Catholic Parish of St Patrick Guildford

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25 & 26 September 2021

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year B

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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

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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 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:

Gerry Pinto, Alfred Wheeler, Nicholas Shaw, Aldo Emer, James Saad, Dorothy Smith, Pastor Peter Chan (Fellowship of Christ Church, Toongabbie), Jack Harb, Lena Spiteri, Marie Hodsdon

Anniversaries:

Margaret Wonson, Graeme Mansour, Clare McMahon

Deceased:

Brett Weldon, Mary Jane Axiak, 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 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR B



1ST READING: NUMBERS 11:25-29 A reading from the book of Numbers

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again.

Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

The word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 18:8, 10, 12-14

Response: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the

heart.

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. **R.**

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. **R.**

So in them your servant finds instruction; great reward is in their keeping. But who can detect all his errors? From hidden faults acquit me. **R.**

From presumption restrain your servant and let it not rule me.
Then shall I be blameless, clean from grave sin. **R.**



Your word, O Lord, is truth.

Make us holy in the truth. 2ND READING: JAMES 5:1-6

A reading from the letter of St. James

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them - listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

The word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: CF JOHN 17:17

Alleluia, alleluia! Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth.

Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: MARK 9:38-43, 45, 47-48
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us.

'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.

'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

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



PARISH NOTICES

MIGRANT AND REFUGEE SUNDAY 2021 · 26 SEPTEMBER: On 26 September, the Catholic Church around the world celebrates the World Day of Migrants and Refugees (also known as Migrant and Refugee Sunday). Pope Francis invites us to work Towards an Ever Wider "We" and embrace the resilience and contribution of Migrants and Refugees to the church and society. The "Diocesan Journey... Walking with Refugees" team invites you to a Virtual Diocesan Conversation with Refugees on 26 September from 3:00pm to 4:15pm. RSVP via www.bit.do/diocesan-refugee. Find more information and resources migrants-refugees.va at and acmro.catholic.org.au.

PROJECT COMPASSION: On behalf of Caritas Australia, I would like to thank you and the entire Parish community for your generous donation towards Project Compassion 2021. Through your generosity and by aspiring to "Be More", you are assisting some of the world's most vulnerable people build better futures for themselves, their families and their communities. ~ Sebastian Salaske-Lentern, Peace, Justice and Ecology Co-Ordinator & Diocesan Director of Caritas, Diocese of Parramatta

DAYLIGHT SAVING: Daylight saving begins in NSW on **Sunday, 3 October 2021** when clocks are turned forward one hour at 2:00am.

CATHOLIC EARTHCARE AUSTRALIA has launched a campaign encouraging Catholics to embrace the Church's Season of Creation next month by taking photos of their actions for the environment and publishing them online. The campaign is inspired by the Church's Laudato Si' action goals" and in support the Australian Catholic bishops' latest Social Justice Statement, Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor. It will see community members take a photo of their actions for the environment – gardens growing, treading gently with resources, being in nature, a place they love - and share on Instagram or Facebook with the hashtag, #care4ourcommonhome. Catholic Earthcare will stream the actions being undertaken across schools, parishes and families via its website, to show the collective efforts of the community this Season of Creation, 1 September to 4 October. "Our Catholic Earthcare Australia programs are growing," said Sue Martin, Catholic "Catholic Earthcare Australia Co-Ordinator. Earthcare schools, youth and parishes and families program are all now active and support our purpose to hear the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. The #act4ourcommonhome campaign is a way for the Catholic community to come together as a collective. All of our small actions together will be a powerful response to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor," she said. Catholic Earthcare is a program of Caritas Australia. Details: #act4ourcommonhome [Cath News, 19.8.21]

DIOCESAN NOTICES

POSITIONS VACANT:

Human Resources Partner – Catholic Diocese of Parramatta Services Limited, Diocese of Parramatta Human Resources Manager – Catholic Diocese of Parramatta Services Limited, Diocese of Parramatta Accountant (General)/Analyst – Diocese of Parramatta – Applications close 10:00pm on Sunday, 26 September

Digital Content Creator – Diocese of Parramatta – Applications close 10:00pm on Monday, 4 October More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

BIBLICAL-THEOLOGICAL ESSAYS ON **PANDEMIC:** Seeing how distressed his parishioners were at being locked out of their church, Fr. Joseph (Joe) Lam, Parish Priest of St. Finbar's Parish in Glenbrook has written a book of reflections to help them cope and even find goodness that might come from the pandemic. He's also donating the proceeds of the book, I Will Cause My Spirit To Enter You And You Shall Live: Biblical Theological Essays on the Pandemic to the Diocese of Parramatta's Clergy Support Foundation. For over 15 years, Fr. Joe has lectured theology in Germany, Italy, Belgium, Africa, the US and Australia. He has authored six monographs and over 60 peer-reviewed articles in German, English, Italian and Spanish. Costs \$AUD9.99 plus postage. It can be purchased directly from Fr. Joe. To order a copy, email Fr .Joe at: joseph.lam@parracatholic.org.

YOUNG PEOPLE OF THE DIOCESE – WE ARE WITH YOU: "I am with you always" Matthew 28:20. The Diocese has launched a new website in response to the mental health crisis impacting our young people. The website parracatholic.org/withyou contains links and information about services that can help young people whose wellbeing is suffering. Please share widely with young people and their families.

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA LAUNCHES PLENARY COUNCIL RESOURCE WEBSITE: A new website provides resources for parishioners in the Diocese of Parramatta to stay involved in the Plenary Council, which is exploring what the future of our Church should look like. The first assembly starts in October, so visit parracatholic.org/plenary-2021/ to find a range of information, a Diocesan prayer and more.

GET VACCINATED FOR THE COMMON GOOD: Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Some COVID-19 vaccines are associated with ethically questionable production and research practices, but Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available. More information is available at https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus.

SEASON OF CREATION 2021: Join Pope Francis and Christians around the globe in praying and taking action for our common home during Season of Creation (1 September–4 October). For more information, resources, and activities in the Diocese of Parramatta, visit parracatholic.org/seasonofcreation.

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

OFFICE FOR SAFEGUARDING **OFFERING** ONLINE TRAINING TO KEEP OUR PARISHES SAFE: The Office for Safeguarding is providing an opportunity for all of us to develop our awareness and skills in ensuring our parishes are safe and welcoming places for all. The team are currently offering accompanied online training courses throughout September and October. If you are interested or have any questions about the Safeguarding training, please email our Safeguarding Office on: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org or

CAMPION COLLEGE VIRTUAL OPEN DAY - 28 SEPTEMBER: Campion College, the Australian liberal arts college based in Toongabbie are holding a virtual open day on Tuesday, 28 September from 10:00am to 5:00pm. This is the perfect opportunity for prospective students to find out more about the College and their liberal arts degree. For more information, and to register, please visit https://www.campion.edu.au/virtual-open-day/.

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SUPPORT MASS FOR YOU AT HOME: Many people who are isolated, in prison, in hospital or don't have internet rely on Mass for You at Home. The Catholic Mass is broadcast free-to-air each Sunday morning on Channel 10 and WIN at 6:00am. Find some familiar faces from the Diocese of Parramatta celebrating Mass over the coming weeks. Find out more at www.massforyou.com.au.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED: A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: One Million Children Praying the Rosary: ACN invites you to join the prayer campaign 'One Million Children Praying the Rosary' for unity and peace in the world on 18 October. Be part of this prayer campaign and join many others! Register and learn more at www.aidtochurch.org/one-million-children.

'THE WELL' OFFERS SPIRITUAL NOURISHMENT DURING LOCKDOWN: Need some inspiration and spiritual encouragement during lockdown? Why not check out The Well? The Diocese's 'on demand' streaming site has a tonne of video and prayer resources for you to explore and engage with during this difficult time. As we commemorate World Day of Migrants and Refugees on Sunday, 26 September, why not watch our Australasian Catholic Press Association award-winning series My Journey, Our Journey. Check it out on www.thewell.org.au

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.

SIGN THE PETITION TO WELCOME 20,000 REFUGEES FLEEING AFGHANISTAN: In a sign of unity, major Australian church denominations and Christian organisations have come together to urge the Prime Minister to provide a special intake of an additional 20,000 refugees fleeing Afghanistan and support the ongoing wellbeing of all Afghan refugees and their families. For more information and to sign the petition go to www.unitedforafghanistan.com/? partner=dioceseparramatta.

2021 ABRAHAM CONFERENCE – WOMEN LEADERS IN THE ABRAHAMIC TRADITIONS - 10 OCTOBER: The Abraham Conference plays an important role in bringing Jews, Christians and Muslims together to discuss contemporary issues of concern for the members of the three religions and for the wider society. This year's conference, which will discuss 'Women Leaders in the Abrahamic Traditions: Role Models for Our Time', will be livestreamed for free via Zoom on Sunday, 10 October from 2:30pm to 4:00pm. To register, please visit: https://events.humanitix.com/2021-abraham-conference.

