

# ST COLUMBA & THE HOLY SOULS CHURCH

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

12th & 13th August 2017



**ST COLUMBA'S**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH • LEICHHARDT NORTH

We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand. We walk on a land once occupied by the Gadigal People of the Eora Nation, who lived in this area for over 30,000 years.  
May we continue to love and respect the land as they have.

## Parish Details

Address: 213 Elswick St  
North Leichhardt 2040  
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## Office Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday  
9:30am-2:30pm

All bulletin notices to be in by 12pm Thursday  
(Please type or print your message clearly).

## Parish Priest:

Fr Peter Smith  
Email: pp@stcolumba.org.au

## Parish Office Administrator

Marcia Droguett  
Email: admin@stcolumba.org.au

## Pastoral Associate

Sr Laureen Dixon  
Email: pa@stcolumba.org.au

## St Columba's School

Principal: Bernard Ryan  
Phone No: 9569 1270

## Weekend Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil.....5:00pm  
Sunday.....8:00am  
.....10:00am (Family Mass)

## Weekday Services:

Tuesday.....8:30am (Communion Service)  
Friday.....8:45am (Rosary)  
Friday.....9:15am (Mass)

## Anointing Mass:

Last Friday of each month.....9:15am

## Reconciliation:

Saturday.....4:30pm

## Baptisms

1st Sunday of the month, except January.  
Please email Marcia, admin@stcolumba.org.au,  
to arrange an appointment prior.

## Marriages:

By Appointment, please email Marcia,  
admin@stcolumba.org.au to arrange.

If you would like to contribute to the  
Parish Planned Giving please speak to Fr Peter,  
or pick up a form in the Church foyer or  
or contact the office.



## From Fr Peter's Desk.....

*Archbishop Anthony Fisher has granted me sabbatical leave from 31<sup>st</sup> August to the 31<sup>st</sup> of December this year and hence I shall be absent from the parish during this time.*

*Fr Michael Smith will be living in and undertaking day to day duties including most weekend masses. On occasions there will be other priests visiting on Sundays and I am sure you will make them all welcome.*

*For the period of my leave I will be doing research at the Las Casas Institute at Blackfriars, Oxford in the UK. It is an institute of Catholic Social Teaching.*

*Interestingly, the Australian Catholic Bishops have been sending out a statement about some issue of justice in our society since the 1940s. We are probably the only country in the world to have such a tradition.*

*The Australian Catholic Social Justice Council (of which I am a member) continues to write statements annually under the name of the bishops' conference. And yet, to my mind, our Church still has a long way to go in both living the justice we proclaim and confronting both governments and civil society to do likewise. How we can better achieve this will form the basis of my research project whilst I am away.*

*I trust you will keep me in your prayers and continue to support Sr Laureen, Marcia, and all the other good people who make St Columbas such a wonderful parish community.*

**This Week**

**Monday:** 9:15am Feast of the Assumption  
(Whole School Mass)

**Tuesday:** 8:30am Communion Service

**Friday:** 8:45am Rosary  
9:15am Mass (Stage 3 & Kindy)

All Welcome

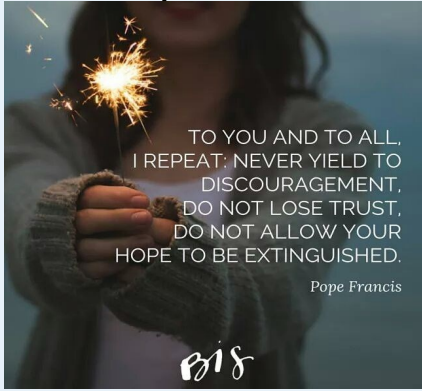


We remember all our deceased Relatives and Friends.....

**Anniversaries:**

June O'Connor, Ernest Matthew O'Connor, Walter D'Souza, Rose D'Lunha, John Catania, Frank McQuillan, Guiseppa Mammino, Anna Mammino

**Pope Francis**



TO YOU AND TO ALL,  
I REPEAT: NEVER YIELD TO  
DISCOURAGEMENT.  
DO NOT LOSE TRUST.  
DO NOT ALLOW YOUR  
HOPE TO BE EXTINGUISHED.

Pope Francis



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

First Holy Communion will be celebrated in our parish on August 26 & 27. We have 33 children who are preparing. Please join in prayer for these children and their families:

*Ever present God*

*We thank you for the gift of faith which you have given to us. Please watch over and guide the 33 children from our parish who are preparing to receive their First Holy Communion. May they grow in love and understanding that it is Jesus your Son whom they receive when they come to the altar. Bless each family at this special time. We make our prayer with Jesus who is your gift of love to us. Amen*



**CAN YOU HELP?**

Do you think you could consider becoming a reader at Mass? We are looking for a few more readers to fill some vacancies on our roster. Proclaiming God's word is a very important ministry. There will be a session at 7pm on Tuesday August 29<sup>th</sup> in the church for new readers. For Further information please speak to Sr Lauren

**We pray for all those who are sick, especially:**

Terry Quailey, Sr Josie McGarry, Patricia O'Toole, Barry Furner, Davina Tribbick, Ida Pavelka, Noeline Ashino, Joan Windsor, Vince Amendolia, Mary Connely, Damian O'Neill, Raquel Bailey, Fr John Milliken, Cale Pearson, Warren Lennox, Bill Leis, Brian Fitzroy and those at Annesley House and The Marion Aged Care

**Please note:**

Names will be removed from the sick list after 2 months, unless parish office is notified.



**PARISH CUPPA**

**\*Change of date for this month\* 19/20 August**

Please join us on the 19th or 20th August (instead of 26/27th) after all Masses for a cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit. It is a nice opportunity to meet & chat to your fellow parishioners.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

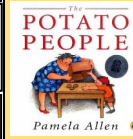
Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

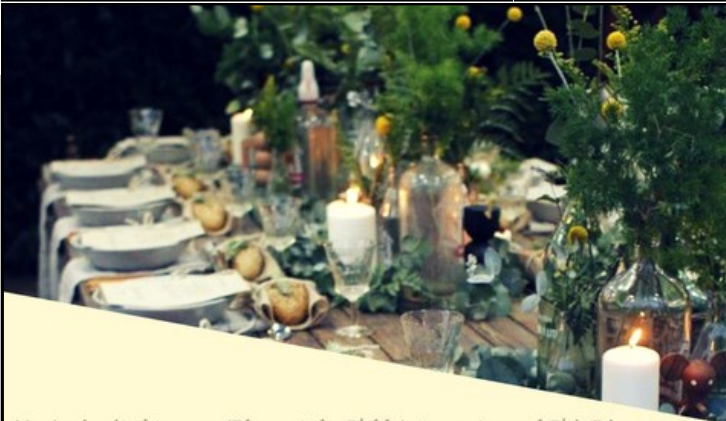
I hope in the Lord,  
I trust in his word.

**Alleluia!**



**Story Time for pre-schoolers Monday, 14th August @ 9am in the hall**

If you have a pre-schooler, please come along to 'StoryTime' for pre-schoolers and parents, this month you will hear the story of "The potato people" followed by a craft activity. Held in the hall after the school bell. There is no need to RSVP, just come along! More details in the foyer of the church.



You're invited to your 'Place at the Table' at our Annual Tri-Diocesan Social Justice Twilight Reflection Evening:

**Putting Rungs on the Ladder**

Join Catholics from Parramatta, Broken Bay Dioceses and Sydney Archdiocese for a prayerful dinner event to celebrate our social justice work and reflect on the themes of this year's Social Justice Statement, 'A Place at the Table: Social Justice in an Ageing Society'.

AUGUST 23, 6:30-8:30PM  
ST COLUMBA'S, 213 ELSWICK ST, LEICHHARDT  
RSVP: AUGUST 18 | NO COST | PLEASE ADVISE ANY DIETARY REQUIREMENTS  
KIMBERLEY.DOYLE@SYDNEYCATHOLIC.ORG | 02 9307 8465

(Plenty of street parking and nearby to lightrail)



**St Columba's Craft Group**

Please join us after mass every Friday during School term, in the hall @ 945. New members always welcome.



St Columba's School Newsletter can be found online at [sclleichhardt.schoolzineplus.com/newsletter/31257](http://sclleichhardt.schoolzineplus.com/newsletter/31257)



**Appeal, This weekend**

This is a great opportunity for you to help out your by supporting CWF—which look after social & pastoral services, education & training, advocacy services to all sections of your community – regardless of race, religion or social status. Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible. Your gift will help someone in your community who could use a helping hand or be given better opportunities. Thank you.

**ROSTER NEXT WEEKEND: 19th & 20th August, 2017, 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A**  
Isaiah 56:1, 6-7 ; Psalm 66:2-3, 5-6, 8 ; Romans 11:13-15, 29-32 ; Matthew 4:23 ; Matthew 15:21-28

	SATURDAY 5pm	8am	SUNDAY 10.00am
<b>Commentator</b>	Marcia Barney	Steve Rabbitt	Connie King
<b>Reader</b>	Mark Breen	Anne-Marie Whelan	Paula Ceroli
<b>Offertory</b>	Lynette Arena Yvette Gerondeau	Janie De Beck Carmel Reid	Family Mass
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	Robyn Rodwell Steve Pardy Pat McDonald	Adrian Overs Ruth Kelly	Gordon Burke Catherine King Dan O'Brien
<b>Marion Aged Care Minister</b>	Thursday, 17th August 2017 - Margaret Perry - 9:15am		