



# TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 20TH AUGUST AND 21ST AUGUST 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.



**ST COLUMBA'S**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH • LEICHHARDT NORTH

### Parish Details:

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✉ admin@stcolumba.org.au

🌐 www.stcolumba.org.au



[www.facebook.com/stcolumbasleichhardt/](https://www.facebook.com/stcolumbasleichhardt/)

### 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*

### Parish Priest:

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

### Parish Secretary

Vanessa Quaratiello.....✉ admin@stcolumba.org.au

### Pastoral Associate

Barbara Howard.....✉ pa@stcolumba.org.au

### Pastoral Council

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

### 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.



PODCAST

Fr Peter's weekly Podcasts of the Gospel are uploaded weekly onto the St Columba's website and Facebook page

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

## From Fr Peter's Desk



### REFLECTION

### THE TWO ROADS

Jesus said that there are two roads we can follow.

The first is wide and easy to travel.

It is downhill most of the way.

It is the way of comfort and ease, pleasure and self-seeking.

Many are fooled and travel down this road.

But in the long run it leads them nowhere. They die in the desert.

The second road is narrow and difficult.

It is uphill a lot of the way. It is the way of struggle and sacrifice.

Few take this road. But they are the lucky ones.

This road leads to the Promised Land.



**Live Masses can be found on**  
[www.sydneycatholic.org/live-masses/](http://www.sydneycatholic.org/live-masses/)

## Today's Liturgy

### Entrance Antiphon

*Cf Psalm 85:1 –3*

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;  
Save the servant who trusts in you, my God.  
Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

### First Reading

*Isaiah 66:18-21*

They will gather all of your people from all nations.

### Responsorial Psalm

*Psalm 116*

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

### Second Reading

*Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13*

The Lord disciplines those he loves.

### Gospel Acclamation

*John 14:6*

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;  
No one comes to the Father, except through me.  
Alleluia!

### Gospel

*Luke 13:22-30*

From East and West they will come to take their place in the kingdom of God.

### Communion Antiphon

*Cf. Psalm 103:13-15*

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord;  
You bring forth bread from the earth  
And wine to cheer the heart

## FIRST EUCHARIST 2022

Please keep our First Holy Communion candidates in your thoughts and prayers over the next few weeks as they begin their preparation to receive the Sacrament of First Eucharist in September.

I clasp my hands, then kneel and pray  
on this, my first Communion Day.

I ask you, Jesus, to watch me grow,  
and teach me all that I need to know.

Protect me, daily, from all things bad,  
and fill my heart with all things glad.

And if I ever lose my way,  
please guide me back  
when I kneel and pray.



## **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**

*Frank Fenwick, Kevin Schneider, Sid Valentine, Joe Fenech, Crispina Mastrippolito, Alfred Roger, Pierre Alouan, Max Harris, Robert Herbert, John Kennedy, Pauline Fernandes, Coral Jones, Fr Cecil Smith SJ, Russell King, June O'Connor, Ernest Matthew O'Connor, Walter D'Souza, Rose D'Lunha, and Mario Orsini*

Fancy a cuppa?



## **PARISH CUPPA IS ON NEXT WEEKEND 27th and 28th AUGUST AFTER EVERY WEEKEND MASS**

Parish Cuppa will be on next weekend after 5pm, 8am and 10am Masses. Parish Cuppa is a relaxed get-together to drink coffee/tea and have a chat. All are welcome and there's always plenty of people to get to know. Please bring a plate if you are able to. We look forward to seeing you all there.



PLEASE TAKE ONE OF THE BEAUTIFUL PRAYER CARDS—PRAYER OF INTERCESSION TO SAINT JOSEPH— WHICH ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. IT FEATURES A NEW ARTWORK THAT HAS JUST BEEN INSTALLED AT ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL SYDNEY

## **RELIGIOUS DAY OF NOTE NEXT WEEK:**

### **THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

This feast was established by Pius XII in 1955 and was celebrated on 31st May. Since 1969 it has been observed on 22nd August to stress its relationship to the Assumption (15th Aug) which is that when Mary was taken up into glory, Mary became queen of heaven and earth.





### Social Justice - St Columba's

Our next Social Justice Group meeting will be held on **Wednesday 31 August at 6.30pm in the Parish Hall**. Please note that this is a week earlier than usual and the time is slightly earlier. If you are interested in being part of our group, 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](http://aus.jrs.net) and hit the Donate button.

## **JOB OPPORTUNITIES** *find your calling*

### Part-time Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper at St Francis Xavier Parish, Ashbury

The Parish of St Francis Xavier, Ashbury is seeking a part-time Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper. 3 days a week, 5 hours per day. The duties will vary in nature and include, but not limited to managing the parish office, including correspondence, emails, telephone calls and maintaining records; liaising with parish groups and volunteers, and welcoming visitors and guests. A sound level of computer literacy, including Microsoft Office, and administrative skills are essential requirements for this position. For a copy of the full position description contact the Ashbury parish office [parish@sfxashbury.org.au](mailto:parish@sfxashbury.org.au) To apply for this position please forward your application and resume to Fr Richard Gates at [pp@sfxashbury.org.au](mailto:pp@sfxashbury.org.au)

### Parish Secretary at St Joseph Parish, Newtown

The Parish of St Joseph, Newtown is seeking a part-time Parish Secretary. 1 day a week ( 7.5 hours ).The successful applicant should have, or be already working in a Parish office and be familiar with using MYOB in conjunction to Archdiocesan bookkeeping practices, proficient with PACS, and sound knowledge of the day to day running of a parish office. If you are interested in this opportunity please contact Fr Stephen on 9557 3197 or email your CV to [fr.stephen@me.com](mailto:fr.stephen@me.com)

### FIRST NATIONS: ABORIGINAL CATHOLIC MINISTRY TEAMS

#### **DID YOU KNOW:**

- There are 133,540 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics in Australia
- NSW is home to over 50,000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics.
- A quarter of all Indigenous people in NSW identify as Catholic.
- To support them, there are 14 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Ministries in Australia.

The Aboriginal Catholic Ministry (ACM) is a service of the Archdiocese of Sydney. It is located at Phillip Bay near La Perouse.

The aim and purpose of the ACM is to promote reconciliation and mutual understanding, as well as taking responsibility for the pastoral care of Catholic Aborigines and supporting them in living out their faith.

The work of the Ministry also provides an interface between all Indigenous people and the Catholic Church. It represents the concerns of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and acts as an advocate on their behalf, as well as providing certain services such as counselling and access to education directed towards practical assistance. (From the ACM website)

#### **Contact:**

Executive Officer: Lisa Buxton  
11 Yarra Rd, La Perouse 2036  
(02) 9698 4265

<http://www.aboriginal.sydneycatholic.org/>

**On the weekend 27/28 August, a member of the ACM Team will be speaking here at St Columba's at each of our Masses. We'll be hearing from them about their hopes and dreams for the journey to Reconciliation. The ACM Team would love to meet parishioners. It's our regular Parish Cuppa that weekend...Please join us in welcoming them there!**



**A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:** ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church. In areas of crisis, churches are often destroyed by violence. Where the faith is growing new churches are needed. ACN supports the reconstruction in these areas because a church is the centre of the life of faith and even the smallest chapel provides people with hope and a spiritual home. Can you help build churches to support the faithful throughout the world? Visit: [www.aidtochurch.org/construction](http://www.aidtochurch.org/construction)



 Aid to the  
Church in Need  
ACN AUSTRALIA





Parish Pastoral Council  
 Contact: [secretary@stcolumba.org.au](mailto: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*  
 Debra Galofaro - *Principal*  
 Barbara Howard - *Pastoral Associate*  
 Amanda Gardiner—*Family Educator*

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

## 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](mailto:amanda.gardiner@syd.catholic.edu.au)

### READER, USHER AND CLEANING ROSTER

SAT 20TH AUGUST & SUN 21ST AUGUST

ROSTER HARD COPIES AVAIL AT BACK OF CHURCH

	Welcomer	Reader	Cleaner
5pm	Jen Cheal	Rachel Lauanders	Jen Cheal
8am	Anne Coffey	Elizabeth Mulrennan	Ann Coffey
10am	Elizabeth Day	Amanda Sapienza	TBC

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SAT 27TH AUGUST & SUN 28TH AUGUST

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	Welcomer	Reader	Cleaner
5pm	Jessica Chia	Therese McGarry	Jessica Chia
8am	HAIR Family	Margaret Perry	HAIR Family
10am	Rosa Riotto	Gordon Burke	Rosa Riotto

### 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](mailto: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 21 August 2022  
 Luke 13:22-30  
 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the  
**GOSPEL TODAY**

## How to get through the narrow door

Hester is trying to find the way to Jesus through the narrow door. Can you find out what the message on her path is?



Jesus invites everyone to come to his party! We can get to the party through a narrow door. We go through the narrow door when we follow Jesus and put other people before ourselves.

## Come to the party! Which door?

Jesus invites us to enter his kingdom through a narrow door. Which door is the right one to go through? Follow the paths and work out which door to knock on.



Jesus' kingdom is like a big party. Have a look through the keyhole in the narrow door. Jesus invites everyone to his party, even the people no one else might want to invite. Who would you invite to a party? Draw what you can see of the fabulous party you'd like to join. Draw the people you'd let through the narrow door.

## A PRAYER TO SAY

Thank you, Jesus, for inviting me to your party. Help me to follow your example and put other people before myself. Help me to share your love with everyone I meet today by speaking kindly and helping out at home. Amen.

## My invitation

Jesus invites \_\_\_\_\_ (your name)  
 to his party.  
 Come in through the narrow door.

**Sunday 21st August 2022**  
**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Celebrant            Sisters and brothers,  
                              we draw hope from the word of Jesus  
                              which assures us that all people are called  
                              to share in the kingdom of God.

1.     For Pope Francis who speaks of fraternity among all people,  
          that people of faith will model that reality and give hope  
          to those struggling in life.  
          Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer
  
2.     For nations experiencing war and violence,  
          that the Divine will for peace may be realised in every place.  
          Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.
  
3.     For the nations of India and Pakistan, celebrating the 75th anniversary  
          of their individual identity, that in both nations all will experience freedom of religion,  
          equality before the law, relief from poverty and the abolition of nuclear weapons.  
          Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.
  
4.     For nations with severe food shortage, hunger and starvation:  
          Democratic Republic of the Congo, Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Yemen,  
          Nigeria, Somalia, and South Sudan, that rains will end the drought,  
          and other nations will provide support.  
          Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.
  
5.     For the people of Nicaragua, where the government is severely restricting the freedom of the Church,  
          and for other places in a similar situation,  
          that respectful dialogue will lead to cooperation.  
          Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.
  
6.     For our world, that on this International Day of Remembrance of and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism,  
          their memory will be honoured, and terrorists be converted to ways of peace.  
          Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.
  
7.     For the more than 40 Coptic Christians in Egypt who died in a church fire,  
          that they will be gathering together in the heavenly home.  
          We remember also Mario Orsini  
          Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant:    Almighty God,  
                          strong is your love for you,  
                          you are faithful forever;  
                          may we proclaim this message  
                          to the nations.  
                          Through Christ our Lord. Amen