

# 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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17 & 18 June 2023

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 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.



## Mass Intentions



### Recently Deceased:

Bienheureux Petelo Sanele Tui, George Montgomery, Crestita Moran, Ida Dell'Osa, Sulu Tuipolotaane Tulitau, John Violet, Josephine Bechara, Nicola Dalzotto, IChristian Lisiahi, Trudy Santa Maria, Leonard Timmins

### Anniversaries:

Anthony (Tony) Fletcher, Ernest Mitchell, Robert Frois, Les Romero, Michael D'Silva, Augustine Mark Baptista, Frane & Marija Marcic, Santan & Anna Maria Baptista, Nellie Dunn, Leaha Falakiko Keletaona, Alma & Semaan Azar & Deceased Family Members, Cecil Cordeiro, Felice Sposari

### Deceased:

Tateo Telesia Vaoheilala & Family, Mary Jane Axiak, Joseph Kusitino Tukana & Ffamily, Kathleen Lea'Kina Fatu & Family, David Quach, Quan Tang, Tokavahua, Faupala & Falaeo Families, Asela Polutele & Family, Gertrude Santa Maria, Nicholas Ippolito & Ippolito Family, 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

## 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A



### 1ST READING: EXODUS 19:2-6

A reading from the book of Exodus

From Rephidim the Israelites set out again; and when they reached the wilderness of Sinai, there in the wilderness they pitched their camp; there facing the mountain Israel pitched camp.

Moses then went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Say this to the House of Jacob, declare this to the sons of Israel, "You yourselves have seen what I did with the Egyptians, how I carried you on eagle's wings and brought you to myself. From this you know that now, if you obey my voice and hold fast to my covenant, you of all the nations shall be my very own, for all the earth is mine. I will count you a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation."

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

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 99:2-3, 5

**Response:** We are his people: the sheep of his flock.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.  
Come before him, singing for joy. **R.**

Know that he, the Lord, is God.  
He made us, we belong to him,  
we are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R.**

Indeed, how good is the Lord,  
eternal his merciful love.  
He is faithful from age to age. **R.**

### 2ND READING: ROMANS 5:6-11

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans

We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man - though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die - but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

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



### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: MARK 1:15

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

The kingdom of God is near;  
repent and believe the Good News!  
**Alleluia!**

### THE GOSPEL: MATTHEW 9:36 - 10:8

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.'

He summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits with power to cast them out and to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness.

These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them as follows:

'Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.'

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



**Know that he, the Lord, is God.  
He made us, we belong to him,  
we are his people,  
the sheep of his flock.**

## PARISH NOTICES

**FIRST COMMUNION:** The Church teaches that children should be prepared to receive Holy Communion as soon as possible after their coming to the age of reason or discretion, i.e. about the age of seven. *It is primarily the duty of parents and of those who take their place, as it is the duty of the Parish Priest, to ensure that children who have reached the age of reason are properly prepared and, having made their sacramental confession, are nourished by this divine food as soon as possible.* [Code of Canon [Church] Law, Can.914]

Parents may collect an Enrolment Form from Sr. Helen for First Holy Communion, **after Sunday Masses** – Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday 8:00am and 10:00am. The Eucharist is the memorial of Christ's death and resurrection. Let us pray for each other and especially for the families who will be preparing our young parishioners to receive Jesus, for the first of many times, in Holy Communion.

**PLANNED GIVING OFFERING ENVELOPES:** The Planned Giving Offering envelopes for the 2023/2024 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 (9632.2672) and a set of envelopes can be arranged for you. **PLEASE NOTE ENVELOPE NUMBERS HAVE CHANGED.**

**1ST AND 2ND COLLECTION COUNTER'S ROSTER:** The new roster for the 2023/2024 financial year is now available for collection from the Sacristy.

**CATHOLIC OUTLOOK MAGAZINE:** The latest Catholic Outlook Magazine for Ordinary Time/Winter 2023 is now available to collect from the back of the church. Please feel free to take a copy home.

**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.

## DIOCESAN NOTICES

**FAMILIES CALLED TO SHARE THEIR STORIES WITH THE FIRST DIOCESAN SYNOD:** Bishop Vincent wants to hear from families and households across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains. Your stories will inform the direction of our local Church into the future through what is known as a synod. Our Diocesan Synod is both an event and a process where people gather to discuss important matters relating to the life and mission of the Church. Synods are transformative experiences that lead to renewal in the Church's life. The success of the Synod relies on your participation. Families and households are encouraged to participate in the Synod at home using the resources 'Synod at Home' found here: [https://parracatholic.org/synod2023\\_resources/](https://parracatholic.org/synod2023_resources/).

**DIOCESAN SYNOD INTERFAITH CONSULTATIONS - 27 JUNE AND 12 JULY:** In response to Bishop Vincent's invitation that all in the diocese engage with the upcoming Diocesan Synod, the Columban Centre for Christian-Muslim Relations and the Diocesan Interfaith Commission will be co-hosting a series of consultations on how we are called to walk together with believers from other religions. All are welcome to join in the consultations sessions:

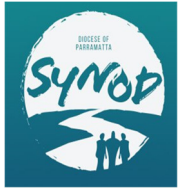
- Tuesday, 27 June from 6:30pm to 9:00pm at St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Parramatta
- Wednesday, 12 July from 6:30pm to 9:00pm at St. Patrick's Parish, Guildford.

Register your attendance via Humantix by scanning the QR code.



**DIOCESAN ADULT CONFIRMATION — 5 SEPTEMBER:** Adult Confirmation 2023 will be held on Tuesday, 5 September at 7:30pm at St. Patrick's Cathedral with the Catechesis and Formation Day to be held on Saturday, 2 September at 9:30am–2:00pm at the Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown (formerly known as the IFM). Adult Confirmation is a community celebration for those who have reached the age of 16 years and have received both the sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist but are yet to receive Confirmation. If you would like more information, please contact the Office for Worship on 0460 037 795 or [hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org](mailto:hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org).





## 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

### **MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES IN 2023:**

Getting married in 2023? Let the Diocese of Parramatta help you prepare. Visit [www.parracatholic.org/pmp](http://www.parracatholic.org/pmp) to view weekend course dates, to book and pay. An online preparation called *SmartLoving* can also be booked via the website. **For more information, email:** [met@parracatholic.org](mailto:met@parracatholic.org) or phone Karin on 0419 242 435 or Marisa on 0412 280 017.

### **ST. LUKE'S MARSDEN PARK DINNER DANCE -**

**22 JULY:** St. Luke's at Marsden Park is holding its first ever Dinner Dance on Saturday, 22 July from 7:00pm at St. Luke's Catholic College, Frontier Avenue, Marsden Park. A 3-course Spanish-styled meal with sangria is on offer along with prizes. All profits will go towards funding the St. Luke's Church building. Tickets are now on sale. **Email:** [marsdenpark@parracatholic.org](mailto:marsdenpark@parracatholic.org) to arrange your tickets.

### **ABORIGINAL CATHOLIC CARE NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS - 4 JULY:**

You are warmly invited to attend Aboriginal Catholic Care's NAIDOC Week celebrations on Tuesday, 4 July at 252 Luxford Road, Emerton from 10:00am to 2:00pm. The event will include Stalls, Entertainment, Rides, Jumping Castle, Creature Feature, Face Painting, Sausage Sizzles and much more.

**PENRITH PARISH ROOM FOR RENT:** St. Nicholas of Myra Parish in Penrith is renting out an upstairs office space next to Catholic Care, Penrith. Contact Rodney (Office Manager) at [enquiries@stnicholasofmyra.org.au](mailto:enquiries@stnicholasofmyra.org.au) or call 4721.2509 for photos and more information.

### **CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES AUSTRALIA WEBINAR SERIES ON THE VOICE - 29 JUNE AND**

**27 JULY:** Catholic Social Services Victoria, in conjunction with Catholic Social Services Australia, is pleased to invite you to join them for a series of webinars to learn more about the upcoming referendum on the Indigenous Voice to Parliament. Learn from legal, historical and theological experts and hear from Indigenous people about their experiences, hopes and concerns for The Voice referendum. **To book tickets, please visit:** [www.trybooking.com/CHXKH](http://www.trybooking.com/CHXKH).

**MAGI PILGRIMAGES:** Fr. Brendan Murphy from Our Lady of Rosary Parish, St. Mary's would like to invite you for an 18-day pilgrimage, departing 9 October 2023. This pilgrimage features Avila, Fatima, Santiago, Oviedo, Turin, Assisi, Rotondo and Rome for an all-inclusive price of \$8,940.00. The fare includes Return Economy Airfares + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stay in Premium Hotels + All Breakfasts and Dinners + Catholic Priest + English speaking professional guides. For enquiries and bookings call (03) 8839.6615 or 1300 721 561 or email us: [pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au](mailto:pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au).

