

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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20 & 21 November 2021

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe — 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:

Bishop Bill Wright (Bishop of Maitland-Newcastle), Murray Thorn, Purificacion Sumagui, Leo Hodges, Deacon Owen Rogers (Assistant Deacon at Corpus Christi Parish, Cranebrook), Mary Spiteri, Mary Catherine (Mollie) McGuinn

Anniversaries:

Carmen Desira, Wadih Tannous, Ernest Bernhard Dorn, Ian Lane, Amelia & Sebastian D'Silva, John D'Silva, Michael D'Silva, Eileen Crowley, Veselko Luburic

Deceased:

During the month of November, only Recently Deceased and Anniversaries will be listed.

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 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE – YEAR B



1ST READING: DANIEL 7:13-14

A reading from the prophet Daniel

I gazed into the visions of the night.
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,
one like a son of man.
He came to the one of great age
and was led into his presence.
On him was conferred sovereignty,
glory and kingship,
and men of all peoples, nations and languages
became his servants.
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty
which shall never pass away,
nor will his empire be destroyed.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 92:1-2, 5

Response: The Lord is king;
he is robed in majesty.

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed;
the Lord has robed himself with might,
he has girded himself with power. **R.**

The world you made firm, not to be moved;
your throne has stood firm from of old.
From all eternity, O Lord, you are. **R.**

Truly your decrees are to be trusted.
Holiness is fitting to your house,
O Lord, until the end of time. **R.**

2ND READING: REVELATION 1:5-8

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION; MARK 11:9, 10

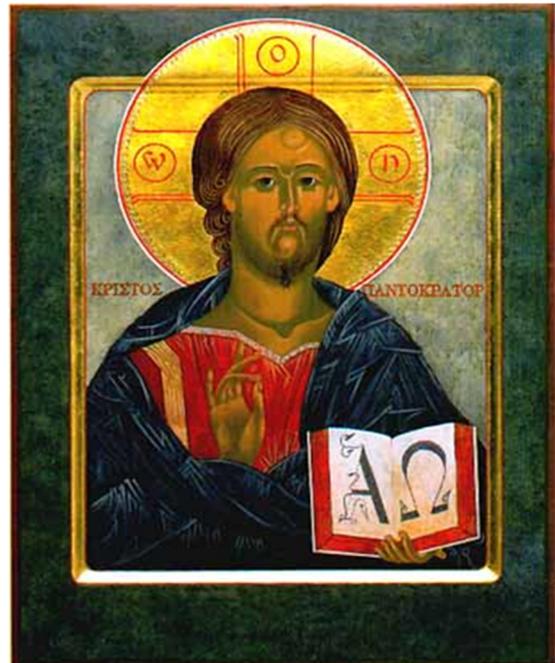
Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 18:33-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

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



'Yes, I am a King.

*I came into the world for this:
to bear witness to the truth;
and all who are on the side of
truth listen to my voice.'*

*I am the Alpha
and the Omega.*

PARISH NOTICES

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION — SATURDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 2021: The Sacrament of Confirmation has been postponed until the 5:30pm Vigil Mass on Saturday, 18 December 2021.

CATHOLIC BUSHWALKING CLUB (CBC) - SUNDAY, 21 NOVEMBER 2021: Each year in November the CBC remembers its deceased members at a Mass. This year, it will be during the **10:00am Mass on Sunday, 21 November**. We'll have morning tea after Mass with precautions in place. All parishioners are welcome to attend along with the Club members.

BISHOP VINCENT'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL — 27-28 NOVEMBER 2021: This year for the Bishop's Christmas Appeal, we are raising funds for CatholicCare's Houses to Homes, which is dedicated to supporting vulnerable young pregnant women who are facing hardship, abuse and homelessness — so that they and their children can face the future with hope, safety and security. Please give generously to the Bishop's Christmas Appeal — yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal. **"I have come so that they may have life to the full." John 10:10**

MANNING FOUNDATION CHRISTMAS APPEAL: Once again Christmas is almost here, and as always, it is a special time for families. This, therefore, is your opportunity to help others in our parish who are in need. One way is by bringing food donations to Mass on the four Sundays of Advent and placing them in the baskets under the statue of the Sacred Heart. Some examples of food items are: weet-bix, long life milk, tinned fruit/vegetables/soup, spaghetti, jam, honey, coffee, tea, sugar, etc. Please check that the items you donate are in date. Due to health regulations please **NO ITEMS THAT CONTAIN NUTS OR TRACES OF NUTS.**

"The Lord is with you and has greatly blessed you" (Luke 1:28).

"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 Blaney

PARISH NOTICES



NOVEMBER MASSES FOR DECEASED - NOVEMBER IS A SPECIAL TIME TO PRAY FOR THE DEAD:

During the month of November we remember, pray and offer Masses for members of our family and friends who have died and indeed all the faithful departed. November Mass Offering envelopes are available at the back of the Church. The names of those who have been remembered in the November Masses will be placed in front of the altar.

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.

CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL: Thank you for your generosity in contributing to the Catholic Mission Appeal during October. The total amount collected by our parish was \$423.10.

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.

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.

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

HELP OUR INMATES FEEL THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT:

With the beginning of the Season of Advent upon us, the Diocese of Parramatta, through CatholicCare Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains, are collecting blank Christmas cards that will be distributed by our prison chaplains to inmates to send to their families this Christmas. You can leave unused Christmas cards at any CatholicCare offices across the Diocese, which can be found by visiting <https://catholicoutlook.info/inmatecards>.

VALE FR. RENATO PARAS: A Mass of Christian Burial for Fr. Renato Paras, Pastor Emeritus of St. Aidan's Parish, Rooty Hill was celebrated at Mary Queen of the Family Parish (St. Patrick's Church) on Thursday, 4 November. Born on 12 September 1938 and ordained to the priesthood on 3 December 1967, Fr. Renato was a priest for 54 years. He died on 26 October 2021, aged 84. **Read more at:** <https://bit.ly/frrenatoCO>.

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

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

GLENBROOK PARISH ADVENT REFLECTION DAY — 4 DECEMBER 2021: You are invited to join the parish of St. Finbar's, Glenbrook, for their Advent Retreat on Saturday, 4 December from 10:30am to 4:00pm, followed by Vigil Mass at 5:30pm. The Retreat will reflect on the birth of Jesus, but also on being in touch with God through reflection on creation. Morning tea and lunch will be provided. The retreat will be \$5.00 per person. For catering purposes, please RSVP by Monday, 29 November to secretary@stfinbars.org.au.

POSITION VACANT:

Digital Content Creator – Diocese of Parramatta
More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

2022 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 2022 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.

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.

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 November. 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.

SYNOD OF BISHOPS – HAVE YOUR SAY: Catholics across Australia are invited to participate in a period of local consultation for the next international Synod of Bishops, which has the theme: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". Pope Francis has invited us to embark on this journey together, with the first step being to contribute our thoughts to the conversation. You can contribute to the conversation at bit.ly/listeningchurch and find out more at <http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED: A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: ACN continues to highlight the persecution of Christians through Red Wednesday which will take place on Wednesday, 24 November. On this day Cathedrals throughout Australia and the world will hold Masses and prayer vigils and be lit in red to remember our brothers and sisters who are persecuted for their faith.

To learn more and get involved visit:
www.aidtochurch.org/redwednesday