

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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27 & 28 May 2023
Pentecost Sunday — Year A

WEEKLY TIMETABLE

Sunday Masses:

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

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday: 9:15am
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.

PARRAMATTA DIOCESAN SYNOD

A Synod is both an event and a process where clergy, consecrated, and the laity gather to discuss important matters relating to the life and mission of the Church. Synods are transformative events that lead to renewal in the Church's life. Our Diocesan Synod will be held from 12-15 October 2023. Our Synod will gather clergy, religious, and the laity across our Diocese to listen, discern, and respond to the Holy Spirit through voices of the People of God in Western Sydney and The Blue Mountains. From May to July 2023, in the lead up to the Synod, all are invited to participate in deanery and parish listening consultations, organising time to discuss with family and friends, and engaging in opportunities to dialogue. Submissions from these consultations and conversations will be collected and can be provided online, in person, or via mail. The submissions will be reviewed and synthesised by a Synod working group and will inform the development of agenda for the Synod. All of us parishioners can participate at various levels.

Firstly, it would be very helpful to the Bishop and the success of the Synod if you can attend the Bishop's Consultation for the Eastern Deanery on Saturday, 3rd June at 6:30pm, at St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Marist Place, Parramatta. You can register your attendance on the Synod website or inform myself, Fr. Treesen or Sr. Helen if you wish to attend.

Secondly, we will have a parish consultation on Sunday, 18th June in the Parish Hall, 11:30am-12:30pm. (Our Primary School teachers are holding their consultation on Tuesday, 30th May).

Thirdly, anyone is invited to make an individual submission by following the links on the Synod website.

Finally, you can organise a group of people (family, friends etc.) to come together for a consultation; again, guidelines for this are on the Synod website:

<https://parracatholic.org/synod2023/>.

~ Fr. Peter Blayney



LITURGY OF THE WORD

PENTECOST SUNDAY - YEAR A



1ST READING: ACTS 2:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34

Response: Lord, send out your Spirit
and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are,
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches. **R.**

You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth. **R.**

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord. **R.**

2ND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 12:3-7, 12-13

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



**The love of
God has
been
poured into
our hearts
by the
Holy
Spirit
who has
been given
to us.**

PARISH NOTICES



BISHOP'S GOOD SAMARITAN APPEAL FOR ABORIGINAL CATHOLIC CARE AT EMERTON:

Will you be the face of Christ for our First Nations people in need? Your compassionate generosity and prayers will support a welcoming place where Aboriginal people can express their identity, share their culture and knowledge within our community, access practical support and development opportunities, and make social connections. Please give generously to the Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal or scan this QR code. **Thank you for being a Good Samaritan to our First Nations people.**

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.

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

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.

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP: The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop" commencing in Melbourne on 17 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 28 October 2023. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry. Please contact Sr. Annie Bond, Mission & Ministries Manager at national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or on 8912.4818 if you have any questions, require an itinerary and/or application form.

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



Mass Intentions



Recently Deceased:

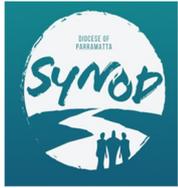
Leonard Timmins, Sr. Elizabeth Wall, Melissa Soane Misimoa, Rose Merlino

Anniversaries:

Cecil Cordeiro, Felice Sposari, Rita & Annie Gonsalves, Amelia D'Silva, Barbara Hanna, Joseph Kusitino Tukana, Kelekolio Tuugahala, Annie Josephine Badcock

Deceased:

Gertrude Santa Maria, Mary Jane Axiak, Nicholas Ippolito & Ippolito Family, Felix Goncalves, Alefosio Kivalu Falakika Matele Falaeo, Janette Majid, Adele, Rima & Bassima Hanna, Therese & George Safadi & Family, Tokavahua, Faupala & Falaeo Families, Kathleen Lea'Kina Fatu, Malia Tololesi Taginoa & Family, Atonio Eukalio Palemila Tokavahua & Family, Sosefo Faupala & Family, Ateliano Malekalita Falaeo & Family, Lusua Vili Manuhaapai & Family, Malieta Apolosio Tuipolotaane & Family, Atonia Petelo Gaetau & Family, Lealea Falaeo & Family, Puauvea Sosefo Tuilalo & Family, Sononefa Falakiko Keletaona & Family, Losa Pasilio Kilama & Family, Kalemeli Polikalapo Filimohahau & Family, Malino Makatuki & Family, Lotana Sosimo Vakauliafa & Family, Heneliko Safata Tokavahua & Family, Holy Souls in Purgatory



PRAYER FOR OUR DIOCESAN SYNOD



O God, who always walks with us on the journey of life,
we call upon you to lead us forth united.

Bless and guide our Diocesan Synod.

Keep us anchored in your love. Open our hearts as we listen and discern.

Reveal to us the way we are called to go out into the deep.

Give us the courage to pursue the mission with bold humility.

May we experience renewal in our local Church today,
and for generations to come.

We ask this prayer through Jesus Christ, who in the power of the
Holy Spirit continues to guide your Church,
to the fullness of your Kingdom now, and forever.

Amen

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop, pray for us.

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

POSITION VACANT:

Claims and Legal Officer – Diocese of Parramatta –
Applications close **10:00pm Monday, 5 June 2023**.
More details at: parracatholic.org/employment.

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK – BE A VOICE FOR GENERATIONS: Following National Sorry Day on 26 May, we observe National Reconciliation Week, from 27 May–3 June; an opportunity for Australians to take part in the process of reconciliation. This year's theme, **Be a Voice for Generations**, urges all Australians to use their power, their words and their actions to create a better, more just Australia for all of us. At its heart, reconciliation is about strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous peoples, for the benefit of all Australians. **Visit the ACBC Justice, Ecology and Peace website for resources:** socialjustice.catholic.org.au.

SAFE PARISHES WEEK - 5–11 JUNE: From 5 to 11 June, we celebrate our third Safe Parishes Week in the Diocese. Safe Parishes Week is a tangible reminder of our shared commitment to having a zero tolerance of abuse across our Diocese. The Safeguarding team are presenting a Training Festival of mandatory and elective face to face modules at Bishop Bede Heather Centre in Blacktown. **For the full Safe Parishes Week Training Program please contact:** maria.kervin@parracatholic.org.

PRAYER FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE IN UKRAINE

God of peace and justice,
who change the hardened heart
and break the power of violence,
we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril;
let them know not death but life,
not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all;
we are brothers and sisters.

Give us the strength
to live that truth in love,
choosing peace not war.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

