

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER 24TH & 25TH APRIL 2021, YEAR B

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.

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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

Parish Priest:

Parish Office Administrator

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Pastoral Council

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St Columba's School

Principal: Bernard Ryan..... 9569 1270

Weekend MassTimes:

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

Weekday Services:

Friday...... 9:15am

Reconciliation:

By appointment

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.



Fr Peter's weekly Podcasts of the Gospel are uploaded weekly onto our website and Face Book page.

https://scln1.podbean.com/



From Fr Peter's Desk....

All work is empty save when done with love. And what is it to work with love?

It is to weave the cloth with threads drawn from your heart, even as if your beloved were to wear that cloth.

It is to build a house with affection, even as if vour beloved were to dwell in that house. If you cannot work with love but only with distaste, it is better that you should leave your work, and sit at the gate of the temple and take alms from those who work with joy. For if you bake bread with indifference, you bake a bitter bread that feeds but half of man's hunger.

And if you grudge the crushing of the grapes, your grudge distils a poison in the wine. Work is love made visible.

Kahlil Gibran



Live Masses can be found on www.sydneycatholic.org/live-masses/

TODAY'S LITURGY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Cf. Psalm 32:5-6

The merciful love of the

Lord fills the earth:

by the word of the Lord

the heavens were made, alleluia.

1st Reading: Acts 4:8-12

This is the only name

by which we can be saved.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 117:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29

The stone rejected by

the builders has become

the cornerstone.

2ND READING: 1 John 3:1-2

We shall see God as he is.

Gospel Acclamation: John 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd,

says the Lord; I know my sheep,

and mine know me.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 10:11-18

The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia

ST COLUMBA'S MASSES—COVID-19 SAFE

- * We will continue with QR scanning
- * Only one house hold per pew. Please ONLY sit in pews that are labelled, as it makes it easier for our ushers to wipe them down between Masses.

We pray for all those who are sick, including:

Kate Glendenning, Marica Popovic, Elizabeth Sedgwick, Silvana Cocilova, Bill Leis, Mabel Winter, Sylvia Gallagher, Dorothy New and Patricia O'Toole, Roisin Smith and Family, Suzanne Campbell, Dan O'Brien, Sharon Weetman, and all those at The Marion Aged Care and Lewisham Nursing Home



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

Anniversary: Jimmy Gallagher, Andrew & Caroline Aguis, Eleonora Schneiderkova

USHERS, READERS and CLEANERS NEEDED ESPECIALLY USHERS for ALL MASSES

Thank you to those who have volunteered, if you would like to be part of our roster please fill in the google form with your preference for volunteering.

Using this **GOOGLE FORM**

Understandably things can change for availability as weekends approach, I will share the spreadsheet with those who have volunteered and leave one in the



cupboard in the foyer. For readers, I have allocated 1 reader (Blue), but will still highlight who else has volunteered for the same Mass (Red). I will also email the readings for the

weekend to everyone. We are really hoping to expand the pool of volunteers to share the roles.

USHERS: 2 per Mass: Keeping count; Looking at peoples phones before entering the Church, checking QR tick; Manually adding people who don't have phones CLEANERS: Needed to wipe down pews that have

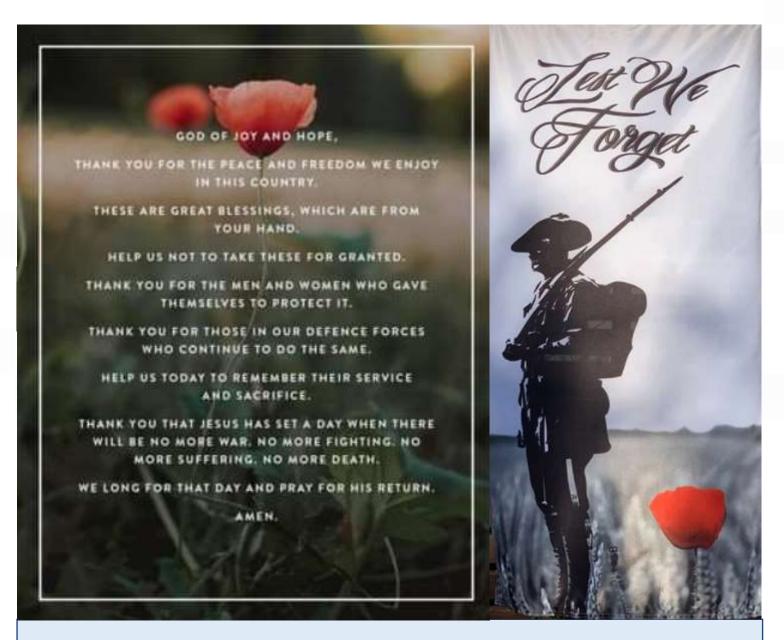
been used and lectern approx 15mins) Thank you to those who have filled in the google form already. Here is the link with availability.

READER: First, Second Readings, Responsorial Psalm, Gospel Acclamation and Prayers of the faithful.

- *We also ask you could sit closest to the wall, to assist with social distancing.
- * If you DO NOT HAVE A MOBILE PHONE, please arrive 15 mins earlier, so Ushers can add you electronically.
- * If we reach capacity you will not be able to enter the Church.
- * PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND MASS If you or any member of your house old are unwell or exhibiting common symptoms of COVID-19. (fever 37.5 ° or higher, cough, sore/scratchy throat, shortness of breath, loss of smell or loss of taste)
- * FACE MASKS ARE NOT MANDATORY, HOWEVER YOU ARE STILL WELCOME TO WEAR ONE
- * PLEASE ADHERE TO SOCIAL DISTANCING REGULATIONS BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER MASS. PLEASE DO NOT MINGLE OUTSIDE THE CHURCH BEFORE OR AFTER MASS

Again, thank you to all who have volunteered as Ushers, Cleaners and Readers for our Masses, during these challenging times. We are very grateful for your time and dedication to these roles.

PLEASE VISIT SYDNEY ARCHDIOCESE www.sydneycatholic.org AND NSW HEALTH https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19 For up to date regulations regarding COVID-19



Australia would like to **THANK YOU** for supporting Project Compassion 2021. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back by 9th May or visit www.caritas.org.au to make your donation online.

Through your generosity you will be empowering the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and share their strengths with their communities to lift themselves out of poverty.





CWF May Parish Appeal

The next Charitable Works Fund (CWF) Parish Appeal will be held on Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd May.

Your generous donations help those most vulnerable in Sydney – single mothers facing homelessness, those struggling with mental health, our local

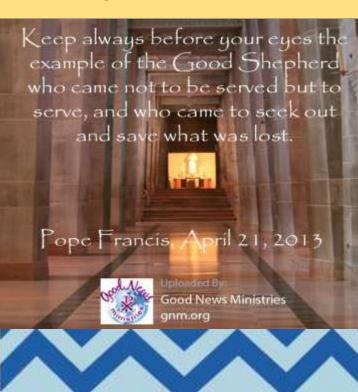
Aboriginal communities, and many more.

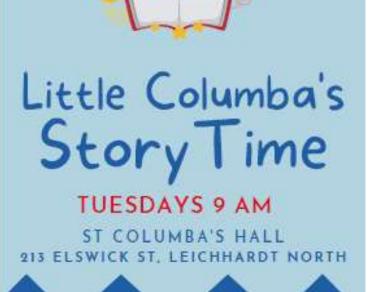
Appeal envelopes will be provided for your use, so please keep an eye out for them! You can also make a donation and find out more at https://www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf/

COVID RESTRICTIONS:

Many COVID-19 restrictions have eased across NSW.

PLEASE NOTE: Unfortunately, the recent changes do not allow us to increase the number of people who can attend Mass due to the configuration of the pews at St Columba's Church.







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 David Hair Jennifer Cheal Therese Pacey Adrian Overs Tino Mian

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.

Sunday 25th April 2021 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Celebrant: Sisters and brothers, our 4th Sunday of Resurrection

draws together the image of Jesus, the Good Shepherd,

the call to serve him in the Orders of Diaconate and Priesthood and the consecration of Religious Life, and Australia's annual observance

of Anzac Day.

 For Pope Francis, together with bishops, priests and deacons, that all may serve Jesus, the Good Shepherd, in prayer and worship, and the people through preaching of the Good News with pastoral love. Lord hear us, Lord hear our prayer

- For the graces of priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life finding a home in generous hearts, that the life of the Church and society will be enriched by the response of men and women, made in faith and with love. Lord hear us, Lord hear our prayer
- For Australia and New Zealand observing Anzac Day, that honouring those
 who sacrificed their lives in the cause of freedom, we will commit ourselves to
 the work of peace in all circumstances. Lord hear us, Lord hear our prayer
- 4. For all the people in our world who are traumatised by war and violence, especially those desperate to reclaim democracy in Myanmar, those exhausted by war in Syria and those in political crisis in Lebanon. Lord hear us, Lord hear ourp rayer
- 5. For those who have died in wars, especially from our own nation, along with the departed bishops, priests, deacons and religious who have served in our Archdiocese, that Jesus, the Good Shepherd will welcome them to the eternal pastures of heaven. We also remember ... Jimmy Gallagher, Andrew & Caroline Aguis, Eleonora Schneiderkova Lord hear us, Lord hear our prayer

Celebrant: collect of Armac Day

Almighty, eternal God, who sent your Son to die that we might live, grant we pray, eternal rest to those who gave themselves

in service and sacrifice for their country.

Through Christ our Lord.