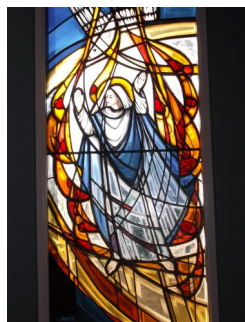


**ST COLUMBA & THE HOLY SOULS CHURCH**  
**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A**  
**16th – 17th September 2017**



**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**

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 Website: www.stcolumba.org.au



Find us at  
<https://www.facebook.com/stcolumbasleichhardt/>

**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  
 Fr Michael Smith is our Administrator  
 whilst Fr Peter is on Sabbatical.  
 Email: admin@stscolumba.org.au

**Parish Office Administrator**

Marcia Droguett  
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**Pastoral Associate**

Sr Lauren 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.....*

*When we forgive we free ourselves of the  
 burden of bitterness,  
 and we free the other person  
 of the burden of guilt.  
 But our forgiveness must come  
 from the heart,  
 which means it must be true,  
 sincere, and warm.  
 A cold forgiveness is not much use.  
 Forgiveness should start now.  
 Putting it off only deepens the wound,  
 prolongs bitterness,  
 and postpones happiness.  
 Life is short, time is fleeting.  
 Today is the day to forgive.  
 Lord, deliver us from the poison  
 of bitterness, and give us the  
 grace to forgive from the heart  
 those who have offended us.  
 Then we will know the warmth  
 of your forgiveness.*



**This Week**

**Tuesday:** 8:30am Communion Service  
**Wednesday:** 10:00am Funeral  
**Friday:** 8:45am Rosary  
 9:15am Mass



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

**Recently Deceased:**  
Daphne Astill

**Anniversaries:**

Les McIntosh, Gaetano Savoca,  
Sr Betty Bourke, Salvatore Macaluso

**Pope Francis**

**"Let us forgive,  
and we shall be forgiven.  
Let us have mercy on others,  
and we shall feel  
that mercy of God,  
who, when He forgives,  
[also] 'forgets.'"**

Pope Francis - March 1, 2016

gmm.org

**TUESDAY 3rd October 9am—2pm**  
Leichhardt Town Hall



Every blood donation can help to save 3 lives!

[www.donateblood.com.au/donate#](http://www.donateblood.com.au/donate#)



St Columba's School Newsletter can be found online at <http://sleichhardt.schoolzineplus.com/newsletter/31259>

**SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY**  
**24th September**

This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: "Everyone's Business: Developing an inclusive and sustainable economy". The statement calls for an economy that is founded on justice and offers dignity and inclusion to every person. More details can be found at: <http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au/files/SJSandresources/2017-SJS-Statement.pdf>



Please join us after mass every Friday during School term at our Craft Group in the hall at 945am  
New members always welcome.

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

Rosa Maria Santos, Emil Doktor, Cienna Psaila, Terry Quailey, Sr Josie McGarry, Patricia O'Toole, Barry Furner, Ida Pavelka, Noeline Ashino, Joan Windsor, Vince Amendolia, Damian O'Neill, Raquel Bailey, Fr John Milliken, Cale Pearson, Warren Lennox, Bill Leis, Brian Fitzroy and all those at The Marion Aged Care, Lewisham Nursing home and Annesley House

Please note:

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

**Funeral Notice**



Please keep the Astill Family in your thoughts and prayers. Daphne Astill's funeral will be on Wednesday 20th September at 10am



**AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL**

**\*If you are going to this festival, or would like to attend, please email Marcia at [admin@stcolumba.org.au](mailto:admin@stcolumba.org.au) we would love to have some parishioners there!\***

This 3-Day festival will be held in Sydney 7-9 December 2017. The event will attract 15,000 young people and is for young people aged Year 9 to 30 years. It's a Catholic Festival a bit like World Youth Day! For more information, visit the website [www.acyf.org.au](http://www.acyf.org.au)



**Thank You!**  
St Columba's Parish raised \$515.00

Your generosity makes it possible for local missionaries like Sister Mary Goretti to provide essential service for

women and Children in their time of need.

[www.catholicmission.org.au](http://www.catholicmission.org.au)



Whoosh Care will be operating these school holidays. Flyers in the foyer of the church & online: [www.whooshcare.com.au/services/](http://www.whooshcare.com.au/services/)

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you.

**Alleluia!**



**Pastoral Council - Call for Nominations by Saturday 30th September**

\*Would you like to be more involved in our parish?

\*To contribute to the direction of our parish and give members of our community a voice?

The Pastoral Council is now calling for nominations to join the Council.

You may nominate yourself or other parishioners by emailing Marcia at [admin@stcolumba.org.au](mailto:admin@stcolumba.org.au) by 30 September 2017.

An information session for all those nominated will be held following the close of nominations. After this session, the nomination may be accepted or declined.

Current members will speak at Mass on this weekend, 16/17 September and we are always happy to answer any questions you may have about the Council.

Please consider contributing to our parish in this wonderful way.



**Women's Conference 19 - 21 October**

A time to come together as women to be refreshed and renewed in our busy lives. Spoil your self. Dream again. Feel loved, honoured and cared for.

All women welcome!

More details at

[www.heart.thecatholicguy.com/](http://www.heart.thecatholicguy.com/)

OR flyers in the foyer of the church

**ROSTER NEXT WEEKEND: 23rd & 24th September, 2017, 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A**

Isaiah 55:6-9 ; Psalm 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 ; Philippians 1:20-24, 27 ; Cf. Acts 16:14 ; Matthew 20:1-16

	<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>5pm</b>	<b>8am</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>10.00am</b>
<b>Commentator</b>	John Arnold	Loretto Richardson	Gordon Burke
<b>Reader</b>	Chantal Nguyen	Adrian Overs	Naomi Jacobs
<b>Offertory</b>	Gail Herbert Dot New	Maria Jenkins Bozena Zurek	Family Mass
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	Anne-Marie Whelan Juliana Bates Pat McDonald	Margaret Perry Ruth Kelly	Tania Peccedi Myriam Bailey Paula Ceroli
<b>Marion Aged Care Minister</b>	Thursday, 21st September - Steve Burke - 9:15am		