



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
29TH & 30TH MAY 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.

Parish Details:

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Office Hours:

9:30am-2:30pm Tuesday and Friday

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 1270

Weekend Mass Times:

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.



From Fr Peter's Desk....

O Great Spirit, whose voice I hear in the winds. and whose breath gives life to the world, hear me.

I come to you as one of your many children. I am small and weak; I need your strength and your wisdom.

Make my eyes ever behold the red and purple sunset.

Make my hands respect the things you have made, and my ears sharp to hear your voice. Make me wise so that I may know the things you have taught your children, the lessons you have hidden in every leaf and rock.

Make me strong, so that I may not be superior to other people, but able to fight my greatest enemy, which is myself.

Make me ever ready to come to you with straight eyes, so that when life fades as the fading sunset, my spirit may come to you with out shame.

Prayer of a native American



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

<https://scln1.podbean.com/>

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

TODAY'S LITURGY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Blest be God the Father,
and the Only begotten Son of God,
and also the Holy Spirit,
for he has shown us his merciful love.

1ST READING: *Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40*
The Lord himself is God in heaven above and on earth below: there is no other.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Psalms 32:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22*
Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

2ND READING: *Romans 8:14-17*
You have received the Spirit that makes you God's own children, and in that Spirit we call God: Father, our Father!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Cf. Revelation 1:8*
Alleluia, alleluia!
Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Matthew 28:16-20*
Baptise them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: *Galatian 4:6*
Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts, the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba Father.

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.
- * Masks are encouraged, but not mandatory in the Church.

- * 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 household 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)
 - * 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:
Lois Cassidy, Kim Rowles, 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, Friends and.....

Recently Deceased: Anne Giorgio
Anniversary: Maureen Guilfoyle (Nee Lourey), Francis Cluney, Pauline Fernandes, Myra Fogarty

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 June 2 at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall. Please note that COVID guidelines for social distancing will be strictly observed. 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 June: Toothpaste, toothbrushes

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

Help for East Timor

This weekend we are very grateful to have Jane Woolford, CEO of Mary MacKillop Today, speaking during two of the Masses about Timor-Leste and the work her organisation does there. Parishioners will have the opportunity to donate to Mary MacKillop Today (MMT) as they leave Mass or to take an envelope and donate via credit card.

On the following weekend, June 5/6, our **parish will be marking St Columba's Feast Day** with a BBQ after 10:00am Mass and **Parish Cuppas after Saturday's 5:00pm Mass and Sunday's 8:00am Mass. We are asking** for donations for the cuppa and/or BBQ to support MMT. (NB MMT donation envelopes will also be available both in Church and at the Cake table.)

Thank you for your support!

As we said in last week's bulletin:

Timor-Leste is one of Australia's closest neighbours, yet the country is facing high levels of poverty with 42% of the population living below the poverty line. Saint Mary MacKillop was a teacher who understood the importance of education as a pathway out of poverty, and Mary MacKillop Today work to continue this legacy by providing education programs to the most marginalised communities. The COVID-19 pandemic and the recent severe flooding in Timor-Leste have caused significant impact to the communities in which Mary MacKillop Today work.



Your support will help lift people from poverty by investing in the education of their children and, as a result, will improve the lives of the Timorese people with each new generation. You can find out more at www.marymackilloptoday.org.au

Sydney Peace Prize

The Sydney Peace Prize recognises leading global voices that promote peace, justice and non-violence.

So, congratulations to the Uluru Statement from the Heart for winning the Sydney Peace Prize for 2021. According to the judging panel, the statement was a "powerful and historic offering of peace" that was crucial to the "healing within our nation." The Peace Prize organisers said that because, it had not yet been acted upon four years after it was written, it was time for the government to take action on the statement. We in St Columba's Social Justice Group totally agree.

Sacrament of Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation preparation concluded last week. Thank you to all the students and parents for their participation in the three sessions. Special thanks to Jules and Amanda for leading the breakout rooms and our guest speaker, Cheryl Fernandez from Sydney Catholic Schools who prepared a wonderful reflection on how Holy Spirit has guided and strengthened her.

Candidates will be conferred over two liturgies on Friday 28 May and Friday 4 June 2021 at St Columba's Church.



Saint Columba's Day Parish Barbeque

When : 06-Jun-2021 after 10:00AM Mass

Where : St Columba's Parish Hall

Please put this event in your calendars we would love to see you all there.

<https://www.stcolumba.org.au>



In addition to the St Columba's day Barbeque, we will be holding a traditional St Columba's cuppa for those parishioners who are unable to attend the barbeque after mass at 10:00AM on 6th June.

This will be after 5:00PM and 8:00AM Mass on the 5th & 6th of June 2020.

We all look forward to seeing you there.

<https://www.stcolumba.org.au>



With our eyes fixed on Jesus and his merciful gaze, we experience the love of the Most Holy Trinity... Everything in him speaks of mercy. Nothing in him is devoid of compassion.

-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

David Hair
 Jennifer Cheal
 Therese Pacey
 Adrian Overs
 Ann Coffey
 Tino Mian

Parish Pastoral Council
 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 council meets once every 6 weeks. A willingness to be involved, a spirit of openness and welcome, and a desire to bring Christ alive in the Parish community are the pre-requisites. The Vision and Mission Statements of the Pastoral Council are listed on the back page of the bulletin. If you would like to be involved please contact the Parish Office at admin@stcolumba.org.au OR leave a message on 9569 2267.



**Little Columba's
 Story Time**

TUESDAYS 9 AM

ST COLUMBA'S HALL
 213 ELSWICK ST, LEICHHARDT NORTH

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.

The Universal Prayer
Sunday 30th May 2021
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity Sunday

Celebrant: With trust, and guided by the Holy Spirit,
 we turn to the Father, praying through his Son,
 Jesus Christ.

1. That Pope Francis, bishop and servant, will witness to the mystery of the Holy Trinity in what he teaches and does. **Lord hear us, Lord, hear our prayer.**
2. That the fragile peace in the Holy Land will open up the possibility that all can worship the One God in complete freedom, for the glory and God and the safety of the people. **Lord hear us, Lord, hear our prayer.**
3. That the gift of the approaching Australian Plenary Council and our Archdiocesan Assembly will help us Catholics to be united in the spirit of the Holy Trinity. **Lord hear us, Lord, hear our prayer.**
4. That our families will discover in the Holy Trinity the courage to work through difficulties, how to respect each other in our diversity, and joy, which is the fruit of our love. **Lord hear us, Lord, hear our prayer.**
5. That as this month of prayer with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, seeking God's grace to overcome the Pandemic, draws to a close, we will lift up to God all those who have carried pain and continue to live with distress. **Lord hear us, Lord, hear our prayer.**
6. That those who have been baptized in the Name of the Trinity may enter God's heavenly home, opened for us by the death and resurrection of Jesus. We also remember *Anne Giorgio, Maureen Guilfoyle (Nee Lourey), Francis Cuneo, Pauline Fernandes, Myra Fogarty*. **Lord hear us, Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Glory be to your Name, O Father,
 Glory be to your Salvation, O Son,
 Glory be to your Wisdom, O Spirit,
 Glory be to you, One Eternal God,
 now and for ever.
 Amen.