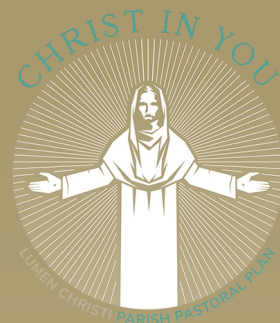


6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER, Year A

14 MAY 2023

MOTHER'S DAY

"a round of applause for our mothers" (Pope Francis)



MASS TIMETABLE

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 Vigil	Mass: 5.30pm
Sunday	Mass: 9am

St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Fairy Meadow

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

Mater Dolorosa, Balgownie

Sunday	Mass: 10am
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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.



LUMEN CHRISTI

CATHOLIC PARISH

MAY THEY REST IN GOD'S PEACE ...

All our deceased mothers, Jan Newman, Ardell Sharpe, Paul Gray, Alph Mariot, John the Baptist HUNG TRAN.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS ...

Bishop Peter Ingham, Joan O'Dowd, Bernard Carroll, Alan Curtis, Matthew Johnson, Suzy May Gellel, Pat Carr, John Parkinson, Joseph Scalia, Bill Sharpe, Therese & Noel Rouse, Grace Zammit.



*Happy
Mother's Day*

*from Bishop Brian, Fr Bernard,
Fr James, Fr John, Kevin,
Leanne & Trish*

God Bless you forever!

In our parish & around the diocese

PARISH CALENDAR: MAY—JUL 2023

Wed, 17 May: Baptism Class, SFX 7pm
Sun, 21 May: Ascension of the Lord
Wed, 24 May: Our Lady, Help of Christians
Sat, 27 May: Illawarra Choral Society Concert, SFX 2pm
Sun, 28 May: Pentecost Sunday
Wed, 31 May: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Thu, 1 Jun: Lunch Club, Fraternity Club Fairy Meadow 12pm
Sun, 4 Jun: Trinity Sunday
Sun, 4 Jun: SVdP Winter Appeal
Sun, 11 Jun: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
SFX Adoration 3-5pm followed by Mass at 5pm
Fri, 16 Jun: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Sun, 18 Jun: Patronal Feast Immaculate Heart of Mary
Wed, 21 Jun: Baptism Class, SFX 7pm
Sat, 24 Jun: The Nativity of St John the Baptist
Thu, 29 Jun: Saints Peter and Paul
Fri, 30 Jun: School Term 2 concludes
Thu, 6 Jul: Lunch Club, Fraternity Club Fairy Meadow 12pm

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 for you at Home:** youtube.com/massforyouathome
- **Mass/Prayer Intentions:** lumenchristi.org.au/intentions
- **Light a Votive Candle:** lumenchristi.org.au/votive
- **Census Form:** lumenchristi.org.au/census
- **Online Donations:** lumenchristi.org.au/donate
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- **St Brigid's School:** sbgdow.catholic.edu.au
- **Good Samaritan School:** gsfmdow.catholic.edu.au

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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



THE ARMED MAN: A MASS FOR PEACE

Dear Parishioners

The Illawarra Choral Society is sending out a Call to Peace with a concert at St Francis Xavier Cathedral, 2pm Saturday 27 May.

"The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace" was commissioned by the Royal Armouries at the end of last century to mark the transition from one millennium to another. It reflects on the passing of 'the most war-torn and destructive century in human history'. The composer, Karl Jenkins, dedicated this piece to the victims of the Kosovo crisis. It is a powerful and poignant reminder of the cost of war and the importance of peace.

This Mass for Peace was specifically chosen by Dr Carlos Alvarado, ICS Musical Director and Parishioner of our Lumen Christi Parish, to bring us all together and look forward with hope to a more peaceful future in our world. Dr Alvarado spent many years in Russia at the Tchaikovsky Institute, married a Russian violinist and has a Russian son married to a Ukrainian woman. So this music has tremendous significance for him due to his Russian and Ukrainian connections and the recent conflict.

"The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace" is based on the Catholic Mass which Jenkins combines with other sources. What makes the work distinctive are the lyrics drawn from many parts of the world and from diverse religions and cultures. We hope you will find inspiration and hope in this performance.

The Mass for Peace calls us all to consider the fundamental importance of building good will across our various cultural and religious backgrounds. Please invite your family and friends, of whatever cultural or faith perspective, to celebrate with us this beautiful gesture of musical welcome.

Go to: www.illawarrachoralsociety.com to purchase your tickets today!

Fr Bernard

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

In our parish & around the diocese

Happy Mother's Day

Today in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist we pray with love and gratitude for all
Mothers with us and all who are in God's care

Frances Merritt
Margaret Mascord
Bernadette Gordon
Antonia Borg
Carmen Galea
Lisa Galea
Doris Galea
Cecelia Vallario
Agnes Woolley
Ethel Meehan
Susan Meehan
Emidia Mozzoni
Franca Nasso
Venessa Ferri
Rowena Hedley
Luigia Tubaro
Katharina Killar
Grandma Killar
Grandma Koch
Millie Leung
Linda Liu
Sandra Tsui
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Linda Liu
Sandra Tsui
Clotilde Fogliati
Louisa Dellapina
Foglat Viaigina
Rosa Dellapina
Poala Zarri
Norah Devaux
Catherine Shepherd
Stefania Bazarewski
Anna Bazarewski
Zofia Giesielski
Cecilia Lewandowski
Jan Pring
Patricia Laura Lennon
Joyce Hubbard
Maria Demaria
Zofia Klinowska
Anna Nowak
Helena Pociask
Kathleen Field
Frances Field
Severina Bonzi

Naomi Harrison
Judith Crowe
Alice Rowen
Linda Field
Anne Boyce
Margaret Allen
Maureen Harrison
Margaret Barton
Betty Cavanagh
Paula Dingli
Mary Greco
Elizabeth Bird
Ellen Bradley
Veronica Sorensen
Elizabeth Stephens (Nang)
Geraldine Gejon
Consolacion Gejon
Dina Parmas
Shirchie Galvan
Norhaysa Parinas
Mary Caruana
Stefania Sulcs
Emilija Sulcs
Belinda Joan Ah Yong
Jo Jang Yee Lee Shoy
Stephanie Lee Shoy
Elizabeth Lechner
Maria Yap
Liew Kim Foong
Dulcie Heiningner
Igaborg Sinnreich
Evelyn Frew
Mona Tobin
Amenan Marie
Ouraba Marie-Louise
Koutou Tanoh Delphine
Gladys Potter
Ruby Benrick
Patricia Phillips
Beverley Potter
Marie Beames
Mary Ann Fleming
Luigia Filippi
Olga Romano
Arduina Filippi
Alda Balatti

Maria Romano
Angelita Tagaro
Teresita Tanching
Soledad Tagaro
Clarita Tagaro
Celia Tagaro
Karen Thomas
Diane Curtin
Kathleen Bristow
Leonidas Santoro
Faustina Gopio
Sheila Curtis
Helen Curtis
Wanda Heffernan
Christine Heffernan
Elizabeth Vickers
Marie Maloney
Joan Sheppard
Marguerite Giles
Maureen Anderson
Alva Thomas
Regeena Philip
Kutty Philip
Mary Kuriakose
Maria da Luz
Albertina Mota
Carmel Mowbray
Ursula Sweeney
Joan Sargeant
Moriadh Mackey
Dorothea Mowbray
Helen Jagoe
Ruth Court
Nell Woodlam
Mary Lincoln
Kate Yates
Paula Moreira
Teresa Soares
Celeste Campos
Gladis Barnes
Elizabeth Barnes
Elizabeth Southwell
Doris Moroney
Matilda McNamara
Lupe Pahulu
Norma Mary Shepherd
Maria De Giambattista

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Mary Formosa
Evelyn Swinton
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June Kingston
Carmen Borg
Angela Zekic
Joan Barnett
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Nancy Corso
Rose Imbesi
Florita Lauron Cordero
Gladys Maria Porratta
Maria Tonegato
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Lorna Brennan
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Rosa De Giambattista
Annika Seidel
Elena Martiniello
Laura Balatti

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Is 48:20

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;
proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

First Reading

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

They laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town. When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 65:1-7, 16, 20. R. see v.1

(R.) Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! **(R.)**
2. 'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. **(R.)**
3. He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might. **(R.)**
4. Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul:
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me. **(R.)**

Second Reading

1 Pt 3:15-18

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong. Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Jn 14:15-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my commandments.

I shall ask the Father,
and he will give you another Advocate
to be with you for ever,
that Spirit of truth

whom the world can never receive
since it neither sees nor knows him;

but you know him,
because he is with you, he is in you.

I will not leave you orphans;

I will come back to you.

In a short time the world will no longer see me;

but you will see me,

because I live and you will live.

On that day

you will understand that I am in my Father
and you in me and I in you.

Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them
will be one who loves me;

and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father,
and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

Communion Antiphon

Jn 14:15-16

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord,
and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete,
to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate Parallel Truths

Today's Gospel speaks of an advocate. This translates a Greek word: 'paraclete'. Our Lord says: 'I will send you another Paraclete to be with you forever.' Our Lord was a Paraclete, and he would send another.

What does this strange sounding word mean? Here is a hint. We all know that parallel lines run, well, para-llel. They run alongside each other. A paraclete is a person who stands alongside someone and pleads their case.

That is how our Lord Jesus Christ saw himself. His role was not to condemn but to plead the case for mercy and compassion, to be the intercessor par excellence.

Our Lord promises another Paraclete dwelling within us, individually and as the body of Christ's disciples, the Holy Spirit advocating our cause, assisting us to live Truth-fully by the measure of the One who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. This Paraclete particularly assists us by acting as the Spirit of Truth.

We could pause for a moment to thank God for the two Paracletes, constantly pleading our case before the Throne of Mercy.

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