



TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 15TH OCTOBER AND 16TH OCTOBER 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

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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

PRAYER

I am neither a man of letters nor of science, but I humbly claim to be a man of prayer.

It is prayer that has saved my life.

Without it I would have lost my reason long ago.

If I did not lose my peace of soul, in the midst of my many trials,

it is because of the peace

that came to me through prayer.

One can live several days without food, but not without prayer.

Prayer is the key to each morning, and the lock to each evening.

It is a sacred alliance between God and us.

Let everyone try the experience, and they will find that daily prayer will add something new to their

lives, something which cannot

be found elsewhere.

(Mahatma Gandhi)



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

Today's Liturgy

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Psalm 16:6, 8

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God;
Turn your ear to me; hear my words.
Guard me as the apple of your eye;
In the shadow of your wings protect me.

First Reading

Exodus 17:8-13

As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 120

Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Second Reading

2 Timothy 3:14—4:2

This is how the people of God become equipped and ready for every good work.

Gospel Acclamation

Hebrews 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of God is living and active;
It probes the thoughts and motives of our heart
Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 18:1-8

God will see those who cry to him vindicated.

Communion Antiphon

Cf Psalm 32:18-19

Behold, the eyes of the Lord
Are on those who fear him,
Who hope in his merciful love,
To rescue their souls from death,
To keep them alive in famine.



IN REMEMBRANCE OF VALENTINA GIOIA

A one year memorial mass for the Late VALENTINA GIOIA will take place during 5pm mass on Saturday 15th October. All welcome.



PARISH CRAFT GROUP

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 this **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

Elaine Sherley, George & Jenette Daher, Marco Orsini, Helmut Wildenhain, Caterina Rotondo, Amadea Consiglio, Eris Roughan, Sr Margaret KeaneWayne Barney, Kathleen Confortio, Bill Howlet, Warren Lennox, Valentina Gioia, Patrick Gerardis, Matthew McLaughlin, Ludmila Zurkova & Sr Bernadette Ferris



SUNDAY 23RD OCTOBER 2022 AT 9AM

St Columba's will be holding a special Pets Mass on **Sunday 23rd October at 9am** in honour of the feast day (Oct 4) of St Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals and the environment. Please bring your pet safely to the school playground (dogs must be leashed, and cats in carriers). Please bring a rug/chair and a plate to share for morning tea. We require helpers for this mass to run smoothly please let the parish office know if you can help on the morning PH 9569 2267 or admin@stcolumba.org.au Note there will be no 8am mass or 10am mass on Sunday 23rd October—there will only be the Pets Mass at 9am

THANK YOU

ST COLUMBA'S PARISH PETS' MASS

9 AM SUNDAY
23 OCTOBER

Bring your pet, rug/chair &
a plate to share
Join us on the school playground
for Mass & morning tea!





SOCIAL JUSTICE - ST COLUMBA'S

Our next Social Justice Group meeting will be held on **Wednesday 2nd November 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 aus.jrs.net and hit the Donate button.

CARING FOR CREATION

People across the world are losing their lives and livelihoods due to more deadly and more frequent heat-waves, floods, wildfires and droughts triggered by the climate crisis. WE urge government to take urgent action, but there's an area we can all look at... So, **let's talk FASHION.**

According to a recent report in The Guardian: Australians buy 14.8kg of clothing, or 56 new items, every year, making Australians among the highest consumers of textiles per capita in the world.

1.42bn pieces of clothing – amounting to 373,000 tonnes of fabric – arrive in Australia each year. This volume of clothing imports dwarfs local production, which sits at 38m units of clothing a year – or 3% of the import market.

About 260,000 tonnes, or 10kg a person, reaches landfill each year. Only 7,000 tonnes of textiles are recycled in Australia – an amount described in the Guardian article as “pretty much none”.

Besides contributing a huge amount to landfill, the textile industry also relies heavily on fossil fuels and other chemicals. The fashion industry is one of the biggest emitters in the world.

Globally, 98m tonnes of non-renewable resources are used in the fashion industry, including oil to produce synthetic fibres, fertilisers to grow cotton, and chemicals to produce dye. In Australia, two-thirds of clothing is made up of synthetic fibres, which are often derived from petroleum.

What can we ourselves do? Some questions to think about:

How much clothing do I buy each year? Is it made mainly from natural fibres or synthetics? How much of my clothing do I wear? (It's been reported that most people only wear about 50% of the clothes in their wardrobe.) How much of my clothing do I recycle? How much do I donate to charity?



REMINDER

There are still several copies of the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement 2022-23 at the back of the church. You're welcome to take one. This year's statement, entitled Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse is about the scourge of domestic violence. It provides much food for thought.



CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL

THIS WEEKEND SAT 15TH &

SUN 16TH OCTOBER

This weekend, 15th and 16th October, **Catholic Mission** will offer you the opportunity to partner with the Church and community in Emdibir, Ethiopia where your gift can help build a life changing program from the ground up to help address this urgent need. We hope you will take this opportunity to make an incredible impact for those in need. Please look out for the donation envelopes in the church this weekend More information below.

BRING HOPE TO NEELA AND HER FAMILY

This week Catholic Mission offers us the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to help prevent malnutrition, especially in babies and young children, and help disadvantaged families provide food for their loved ones.

The Deberety Goat Rearing Centre is a dream of the local Church and community in Emdibir. When established, the Centre aims to provide nutritious goats milk for families in need, like Neela's*, so that babies like Ajani* can be healthy and strong.

Please give generously today to help kickstart this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope provided, going online at catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.

*Name altered to protect identity.



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia







SUNDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2022 FROM 10AM TO 5PM
A CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY SPIRIT

SAVE THE DATES
PARISH WORKING BEE—SAT 12TH NOV
SENIORS MORNING TEA—THURS 17TH NOV
CHRISTMAS CAROLS—TUES 13TH DEC
MORE DETAILS TO COME NEXT WEEK!



Aid to the Church in Need invites you to join the prayer campaign **One Million Children Praying the Rosary**. We are inviting families, parishes, catechists, and teachers to pray together with children on the 18th of October for peace and unity in the world. Prayer materials have been prepared for you to spread the word and be inspired when gathering the children to pray the rosary together.
 To register and learn more visit:
www.aidtochurch.org/one-million-children




ST COLUMBA'S
 CATHOLIC CHURCH • LEICHHARDT NORTH
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 admin@stcolumba.org.au Alternatively you can speak to Fr. Peter.


VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!


 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 Office on 9569 2267

READER, USHER AND CLEANING ROSTER			
SAT 15TH OCTOBER & SUN 16TH OCTOBER			
	Welcomer	Reader	Cleaner
5pm	Therese	Verity	Therese
	Pacey	Suttor	Pacey
8am	Ann	Mary-Clare	Ann
	Coffey	Turnbull	Coffey
10am	Rosa	Gordon	Rosa
	Riotto	Burke	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. 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.

LOOK

Sunday 16 October 2022
Luka 18:1-8
29th Sunday In Ordinary Time

In the GOSPEL TODAY

Trail word

In this grid there are words from today's Gospel. Each word begins with a red letter. Follow the squares up, down or diagonally to find the hidden words. Clue: one red letter starts two different words.



J	S		W	I
E	U			D
S		G	E	O
P	R		P	W
A	Y	H	E	L

A widow, a woman whose husband has died, is being treated unfairly and goes to ask the judge for help. The judge ignores her but the widow keeps on asking. Finally, just to stop her pestering him, the judge does what she asks. God the Father is much better than the judge. If the judge answers the widow, God will definitely answer our prayers.

Keep going!

Can you keep on going right to the end of this maze? Who is going to keep going?



Which runner is going to get to the finish line and a drink of orange juice? The runner who gives up will not have any orange juice! Put a circle around the one that kept going.

Crossword

Across

1. Be anxious
2. Something you say when you first see someone
3. Make a musical noise
4. Make clean
6. Talk to God
7. The King of Kings

Down

1. What we do in church
5. When we should pray

A WAY TO PRAY

Write your own prayer or draw 'picture words' to Jesus. Some sentences have been started for you.

Dear Jesus,
I want to tell you about.....
Thank you for.....
I've got a problem with.....
I know you can.....
I shall listen carefully to you in my heart.
Love from.....

An important message

Jesus says we must keep on praying, even if it is hard. Find the message from Jesus hidden in the code. Can you work out what it says?

1 6 5 6 8 3 4 1 0 2 9 7
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1	2	3	4	5
D	E	G	I	N
6	7	8	9	10
O	P	T	U	V

Answers: An important message: Do not give up. Across: 1 worry, 2 hello, 3 sing, 4 wash, 6 pray, 7 Jesus. Down: 1 worship, 5 always. Trail word: Jesus. Judge: Pray: Help: Widow.

Sunday 16th October 2022

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Celebrant: Sisters and brothers,
we have been encouraged by Jesus
to pray continually and never to lose heart.
Our Universal Prayer in an expression of our
being aware of and sensitive to the needs and hopes
of the Church and the world of today.

1. For the health of Pope Francis, for his serenity of heart,
and for a mind full of wisdom.
Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.

2. For justice in the world, that in this anti-poverty week,
homelessness will be tackled,
those in need of social security benefits will be helped more,
the aged be treated fairly and with respect, and help for those enduring floods in the Eastern States..
Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.

3. For an end to war in the Ukraine, in the Tigray region of Ethiopia
and in Syria as well as the violence against the Hazar people in Afghanistan,
God's peace will overcome such evil.
Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.

4. For the care of children, the guidance of youth, the encouragement of young adults,
the contentment of the middle aged,
and the respect of the elderly.
Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Lord, our true help is from you
who never sleeps,
guard us from evil
in our going and coming,
protect us in the shade
of your out-stretched hand.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen