

Catholic Parish of St Patrick Guildford

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

Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 8:30am to 3:00pm

Friday: 8:30am to 2:00pm

Closed daily: 12:30pm to 1:00pm

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**22 & 23 May 2021
Pentecost Sunday — 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.**



Mass Intentions



Recently Deceased:

Gustavo Spezza, Pelenatita Mavaetau Liufau, Kapeliele Taufana, Soane Sevelo Gava, Hamid Chamacham, Magdalena Hamaivao Heafala, Mikaele Valugofulu, Sulietta Fetaulaki, Savelio Felomaki, Margaret Dunn, Gertrude Lucy D'Souza

Anniversaries:

Semaan & Alma Azar & Deceased Family Members, John Abrahams, Serafina & Dante Letta, Anna Maria D'Souza, Rita Gonsalves, Annie Gonsalves, Valerie Tokotuu, Joseph Kunitino Tukana, Kelekolio Tuugahala, Giuseppina Carapella, George Mansour

Deceased:

Mary Jane Axiak Tokavahua, Falaeo & Faupala Families, Paul Muscat, Alfred Xuereb, Fenech Family, Muscat Family, Ausia Tositea Holokaukau & Family, William Tuikalepa, Alice Toiava, Ghasoud & Layla Mardini, Rima, Majed & Hanna Families, Kamilo Kalala Gata & Family, Holy Souls in Purgatory

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



LITURGY OF THE WORD PENTECOST SUNDAY – YEAR B



1ST READING: ACTS 2:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34

Response: Lord, send out your Spirit
and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are,
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches. **R.**

You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth. **R.**

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord. **R.**



**The love of
God has been
poured into
our hearts by
the Holy Spirit
who has been
given to us.**

2ND READING: GALATIANS 5:16-25

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Galatians

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desires. Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 15:26-27; 16:12-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

'When the Advocate comes,
whom I shall send to you from the Father,
the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father,
he will be my witness.
And you too will be witnesses,
because you have been with me from the outset.
'I still have many things to say to you
but they would be too much for you now.
But when the Spirit of truth comes
he will lead you to the complete truth,
since he will not be speaking as from himself
but will say only what he has learnt;
and he will tell you of the things to come.
He will glorify me,
since all he tells you
will be taken from what is mine.
Everything the Father has is mine;
that is why I said:
All he tells you
will be taken from what is mine.'

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

PARISH NOTICES

PASTOR'S RETREAT: I shall be on my annual retreat from 17th–25th May. This weekend, Fr Julian Wellspring will be here to celebrate the Masses. My thanks to Fr. Julian for his assistance in my absence.

~ Fr. Peter Blayney

BISHOP'S GOOD SHEPHERD APPEAL — 29-30 MAY: Please support our seminarians to answer God's call to the priesthood. At our Holy Spirit Seminary, Harris Park, young men are training to become future priests for the Diocese of Parramatta. Your caring gift and prayers are needed to support our seminarians to prepare for a life of service to our community. Please give generously via the Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal giving envelopes or online at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal. Thank you for your kind accompaniment.

DIACONATE ORDINATION — 11 JUNE: Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv and the Diocese of Parramatta invite you to the Ordination to the Diaconate of Dr. John Collins and Dr. Michael Tan on 11 June 2021, 7:30pm at St. Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Marist Place, Parramatta. Limited parking will be available in both the Cathedral and overflow car parks of the Cathedral. Refreshments will be served in the Cathedral Hall following the Ordination.

"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

UNIT FOR RENT: Two bedroom modern unit available for rent, ground floor with spacious courtyard. No common walls and access from Guildford Road or Calliope Street. Very handy to St. Patrick's School, Church, station and shops. If interested, please call 0405 113 934.

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.

PARISH NOTICES

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.

MASS INTENTIONS: To prevent confusion and assumptions, could parishioners clearly identify if a Mass intention, for publication in the Bulletin, is either **Recently Deceased, Anniversary or Deceased**. Printed envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Thank you.

CHURCH CLEANLINESS: A friendly reminder to keep the house of the Lord clean by taking all your rubbish with you at the conclusion of Holy Mass — this includes all used tissues. Thank you.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

BISHOP VINCENT'S PASTORAL LETTER ON THE PROPOSED PARENTAL RIGHTS BILL: Bishop Vincent has released a pastoral letter to the pastors, parents and the faithful of the Diocese of Parramatta on the proposed Parental Rights Bill. The letter can be read here: <https://parracatholic.org/pastoral-letter-to-the-people-of-parramatta-on-the-parental-rights-bill/>.

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA COVID-19 UPDATE: Parishes across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains have COVID-Safety plans in place requiring social distancing, maximum attendance figures and other safety measures. It is strongly recommended that masks be worn to Mass and other services. For more information, please visit the Diocesan website: www.parracatholic.org/covid19.

CATHOLICCARE BLACKTOWN NEIGHBOURHOOD AID VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Blacktown Neighbour Aid, a program with CatholicCare, is looking for volunteers to support our senior clients in the Blacktown area to remain living independently in their own home. If you feel you would like to make a positive difference to other's lives in this way, please contact the Manager, Deb Woolacott on 0418 114 055 or email: deb.woolacott@ccss.org.au.

COMMUNITY VISITORS SCHEME VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The Community Visitors Scheme, a program with CatholicCare, is looking for volunteers to provide a friendly visit to residents in local Aged Care Facilities who are lonely or isolated from their family and friends. If you feel you could spare one hour a week or a fortnight to help a person feel more valued and respected, please contact the Manager, Deb Woolacott on 0418 114 055 or email: deb.woolacott@ccss.org.au.

ROUSE HILL PARISH MANDARIN MASS — STARTING 20 JUNE: Our Lady of the Angels Parish, Rouse Hill, will commence celebrating Masses in Mandarin on the third Sunday of each month, beginning on 20 June at 3:00pm. Mass will be followed by afternoon tea. For more information, please contact the Parish Office on 8883.4063 or email: parishoffice@ourladyoftheangels.org.au.

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

'THE WELL' OFFERS NEW REFRESHMENT IN 2021: 'The Well' is back in 2021. The team are hoping to drip-feed new and relatable content every 72 hours that supports your ministry with family, friends, students, colleagues and strangers. **Check it out on:** www.thewell.org.au.

ST. BERNADETTE'S LALOR PARK WEDNESDAY EVENING DEVOTIONS: St. Bernadette's Parish, Lalor Park, is hosting weekly devotions to Mary Immaculate and St. Bernadette every Wednesday evening at 7:00pm, followed by Mass at 7:30pm. All are welcome. For more information, contact the Parish Office on (02) 9672.4037 or admin@stbernadetteslalorpark.org.au.

SOCIAL JUSTICE COVID-19 FOOD AND TOILETRIES DRIVE: Jesuit Refugee Service and House of Welcome are dealing with a 400% increase in emergency assistance calls and are needing to feed over 1,000 people facing destitution each week. You can help by running a food and toiletry drive or donating yourself. For more information, please contact the House of Welcome on office@houseofwelcome.com.au or 9727.9290 or JRS on foodbank@jrs.org.au or 9098.9336.

LIFE, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY OFFICE MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES: Dates for the Diocesan Life, Marriage and Family Office's in-person marriage preparation weekend courses in 2021 are now available, with the SmartLoving Engaged Online course another option to prepare for your marriage. For more information, or to book your course, visit: www.parracatholic.org/pmp or call 8838.3460.

JOIN THE BELLRINGERS OF ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL: The Peal of Bells of St. Patrick's Cathedral have been officially installed. Bell ringing commences 10:30am Sundays ahead of the Solemn Mass. If you would like to enquire about learning to ring the bells, please contact Fr. Christopher Del Rosario on Christopher.Del-Rosario@parracatholic.org. For further information, please visit: <https://stpatscathedral.com.au/bellssoftpatricks/>

OFFICE FOR WORSHIP RESOURCES AVAILABLE: The Office for Worship has a range of resources available for purchase for individuals and parishes. Resources such as parent material for a child's baptism and a collation of prayers can be purchased from the Office for Worship by contacting 8838.3457.

PASTORAL COUNCIL FORMATION AND TRAINING: The Pastoral Planning Office are hosting monthly Zoom sessions offering best practice in a variety of areas for parish, deanery and diocesan pastoral councils to serve Christ's mission. Sessions will be held on the 4th Wednesday of the month from 7:30pm to 9:00pm. To share and grow with other parish councils, please register at <https://tinyurl.com/ser.ving-christs-mission> or contact Lisa for more information on 0448 652 720 or lisa.bright@parracatholic.org.

GLENBROOK PARISH WOMEN'S RETREAT - 12 JUNE: St. Finbar's Parish, Glenbrook, is hosting a women's retreat filled with peace, prayerfulness, adoration, Mass, Reconciliation, guest speakers and praise and worship. It will be held at the parish on 12 June from 8:30am to 8:30pm. Registration is \$60.00, and with places limited, register now at: <https://forms.gle/KkBaTAVm1qkYYCzm8>. For enquiries, email: beloved2021info@gmail.com.

MANAGE YOUR FERTILITY NATURALLY!: Are you looking for a natural effective method to manage your fertility? Are you trying to achieve pregnancy? Are you breastfeeding and looking for a natural way to space your children? **Natural Fertility Services – Diocese of Parramatta** might just have the answers you're searching for. For more information, or to book an appointment, contact Catherine on 0400 427 605 or catherinebourne@parra.catholic.org or visit: www.parralmf.org.au.

IFM ONLINE PENTECOST SCRIPTURE NIGHT - 25 MAY: The Institute for Mission invites you online to enjoy scripture presenter Dr. Michele Connolly rsj as she revisits Pentecost's readings on 25 May at 7:00pm. Register now via www.tinyurl.com/ifmrego. Please feel free to speak to any of the IFM Team on 9296.6369 if you require any further information or send us an email to connect@ifm.org.au.

JOURNEY OF FAITH - 28 MAY–25 JUNE: You are invited to a short course on spirituality to reflect on your image of God and how God is present in your life as well as to explore faith through the ages, using input, song, ritual and prayer. These sessions, facilitated by Cecilia Zammit, will be held from 10:00am to 2:00pm at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown. BYO lunch and your bible. Please register with Maree at maree.collis@parracatholic.org or phone 8838.3486.

YOUNG ADULT FAITH FORMATION - 6 JUNE: Young Adult Faith Formation sessions continue on Sunday, 6 June at The Hustle, 4-6 Purdy Road, Minchinbury, at 7:00pm. Fr. Sam Fancourt will speak and lead discussion on the Attraction of Truth. We encourage all adults 18-35 to come along and enjoy some faith formation and fellowship! Call Mark on 0477 004 678 for more information.

ARCHBISHOP TIM COSTELLOE SBD PUBLIC LECTURE - 28 JUNE: Archbishop Tim Costelloe SDB, Archbishop of Perth and President of the Plenary Council, will be speaking on the coming Plenary Council at a public lecture in the Diocese of Parramatta at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta, on Monday, 28 June at 7:00pm. Bookings are essential, as limited spaces are available. Please RSVP by 25 June to: mark.oconnor@parracatholic.org.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED: ACN Australia has launched a website for the Year of St. Joseph. Sign up to receive monthly devotional emails to help you become closer to St. Joseph in this special year. When you signup you can obtain a free copy of Fr. Donald Calloway's Consecration to St. Joseph book! To sign up visit: www.yearofstjoseph.com.au.