

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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2 & 3 September 2023
22nd 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:

Carina Aguiman, Julian Attard, Tamiano Talalua, Mikaele Tui, Arturo Enriquez, Maketalena Taufana Sione

Anniversaries:

Patrick Keane, Deceased Members of the Golds Family, Mary Jane Axiak, Francesco Ramundi, Sebastian Lobo, Joseph Tannous, Julia Georges, Pio Borg, Dominic Francis Gonsalves, Brian Edward Burns, Elias Greige, Salvatore Lazzoppina, Dante Dela Cruz, Nicola Mastrippolito, Lea'Kina Tuini Fatu, Heneliko Tokavahua

Deceased:

John Violet, Youseff & Esther Younan, Dib & Salam Barakat, Michel Barakat, Wadih Younan, Sebastian Lobo, Abiwahab & Bechara Families, Mavis Muslado, Nicola Dalzotto, Rima, Bassima & Maroun Hanna & Family, Peter, Janette & Eid Majed & Family, Deceased Members of Rodrigues, Gomes and Santa Maria Families, Felix Gonsalves, Selafina Ipolito Talalua & 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

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A



1ST READING: JEREMIAH 20:7-9

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced;
 you have overpowered me: you were the stronger.
 I am a daily laughing-stock,
 everybody's butt.
 Each time I speak the word, I have to howl
 and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!'
 The word of the Lord has meant for me
 insult, derision, all day long.
 I used to say, 'I will not think about him,
 I will not speak in his name any more.'
 Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart,
 imprisoned in my bones.
 The effort to restrain it wearied me,
 I could not bear it.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 62:2-6, 8-9

Response: My soul is thirsting for you,
 O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
 for you my soul is thirsting.
 My body pines for you
 like a dry, weary land without water. **R.**

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
 to see your strength and your glory.
 For your love is better than life,
 my lips will speak your praise. **R.**

So I will bless you all my life,
 in your name I will lift up my hands.
 My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
 my mouth shall praise you with joy. **R.**

For you have been my help;
 in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.
 My soul clings to you;
 your right hand holds me fast. **R.**

2ND READING: ROMANS 12:1-2

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

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him,
 I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings,
 by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly
 pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the
 behaviour of the world around you, but let your
 behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is
 the only way to discover the will of God and know
 what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the
 perfect thing to do.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: CF EPHESIANS 1:17, 18

Alleluia, alleluia!
 May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
 enlighten the eyes of our heart,
 that we might see how great is the hope
 to which we are called.
Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: MATTHEW 16:21-27

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that
 he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer
 grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests
 and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on
 the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to
 remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,'
 he said. 'This must not happen to you.' But he turned
 and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an
 obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not
 God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to
 be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and
 take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who
 wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who
 loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a
 man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life?
 Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?
 'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of
 his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will
 reward each one according to his behaviour.'

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



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PARISH NOTICES



BISHOP'S FATHER'S DAY APPEAL - CARING FOR THOSE WHO HAVE CARED

FOR US: Our priests never stop giving their lives in service to our community. They dedicate themselves to carrying out God's ministry for as long as they are able. This Father's Day, let us

show our thanks and appreciation for our priests' lifelong gifts of faithful service. Your compassionate donation will help our Clergy Support Foundation to care for our priests and provide them with personalised health and wellbeing support. Please give generously to the Bishop's Father's Day Appeal at: parracatholic.org/fathersdayappeal, with the envelopes provided or scan this QR code. Thank you.

CATHOLIC CARE'S REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP

program screens and trains local groups such as parishes, to provide practical support to refugees who have no sponsor to be able to come to Australia by other avenues. Groups need to have about 5 members who register with us, complete paperwork, and training, then are allocated an individual or family. The Government allocates a refugee identified by the United Nations. The community group needs to be willing to support a refugee to settle into Australia and begin a new life after the hardships and mistreatment they have endured. These refugees will be granted permanent residency through a humanitarian visa, receive Centrelink payments, and have access to Medicare services. Parishes can be involved in the Refugee Sponsorship Program by reaching out to Rita Hakkoum who will gladly provide you with more information about the program. She is very knowledgeable and will be able to explain all the details to you. Form a group of at least 5 community members from your Church (non-parishioners can also be welcome). Members will need a National Criminal History Check (AFP Check) and Working with Children Check. If you need more participants in your area to form a group with, you can post your interest on the [CRSA Facebook group](#). Rita can also help matching you with other parishes. Register your group by submitting a formal application. For further details talk to any one of the parish staff or direct to Rita Hakkoum, Community Outreach Worker, Migrants and Refugees, Catholic Care - Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains.

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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.

UPCOMING MORNING TEA AFTER 10:00AM

MASS: Due to Father's Day, the next morning tea will be held on **10 September**. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided, feel free to bring a snack to share. Kids corner! **When:** After the 10:00am Mass. **Where:** At the Parish Hall.

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.

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

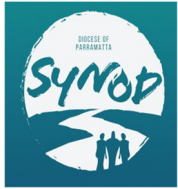
DIOCESAN NOTICES

NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR PAPAL, CIVIL AND

DIOCESAN AWARDS: Until Thursday, 7 September 2023, you can nominate an outstanding individual who has contributed to the Catholic Church and society for a Papal Honours Award, Civil Award or Diocesan Award. Please visit parracatholic.org/awards. The Awards Ceremony will be held in November. More details to come.

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANT AND REFUGEES

CELEBRATION - 16 SEPTEMBER: You're warmly invited to a family-friendly event with Bishop Vincent and our migrant communities for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees on Saturday, 16 September, 2:00pm–5:30pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Seven Hills. Come hear stories, enjoy free entertainment and activities. RSVP at: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/celebrating-world-day-of-refugees-and-migrants-tickets-675662363317?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>.



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

MET WORSHIP SELECTING MUSIC FOR MASS WORKSHOP - 7 SEPTEMBER: Looking for further training on selecting music for Mass? Wanting some tips on encouraging a congregation to sing? Eric Grella, Music Formation Facilitator, Diocese of Parramatta will be running a Music Workshop on Thursday, 7 September at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown from 7:00pm-9:00pm! Musicians, Liturgy Planners and Clergy are invited to attend. RSVP by 5 September on 0460 037 795 or mary.gale@parracatholic.org.

GLENMORE PARK ST. PADRE PIO FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS: Everyone is invited to join us for our parochial feast of St. Padre Pio. There are numerous blessings received by his intercession and we thank God for the gift of our patron: St. Padre Pio. **Three Day Triduum:** * Thursday, 21 September – 7:00pm Novena to St. Padre Pio and Mass; * Friday, 22 September – 7:00pm Novena to St. Padre Pio and Mass and * Saturday, 23 September – 5:30pm Novena to St. Padre Pio and Vigil Mass. **Feast Day:** Sunday, 24 September. **At 10:00am:** Solemn Procession with the Relic of St. Padre Pio, Solemn Feast Day Mass, Veneration and Blessing by the Relic of St. Padre Pio. Other festivities. **Address:** 34 William Howell Drive, Glenmore Park. Enquiries: 4789.2232 or glenmorepark@parracatholic.org.

HEARTBEAT CHURCH — SPRING MARKET:
Market Dates: 16 September, 7 October, 21 October, 4 November and 18 November.
Location: 59 Regents Street, Regents Park. **Time:** 8:00am-2:00pm. All are welcome.

SEASON OF CREATION - 1 SEPTEMBER-4 OCTOBER: The Season of Creation is an ecumenical celebration and this year's theme is, '*Let Justice and Peace Flow*'. It started on 1 September, the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation and ends on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi on 4 October. In his message for this year's World Day of Prayer for Creation, Pope Francis reminds us that the next chapter in the Church's synodal journey will begin at the conclusion of the Season of Creation. He hopes that this synodal journey will foster deeper communion enriched by greater dialogue. To learn more, please contact our Peace, Justice and Ecology team via met@parracatholic.org.

MASTERCLASS FOR SPONSOR MARRIED COUPLES - 19 OCTOBER: The Diocese is looking to more deeply accompany couples preparing to be married. Have you been married for more than 5 years? Committed to living the sacrament of Marriage? Willing to give time limited assistance to couples preparing for marriage? Join us for a Masterclass on Thursday, 19 October at 7:30pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown, on Sponsoring engaged couples in your Parish using the SmartLoving Engaged Online program. To book your attendance in-person or via Zoom or to ask further questions, please email marriage@parracatholic.org or phone Marisa on 8838.3460.

