



THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD YEAR A, 1ST & 2ND FEBRUARY 2020

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.



ST COLUMBA'S
CATHOLIC CHURCH • LEICHHARDT NORTH

Parish Details:

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www.facebook.com/stcolumbasleichhardt/

Office Hours:

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

All bulletin notices to be in by 12pm Wednesday

(Please email or leave under office door and write your message clearly).

Parish Priest:

Fr Peter Smith.....✉ pp@stcolumba.org.au

Parish Office Administrator

Marcia Droguett.....✉ admin@stcolumba.org.au

Pastoral Associate

Nicola Connors.....✉ pa@stcolumba.org.au

Pastoral Council

Secretary.....✉ secretary@stcolumba.org.au

St Columba's School

Principal: Bernard Ryan.....☎ 9569 1745

Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil.....5:00pm

Sunday.....8:00am

Sunday Family Mass.....10:00am

Weekday Services:

Tuesday: 8:30am (Communion Service)

Friday: 8:45am (Rosary)

Friday: 9:15am (Mass)

Anointing Mass:

Last Friday of each month at 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, pick up a form in the Church foyer or contact the office.



From Fr Peter's Desk...

*The beatitudes are the badges
of a true disciple of Christ.
They are the marks of a child of God.
They make us rich in the sight of God.
They open our minds and hearts
to a new way of seeing and judging.
They give us whole new set of bearings.
The things the beatitudes stand for
are very beautiful and very precious—
things such as peace, goodness, joy, love,
gentleness, compassion, mercy, integrity...
A person who lives according to
the beatitudes is already living in
the kingdom of heaven.
Eternal life will merely be the full
blossoming of a plant that is
green with life.*

This Week....

Tuesday: 8:30am Communion
Friday: 8:45am Rosary
Friday: 9:15am Welcome Mass
Saturday: 4:30pm Reconciliation
Saturday: 5:00pm Vigil
Sunday: 8:00am Mass
10:00am Family Mass
All welcome

TODAY'S LITURGY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: *Cf. Psalm 47:10-11*

Your merciful love, O God,
we have received in the midst
of your temple. Your praise, O God,
like your name, reaches the ends of
the earth; your right hand is filled
with saving justice.

1ST READING: *Malachi 3:1-4*

The Lord whom you
will come to his temple

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Psalm 23:7-10*

Who is this king of glory?
It is the Lord!

2ND READING: *Hebrews 2:14-18*

*He had to be made like
us in all things.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Luke 2:32*

Alleluia, Alleluia!
This is the light of revelation to the
nations, and the glory of your people, Israel.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: *Luke 2:22-40*

My eyes have seen your saving power.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: *Luke 2:30-31*

My eyes have seen your salvation
which you prepared in the sight of all peoples.

Please note:

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

We pray for all those who are sick, including:

Carmella Scarpellino, Jirka Hendrich, Dot New, Mabel Winter, Sylvia Gallagher, Cecila Bryant, Mary-Terez Dowlings, Milada Pecnikova, Kim Rowels, Mirko Popovic, Connie Kennedy, Monika Doktorova, Peter McCann, Bill Leis, William Francis O'Connor, Fr George Carrol, Mary Gleeson, Steve Bates, Bill Patterson, Cienna Psaila, Patricia O'Toole, Ida Pavelka, Joan Windsor, Raquel Bailey, and all those at The Marion Aged Care and Lewisham Nursing Home



*We remember and pray for all our deceased
Relatives and Friends*

Recently Deceased; *Santina Orsini*

Anniversary: *John Francis Barry,
Shirley Mc Inerney, Luigia (Gina) Maccarrone, Fr Peter
Neville*



Baptism Congratulations to

**Emily Long
Harrison Louis Kok**

May the warmth of Gods love and the light of
his Grace, make your world a Joyous place.

To our Readers, Commentators, Eucharistic Ministers & Offertory Processors

Thank you for continuing to support your parish in this special way. Please remember to **always check the roster and, if you are no longer available on one of your rostered dates, could you please arrange a replacement using the contact list provided with the roster. (The roster can be found on the website).**

ROSTER NEXT WEEKEND: 8 & 9 February - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 58:7-10 ; psalm 111:4-9 ; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 ; John 8:12 ; Matthew 5:13-16

	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
	5pm	8am	10.00am
Commentator	Anne-Marie Whelan	Steve Rabbitt	Elizabeth Day
Reader	Loretto Richardson	Adrian Overs	Catherine King
Offertory	Yvette Gerondeau	Bozena Zurek Terri Macks	Family Mass
Ministers of the Eucharist	Marcia Barney Sr Elly Gail Herbert	Salome Vargas Janie De Beck	Paula Ceroli Rosa Riotto Gordon Burke
Marion Aged Care	Thursday, 6th February : Anne-Marie Whelan		



Social Justice - St Columba's

The next Social Justice meeting is on Wednesday 5 February at 6.30 in the Parish Hall. Please feel free to join us and share a meal. We look forward to seeing you. If you have any questions, ideas or would like to know more please feel free to contact Therese Briggs theris58@gmail.com or Fay Hair fayhair11@gmail.com

St Bakhita's feast day is on the 8 February. Her feast day is now observed as the International Day Against Human Trafficking and Slavery. We'll have more information on St Bakhita and what you can do to mark the day next weekend.

Supporting JRS



The targeted grocery items for February: Toothbrushes and Toothpaste. Please leave any donations in the basket beside the altar.

JRS Wishlist

- Back to school items – bags, books, stationery desperately needed
- Pull along shopping trolleys We have had one shopping trolley donated, (many thanks to the parishioner who donated it), but JRS has many clients who are elderly and unwell who struggle to take their Foodbank shopping home.
- Laptop
- Bike for 8yr old boy
- Pram for 9 month old
- Kitchen storage cupboard (client currently has all cutlery/crockery etc on dining table).

The Noticeboard

If you have any items that you think JRS might need, please send me a photo with a short description and it will go on the JRS Noticeboard.

fayhair11@gmail.com

These are difficult times - with a lot of calls on our generosity. Whatever way you are able to support people seeking asylum is much appreciated.

Parish visit to the Westmead Centre

Several parishioners have asked about visiting the Centre. JRS staff are more than happy for a group of us to come. We're looking at a date early in March. More details to come!



Government-funded Home Care Packages
Catholic Healthcare's local Care Advisors can work with you to create a customised support plan. Their

in-home services include gardening, shopping, meal preparation, transport and nursing. Get a quote on 1300 734 350

LITTLE COLUMBA'S PLAY GROUP



Come join in the fun! 9am-1030am in the Hall Story Time and Craft every 2nd Wednesday

5 February	18 March
19 February	8 April
4 March	



We welcome back all our St Columba's School families & staff for 2020! Especially our 2020 kindergarten families, May God Bless you all as you begin your school journey.

St Columba's Opening Mass is on Friday 7th February 9:15am, all welcome.



St Columba's Craft Group is Back for on 14th February
Please join us after mass every Friday during School term, from

9:45am in the hall. **Starting 14th February,**

New members always welcome.

CONCERT

The Gregorian Schola are holding an open night / showcase on

Thursday 13 February, 2020 6:30 – 7:30pm St Bede's Church, Pyrmont.

It will include some music familiar and not so familiar. It will include a brief discussion of the background to some of the music.

St.Bede's is one of the older churches in Sydney. From Leichhardt catch the Light Rail to the casino, walk out into Point Street (past the red Lamborghini), turn left & the church is ahead

POPE FRANCIS SAYS....

"Have the courage to be truly happy!"

Pope Francis



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

CONTACT: SECRETARY@STCOLUMBA.ORG.AU

VISION STATEMENT

To witness to the Gospel, through the power of the Holy Spirit, to the eternal love of Christ; by building and sustaining an open, welcoming and friendly community in which people grow in their relationships with God, each other and the wider community.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of St Columba's Parish Pastoral Council is to:

- welcome and embrace new parishioners;
- support and direct the work of the Parish Priest, Pastoral Associate, and parish groups;
- support and encourage the people of St Columba's parish;
- provide vision and direction to the people of St Columba's parish;
- collaborate with the parish school;
- give members of our parish community a voice; and
- empower people to lead and make positive contributions to our parish and the wider community.

TO ACHIEVE THIS, WE:

- see;
- judge;
- act; and
- review.

WE, AS A GROUP, ARE FUNDAMENTALLY COMMITTED TO:

- prayer and reflection;
- our shared Catholic faith;
- bringing Christ's love and grace to Leichhardt and the broader community;
- acting co-operatively as a group based on participation and consensus, not factions or parties; and
- facilitating the spiritual growth of all under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

MEMBERS OF THE PASTORAL COUNCIL ARE:

Fr Peter Smith *Parish Priest*
Bernard Ryan *Principal*
Nicola Connors *Family Ed.*
Renata Popovic-Tomac
Chairperson

Vasile Tiano *Secretary*
David Hair
Jennifer Cheal
Therese Pacey
Adrian Overs



St Columba's Pastoral Council

Will meet on **Tuesday 4th February** at **7pm**. Minutes from the previous meeting can be found on the parish website.

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.