



EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
3RD & 4TH APRIL 2021, YEAR B



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.

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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 message clearly).

Parish Priest:

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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....

HOLY WEEK 2021

HOLY THURSDAY, 1st April - 7pm, in the Church

GOOD FRIDAY, 2nd April - 3pm, School Play Ground

SATURDAY VIGIL, 3rd April - 5pm, School Play Ground

EASTER SUNDAY, 4th April - 9am, School Play Ground

Holy Thursday: Entry to the Church, using QR CODE scanning as usual. We are capped at 50 in the church, with seating of one house hold per pew using only the pews that are labelled with a tick.

(If you have bells at home, please bring them in)

School Gates will be opened 30mins before Mass starts

Good Friday, Saturday Vigil and Easter Sunday:

Will be held in the School Play Ground under a Marquee. **Chairs will be provided**

Entry will be like Christmas, through the main school gates using QR Code scanning.

Easter Sunday and Vigil : (If you have bells at home, please bring them in)

Please have the Service NSW App down loaded on your phone, for easy QR code scanning.

If you do not have internet on your mobile phone, we can add your details manually.

Please keep in mind we are still following strict COVID 19 restrictions and must adhere to social distancing of 1.5meters from people that are not part of your household at all times.

**THERE WILL BE NO FRIDAY MASSES
9th-26TH APRIL 2021**

TODAY'S LITURGY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Cf. Psalm 138:18, 5-6
I have risen,
and I am with you still, alleluia.
You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.
Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia,
alleluia.

1ST READING: Acts 10:34, 37-43
We have eaten and drunk with
him after his resurrection from the dead.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
This is the day the
Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

OR: Alleluia!

2ND READING: Colossians 3:1-4
Look for the things that
are in heaven, where Christ is.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 1 Corinthians 5:7-8
Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 20:1-9
The teaching of scripture
is that he must rise from the dead.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: 1 Corinthians 5:7-8
Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia;
therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened
bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.



ST COLUMBA'S MASSES—COVID-19 SAFE

- * We will continue with QR scanning
 - * We have been able to increase the number of pews in the Church.
 - * **Only one house hold per pew. Please ONLY sit in pews that are labelled,** and we ask that you sit closest to the wall, for social distancing and also makes it easier for to wipe down between Masses.
 - * If you do not have a mobile phone, please arrive 10 - 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 IN PLACES OF WORSHIP, 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

We pray for all those who are sick, including:

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, Sr Alice Sullivan rsj, 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*

Recently Deceased: Jarinka Zapletalova
Anniversary: Ann Hodges, Domenico Carbona, Robert (Bob) Crowe, Joshua Saunders

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.



Social Justice - St Columba's

The next meeting for 2021 of the St Columba's Social Justice Group will be on **Wednesday APRIL 7 at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall**. Please note that COVID guidelines for social distancing will be strictly observed. There will be no shared meal. Please contact Fay Hair (fayhair11@gmail.com) if you are able to come. All welcome. We would love to meet you!

Supporting the Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS)

Targeted grocery item for April: disposable baby nappies - all sizes!



Please leave all donations in the JRS Food Basket at the Church Entrance (or at the Parish Office).

Palm Sunday Rally

Last Sunday we attended the Palm Sunday Rally for Refugees at Belmore Park. The numbers were down a bit on last time but the passion of the participants was just as strong. There were lots of groups represented, the Grandmothers, JRS, Uniting Church, to name a few – and this year a new one, Catholics for Refugees.

Speaker after speaker highlighted the cruelty of our system of treating people seeking asylum. There's one person who's been in detention for 11 years. There's another who's been held for eight years even though her brother and parents are now citizens. They were fortunate enough to have come here before arrival by boat was forbidden.

It was pointed out that:

- The boats stopped long ago because of the turn-back policy.
- The planes have stopped due to COVID and won't start again anytime soon.

That begs two questions: Why do we still treat people seeking asylum as we do? Why hasn't this cruel and inhumane system stopped long before now?

It would be good if lots of us could contact our politicians, of all political persuasions, to let them know that we care, and we want things to change!

From the Archdiocesan Anti-Slavery Taskforce: Shop for Good

Shop for Good has a Facebook page with information about anti-slavery and suggestions on where to make ethical purchases of a wide range of goods.

Archbishop Anthony Fisher) Through [Shop for Good], you can play an active part in combatting modern slavery in contemporary society by purchasing products which are not tainted by slavery and forced labour in their supply chains."

Their latest post has information about how global fashion operates, from *Clotheshorse* website.



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Some snippets from the *Clotheshorse* article to whet your appetite:

"Human beings make your clothing. (There is a general misconception that most manufacturing has been automated, done by robots, and that's not true.)

At least 75 million people across the world work in the garment/textile industry, many under forced labour conditions (slavery)

Women from the most marginalised communities in India are paid as little as 15 cents an hour.

Garment workers work 10-16 hours a day, 6 days a week, often in abusive and unpleasant conditions.

The article concludes, **"This post is not intended to make you feel guilty for having a good life or even buying new things. It's a reminder of why we want to hold brands accountable. It is why we must demand change. We can do this as a community by educating those around us... and becoming louder and louder about the change we want."**

Shop for Good recommends Ethical Clothing Australia. Read more about their accredited partners at: <https://ethicalclothingaustralia.org.au/>

There's also an excellent ABC podcast that gives a good background on modern slavery. Just go to:

<https://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/soul-search/>

Spotlight on Aboriginal Issues: The Aboriginal Catholic Ministry

The Aboriginal Catholic Ministry (ACM) is a ministry of the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney

Their purpose is: To know Jesus and make Jesus known through Aboriginal ways of seeing and in the spirit of Reconciliation...

The ACM has two sites: the main office is at 77 Buckland Street, Alexandria and the Reconciliation Church at 11 Yarra Road, Phillip Bay (near La Perouse).

The Social Justice Group has established contacts with the ACM. Members of the ACM would love to meet more parishioners and plan to visit us at Mass one day. They asked me to pass on their invitation to share Mass with them.

Everyone is invited to the ACM monthly Masses, held at the Reconciliation Church

- Starting at 11 am and followed by a shared light lunch.

- Mass dates are: **11th April, 2nd May, 6th June, 4th July** (Aboriginal Sunday), **1st August, 5th September, 17th October** (Outdoor Mass), **7th November, 12th December.**

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.



Don't forget to
#Turn and Test



STEP 1:
Turn your clocks
back one hour.

STEP 2:
Test your
smoke alarms.



Day Light Savings Ends 3am this Sunday, 4th April. On Saturday night, remember to turn your clocks back 1 hour.

I'm a student at the ArtEst art school in Leichhardt. A number of us students and our teacher are having an art exhibition called "Art School". As part of that exhibition we are raising funds for The Burmese Community Development Collaboration (BCDC) to assist the people of Myanmar. So, here's your chance to support local artists AND help a very worthy cause.

The exhibition runs from 27 March to 20 April 2021. The address of ArtEst is 4/67-68 Lords Road Leichhardt. <https://www.artest.com.au/>

If you'd like to know more please contact me, Therese Briggs, at theris58@gmail.com or 0409560232

Thank you in anticipation for your support.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Families seeking information or interested in enrolling their child/ren are asked to email the Pastoral Associate pa@stcolumba.org.au to receive a copy of the Information and Enrolment Forms.

Registration will close tomorrow 2nd April 2021

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.



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
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