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Welcome to the Parishes of St Columbkille's and St Joseph's

St Mary of the Cross - Pray for Us

19th September 2021

25th Sunday in
Ordinary Time



Corrimal

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Dear Parishioners,

I hope you and your families are well. Greater Sydney (of which Wollongong is a part) is now experiencing the 13th week of lock down. It is not an easy time for any of us.

Fr Richard and Myself remembering, in prayer, all your needs. We gather in prayer in the most beautiful way during the recorded Masses from St Columbkille's and the Sunday Mass from St Joseph's. As Parish Priest I offer that Mass each Sunday for your needs and intentions.

Government and Church leaders are asking that to be able to "open up" our communities, we need to be getting the vaccination to protect us against the COVID 19 virus. We will be much safer and most importantly can begin to enjoy the fellowship of our Christian community again. An increase in vaccination rates also helps our hospitals. Doctors, nurses and all hospital workers are under a great deal of pressure with the surge in COVID 19 patients. By being vaccinated we are much less likely to be admitted to hospital as a covid patient. I ask Our Lord Jesus to Bless and Keep you always,

Fr Patrick

Our Lady Help of Christians - Pray for us.

PRAYER DURING THE PANDEMIC

*Almighty and eternal God, ore refuge in every danger,
to whom we turn in our distress, in faith we pray,*

Look with compassion on the afflicted, grant eternal rest to the dead,

Comfort mourners, healing to the sick, peace to the dying,

Strength to our healthcare workers, wisdom to our leaders,

And the courage to reach out to all in love,

So that together we may give glory to your holy name.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you

In the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen

ST COLUMBKILLE'S CORRIMAL: Masses with Fr Richard Healey is being streamed daily from St Columbkille's Corrimal from Tuesday to Friday and on Sunday. They are being uploaded to the parish website: www.corrimalparish.org.au you can view this Masses at any time.

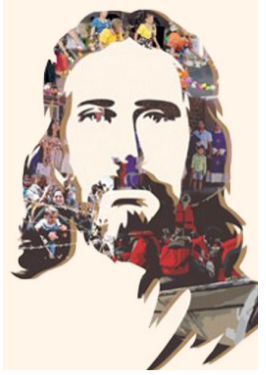
ST JOSEPH'S BULLI: Sunday Masses from St Joseph's Bulli with Father Patrick will be available to view from Saturday evenings at 6pm Please go to Saint Joseph's website: www.saintjosephsbulli.com the Mass can be viewed at anytime.

We acknowledge the Dharawal people, their country and their Elders, past and present.

MIGRANT AND REFUGEE SUNDAY 26 SEPTEMBER- THIS SUNDAY

TOWARDS AN EVER WIDER "WE"

In Pope Francis' introduction to the 107th World Day of Migrant and Refugees, he references the Encyclical *Fratelli Tutti*, and his concern and hope that, "Once this health crisis passes, our worst response would be to plunge even more deeply into feverish consumerism and new forms of egotistic self-preservation. God willing, after all this, we will think no longer in terms of 'them' and 'those', but only 'us'" (No. 35)." Click on the link to find the complete kit for Migrant and Refugee Sunday. <https://www.dow.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Migrant-and-Refugee-kit-2021.pdf>



PRAYER SEMINARS: EXPERIENCE VARIOUS PRAYER STYLES – ALL WELCOME

This week's **Prayer Seminar: Tuesday 28 September, at 7pm - 8:30pm** via Zoom.

The presenter this week is Peter Gilmore who will lead us in his experience of Praying with the Holy Spirit. Each week a different presenter will lead us in a style of prayer that is meaningful

to them. The seminars will include information, but also the opportunity to be led by an expert in the prayer experience. These are open to anyone in the Diocese to attend any of the evenings available: To register:

<https://www.dow.org.au/events>



PLENARY COUNCIL 2021–3 TO 10 OCTOBER 2021

The Church in Australia will commence its fifth Plenary Council – the first in 84 years. Six themes will be focused on after responses of over 220,000 people. **AGENDA:** Is called to develop concrete proposals to create a more missionary, Christ-centred Church in Australia at this time. Questions for the six themes: **CONVERSION** how might we better accompany one another, heal the wounds of abuse, meet the needs of the vulnerable, respond to the call of 'ecological conversion?'; **PRAYER** (how might we become more contemplative, embrace the diverse liturgical traditions?); **FORMATION** (how might we form better leaders, better equip and form ordained ministers?); **STRUCTURES** (how might we better become local centres for formation, be better structured for mission?); **GOVERNANCE** (how might we approach governance in the spirit of synodality?); and **INSTITUTIONS** (how might we see the future of Catholic education, of Catholic social services as key missionary and evangelising ministries? The full Agenda is found at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

GOSPEL REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

The question of legitimacy of ministry is not a new one. There is a certain amount of tension between the institutional and the charismatic aspects of the church. To say that one is Spirit-driven and the other is not is to misunderstand Jesus' promise to remain with the church until the end of time. God normally calls ministers through the structures of the community. The authorities of the church are usually the ones who make the ultimate decisions about the needs of the church, how these needs are to be met, and who is to meet them. That is one of the responsibilities of their office. However, God calls in other ways as well. A solid biblical tradition maintains that the Spirit is not confined to human structure or custom. We see this in the judges, the prophets, and even the early kings. The Pentecost story describes the coming of the Spirit upon all people – sons and daughters, young and old, slaves and free. When God calls it is up to us to recognise that call and to test its spirit. Perhaps the primary criterion we have for judging is the biblical measure: By their fruits you shall know them. Today we also see that those who benefit from exploitation of the vulnerable will reap the fruits of their sin. This warning stems from the belief in the justice of God. Just as we believe that God will not allow the righteous to go unrewarded, so we are confident that neither will the wicked escape punishment.

We pray for: Pope Francis' intentions for the Month of Sept: *An Environmentally sustainable lifestyle, The people of Afghanistan ; our world and nation in COVID 19*

Our Sick: Jean Ryan, Josephine Bowditch, Rita Fitzpatrick, Dalelle Akele, Fr Chris Riley , Andrew Zelco, Margie Dorin, Pat Stewart, Avril Wheatley, Sue Collins, Renee Collins, Herman Hoek, Stephen Mobley, Vince Stewart, Ashley Palmieri, Ann Picton, Ella Hazelton, David McCudden, Russell Green, Gaspari Family

Our Recently Deceased: Bill Kennedy, Viola Coluccio, Mary Cox, Marie Harding, Tanya Bajda , Peter Drewe, Fr Peter Caruana, Pauline Brien, Fr Geoff Allen, Susan Thomson, Margaret Rogers, Noreen McCudden

Our Deceased: Sadie Cropper, Franz & Bianca Sucic, Peter Davies, Margaret Locke, Mena Barrett, Jim Taylor, Murray & Denise Johnson, Tom Wylie, Anthony Akele Snr, Socrates and Ida Ioannou, Ron McCudden, Joseph Micala, Siro Rostirola, Antonio Piacentin, Manera Family, Paola Family, *and for all the Holy Souls*

