Catholic Parish of St Patrick Guildford

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To Live, Love and Act Like Jesus

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WEEKLY TIMETABLE

2 & 3 October 2021

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year B

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:

Gerard Byrne, 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:

Luerice Gilbert, Robert Dunn, 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 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR B



1ST READING: GENESIS 2:18-24 A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them; each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed: 'This at last is bone from my bones and flesh from my flesh! This is to be called woman, for this was taken from man.' This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

The word of the Lord Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 127

Response: May the Lord bless usall the days of our

lives.

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways! by the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper. **R.**

Your wife will be like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. **R.**

Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life! May you see your children's children. On Israel, peace! **R.**

2ND READING: HEBREWS 2:9-11A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind. As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 1 JOHN 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia!

If we love one another, God will live in us in perfect love. Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: MARK 10:2-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them. 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



If we love one another, God will live in us in perfect love.

PARISH NOTICES

OCTOBER IS WORLD MISSION MONTH: In three weeks, Catholic Mission will share the essential mission work of Sister Chalaad and the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok, Thailand, as they reach out to vulnerable mothers and their babies during their time of need. You will have the opportunity to respond to this great work and help Sister Chalaad reach out to more mothers and their babies. Please come with an open and generous heart. Freecall: 1800 257 296 or visit: catholicmission.org.au/Thailand.

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

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 Co-Ordinator. Earthcare Australia 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]

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.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

JOIN BISHOP VINCENT AT MASS FOR THE OPENING OF THE PLENARY COUNCIL: On Sunday, 3 October at 11:00am AEDT, you are invited to join Bishop Vincent as he celebrates a Votive Mass of the Holy Spirit for the Plenary Council from St. Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Watch the Mass live on the St. Patrick's Cathedral Facebook and YouTube channels. The official opening Mass for the Plenary Council will be celebrated by Archbishop Tim Costelloe SDB from St. Mary's Cathedral, Perth at 2:00pm AEDT. Watch the opening Mass via plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/assembly-1.

TUNE IN DAILY TO THE SESSIONS OF THE PLENARY COUNCIL: As the First Assembly of the Plenary Council gets underway on 3 October, you can tune in from home as the almost 300 Members of the Plenary Council discern the future of the Australian Church. The Plenary Council is providing livestreamed Daily Masses from 9:30am AEDT and access to the Plenary session livestreams from 11:00am AEDT. To find out more and to tune in to the daily sessions, please visit plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/assembly-1.

CATHOLIC OUTLOOK BOOK GIVEAWAY: You have a chance to win one of three copies of "Opening Doors: A Seeker's Reflections on the Rooms of Christian Living" by Kevin Treston. 'Opening Doors' has been described 'an easy read that asks hard questions', designed to help us create a better life and a better world. Entries are now open until Monday, 11 October. Enter today via catholicoutlook.org and fill out the form under 'Book Giveaway'.

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

BIBLICAL-THEOLOGICAL ESSAYS ON THE 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.

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

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.

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 October. If you are interested or have any questions about the Safeguarding training, please email our Safeguarding Office on: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org or maria.kervin@parracatholic.org.

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.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED: A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: That Catholic Shop is an exciting development of ACN Australia. It is a go-to shop for Catholic gifts and devotional items. From Sacramental gifts, statues, books, rosaries, Christmas items and more, there is something for everyone. The purchases you make at TCS go to support the work of Aid to the Church in Need to keep the faith alive in those places where it is most at risk. To browse our full range visit www.thatcatholicshop.com.

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.

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.

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.

PALMS AUSTRALIA: All professions and trades are called to assist this mission. Get Ready to Fly! Since 1961 Palms Australia has quietly prepared and supported humble Catholics like you for mission. It's our response as church to calls from Australian and overseas communities to help bring opportunity to the poor. Sharing your skills with local co-workers helps them to develop their essential community organisations. Improving their self-reliance aids sustainable poverty reduction and removes dependence on foreign aid and influence. Your relationships within the local community will transform your heart and soul. Visit palms.org.au; email: palms@palms.org.au or call Christine 9560.5333.

