。」

**【答】:** 成群惡犬圍困著我; 大批歹徒環繞著我。他們穿透了我的手腳; 我的骨骼莖莖可數。  
**頌:** 他們瓜分了我的衣服; 為我的長衣, 他們拈鬮。上主! 請不要遠離我; 我的勇力, 請速來扶助我。

**【答】:** 頌: 我要向我的弟兄, 宣揚你的聖名; 在盛大的集會中, 讚美歌頌你: 「你們敬畏上主的人, 請讚美上主; 雅各伯所有的後裔, 請光榮上主; 以色列的一切子孫, 請敬畏上主!」

**福音** (我渴望又渴望, 在我受難以前, 同你們吃這一次逾越節晚餐。)

**路加所載主耶穌基督的受難始末**  
22:14-23:56

—— 上主的話。 (講道後默想片刻)

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

**Recently deceased:** Michelle Son, Carmen Stewart, Pedro Edrie Laqui, Myra English.

**Anniversary:** Charlie Smith.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:**

Elvira Escay Rodriguez, 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.

## COLES AT LINDFIELD IS NOW OPEN ....

### ...AND SO IS ITS CARPARK!

The Coles at Lindfield is now open - which brings 2 hour free parking right on the doorstep of our Lindfield site.

There are two levels of underground parking. There is a pedestrian exit from the upper level right opposite the entry to our parish site at the top of Balfour Lane.

**Parking on our own parish site at Lindfield will of course also continue as normal.**

### A NOTE FROM FR COLIN

#### ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITIES THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

##### OFFER US.....

We are just one week away from entering into that most precious part of our year – Holy Week, with its climax in the Easter Triduum. I'd just like to remind you of some special times within those precious days:

#### GATHERING AT THE ONE TABLE OF THE LORD ON HOLY THURSDAY:

This year we will once again have a single celebration of Mass on Holy Thursday so that on the very night that Jesus gathered with his disciples for the Last Supper we too can gather as one parish around one altar. Our celebration on this night (7:30pm) will be in our church at Killara.



#### GATHERING AS ONE EASTER PEOPLE TO CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION:

And we will again gather as one parish for the greatest celebration in our Christian Year – the Mass of the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night (7:30pm) in Lindfield church. This joyful celebration of the Resurrection will spill over into the parish Easter Party in St Brigid's Hall (please bring a plate if you can). Please be there for this night, the jewel of all nights in the Christian year.

*I look forward to celebrating the holy days which lie ahead with you as they renew our lives and our parish community.*

*Fr Colin*



Above: enjoying supper after the third and final Ecumenical Service for Lent last Tuesday evening.

*Our next gathering will be in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 7:30pm at Roseville Uniting Church.*

## April Food Drive Collection for Jesuit Refugee Services (JRS)

Leave items in the back of both churches during April

Donations accepted of the following items

**basmati rice      pasta/spaghetti  
tuna in oil        cooking oil**

### TINNED ITEMS:

**tomatoes    lentils    chickpeas    kidney beans**



**NOTE: All items must be non-perishable and still within their use-by date**

## ABOUT OUR INTERNAL ROAD ON OUR LINDFIELD SITE

With the opening of the new Coles—and soon the occupation of the apartments above—we need to ensure that our internal road at Lindfield doesn't become a shortcut for traffic to Highfield Rd (with associated danger to our parish and school pedestrians).

Accordingly the gate at the Highfield Rd end of our road will now be CLOSED except for:

- ◆ school morning drop off and afternoon pick up
- ◆ Weekend Masses

At other times you can still enter our site—just enter via Balfour Lane and park in the church carpark. But you need to exit in the same way—back out via Balfour Lane (thus there is still onsite double-parking for weekday Mass—just a change to how you exit).

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## “The Chosen: The Last Supper” Screening!

Hi! Kate Falzon here! Join me for a screening of "The Chosen: The Last Supper" the night before Holy Thursday! All are invited!

- Date: Wednesday, April 16th**
- Meet at: 6:15 PM outside Event Cinemas, Macquarie Centre**
- Movie starts: 6:30 PM**
- Tickets & Snacks: Buy your own**



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### POPE FRANCIS' MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL



Francisco

Lord, Good Father, as I look at the world and see men and women working in it and beautifying it, a great "Thank You!" springs from my heart. The action of Your Spirit among us encourages us to grow in the progress of science and technology in the service of human dignity for integral and inclusive human development.

Because we know You desire the good of all, from the heart of Your Church, Your Son calls us to ensure that technology does not replace "person-to-person" contact, that the virtual does not replace the real, and that social networks do not replace social settings.

Help us develop the ability to live wisely, to think deeply, to love generously, without losing heart, promoting scientific and technological growth that increasingly aligns with human development in responsibility, values, and awareness.

Amen.

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