

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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**23 & 24 October 2021
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 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:

Florita Balmes, Rudolf Friedrich, Gerard Byrne, Gerry Pinto, Alfred Wheeler, Nicholas Shaw, Aldo Emer, James Saad, Dorothy Smith

Anniversaries:

Fr. Louis J. Breslan, Tomazia & Joao Alves, Ron Cartwright, Luerice Gilbert, Robert Dunn, Margaret Wonson, Graeme Mansour

Deceased:

Noeleen & Michael Remaili, Alves, Moniz & Wager Families, Peter, Janette & Eid Majed & Family, Hanna Family, Antoun & Odette Chabchoul, Simon & Sussane Yazbeck, 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

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B



1ST READING: JEREMIAH 31:7-9

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The Lord says this:

Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations!
Proclaim! Praise! Shout!

'The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!'
See, I will bring them back from the land of the North
and gather them from the far ends of earth; all of
them: the blind and the lame, women with child,
women in labour: a great company returning here.
They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead
them back; I will guide them to streams of water, by a
smooth path where they will not stumble. For I am a
father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 125

Response: The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. **R.**

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
the Lord worked for them!'

What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. **R.**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.

Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap. **R.**

They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing;
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. **R.**

2ND READING: HEBREWS 5:1-6

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and
is appointed to act for men in their relations with God,
to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can
sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain
because he too lives in the limitations of weakness.
That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as
well as for the people. No one takes this honour on
himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was.
Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high
priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You
are my son, today I have become your father, and in
another text: You are a priest of the order of
Melchizedek, and for ever.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: CF 2 TIMOTHY 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death,
and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: MARK 10:46-52

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large
crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a
blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When
he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to
shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on
me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to
keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of
David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call
him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,'
they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his
cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus
spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?'
'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me
see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has
saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he
followed him along the road.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



'Courage, he is calling you.'
Jesus said to the man
and says to us today.

'What do you want
me to do for you?'

PARISH NOTICES

WELCOME BACK TO MASS: There was always going to be an end to lockdown. The question we all had, was when? So, we've finally arrived. We began weekday Masses last Wednesday following the opening up day last Monday, 18th October. We are all used to the following rules which were in place previously: masks are compulsory for all those aged over twelve, unless there is a medical reason to be exempted; the QR Code or signing in still has to be followed; and the 4sqm rule still applies. This means we can take a maximum of 70 persons in the church for Mass. We will continue live-streaming one Sunday Mass each week for those who are unable for whatever reason to be with us at church. The live-streamed Mass will be the 5:30pm Vigil most of the time. For a number of reasons, we cannot guarantee that the Mass will be live-streamed each week. The live-streamed Mass is then put onto our parish website, so it can be viewed later. Let us pray for each other and those especially who have died in the course of the pandemic. ~ Fr. Peter Blayney

ALTAR SOCIETY ROSTER: The Altar Society Roster for October 2021 to March 2022 is now available for collection from the Sacristy.

"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

PARISH NOTICES

PLANNED GIVING OFFERING ENVELOPES: The Planned Giving Offering envelopes for the 2021/2022 financial year are available in the foyer of the Church for those parishioners who contribute. If any parishioner would like to contribute, please contact the parish office during office hours and a set of envelopes can be arranged for you.

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.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA COVID-19 UPDATE: As NSW reaches its 80% double dose vaccination target, parishes across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains are opening their doors for private prayer, and for the celebration of Mass and sacraments such as baptisms, weddings and funerals. Livestreamed Masses from across the Diocese of Parramatta are still available on the Diocesan website <https://www.parracatholic.org/covid19/#online>. For more information, please visit the Diocesan website www.parracatholic.org/covid19.

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. Beyond the First Assembly of the Plenary Council, visit: parracatholic.org/plenary-2021/ to find a range of information, a Diocesan prayer and more as we move into a time of prayer, reflection, maturation and development.

For we CANNOT KEEP FROM SPEAKING about what we have SEEN & HEARD

ACTS 4:20

This week Catholic Mission will share the story of Churai*, who having experienced much heartbreak in childhood, turned to the Mother and Babies Home run by the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok when her partner cast her experienced rejection as an adult, abandoned by her partner and pregnant.

Without this program, many vulnerable mothers like Churai will have nowhere to turn when they need love and care the most.

Please give generously today to help continue this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/thailand or by texting 'GIVE' to 0488 854 436. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.

*Name and images altered to protect identity



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/thailand



PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD

As we embrace this Synodal Process, this prayer invites the Holy Spirit to be at work in us so that we may be a community and a people of grace.

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.
We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.
Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.
All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.
Amen.



This prayer can be used throughout the duration of the Synodal Process from October 2021-2023

A CARING FOR THE EARTH RETREAT

There is a whole lot more to *Laudato Si'* and *renewing the oikos of God* than Climate Change and fossil fuel emissions. Yet, this present demand has led people to assume that if we make a few personal and technical changes, we can all get back to the good life. This emphasis on climate justice, although important, is too narrow. We are not hearing clearly, the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor.

We need to listen, now, more than ever, to the quiet voice of the Holy Spirit directing the necessary changes we need to make, in the way we regard Creation. Therefore, you are invited to join:

“Quantum Spirit in Creation”

at the Guntawang Environmental Bush Retreat in Oakdale, NSW, to follow the ecological approach, called for by Pope Francis, to transform our way of living in the world.

Time: 7:00pm Friday, 29 October to
2:00pm Sunday, 31 October, 2021.

45 Sheeheys Creek Road, Oakdale 2570

In the Lands of the Burragorang people of the Gundungarra Nation.

Cost: \$95.00

www.guntawang.org.au

Applications/Information: antiphon1@outlook.com

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>.

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.

POSITION VACANT:

Human Resources Partner – Catholic Diocese of Parramatta Services Limited, Diocese of Parramatta
More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

MADONNA MAGAZINE – A GIFT OF SPIRITUAL SUSTENANCE THAT LASTS A WHOLE YEAR:

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