

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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18 & 19 May 2024
Pentecost Sunday — Year B

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 Sundays 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:

Asela Faupala, Bishop Emeritus Peter Ingham (Fourth Bishop of Wollongong)

Anniversaries:

Joseph Kusitino Tukana, Gertrude Santa Maria, Benedict & Nessie Gomes, Imelda Lie, Tjung Ten Moy, George Mansour, Aurelia Mempin, Mlowell Calpito Sison Sr., Robert Jerry D'Souza, Joao & Tomazia Alves, Noeleen & Michael Remaili, Warren Durbidge, Josephine Badcock, Edoard Pangalila

Deceased:

Cordeiro Family Deceased Members, Nayef El-Khoury, Jreige & Laila Jlalaty, Doris Salerno, Phyllis Fimognari, Rima & Bassima Hanna & Family, Peter, Janette & Eid Majed & Family, Elias, Tony & Peter Jamil & Family, Mary Jane Axiak, Soane & Doris Kikanoi & Family, Tokavahua, Falaeo & Faupala Families, Katalina Lea'Kina Fatu & Family, Alves & Moniz Families, Remaili & Wager Families, Phillip & George Majed & Family, Vittoria Ciaccia, 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

PENTECOST SUNDAY – YEAR B



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.**



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

2ND READING: GALATIANS 5:16-25

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

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desires. Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

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 15:26-27; 16:12-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

'When the Advocate comes,
whom I shall send to you from the Father,
the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father,
he will be my witness.

And you too will be witnesses,
because you have been with me from the outset.

'I still have many things to say to you
but they would be too much for you now.

But when the Spirit of truth comes
he will lead you to the complete truth,
since he will not be speaking as from himself
but will say only what he has learnt;
and he will tell you of the things to come.

He will glorify me,
since all he tells you
will be taken from what is mine.
Everything the Father has is mine;
that is why I said:
All he tells you
will be taken from what is mine.'

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

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 use 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 for First Holy Communion, after Sunday Masses – Saturday 5:30pm, Sunday 8:00am and 10:00am. The Eucharist is the memorial of the dying and rising of Jesus. 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.

ST. PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, GUILDFORD – YEAR 4 PRESENTS PENTECOST – A RENEWAL LITURGY: Parishioners are invited to attend Pentecost – A Renewal Liturgy (presented by Year 4). **Date:** Monday, 20 May 2024. **Time:** 11:00am. **Where:** St. Patrick's Parish Church, Guildford. All welcome.

HOLROYD COMBINED CHURCHES – PENTECOST SERVICE: Hosted by Wentworthville Baptist, 18 Chelmsford Road, South Wentworthville. **Date and Time:** Sunday, 19 May at 6:00pm. Songs + Prayers + Message + Supper. Please bring a plate of supper to share. www.holroyd-churches.org.au.

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 is 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.

ST. PATRICK'S SENIOR CITIZEN'S CLUB is for anyone over 55. We meet every two weeks on a Monday at 9:30am in the Parish Hall. All welcome. For more information, please contact Keith on 9632.5379.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

SYNOD 2023 UPDATE - LOCAL THINK TANK SESSIONS FROM MAY-JUNE: Parishes and other local faith communities across the diocese are holding local Think Tank Sessions, giving local leaders and anyone involved in ministry to offer feedback on the Draft of the Diocesan Plan for a Synodal Church, and contribute ideas for the practical implementation of our Diocesan Plan. **Visit:** parracatholic.org/synod for more information.

MET NATURAL FERTILITY SYMPTO-THERMAL METHOD INTRODUCTION SESSION - 28 MAY: MET Natural Fertility is hosting an initial instruction session on the Sympto-Thermal Method (STM) of Natural Family Planning on Tuesday, 28 May from 7:15pm to 8:15pm via Zoom. The Sympto-Thermal Method includes measuring your basal body temperature, which confirms ovulation! This method is 99.6% effective in postponing pregnancy and helps couples identify the best time to achieve pregnancy! To book your place or for further information, contact catherine.bourne@parracatholic.org or call 0400 427 605.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST - MINISTRY TO THE SICK IN HOSPITALS: Are you interested in bringing Communion to the Sick in the Hospitals of the Diocese? You will receive formation and information necessary for this ministry. Note you will not be required to do this every week but will be placed on a roster. For more information, please contact bernard.ellis@catholiccarewsbm.org.au by 15 June 2024. "The Eucharist is essential for us: it is Christ who wishes to enter our lives and fill us with his grace." - Pope Francis

SAFEGUARDING FACE-TO-FACE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES: More training opportunities for Mandatory Safeguarding Training will be available throughout May. Please register directly for this training or for other convenient dates and locations by clicking on the training event at: <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguarding-training>. For more information, please email: safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org.

CELEBRATE LAUDATO SI' WEEK - SEEDS OF HOPE (16-24 MAY): Are you ready to sow "Seeds of Hope"? Join the Catholic Church around Australia and worldwide in celebrating *Laudato Si'* Week: 16 to 24 May 2024. This annual commemoration of Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'* encourages us to care more deeply for God's creation. You can find useful resources at: linktr.ee/met.pje.

GET YOUR FEED ON THE SOUL FOOD PODCAST: Do you find life and faith inspiration by listening to the experiences of others? The Mission Enhancement Team's *Soul Food Podcast* features life and faith stories of people from our diocesan family. Listen now for FREE via our website or on Spotify: www.parracatholic.org/resources/soul-food

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

WINBOURNE WALKING THE LABYRINTH REFLECTION DAY - 25 MAY: The Winbourne Edmund Rice Retreat Centre, Mulgoa, is holding a half-day retreat 'Walking the Labyrinth' on Saturday, 25 May from 9:30am to 12:30pm. In the labyrinth you enter a spiritual journey. It is a safe space, but one which challenges boundaries in order to create hope. There you may safely bring to the surface that which, held within, needs to come into the light. Cost is \$15.00 per person, with tea and coffee included. For more information or to book, contact 4773.5555 or email info@winbourne.org.

WINBOURNE BEING PENTECOST PEOPLE REFLECTION DAY - 8 JUNE: The Winbourne Edmund Rice Retreat Centre, Mulgoa, is holding a reflection day 'Being Pentecost People' on Saturday, 8 June from 9:30am to 3:00pm. After his resurrection, with the admonition from the Last Supper to 'be Him', Jesus Christ still calls us towards both contemplative and active life. Cost is \$30.00 per person, BYO Lunch. For more information or to book, contact 4773.5555 or email info@winbourne.org.

CENTRAL EUROPE PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. JOSEPH LAM OSA - MAY 2025: Cosmos Tour Operators are organising a Central Europe tour for 17 days from 8 to 24 May 2025, travelling through Germany, Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Austria and Czechia, accompanied by Fr Joseph Lam OSA from St. Finbar's Parish, Glenbrook. Prices start from \$5,076.00 per person, excluding flights. For more information, or to register your interest, please contact the Parish Office on secretary@stfinbars.org.au.

MOUNT SCHOENSTATT SHRINE TIME HOLY HOUR FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS: The Mount Schoenstatt community invite youth and young adults for Holy Hour every fourth Sunday of the month from 7:00pm to 8:00pm at the Mt. Schoenstatt Shrine, 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa, followed by a social gathering afterwards. There will be opportunities for praise and worship, prayer, reflection, confession and benediction. For more information, please contact Sr. M. Rita on 0493 026 628 or srrita@schoenstatt.org.au.

OFFICIAL AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE

'In the Footsteps of Mary Mackillop' is an official Australian National Pilgrimage prepared by the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart.

It will begin in East Melbourne on Tuesday 13 October 2024.



IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP PILGRIMAGE — 15TH-26TH OCTOBER 2024:

Join us on the official Pilgrimage created and led by the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart for the last 28 years. An all inclusive 12 day organised pilgrimage to sacred sites in Victoria, South Australia and

New South Wales. Don't miss out. Numbers limited. To find out more information please telephone 8912.4818 or email: national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or www.marymackillopplace.org.au.



STANDARD 3 - FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES ARE INFORMED AND INVOLVED: As you'd be aware, the Diocese is committed to keeping children, young people, and vulnerable adults safe. We have processes in place to keep this commitment. The Diocese

Safeguarding website has links to Government and non-Government safeguarding websites with useful information for parents in relation to keeping their children safe (<https://parracatholic.org/safeguarding>). Our relationships with our children, however, place us in a privileged position where we can have important conversations about how they can keep themselves safe, and who to talk to when they don't feel safe. It's not always easy to know where to start the "safety" conversation, but a range of resources are available to parents on the internet which can advise parents on what to discuss and even how to approach the conversation! **Age Specific Information** - <https://raisingchildren.net.au/>. **Personal Safety** - <https://www.napcan.org.au/tips-for-talking-to-children-about-personal-safety/>. **Online Safety** - <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>.

YOUNG ADULT FAITH FORMATION - 2 JUNE: Young Adult Faith Formation sessions continue on Sunday, 2 June at The Hustle (Unit 4, 4-6 Purdy Road, Minchinbury) at 7:00pm. The speaker is Fr. Jeff Miller SDB who will talk about and lead discussion on The Holy Trinity. All adults 18-35 are encouraged to come along and enjoy some faith formation, pizza and fellowship! If you have any questions, please call Mark on 0477 004 678.

MOUNT SCHOENSTATT MARIAN MAY DEVOTIONS: Everyone is invited to the Schoenstatt Shrine to pray, sing and honour the Blessed Mother daily in the month of May. All are welcome to join the sisters for half hour May Devotions in the Shrine on Sunday to Friday at 5:30pm and Saturdays at 5:15pm. Learn more about the May devotions on their website <https://schoenstatt.org.au/> or Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/MtSchoenstattMulgoa/>.

GRACE AND SILENCE RETREAT FOR YOUNG WOMEN - 2 JUNE: The Mount Schoenstatt Girls and Young Women ministry invite single women aged 20 to 40 discerning a vocation to marriage and family, single life or consecrated life to a silent retreat day on Sunday, 2 June 9:30am to 4:30pm at Bethany, 301 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa. Cost is \$25.00. For catering purposes, registrations close a week prior to each event. For details, contact Hannah on 0433 443 384.

