

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

17 JULY 2022

PARISH VISION

We are called to reveal the Light of Christ to the world

MASS TIMES

St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wollongong

Monday	Mass: 7am
Tuesday	Mass: 7am
Wednesday	Mass: 7am
	Confessions: 11:30am
	Mass: 12.10pm
Thursday	Mass: 7am
Friday	Mass: 7am
	Adoration: 11:30am
	Confessions: 11:30am
	Mass: 12.10pm
Saturday	Confessions: 11am—12pm
Sunday	Mass: 7am, 10.30am & 5pm

St Brigid's, Gwynneville

Thursday	Mass: 9.30am
Saturday	Mass: 5.30pm
Sunday	Mass: 9am

St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow

Tuesday	Mass: 9.30am
Thursday	Mass: 9.30am (Italian)
	Mass: 5.30pm
Sunday	Mass: 8.30am
	Mass: 10am (Italian)
	Mass: 4.30pm (Vietnamese)

Mater Dolorosa, Balgownie

Sunday	Mass: 10am
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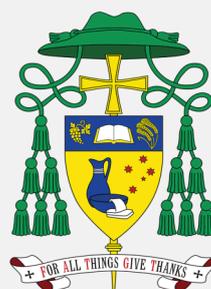
LUMEN CHRISTI CATHOLIC PARISH

MAY THEY REST IN GOD'S PEACE ...

Deceased members of our parish, Sheila Dwyer, Maria June Hodgson, Philomena Carvalgo, Ralph Crowe, Paula Dingli, Giuliano Comacchio, Lan Pham, Liberata La Riva, Marika Riva.

MAY GOD BLESS OUR SICK PARISHIONERS ...

Noel & Therese Rouse, Nikiesha Thorton, Tony Moriarty, Veronica Bowman, Angela Mosley, Angela Sirc, Mounir Germanos, Maria Do, Dianne Hukins, Sue McAlary, Margaret Gray, Christine Bulters, Matthew Johnson, Suzy May Gellel, Lordna Omiping, Dr Madeleine Cincotta, Elenka Egan, Dr John Frey, Johnny Dimise, Francisco Santos, Ada Raynor, Denise Mastro, Jadon Kalp, Amanda Dennis, Tara Conklin, Jamie Chitwood, Karl Llorin, Rita Basti, Angela & Rohan, Sue Freestone, Ardell Sharpe, Joseph Scalia, Lilia Pelino, Don Alanis, Jacquie Brady, Brian Brennan, Bill Keirse, Jessica Sparks, Pat Carr, Bruce Creenaune, Catherine Cox, Frances McMahon, Joan O'Dowd, Margaret Bartley, Jan Newman.



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PASTORAL & FINANCE COUNCILS

Lisa de Paiva, Chair of the Pastoral Council
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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We show our respect and acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the Dharawal Country, Elders past, present, and emerging, and extend that respect to all other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.

In our parish & around the diocese

PARISH CALENDAR: JULY—OCTOBER

24/25 Jul: Catechist drive weekend
Tue, 26 Jul: Finance Council Mtg, Rigney Room 5.30pm
Thu, 4 Aug: Feast of St John Vianney, SJV 5.30pm
Fri, 5 Aug: Dedication of St John Vianney, SJV 9.30am
Sat, 6 Aug: No Reconciliation will be available
Sun, 7 Aug: Hospitality Weekend
Mon, 8 Aug: Mary of the Cross Mass, SFX 12.10pm
Sun, 14 Aug: 40th Priestly Anniversary Fr John Stork
Sun, 14 Aug: Hospitality after 10.30am Mass
Mon, 15 Aug: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Wollongong, 7am & 12.10pm, Fairy Meadow 5.30pm
Sun, 4 Sep: Hospitality Weekend
Wed, 14 Sep: Death Anniversary Bishop McCabe (1983)
Wed, 14 Sep: 10 year Anniversary, Good Samaritan School
18-25 Sep: UCI Championships, temporary Mass time change
Mon 26 Sep: Normal Liturgy schedule resumes
Tue, 4 Oct: Feast of St Francis of Assisi
Tue, 25 Oct: Finance Council Mtg, Rigney Room 5.30pm

SACRAMENTS

- **Baptisms:** By appointment only (contact the parish office during office hours for details)
- **Marriages:** A preliminary appointment needs to be made at least 6 months prior to Wedding Date (**No Sunday weddings**)
- For Pastoral and Sacramental needs, please contact the parish office during office hours

HELPFUL LINKS

- **Mass on Demand:** livestream.lumenchristi.org.au
- **Mass/Prayer Intentions:** lumenchristi.org.au/intentions
- **Light a Votive Candle:** lumenchristi.org.au/votive
- **Census Form:** lumenchristi.org.au/census
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- **Sacramental 2022:** lumenchristi.org.au/sacramental2022
- **Privacy Policy:** privacy.lumenchristi.org.au
- **St Brigid's School:** sbgdow.catholic.edu.au
- **Good Samaritan School:** gsfmdow.catholic.edu.au

PARISH EFT BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

CHURCH ACCOUNT

(Donations & Planned Giving)

BSB: 066 711 **Account:** 008056

Account Name: Lumen Christi Parish

PRESBYTERY ACCOUNT

(For the Clergy)

BSB: 066 711 **Account:** 002286

Account Name: Lumen Christi Parish Presbytery

MASS OF MARY MACKILLOP—8 AUGUST



You are invited to a special a Mass that will be celebrated by Bishop Brian Mascord on Monday 8th August at 12.10pm for the feast day of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop and the 150th Anniversary of the Josephite Sisters in New South Wales. Following the Mass Bishop Brian Mascord will bless a new Statue that will be installed in the Cathedral grounds to honour the Unborn and help mothers prayerfully remember their children, donated by the members of the Catholic Women's League. A Light lunch will be provided by Catholic Women's League after the blessing in the Xavier Centre.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



On Monday, 15 August the Church celebrates the Assumption of Our Lady. In Mary, who has been glorified in body and in soul, we contemplate how we are called to share Christ's glory.

Monday, 15th August Mass Times

Wollongong: 7am & 12.10pm
Fairy Meadow: 5.30pm

THE IMPACT OF A CHURCH WELCOMER

Church Welcomers serve a vital function of expressing the welcome of Christ to those who enter our churches.

- *It may be a simple smile*
- *It may be eye contact while handing a person a parish bulletin*
- *It may be small talk and an offer of prayer after Mass*
- *It may inviting them to our parish hospitality gatherings*

Part of the purpose of a church welcomer is to help prepare the way for a person to encounter God in the Sacred Liturgy.

- *A friendly smile might change a negative attitude*
- *An expression of compassionate care might calm the nerves of stress*
- *A gentle welcome and genuine conversation may help people feel a sense of personal connection*

While the simple action alone may not change the world, attentive welcomers can help prepare the way for a visitor to hear more from the Lord.

Thank you to our wonderful Lumen Christi Parish Welcomers who do an excellent job welcoming the people of God in our Lumen Christi Parish.

God bless you,

Fr Bernard Gordon

For more information on bequests please visit: lumenchristi.org.au/bequest

In our parish & around the diocese

MASS TIMETABLE, 18 –25 SEPTEMBER

During the time of the UCI Championships, from Sunday 18th September to Sunday 25th September, we will be following the temporary liturgy schedule below. **Vigil Mass at Gwynneville for Saturday, 17 September, will be at the normal time of 5:30pm.**

Please note that the UCI schedule will probably impact your ability to access our parish churches. This is why we need to change the times for Mass so that we can give you the best opportunity to attend Mass and travel home safely. We are working with the Wollongong 2022 UCI group to achieve the best possible outcome, however, things may happen that are out of our control.

During this time, livestreaming of the Sunday Mass from the Cathedral will not be available. Mass for You at Home (MFYAH) on Network Ten (6am) and Foxtel's Aurora Channel 173 (10am) are available. This Mass is then available to watch on demand on Network Ten's streaming platform 10play.com.au and the MFYAH we site massforyou.com.au

MASS TIMETABLE: 18-25 SEPTEMBER, 2022

Sunday 18th September

Wollongong: 6.45am & 7.30pm

Fairy Meadow: 7pm

Balgownie: 8.30am, 10am & Vietnamese Mass 4.30pm

Monday 19th to Friday 23rd September

Wollongong: 6.45am

Saturday 24th September

Gwynneville: 7pm

Sunday 25th September

Wollongong: 6.45am & 7.30pm

Fairy Meadow: 7pm

Balgownie: 8.30am, 10am & Vietnamese Mass, 4.30pm

Jesus was willing to upset the social conventions and religious taboos of his day in respect of women. What would be a good contemporary response of the Catholic Church?

The word 'cardinal' means hinge – 'hinge of the door' – an essential part of the structure of the Church which is our home, in which we listen to the words of Jesus Christ. Could the College of Cardinals be supplemented to include women alongside the ordained male prelates? Outstanding women, religious or lay, could head some Vatican departments and take part in the election of the Pope.

That would be a strongly symbolic step with repercussions throughout the Church.

We could pause for a moment to pray for the Church to show a greater willingness to sit, like Mary, at the feet of Jesus so that we may hear his words: 'You have chosen the better portion.'

FR BERNARD GORDON: ANNUAL LEAVE

During the month of August I will be away on annual leave. A very special thank you to everyone in the parish for your living witness of faith and love. A very special thank you to those who volunteer so much time and energy in our Lumen Christi Parish.

In my absence, please direct all enquiries on parish matters to Mr Kevin Galea, our General Manager, who will facilitate the daily administrative works of the parish.

Fr John Stork and Fr George Condoookala will assist Bishop Brian with the Sunday Mass timetable during August, in keeping with their other Diocesan and supply commitments in other parishes. However, due to the unavailability of priests on **Sunday 21st August, Deacon James Arblaster will celebrate a Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion at St Brigid's Gwynneville 9am and Mater Dolorosa, Balgownie 10am.**

Please also note that due to the shortage in numbers of priests and our other pastoral commitments, we need to make an adjustment in the Mass timetable during the week. Unfortunately, given our current circumstances, we will need to let go the Thursday 5:30pm Mass at St John Vianney. The last Mass to be offered on a Thursday evening at St John Vianney will be Thursday 28 July.

Thank you very much for your patience and understanding as we continue to navigate our present pastoral challenges.

Fr Bernard Gordon

WELCOME TO LUMEN CHRISTI PARISH

New to our parish or have your details changed? Complete this form and return it to the Office or place it in one of the collections.

FULL NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

SUBURB: _____ POST CODE: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

MOBILE TELEPHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

I would like to subscribe to the weekly e-bulletin. I would like to join Planned Giving to support my parish.

For more information on our Columbarium please visit: lumenchristi.org.au/columbarium

Entrance Antiphon

Ps 53:6,8

See, I have God for my help.
The Lord sustains my soul.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart,
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

First Reading

Gen 18:1-10

A reading from the book of Genesis

Lord, do not bypass your servant.

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said, 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.'

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said, 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.

'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent,' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail and your wife will then have a son.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1

(R.) The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?
He who walks without fault;
he who acts with justice
and speaks the truth from his heart;
he who does not slander with his tongue. (R.)
2. He who does no wrong to his brother,
who casts no slur on his neighbour,
who holds the godless in disdain,
but honours those who fear the Lord. (R.)
3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may;
who takes no interest on a loan
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.
Such a man will stand firm for ever. (R.)

Second Reading

Col 1:24-28

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

The mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints.

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible

for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

See Lk 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 10:38-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

Communion Antiphon

Ps 110:4-5

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful,
has made a memorial of his wonders;
he gives food to those who fear him.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

A Cardinal Role for Women?

Jesus turned the customs and taboos of his society upside down. In this Gospel, against all the rules of segregation, Jesus is alone with women who are not his relatives, completely at ease with their hospitality. It is personal relationships, not gender determined relationships, which are important to him.

Further, here is Mary assuming the posture of a student at the feet of a Rabbi (teacher) listening to his teaching. We remember that Jesus had chosen his male disciples in order to teach them. Mary chooses *Him* to teach *her*! Maybe it was a counter-cultural step too far for Martha. Is that what she is really 'anxious and troubled' about?

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