



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

30TH JULY AND 31ST JULY 2022—Year C

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.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are respectfully advised that this publication/production may contain the words, voices, names, images and /or descriptions of people who have passed away.



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Office Hours:

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

All bulletin notices to be in by 12pm Wednesday

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

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St Columba's Catholic School

Principal: Debra Galofaro..... (02) 9569 1270

Weekend Mass Times:

Saturday.....5pm

Sunday.....8am and Family Mass at 10am

Weekday Services:

Friday.....9:15am

Reconciliation:

By appointment

Marriages:

By Appointment, please email

admin@stcolumba.org.au to arrange.

If you would like to contribute to the Parish Planned Giving, please speak to Fr Peter. Also, a form can be emailed to you. If you would like to arrange a one off direct deposit donation, please 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



REFLECTION

HEAVENLY GLORY

While out for an evening walk I emerged from an area where the streets were lit by bright lamps, and came into an open, dark area. It was only then I discovered that the sky was full of stars.

And I thought to myself:

How easily and how effectively the earthly lights extinguish the heavenly ones.

Lord, help us to seek the things that make us rich in your sight, and grant that the glitter of this world may not dim our hopes of heavenly glory.



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

Today's Liturgy

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm 69:2, 6

O God, come to my assistance;
O Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help;
O Lord, do not delay.

First Reading

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23

What do people gain by all their work?

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 89:3-6,12-14,17

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-5,9-11

Seek the things that are above where Christ is.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
The kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 12:13-21

To whom will all this wealth of yours go?

Communion Antiphon

Wisdom 16:20

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,
Endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

We pray for all those who are sick, including:

John Nucifora, Maruska Strnad, Frank Hodges, Silvana Cocilova, Emma Vassallo, Kim Rowles, Marica Popovic, Bill Leis, Mabel Winter, Dorothy New and Patricia O'Toole, 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

Recently Deceased

Sarah Frances Pardey

Anniversary

Domenico Ceroli, Sebastiano Parinetto, Val Laws, Betty Caruana, Dolores Collins, Ruth Maher, Terry Quailey, Barry Furner, Maureen Anderson-Hennessy, Clement Thaph Dittharong, Melvina Hodges, John Briggs, Bruno Viler, Kathleen Carter, Connie & Joseph Pace, Frank Fenwick, Kevin Schneider, Domenico Ceroli, Sid Valentine, Joe Fenech



BAPTISM

**Congratulations and a very warm welcome to
Clare Bernadette McFerran**

**who will be baptised into our Christian
community this weekend.**

**May the warmth of God's Love and the light of
his Grace make your world a joyous place**

Little Columba's Playgroup



Please join us...

Friday 29 July

Friday 12 & 26 August

Friday 9 & 23 September.

9:00 – 10:00 am

St Columba's Parish Hall

amanda.gardiner@syd.catholic.edu.au



The Funeral Mass for the Late **SARAH PARDEY**, daughter of Joy and Stephen Pardey, will be held at St Columba's Catholic Church Leichhardt on **Saturday 30th July at 10:30am**



St Columba's Catholic Primary School is also raising much needed funds for Vinnies NSW. Please help the school reach their fundraising goal of \$1000 to help those in our community who need it the most.

It only takes a minute and any amount you can give (no matter how large or small) will go a long way in helping them reach their target. Visit—

<https://my.fundraise.vinniesnsw.org.au/fundraise-your-way/st-columba-s-leichhardt-north-1>

Thank you, your support is appreciated!



Social Justice - St Columba's

Our next Social Justice Group meeting will be held on **Wednesday 3 August at 7pm in the Parish Hall**. At this meeting we'll be discussing what we might do about promoting and supporting First Nations issues. We're having a guest speaker, Dr Robbie Lloyd from the Justice and Peace Office, to lead our discussion. If you are interested in this topic, you're most welcome to attend. Please contact Fay Hair fayhair11@gmail.com if you would like to come.

SUPPORTING JRS

Targeted Grocery items for August: Tinned chickpeas and kidney beans. Nappies (Sizes 4 and 5) would be much appreciated also.

Donations can be left in the basket at the back of the church. To donate money to JRS, please go to the JRS website aus.jrs.net and hit the Donate button.

JRS urgently needs volunteer drivers to deliver food hampers. If you are able to spare some time to do this during the week, please contact Jane Turner at jane.turner@jrs.org.au Please note that there would be an induction and some training involved.



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2022

FIRST EUCHARIST (COMMUNION)

For children in Year 3 and above who have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

- 13th & 14th August:** Enrolment/Commitment Masses
- From 15th Aug:** 1 hour Preparation sessions x 4
- 8 September:** Spirituality Day – school time TBC
- 11 & 18 September:** 10am Reception of the Sacrament (nominate one date)

Registration Forms are now available at Parish Masses and from St Columba's Parish office. If you have any further questions about your child's eligibility to participate in the Sacramental preparation programs in 2022, please contact Barbara Howard via email pa@stcolumba.org.au or the Parish Office on 9569 2267

FIRST NATIONS: Australia Day

On their website, the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC) points out that Australia Day is complicated for many First Nations People, and that it might be a long time, if ever, that they feel comfortable celebrating Australia Day on January 26. Many think that moving the date would be a starting point for creating a new dialogue and platform for Reconciliation.

NATSICC itself takes this position, and advocates for Australia Day to be celebrated on May 27, the date in 1967 when Australians voted overwhelmingly to amend the Constitution to allow the Commonwealth to make laws for Aboriginal people and include them in the census.

Our national day provides us all with the opportunity to come together and acknowledge the gifts that our creator has bestowed on this Great Southern Land. But is January 26 still the most appropriate day for this? As Catholics, we are called to action to make Australia a country that more closely reflects our Christian beliefs of equality, respect, and care for our poor and vulnerable. Perhaps we could all deepen our understanding of what January 26 means to First Australians, and indeed what it means to be Australian.

HOMELESSNESS WEEK, 1-7 AUGUST

According to Vinnies, in 2020-21, over 47,000 clients presented to homelessness services in NSW in need of accommodation. But the needs of almost half these clients (48%) could not be met. People were spending longer in crisis and transitional accommodation services because there was nowhere else for them to go. Homelessness Week raises awareness of the impact of homelessness in Australia. This year, the theme is 'To end homelessness we need a plan'. With the housing market failing to meet the needs of so many people in our community, social housing must be part of this plan. You can help continue to help build support for more investment in social housing by contributing to Vinnies' letter writing campaign in the lead up to the March 2023 election. Write to the Premier about why you think homelessness needs to be addressed, and support the call for 5,000 new social housing homes every year for the next ten years. A personal story helps, e.g., your experience or that of someone you know. Please send the letter, addressed to the premier, inside another envelope addressed to Vinnies, who'll make sure it gets to the Premier's office. If you post it directly, please email Vinnies a copy social.justice@vinnies.org.au

Addresses:

The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP
GPO Box 5341 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Vinnies Social Justice Team
Gadigal country
2C West St Lewisham NSW 2049





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

Members of the Pastoral Council are:

Fr Peter Smith -
Parish Priest
Debra Galofaro - *Principal*
Barbara Howard - *Pastoral Associate*
Amanda Gardiner—*Family Educator*

David Hair—*Chairperson*
Jennifer Cheal
Therese Pacey
Ray Choi
Mirele Farina



Parish Renewal Conference 2022

Specifically tailored for our clergy, lay leaders and parishioners to be renewed in the Church's mission of evangelisation, join us to strengthen your practical efforts through spiritual, intellectual, pastoral and human formation.

St Mary's Cathedral Precinct

Friday 19th August from 6pm – 9 pm and

Saturday 20th August from 9am – 5:15 pm

\$25 per person for parishioners in the Archdiocese of Sydney. Registration essential at:

www.gomakedisciples.org.au/prc22 by Sunday 14 August

Inquiries: parishrenewal@sydneycatholic.org

NB: The pricing of all tickets is based on substantial subsidies by the Sydney Centre for Evangelisation to make this as affordable as possible.

St Joseph's Enfield AUGUST HEALING MASS



If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. *Matthew 16: 24-28*

Friday 5th August 2022
Celebrant: Father Maroun El Kazzi

Rosary	7:00 PM	Mass	8:00PM
Reconciliation	7:00 PM - 8:00PM	Exposition (after Mass)	
Prayer and Praise	7:30 PM	Prayer Ministry available after Mass	

St Joseph's Catholic Church 126 Liverpool Rd Enfield
Parking at rear of church. Enter from Baker St.

Rose: 8642-2358 / 0412 115-961
E-mail: roseswyncathedral@gmail.com

Reader, Usher and Cleaning Roster

Sat 30th July & Sun 31st July

	Welcomer	Reader	Cleaner
5pm	Therese Pacey	Therese McGarry	Therese Pacey
8am	Ann Coffey	Margaret Perry	Ann Coffey
10am	Barbara Howard	Gordon Burke	Barbara Howard

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 31 July 2022
 Luke 12:13-21
 18th Sunday In Ordinary Time

In the GOSPEL TODAY

What is the most important?

Beatrice is thinking about lots of different things. Put a red circle around the things that are the most important. Can you add some ideas of your own?

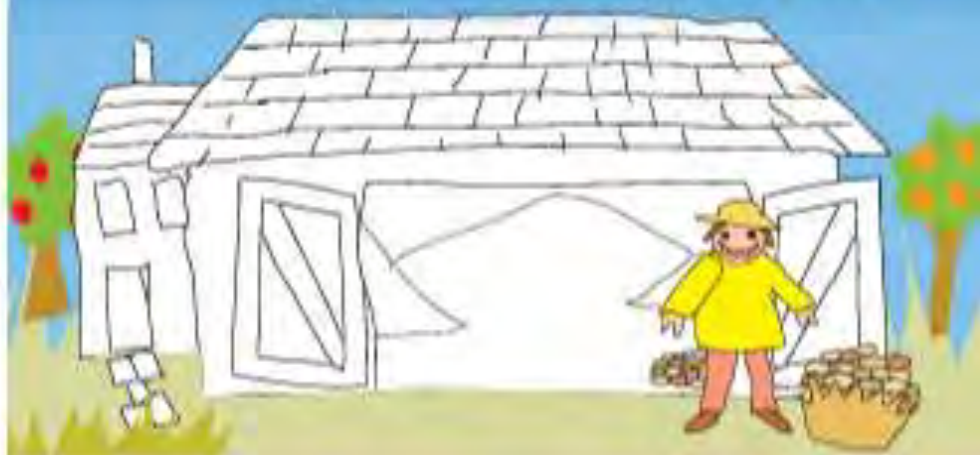
- God
- being kind
- caring
- a big house
- Lots of money
- friends
- a posh car
- sharing
- family



A rich farmer runs out of space in his barn for all his crops. Although he is rich, he isn't happy. He works even harder building bigger barns. Jesus says we will be rich when we put God and other people before ourselves. Being rich in love is what will make us really happy.

Rich in love!

In the Gospel the man stored what was important to him inside his barn. What would you keep in the barn? Colour and draw pictures of the people and things which are important to you inside the barn.



Word Search

Jesus wants us to become rich with kind actions. Find the words which will make us rich in the way way Jesus means.

- LOVE
- CARE
- HELP
- SMILE
- THANK
- SHARE

T	H	A	N	K
S	H	A	R	E
M	L	W	Q	Y
I	P	L	E	H
L	C	A	R	E
E	V	O	L	F

A PRAYER TO SAY

Thank you, Jesus for all the wonderful and exciting things in the world. Help me to remember what is really important. Help me to put you and other people first. Amen.

Odd bunch out

Which of these bunches of corn is different from the others?



Answers: Odd bunch out: c.

Sunday 31st July 2022

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Celebrant: Sisters and brothers,
all three readings from our Sacred Scriptures
are concerned about where our true wealth is to be found,
and how we are to live with justice and integrity.

1. That Pope Francis' constant appeal for all people to care for the poor and dispossessed will be heard by governments and people of goodwill, so that justice and charity prevail everywhere.
Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.
2. That the members of this 47th Parliament of Australia will work together to bridge the gap between the rich and poor in this land, and deliver people from the burden of poverty.
Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.
3. That the start of National Homelessness Week on Monday will make us sensitive to their needs and dignity, and ensure that governments continue to support people who have lost everything in the recent floods and bushfires.
Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.
4. That there may be justice in Myanmar,
safe elections in Papua New Guinea,
freedom from religious persecution in Nigeria,
political stability in Sri Lanka, and an end to war in Ukraine.
Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.
5. That people entering into Australia will be responsible and declare all food items, and take every precaution to ensure that foot and mouth disease is not carried on their shoes or clothes, so as to protect the Livestock of this land.
Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer
6. That those who have died in poverty, or from malnourishment or by homelessness will be gathered around the heavenly table.
Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer

Celebrant: Lord, ever kind and full of compassion,
hear the cry of the poor,
show the rich how to walk the way of justice,
and help us all to grow in wisdom.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen