Catholic Parish of St Patrick Guildford

To Live, Love and Act

Like Jesus

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> 20 & 21 August 2022 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year C

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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WEEKLY TIMETABLE

5:30pm

9:15am

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8:00am and 10:00am

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: Sunday:

Weekday Masses: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday:

Friday:9:15amSacrament of Penance:Saturday:4:30pm to 5:15pm

Eucharistic Adoration: Friday: After the 9:15am Mass, for one hour, concluding with Benediction



Baptisms: Please contact the Parish Office by telephone (9632.2672)arrange to Baptism. Baptisms held are 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 clarified when you contact the Parish Office.



Recently Deceased:

Peter Eisenhuth, Virginia Albaracin, Sabri Morgan, David Conway, Fatu, Tupou Pailate

Anniversaries:

Des Golds, Terry Golds, Margaret & Rex Lane, Pio Borg, Nicola Mastrippolito, Len Sherring, Julia Georges, Joseph Tannous, Clare McMahon, Malia Tololesi Taginoa, Peter Court

Deceased:

Les Romero & McQuillan Family, Mary Jane Axiak, Janette, Peter & Eid Majed & Family, Rima Hanna & Family, Sarkis Ibrahim, Bassima & Rima Hanna & Family, Joy Majed & Family, Nayef El Khoury, Jreige & Laila Jlailaty, Joseph Kusinino Tukana & Family, Tokavahua, Falaeo & Faupala Families, 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 21 ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C

1ST READING: ISAIAH 66:18-21 A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 116

Response: Go out to all the world; and tell the Good News.

O praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples! **R**.

Strong is his love for us; he is faithful for ever. **R.**

2ND READING: HEBREWS 12:5-7, 11-13 A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: JOHN 14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. **Alleluia!**

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 13:22-30 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

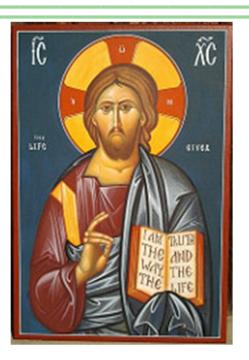
Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from the east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

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



I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord, no one comes to the Father, except through me.

PARISH NOTICES

BISHOP'S FATHER'S DAY APPEAL FOR **RETIRED AND SICK PRIESTS — 3-4 SEPTEMBER** 2022: Our Bishop's Father's Day Appeal for Retired and Sick Priests is traditionally held on Father's Day, this year being the weekend of 3-4 September. This annual appeal raises much needed funds for our Diocese's Clergy Support Foundation to continue its work of supporting retired clergy and those in ill-health. We currently care for 21 retired clergy in our Diocese - 1 bishop, 18 priests and 2 deacons. This year's appeal will highlight the faithful service of our retired clergy, and in particular, Mons. John Boyle, Fr. Chris Dixon and Fr. Bob Sheridan. We do hope you enjoy some of the stories we will share about their dedication to their faith community. As you know, our faithful parish priests never truly retire! Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Bishop's Father's Day Appeal would raise around \$200,000. Last year's Parish Appeal was cancelled due to lockdowns. Thankfully, we were blessed to raise almost \$138,000 through a multi-channel direct mail appeal with the help of our communications and fundraising teams. It is critical that we undertake a proactive fundraising campaign this year and we are once again asking for your kind help. With your enthusiastic support for our Bishop's Father's Day Appeal, our Clergy Support Foundation can better care for our 21 retired priests and those clergy who are unwell, giving them comfort, professional health care and guidance.

FUNERAL FOR SABRI MORGAN, husband of Carol, will be celebrated at the Mary Mother of Mercy Chapel, Rookwood Cemetery, next Tuesday, 23 August at 12:30pm, with burial to follow. All welcome.

BECOME A CATECHIST — AN SRE VOLUNTEER! WHO? ME? YES ... WHY NOT YOU? IF NOT YOU ... THEN WHO? What is an SRE? SREs are parish volunteers who:

• Teach and share their faith with children of their parish who attend government schools.

• Have a passion for sharing the gift of faith with young people.

• Have an hour per week to prepare and share their time and talents with young people.

• Are people who respond to the central mission of the Church to make Jesus known and loved.

In this parish Special Religious Educators, SREs, (previously known as Catechists) go into *Guildford Public and Guildford West* state primary schools. New volunteer SREs will be given support, training, teaching materials and will start as a classroom helper. To register your interest or make further enquiries visit or call the Parish Office on 9632.2672 - admin@guildfordcatholicchurch.org.au or your SRE Parish Co-Ordinator on 0412 893 847 or tassm@optusnet.com.au.

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. It would also be helpful if names were printed clearly on the envelope. Thank you.

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. The donation point does not take the place of the First and Second collections or the weekly envelope offerings. St. Patrick's is very grateful for your donations, however you wish to make them. ~ Fr. Peter Blayney

DIOCESAN NOTICES

POSITIONS VACANT:

Accounts Officer – Diocese of Parramatta – Applications close 10:00pm Sunday, 21 August 2022.

Chaplaincy Co-Ordinator – CatholicCare Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains – **Applications close 10:00pm Sunday, 28 August.**

More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

THE DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA IS HEADING TO WYD23 IN LISBON: Bishop Vincent has announced a pilgrimage to the next World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal from 21 July–11 August, 2023. Young people 16-35 and their families are encouraged to learn more at www.parrawyd.org and register their expression of interest. For all enquiries contact James Camden, Head Mission Engagement – james.camden@parracatholic.org.

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY: We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on 28 August. The Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement, *Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse*, invites us to nurture relationships marked by equality and reciprocity rather than domination and violence, respect and freedom rather than coercion and control. The Statement provides contacts for those who are experiencing violence and abuse to get help, and for people who want assistance to change their behaviour. **More information:** ACBC Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace, www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au or telephone (02) 6201.9845. You can download the statement and additional resources at: bit.ly/SJS22-23.

SEASON OF CREATION CAMPING TRIP - **30 SEPTEMBER-2 OCTOBER:** Set aside your busy lifestyle for a few days to join with friends, family and other members of the Christian community to celebrate the Season of Creation. Enjoy a relaxed camping experience with optional activities to engage in fun, creative and prayerful ways with creation and our Creator. When: Friday, 30 September–Sunday, 2 October, 2022. Where: Wooglemai Catholic Bush Retreat Centre, Oakdale. **Cost:** Individual campers \$20.00; Camping couples \$40.00; Family camping groups \$50.00. For more information and to register visit: www.seasonofcreationcamping.org.

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

BLACKTOWN PARISH OFFICE SPACE/RETREAT VENUE AVAILABLE FOR RENT: Mary, Queen of the Family Parish, Blacktown currently has a venue that may be used for office space or a retreat venue for a small parish or religious group. To inquire please contact Sarah or Ged at the Parish Office on 9622.1125 or admin@mqofblacktown.org.au.

SOCIAL MEDIA/COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER -AUSTRALIAN PASTORAL MUSICIANS NETWORK: The Australian Pastoral Musicians Network promotes

The Australian Pastoral Musicians Network promotes the art of Religious Music in the service of the Church in Australia through education, support, networking and advocacy, with a special focus on supporting the use of Australian compositions. Our growing Association is looking for an experienced Social Media/Communications Officer to create and implement communications strategies across our current platforms that will grow our membership and further our Mission. The successful candidate would have an interest in and some knowledge of religious music, proven experience in the communications sector or related fields, as well as excellent written and verbal communication skills. Preference will be given to those who also have experience and skills in Digital Marketing, customer service and online networking. The position is casual, work from home, on a contracted hourly rate of payment, requiring approximately 2 hours per week, up to 8 hours prior to a major event. ABN required. For a detailed job description, including remuneration please contact: secretary@apmn.org.au.

Applications close Monday, 5 September 5:00pm EST.

OLMC PARRAMATTA - CLASS OF '90, '91 AND '92 30 YEAR REUNION — REUNION FUNCTION SATURDAY, 17 SEPTEMBER PARRAMATTA PARK ROYAL: Come and join your old schoolmates and teachers for a reunion for the Classes of 1990, 1991 and 1992. There will be roaming canapés throughout the evening, with an on-consumption bar and a live DJ to dance the night away. OLMC ALUMNAE DAY — SUNDAY,

18 SEPTEMBER: 10:00am Mass in the Chapel followed by College Tours. 12:30pm High Tea at Lachlan's Restaurant, Old Government House. **Reunion Committee led by:**

Belinda Clarke (Witter), 1992:

belindahildaclarke@gmail.com

Natalie Galea, 1991: natalie_galea@yahoo.com.au Sarah Kenny, 1990, sarahkenny767@gmail.com Manual Links Tickets and Information for Reunion Function: https://events.humanitix.com/ olmc-alumni-reunion-class-of-90-91-and-92? fbclid=lwAR3K7Np40NHd4ZAezn8Z5u3podKqa3JBib Ry8lcz9wuH9dSaRB07SwA3rtU

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED: ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the and persecuted Church. In areas of crisis, churches are often destroyed by violence. Where the faith is growing new churches are needed. ACN supports the reconstruction in these areas because a church is the centre of the life of faith and even the smallest chapel provides people with hope and a spiritual home. Can you help build churches to support the faithful throughout the world?

Visit: www.aidtochurch.org/construction.