

## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 1ST OCTOBER AND 2ND OCTOBER 2022—Year co

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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## 9:30am-2:30pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday All bulletin notices to be in by 12pm Wednesday

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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 the St Columba's website and Facebook page

https://scln1.podbean.com/

# From Fr Peter's Desk



## REFLECTION TOWARDS THE BEAUTIFUL GATE

I must be filled with joy if my feet are on the right road and my face set towards the gate which is called beautiful, though I may fall many times in the mire and often in the mist go astray.

Far off, like a perfect pearl, one can see the City of God. It is so wonderful that it seems as if a child could reach it in a summer's day.

And so a child could.

But with me and such as me it is different.

One can realise a thing in a single moment,

But one loses it in the long hours that follow with leaden feet.

We think in terms of eternity,

But we move slowly though time.

(Oscar Wilde)



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

#### Today's Liturgy

Cf. Esther 4:17

Habakkuk 1:2-3;2:2-4

1 Peter 1:25

Luke 17: 5-9

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, And there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, And all that is held within the circle of heaven; You are the Lord of all.

**First Reading** The just will live by faithfulness.

**Entrance Antiphon** 

**Responsorial Psalm** *Psalm 94:1-2,6-9* If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Second Reading2 Timothy 1:6-8,13-14Never be ashamed of witnessing the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! The word of the Lord stands for ever; It is the word given to you, the Good News. Alleluia!

Gospel If you had faith!

Communion AntiphonLamentations 3:25The Lord is good to those who hope in him,To the soul that seeks him.



DON'T FORGET DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME STARTS THIS SUNDAY 2ND OCTOBER SO REMEMBER TO PUT YOUR CLOCKS FORWARD ONE HOUR AT 2AM.

WE HOPE EVERYBODY HAS A SAFE AND PEACEFUL LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY ON MONDAY



## CRAFT GROUP TO RETURN!

### **CRAFT & CHATTER!**

After a long break we are pleased to announce that the **PARISH CRAFT GROUP** will make its long awaited

return to the Parish Hall every Friday between 10am-12pm commencing **FRIDAY 14TH OCTOBER**. Please bring your knitting needles and any other materials you like. Biscuits and coffee/tea will be served. All welcome. Please contact the Parish Office with any enquiries 9569 2267

### 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 Mary Gleeson

#### Anniversary

Stephanie Stenhouse, Joshua Saunders, Catherine Delnawaz, Bruno Viler, Silvestro and Francesca Tiano, Tate Bargwanna , Les McIntosh, Gaetano Savoca, Elaine Sherley, George & Jenette Daher, Marco Orsini, Helmut Wildenhain, Caterina Rotondo, Amadea Consiglio & Eris Roughan

## SAVE THE DATE



## ROCKY ROAD FOR REFUGEES

The famous RR4R is back and this time an Art Show will be part

of our fundraiser to support Australia for UNHCR.

Rocky road, granola, jams and preserves will all be on sale, as well as art works from local artists. What a great way to support Australia for UHCR!

DATE: Opening After 5pm Mass on Saturday 10th December and from 9am on Sunday 11th

December in St Columba's Parish Hall



More information will follow over the next few months.







Congratulations and a very warm welcome to

## Oscar Anthony Shakar Harper Josephine Shakar Ryan O'Dwyer

Jayden Zappacosta

who will be baptised into our Christian community this weekend at St Columba's Parish

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



## **SOCIAL JUSTICE - ST COLUMBA'S**

Our next Social Justice Group meeting will be held on Wednesday 5th October at 6.30pm in the Parish Hall. 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 OCTOBER:

**Tinned tomatoes and dried lentils** Donations can be left in the basket at the back of the church To donate money to JRS, please go to the JRS website <u>aus.jrs.net</u> and hit the Donate button.

## SEASON OF CREATION 1ST SEPTEMBER – 4TH OCTOBER

With a continued focus in this bulletin about the Season of Creation, we thought it important to report upon the current developments of the world in relation to progress in tackling climate change.

This past week has seen the interaction of all types or world leaders, first in London for the funeral of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, and then in New York for the first General Assembly of the United Nations in three years.

The Secretary General of the United Nations opened the week's long discussion with remarks about climate change and a call for wealthier countries to step up and do more about this existential crisis. He states specifically that: "developed economies [should] tax the windfall profits of fossil fuel companies". He also said that it is "high time to put fossil fuel producers, investors and enablers on notice".

On a more local scale, Australia is taking steps towards addressing climate change and the world is noticing. Just during this last week, the European Union stated a desire to agree upon a new trade agreement with Australia due to our country's recent 'positive' policy pivots in this area.

With this being said, there is still much Australia needs to do to address climate change and assist the rest of the world in mobilising an appropriate response to this issue.



We are looking for additional ministers to visit the **Marion Aged Care Centre** here in Leichhardt to visit residents who wish to receive Communion. We visit once a week on Fridays usually and hope to recommence

our regular Communion Service in their Chapel area. If you can help on a regular or intermittent basis please contact Stephen Burke 0407 899 250 or the Parish on 9569 2267

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES



Volunteer Accounts Officer/ Bookkeeper

Are you a retired Accounts Officer

looking to contribute your bookkeeping skills to a Catholic Charity? Palms Australia facilitates our response, as a church, to global communities who seek mentors to build the capacity of their organisations and individuals and so reduce poverty. Securing a part-time volunteer Accounts Officer will allow Palms to use more of their donations to recruit, prepare, send, and support the qualified and experienced Catholics who volunteer for our mission abroad.

Kevin Wilson would be delighted to discuss the possibilities-

PH 0412 550 902 OR email kevin@palms.org.au



### <u>'MINDFULNESS & MEDITATION'</u> VIA ZOOM, SATURDAY 15TH OCT 2022, 10AM-2PM.

When we are present to the 'now', centredness and relaxation become a natural part of life, and we know how to act from a heart of love. We invite you to bring an open mind and heart, for these few hours of prayer in the practice of mindfulness and meditation, to journey with others and within oneself. Led by Paola Cheng, a qualified meditation teacher, spiritual director and social worker, who brings an inclusive and gentle approach to her sessions. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Cost \$50. Book and pay via website <a href="https://www.heartoflife.melbourne">www.heartoflife.melbourne</a>, email <a href="https://www.heartoflife.melbourne">info@heartoflife.melbourne</a> or Phone 9890 1101.



### **CELEBRATING 90 YEARS IN 2023**

Next year St Columba's Church will celebrate its 90th anniversary. More details of this celebration to come. In the meantime we are looking for old photographs and memorabilia that you may have to help us commemorate this wonderful milestone. If you have something you think may be of interest please get in touch with Vanessa in the Parish Office PH 9569 2267 or email <u>admin@stcolumba.org.au</u> Alternatively you can speak to Fr. Peter. THANK YOU!

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



For unity and peace

On the 18th October

#### 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.

Steve

Burke

JUSTICE PEACE OFFICE

Cleaner

Jen

Cheal

Ann

Coffey

Ray

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# What God asks

I can do amazing things when I do what God asks. Find out what God asks us to do. Fill in the blanks with vowels (a,e,i,o,u).

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Draw or write some of the amazing things you would like to do with God's help in the leaves of the tree. Jesus tells his friends about the power of faith. Jesus says that if we really believe in him we can do anything. Jesus also says we are God's servants. It is our job to get on with doing what God asks and to love and help other people.

# Spot the difference

Both servants have done their job and prepared a meal for their master. Spot the five differences between the two pictures.



# Puzzle

Fill in the words by working out the clues and then see what the word in the purple box spells The word is

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L Male parent

2. The day we normally go to church 3. The person who lived at the top of the beanstalk

4. A baby cat

5. Female parent

# Our belief can grow

Our belief can grow, just as little seeds grow into big plants. Match these seeds to the big tree they will become.

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on with doing what you ask. Help me to be loving and kind with everyone I meet. I know you will be with me and you will help me. Amen.

Help me, Jesus, to just get

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#### Sunday 2nd October 2022

#### **Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- Celebrant: My sisters and brothers, God calls us to live in a spirit of service, faithful to the influence of the Holy Spirit.
- That as we approach the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on Tuesday, we pray for the welfare of Pope Francis in mind, spirit and body, as he calls the Church to a spirit of service. Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.
- That we will grow in our understanding of Pope Francis' message last Sunday, that to bow in adoration of Jesus in the Eucharist it is also necessary to bend with tenderness before the wounds of the poor. Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.
- That as this year's season of creation draws to a close governments, farming, industry and business will play their part in working together to face the damage of climate change. Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.
- That today's International Day of Non-Violence will move us to pray sincerely that the war against Ukraine will to come to an end; that the oppression of women in Iran ceases; and that the rightful education of girls and women in Afghanistan is restored. Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.
- That this week of awareness of Borderline Personality Disorder with its theme, See the Person, will affirm their dignity, offer support to their families, and encourage professional people who support them and research this condition in the human family. Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.
- That the upright who lived lives of faithful service will enter into heavenly glory.
  Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.
- Celebrant: Almighty God, we hail you, our saving rock, we give thanks for all your blessings, we adore you, Father of all. Through Christ our Lord. Amen