

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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22 & 23 April 2023
3rd Sunday of Easter — Year A

WEEKLY TIMETABLE

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm
Sunday: 8:00am and 10:00am

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday: 9:15am
Thursday: 9:15am
Friday: 9:15am

Sacrament 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) 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.



Mass Intentions



Recently Deceased:

Roslyn Isabel Tippetts, Leo Joseph Badcock, Natalie Remaili, Felix Gonsalves, Maree Psomas, Dante E. Aducayen Snr., Sekolastika Uhilamoafa Misimoo, Ana Malia Vaimate Mauligalo, Palasio Faua Tagatamagoni, Soana Tagatamanogi Thelotte

Anniversaries:

Melia & George Mansour, Julie Cutcliffe, Ferruccio Palombit, Angelina Gonano, Joan Turner, Max Lane, Natalie Jane Hood, Roque Correa, Dominic Gonsalves, Giuseppe Vicaretti, Ida Dialoisio

Deceased:

Mary Jane Axiak, Joao & Tomazia Alves, Michael & Noeleen Remaili, Remaili, Wager, Alves & Moniz Families, Maria Nguyen, Joseph Pham, Michael Pham, Kim Pham, Norman Cordeiro, Cordeiro Family Deceased Members, Edgar Montclar, Michael Grima, Haber Family, Emilia Apap, Les Romero & Family, McQuillan Family, Muscat Family, Alfred Xuereb, Fenech Family, Tony & Fadalaf Aflak, Joseph Kusitino Tukana & Family, Tokavahua, Falao & Faupala Families, 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

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR A



1ST READING: ACTS 2:14. 22-33

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him:

I saw the Lord before me always, for with him at my right hand nothing can shake me. So my heart was glad and my tongue cried out with joy: my body, too, will rest in the hope that you will not abandon my soul to Hades nor allow your holy one to experience corruption. You have made known the way of life to me, you will fill me with gladness through your presence.'

'Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn him an oath to make one of his descendants succeed him on the throne, what he foresaw and spoke about was the resurrection of the Christ: he is the one who was not abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of us are witness to that. Now raised to the heights by God's right hand, he has received from the Father the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you see and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.'

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 15:1-2. 5. 7-11

Response: Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.
I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.
O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize.' **R.**

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,
who even at night directs my heart.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **R.**

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay. **R.**

You will show me the path of life,
and the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever. **R.**

2ND READING: 1 PETER 1:17-21

A reading from the first letter of St. Peter

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason - so that you would have faith and hope in God.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: CF LUKE 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.
Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 24:13-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

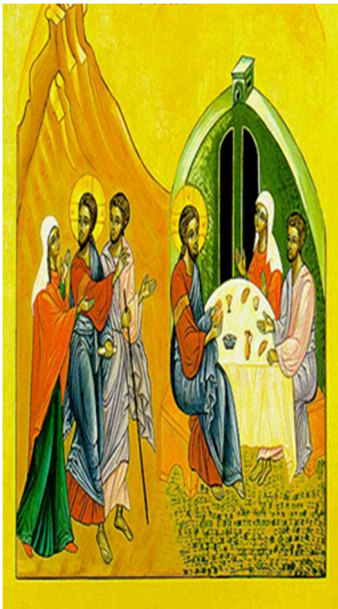
Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at the table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?' They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes it is true, the Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

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



'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?'

PARISH NOTICES

ANZAC DAY: Mass will be celebrated at 9:15am next Tuesday, 25 April to commemorate Anzac Day.

RESUMPTION OF MASS ON TUESDAYS: Mass will be celebrated on Tuesdays at 9:15am on a regular basis from Tuesday, 2 May 2023.

HOLY LANDS COLLECTION (GOOD FRIDAY 2023): Thank you for your generosity in contributing to the Holy Lands Collection on Good Friday. The total amount collected by our parish was \$1,320.40.

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION: Thank you for your generosity in contributing to the Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal on 25-26 March. The total amount collected by our parish was \$1,473.15.

THE MANNING FOUNDATION: The Manning Foundation meet in the Parish Office at 6:00pm on the 2nd Monday every two months. **Mobile Number: 0497 973 311**

FREE CATHOLIC OUTLOOK MAGAZINE: Available at the back of the Church.

PROJECT COMPASSION: If you took home money boxes or sharepack envelopes during Lent, would you please return them as soon as possible. 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 donation point, it will be available for use at the weekend Masses. 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

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.** It would also be helpful if names were printed clearly on the envelope. Printed envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Thank you for your co-operation.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Will be held on Fridays, after the 9:15am Mass, for one hour, concluding with Benediction. This hour will be a quiet time of prayer and reflection.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Will be held in the Confessional Room every Saturday from 4:30pm to 5:15pm.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

MET FAITHLIFE SCRIPTURE COURSE - STARTING 2 MAY: Want to learn more about different ways to pray? Sign up for the FaithLIFE 3-night short course on "Prayer" with Br. Barry Donaghue, brought to you by the Mission Enhancement Team (MET). 6:30pm to 8:30pm on three Tuesdays: 2 + 9 + 16 May. Downstairs at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown. RSVP via <https://pfparra.org.au/faithlife/>.

THE FAITHFEED ON THE MOVE - 7 MAY: Have questions about life & faith? Join with others on the search at The FaithFeed live studio audience - hosted by Glenbrook in the Mountains Deanery - all are welcome! The FaithFeed will be on Sunday, 7 May at the Parish Hall after the 6:00pm Mass. Doors open 7:00pm for a 7:30pm start. The night will feature faith stories + live music + activities + great conversation. **Book now:** <https://tinyurl.com/tffrego>.

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

REACH - WELLBEING PROGRAM FOR PEOPLE OVER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS – 2 MAY: Reach Recovery Program, designed by the Black Dog Institute. Tuesday from 10:00am to 12:00pm, 2 May for 9 weeks at Bank Bazaar and Bank Bar and Cafe, 290/294 Windsor Street, Richmond – Morning Tea provided - Presenter Virginia Field. **RSVP:** 8843.2500 or email enquiries@ccss.org.au.

REACH - WELLBEING PROGRAM FOR PEOPLE OVER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS – 4 MAY: Reach Recovery Program, designed by the Black Dog Institute. Thursday from 10:00am to 12:00pm, 4 May for 9 weeks at The Carrington Hotel, 15-47 Katoomba Street, Katoomba – Morning Tea provided - Presenter Virginia Field. **RSVP:** 8843.2500 or email enquiries@ccss.org.au.

FAITH IN MARRIAGE SEMINAR - 19 MAY: The annual Diocesan Faith in Marriage Seminar returns in 2023 with Chris Padgett, American Speaker, Musician, Author and Professor of Theology. This free event will be held on Friday 19 May at 7:30pm at St. Paul the Apostle Church, 40 Buckleys Road, Winston Hills. Please register your attendance at marriage@parracatholic.org.

POSITIONS VACANT:

Policy Co-Ordinator – Diocese of Parramatta
Communications and Digital Manager – Diocese of Parramatta
Communications Assistant – Diocese of Parramatta
Lead Support – Diocesan Synod - please email your details to parracatholicjobs@parracatholic.org
More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

MET NATURAL FERTILITY SEMINAR - 20 MAY - COUPLES HOPING TO CONCEIVE: Hear about Restorative Reproductive Medicine and natural methods of achieving pregnancy. This topic is of particular interest to couples that are trying to conceive a child where they may have infertility issues and are seeking medical intervention to help them. Hear from trained professionals about a women's health science, the Creighton Model which is used in conjunction with NaProTechnology www.fccau.org. This is a free event and will be held on Saturday, 20 May from 1:00pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. For more information and to register contact catherine.bourne@parracatholic.org M: 0400 427 605.

'SEXUAL DESIRE — A CALL TO LOVE' — 27 APRIL: Mary, Queen of the Family Parish Youth invites all parish young adults to attend Simon Carrington's 'Sexual Desire — A Call to Love' on Thursday, 27 April from 6:30pm at St. Patrick's Church, 51-59 Allawah Street, Blacktown. Simon Carrington is a renowned chastity, relationships, sexuality, and Theology of the Body speaker. He is the founder of Fire Up Ministries and has completed studies at both the University of Notre Dame, Australia and the Theology of the Body Institute, USA. This event is targeted towards young adults between the ages of 18-35 but welcomes anyone who may wish to join. **Link to the Facebook event:** <https://fb.me/e/3jVw4czx3>.

