

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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13 & 14 July 2024

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 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:

Theresa Xuereb, Aplosio Faupala, Alois Sione

Anniversaries:

Mavis Muslado, Keith McCormick, Malia Tololesi Tokavahua Taginoa, Taleka Manuka Kolokimoana, Julian Attard, Patricia Fernandes, Josephine Frois, Michael D'Souza, Gioacchino & Nicholas Jones, Vera McCormick

Deceased:

Paul Zakka, Cham Tran Dao, Mary Jane Axiak, Rima & Bassima Hanna & Family, Peter, Janette & Eid Majed & Family, Elias, Tony & Peter & Family, John Seghabi, Felix Gonsalves, Hanna & Majed Families, Joseph Kusitino Tukana & Family, Tokavahua, Falao & Faupala & Families, Soane & Doris Kikanoi & Family, Kathleen Tuini Lea'Kina Fatu & Family, Abiwahab & Bechara Families, Deceased Members of Frois Family, Deceased Members of Santa Maria Families, Alois Malle, 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

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B



1ST READING: AMOS 7:12-15

A reading from the prophet Amos

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."' "

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 84:9-14

Response: Lord, show us your mercy and love,
 and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
 a voice that speaks of peace,
 peace for his people.
 His help is near for those who fear him
 and his glory will dwell in our land. **R.**

Mercy and faithfulness have met;
 justice and peace have embraced.
 Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
 and justice look down from heaven. **R.**

The Lord will make us prosper
 and our earth shall yield its fruit.
 Justice shall march before him
 and peace shall follow his steps. **R.**

2ND READING: EPHESIANS 1:3-10

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

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved, in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

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: MARK 6:7-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff - no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

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



**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.**

PARISH NOTICES

PLANNED GIVING OFFERING ENVELOPES: The Planned Giving Offering envelopes for the 2024/2025 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.

1ST AND 2ND COLLECTION COUNTER'S ROSTER: The new roster for the 2024/2025 financial year is now available for collection from the Sacristy.

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.

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.

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.

PARISH NOTICES

CUMBERLAND COMMUNITY PRAYER DINNER — 27 AUGUST: Parishioners are invited to be part of this annual gathering. 2024 will be the 45th Prayer Dinner in our local area. See <https://www.holroyd-churches.org.au/hcpd> for more history of the dinner. **Date:** Tuesday, 27 August. **Time:** 7:00pm. **Location:** Swan Room, Merrylands RSL. **Guest Speaker:** Angela Shanahan, Freelance Journalist and Columnist with The Australian. **Cost:** \$50.00 per person including a two-course meal and soft drinks. If you wish to attend the Prayer Dinner tickets can be purchased online at: <https://www.eventbookings.com/b/event/2024-cumberland-community-prayer-dinner>. **All ticketing will be processed electronically this year (purchases, e-tickets and reminders). RSVP by 13 August 2024.** Enquiries to Holroyd Combined Churches on 9896.2514 or hmf@hnlc.org.au; www.holroyd-churches.org.au/hcpd.

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



ARE YOU UP FOR FUN, FITNESS, AND FELLOWSHIP? GET #ACTIVE4VOCATIONS IN THE CITY2SURF ON SUNDAY,

11 AUGUST: Join the Parramatta Catholic Foundation #Active4Vocations team. Walk, stroll, jog, or run with our Holy Spirit seminarians,

deacons, priests, and community. Scan this QR code or visit: tinyurl.com/Active4Vocations to register or donate. Funds raised support our Diocese's seminarians to become priests. **Thank you for getting #Active4Vocations.**

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS - 19 JULY: Please join us across the Diocese to pray for more vocations to the priesthood. Join us at St. Patrick's Church, Mary Queen of the Family Parish, Blacktown with Fr. Tom Green on Friday, 19 July from 6:30pm, followed by Mass. **If you are interested in becoming a priest or would like more information, please contact:** our Director for Priestly Vocations, Fr. Galbert Albino on 4773.4321, 0450 821 812 or email: galbert.albino@parracatholic.org.

THE FIRST DIOCESAN KIDS ART COMPETITION: As part of our commitment to zero tolerance for any form of abuse or harm to children or any person, the Diocese of Parramatta is running our first Art competition for children and young people! Children and young people aged between 5 and 19 are invited to produce an artwork around the theme "My Church Community is a Safe Place for Me". Entries close on Friday, 26 July. **For more information and to enter, please visit:** parracatholic.org/artcompetition.

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

CATHOLIC CARE CIRCLE OF SECURITY PARENTING SERIES - BEGINS 24 JULY: Catholic Care are hosting the Circle of Security Parenting series for parents and caregivers of children up to 18 years of age. Learn how to understand your child's emotional world, support your child's ability to manage emotions and ensure your child feels secure. Sessions will be held over eight weeks from 24 July to 11 September from 10:00am–12:30pm. Cost is \$105.00 or \$5.00 for concession card holders. **To book, call 8843.2500 or email: enquiries@catholiccarewsbm.org.au.**

CATHOLIC CARE KEEPING KIDS IN MIND PARENTING COURSE - BEGINS 13 AUGUST: Parenting after separation can be difficult for you and your child. This Catholic Care course over five weeks is designed to assist you in supporting your child following family separation. The sessions are held every Tuesday online from 13 August to 10 September from 10:00am–12:30pm. Cost is \$150.00 or \$50.00 for concession card holders. A certificate of attendance is issued on completion of the course. **To book, call 8843.2500 or email: enquiries@catholiccarewsbm.org.au.**

TRI-DIOCESAN SOCIAL JUSTICE EVENING - 25 JULY: You are invited to a Tri-Diocesan Social Justice Evening with keynote speaker John Lochowiak, Chair of NATSICC. The event will reflect on the 2023-24 Social Justice Statement "Listen, Learn, Love: A New Engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People", and is hosted by the Diocese of Broken Bay, together with the Diocese of Parramatta and Archdiocese of Sydney: 25 July 2024, 6:00pm, The Epping Club (45-47 Rawson Street, Epping). **Please register by 17 July at: trybooking.com/ctcfo.**

JESUIT REFUGEE SERVICES REFUGEE SHOWCASE EVENING - 19 JULY: In the spirit of Refugee Week, please join us for a special event featuring a showcase by leaders with lived experience from the JRS Australia Refugee Leadership Program. The event will be held on Friday, 19 July in the St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall from 6:00pm. Attendance is free and all are welcome. An optional \$30.00 donation is available for those able to contribute. **RSVP to secure your place at: <https://events.humanitix.com/refugee-week>.**

MET WORSHIP A JOURNEY OF FAITH RCIA SEMINARS - BEGINNING 31 JULY: The MET Worship team are holding a series of seminars for RCIA Co-Ordinators to come together to learn and ask questions about how to run an RCIA program in their parish. The sessions will be held on Wednesdays (and one Tuesday) from 31 July to 28 August at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Participants may attend as many workshops as they are interested in. **For more information and to register, please visit: <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=rcia-seminars> or contact: lucy.woodbury@parracatholic.org or telephone 0460 037 795.**

PEACE, JUSTICE AND ECOLOGY TABLE TALK – HOUSING FOR EVERYONE - 3 AUGUST: Many people in our communities struggle to find a home, due to high prices to rent or buy, lack of availability, or lack of social housing. At this Diocesan Table Talk, you are invited to hear and discuss inspiring stories from people affected and insightful information from an expert: 3 August 2024 from 7:00pm–9:30pm (after Mass) at The Good Shepherd Parish, 130-136 Hyatts Road, Plumpton. Light dinner will be included. **Please register at: tinyurl.com/housing-table-talk24**

CATHOLIC CARE BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS PARENTING GROUP - BEGINS 3 SEPTEMBER: Parents and caregivers are welcome to join a parenting group designed by the Australian Childhood Foundation run over four sessions at Catholic Care's Mamre House, Orchard Hills, from Thursday, 3 September from 10:00am to 1:00pm. The course is supported by the free Mamre Creche. Numbers are limited, so express your interest by contacting 8843.2500 or 0439 917 129 by 15 August.

BISHOP VINCENT PRESENTS DR. MYRIAM WIJLENS - 5 AUGUST: Internationally recognised Dutch theologian, ecumenist and consultor to several Vatican bodies, Dr. Myriam Wijlens will be coming to Australia to deliver a series of free public lectures on the topic of 'The Prophetic Voice of the Laity in the Renewal of the Catholic Church.' Dr. Myriam will be hosted by the Diocese of Parramatta as part of its "Bishop Vincent Presents" series on Monday, 5 August at St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Parramatta, from 6:00pm. **To register, please visit: parracatholic.org/drmyriam**

MET WORSHIP SERVING AT THE ALTAR SEMINAR - 3 AUGUST: The Office for Worship are hosting a seminar for Acolytes and Ministers of the Altar (Senior Servers) on "Back to Basics of Serving at the Altar" on Saturday, 3 August from 9:30am to 3:00pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Chris Ohlsen will present the seminar, which will revisit some of the basic principles in serving at the altar. Refreshments and lunch will be provided. **To RSVP by 31 July, please contact: lucy.woodbury@parracatholic.org or telephone 0460 037 795.**

MET WORSHIP MUSIC COPYRIGHT WORKSHOP - 30 JULY OR 1 AUGUST: Calling all Parish musicians and members of our parish communities who create slides and booklets for our Masses. Mr. Eric Grella will be holding a workshop on THE IMPORTANCE OF COPYRIGHT. Bring all your questions to the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown on 30 July or to St. Nicholas of Myra Parish, Penrith on 1 August at 7:00pm. **RSVP via: <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?>**