

Catholic Parish of St Patrick Guildford

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**To Live, Love and Act
Like Jesus**

20 & 21 March 2021
5th Sunday of Lent — Year B

WEEKLY TIMETABLE

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm
Sunday: 8:00am & 10:00am

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday: 9:15am
Thursday: 9:15am
Friday: 9:15am

Confessions:

By appointment only.
Please call the Parish Office on phone:
9632.2672



Baptisms: Please contact the Parish Office by telephone to arrange a Baptism. Baptisms are held every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 11:15am, or during any Sunday Mass, to be negotiated with the Parish Priest. Baptism preparation will be explained when you contact the Parish Office. **Booklets need to be obtained from the Parish Office prior to the preparation.**

PARISH PRAYER

Loving God we thank you for being with us always. Open our hearts to hear your voice.

Help us, Lord, to make this Parish a place of mercy and hope, where all feel welcomed, loved, respected, forgiven and encouraged.

In your love and wisdom, help and guide all of us to be good ambassadors for Christ, both in service to others and in proclaiming the Gospel.

Send your Holy Spirit among us Lord so that we may be filled with your grace and peace as we go about our lives in this world.

We pray in the name of Jesus.

Amen



Mass Intentions

Recently Deceased:

Souad Jacob, Fr. Michael "Mick" O'Callaghan (Emeritus Priest, Our Lady of the Way, Emu Plains), Elaine Allen, Marianne Salua, Sapolina Manuka Vili

Anniversaries:

Natalie Hood, Eric Dunn, Ida Dialoiso, Jean Louis Tokotuu, Safata Atomailehau Tokavahua, Brett Weldon, Dolores Borg, Debbie Abrahams, John, Amelia, Sebastian & Michael D'Silva, Gabriel Nagger, Dominic, Annie, Rita & John Gonsalves, Wadih Tannous, Micheal & Celia GeaGea, Ceferina G. & Miguel C. Sison

Deceased:

Mary Jane Axiak, Rima, Hanna & Majed Families, Joseph Tannous, Elias Georges, Joseph Kusitino Tukana & Family, Tokavahua, Falaeo & Faupala Families, Sulia Lino Tokotuu & Family, Albert & Mary Fares, Cris Grima, Paul Muscat, Alfred Xuereb, Albert Vella, Muscat Family, Joao & Tomazia Alves, Noeleen & Michael Remaili, Peter, Janette & Eid Majed, Michael Grima, Emilia Apap, Haber Family Members, Tannous Family, Holy Souls in Purgatory



LITURGY OF THE WORD

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR B



1ST READING: JEREMIAH 31:31-34

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

See, the days are coming - it is the Lord who speaks - when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel and the House of Judah, but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive - it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, 'Learn to know the Lord!' No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest - it is the Lord who speaks - since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 50:3-4, 12-15

Response: Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offence.
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from my sin. **R.**

A pure heart create for me, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **R.**

Give me again the joy of your help;
with a spirit of fervour sustain me,
that I may teach transgressors your ways
and sinners may return to you. **R.**

2ND READING: HEBREWS 5:7-9

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: JOHN 12:26

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord;
and where I am, my servant will also be.
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 12:20-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, 'Sir, we should like to see Jesus.' Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them:

'Now the hour has come
for the Son of Man to be glorified.'

I tell you, most solemnly,
unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies,
it remains only a single grain;
but if it dies,
it yields a rich harvest.

Anyone who loves his life loses it;
anyone who hates his life in this world
will keep it for the eternal life.

If a man serves me, he must follow me,
wherever I am, my servant will be there too.

If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him.
Now my soul is troubled.

What shall I say:

Father, save me from this hour?

But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour.

Father, glorify your name!'

A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and
I will glorify it again.'

People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap
of thunder; others said, 'It was an angel speaking to
him.' Jesus answered, 'It was not for my sake that this
voice came, but for yours.'

'Now sentence is being passed on this world;
now the prince of this world is to be overthrown.

And when I am lifted up from the earth,
I shall draw all men to myself.'

By these words he indicated the kind of death he
would die.

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT MASSES AT ST. PATRICK'S, GUILDFORD

The following provisions apply to gatherings in our parish church:

- 140 persons are permitted for Mass or other liturgical services

However, the COVID-19 health conditions still apply:

- Persons entering the church must use the hand sanitizer provided.
- Persons entering the church must record their names and other contact details.
- Persons must keep the “2 square metre” rule.

WEEKEND MASSES

Masses will be celebrated in the Church:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am and 10:00am

Bookings are no longer required to attend Mass each weekend.

WEEKDAY MASSES

The weekday Mass timetable is: Wednesday 9:15am, Thursday 9:15am and Friday 9:15am.

There will be no Masses on Tuesday at 7:00pm or Saturday at 9:00am until further notice.

Sacrament of Penance

Due to physical distancing provisions, it is not possible to celebrate the Sacrament in the Confessional Room. Please telephone the Parish Office (9632.2672) for an appointment with the Parish Priest who will meet with you within a reasonable time.

Pre-Recorded Sunday Mass

Will be available on the parish website after midday Saturday.

PARISH NOTICES

"TAP & GO" DONATION POINT: The opportunity is now available for parishioners and visitors to donate to St. Patrick's Parish using a credit or debit card. The majority of parishes in the Diocese now have this facility. Following advice from both the Parish Pastoral Council and the Finance Committee to install this new donation point, it will be available for use at the weekend Masses, at least initially. The donation is pre-programmed for \$5.00 per tap of the card over the tap symbol. If you wish to donate more than \$5.00, tap again. It takes a few seconds to record your donation. The Diocese's encouragement to use this facility is a response to the trend where most people carry little if any cash these days. Also, in these COVID-19 safe times, there is no handling of cash. The donation point does not take the place of the First and Second collections or the weekly envelope offerings which will, until COVID-19 restrictions are relaxed, still be in the bowls placed on the organ at the front of the Church. St. Patrick's is very grateful for your donations, however you wish to make them.

~ Fr. Peter Blayney

ALTAR SOCIETY ROSTER: The Altar Society Roster for April 2021 to September 2021 is now available for collection from the Sacristy.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY ROSTER: The new roster for all liturgical ministries has been emailed. There are copies in the Sacristy for those who require a printed copy.

PALM SUNDAY – 28 MARCH: We request all parishioners bring their own palms to Mass on Palm Sunday. Thank you for your co-operation.

BISHOP'S GOOD SAMARITAN APPEAL: Help CatholicCare chaplains bring comfort, faith and hope to the sick and isolated. Your compassionate gifts and prayers will help CatholicCare chaplains provide spiritual, sacramental and emotional support in the footsteps of the Good Samaritan. Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal: yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal. Thank you for accompanying them on their journey. Appeal envelopes are available at the back of the church.

EXISTING PARENTS AND PARISHIONERS SCHOOL TOUR - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL: To celebrate and share our new school facilities we will be holding school tours for existing parents and parishioners over the upcoming weeks. These tours will be limited to **30 available spots for each tour and bookings are essential**. Tour times and dates: Wednesday, 24 March – 12:00pm; Thursday, 25 March - 9:30am; Tuesday, 30 March - 9:15am and Monday, 26 April - 1:45pm. To make a booking please visit <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au> and enter the following code: **bbkxr** and follow the instructions to make a booking. Please note that every adult attending **must** register separately.

THE LEGION OF MARY: Dear Parishioners: The Legion of Mary invites you to the Rosary Cenacle every Thursday morning at 8:15am to pray for the sick, Holy Souls, the dying, Priests and so on. Please join us as the world needs more prayer.

PARISH NOTICES

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT: We will pray the Stations every Tuesday of Lent at 7:00pm, including the Tuesday of Holy Week, 30 March. This is one form of prayer we can do in community, strengthening our ties with each other and giving praise and thanks to God. Prayer in Lent prepares us to celebrate well the Paschal Mysteries at Easter. Everybody is most welcome. ~ Fr. Peter Blayney

GOOD FRIDAY CELEBRATIONS - 2 APRIL: We would like to invite parishioners of all ages to join in "**The Way of the Cross**" held on Good Friday at 10:00am. If you would like to participate on Good Friday, please meet outside the Hall by 8:00am to organise and to help set up for the celebration. Your support ensures the success of this ceremony.

ST. PATRICK'S SENIOR CITIZENS: Hello everyone! **St. Patrick's Senior Citizens Club** is for anyone over 55. We have been functioning for 43 years and new members are always welcome. We meet in the Hall next to the Church every Monday at 9:30am.. Bingo, bowls and cards are some of our activities. For general information please ring President Shirley Fenton on 9721.1875 or Trips Officer Jim Newell on 9632.5049.

HIGH SCHOOL ENROLMENT FORMS: Parents of children going into High School in 2022 may need Fr. Peter Blayney to sign their enrolment forms. He will be able to sign these forms after the following weekend Masses: **Saturday Vigil 5:30pm, Sunday 8:00am and 10:00am**.

EASTER 2021

THE EASTER TRIDIUM

**Holy Thursday, 1 April
(No 9:15am Morning Mass)**

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Vigil at Altar of Repose until Midnight



Good Friday, 2 April
10:00am Stations of the Cross
3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
7:00pm Vigil at the Tomb

Holy Saturday, 3 April
7:00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, 4 April
8:00am and 10:00am



SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday, 27 March
9:30am-11:00am
4:30pm-5:15pm

Tuesday, 30 March
5:30pm-6:45pm