

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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5 & 6 October 2024
27th 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:

Maria De Gasperi

Anniversaries:

Tom Shedden, Florita Balmes, Stephen Richard Dennis, Camilo O'Nez, Frank Saffioti, Carmen Peiry, Robert Jerry D'Souza, Eric Crowley, Wadih Younan, Rita & Earnshaw Burns, Graeme Mansour, Joseph Kusitino Tukana, Francois Leaha Keletaona, Anthony Brendan Mockle

Deceased:

Cesar Balmes, Pamalias & Padillo Families, Mary Jane Axiak, Mansour Ayroun & Family, Maria & Joseph, Emile & Evette Tayoun, Abiwahab & Bechara Families, Roman & Benita Barliso, Rima & Bassima Hanna & Family, Peter, Janette & Eid Majed & Family, Elias, Tony & Peter & Family, Felix Gonsalves, Joseph Kusitino Tukana & Family, Tokavahua, Falao & Faupala Families, Katalina Tuini Lea'Kina Fatu & Family, Soane & Doris Kikanoi & Family, Wadih, Youseff Maroun & Esther Younan, Dib, Salam & Michael Barakat, Antoun Yazbeck and his departed brothers and sisters and parents, Majed 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

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B



1ST READING: GENESIS 2:18-24

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them; each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed: 'This at last is bone from my bones and flesh from my flesh! This is to be called woman, for this was taken from man.' This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 127

Response: May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

O blessed are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways!
by the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. **R.**

Your wife will be like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table. **R.**

Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
in a happy Jerusalem
all the days of your life!
May you see your children's children.
On Israel, peace! **R.**

2ND READING: HEBREWS 2:9-11

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind. As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 1 JOHN 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia!

If we love one another,
God will live in us in perfect love.

Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: MARK 10:2-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them. 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



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God will live in us
in perfect love.**

PARISH NOTICES

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION — SATURDAY, 23 NOVEMBER: The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in our Parish at the 5:30pm Mass on Saturday, 23 November, the Feast of Christ the King. Children aged 10 years and over may receive this sacrament which will complete their initiation into the Catholic Community. Enrolment forms will be distributed to students in our Parish School. Those who attend other schools are invited to come to the Parish Office, during office hours, to collect an Enrolment Form. All forms are to be completed at home and returned to the Parish Office with a copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate attached. You will receive reflection sheets to share with your child as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

NO MORNING TEA AFTER THE 10:00AM MASS TODAY: There will be no morning tea after the 10:00am Mass today.

CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL – 19-20 OCTOBER – GO AND INVITE EVERYONE TO THE BANQUET: In the harsh Mongolian winter, where temperatures can dip to minus 40 degrees Celsius, survival is often difficult. In two weeks, we'll share with you the story of Chuluunbaatar, who faces the realities of homelessness on a daily basis. You'll learn how your generous support will help with essential services to people in need like Chuluunbaatar. You have the opportunity to partner with this life-giving work, as your prayers and support are crucial in ensuring this program can move forward. **Freecall: 1800 257 296 – catholicmission.org.au/Mongolia.**

SMART TAP TO DONATE DEVICE is installed inside the church near the front glass doors. The Smart Tap can be used to make donations to the parish. There are four options from which to choose when making a donation: \$5.00, \$10.00, \$20.00 or "Other Amount" (selected by the donor). This way of donating has been used regularly by parishioners and visitors. On behalf of the parish Finance Committee, I thank everybody for their generosity.

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.**

CHURCH CLEANLINESS: A friendly reminder to keep the house of the Lord clean by taking all your rubbish with you at the conclusion of Holy Mass — this includes all used tissues. Thank you for your co-operation.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

POSITIONS VACANT:

Manager, Catholic Youth Parramatta – Diocese of Parramatta – **Applications close 12 October**
Finance Administrator – Diocese of Parramatta – **Applications close 18 October**
More details at: parracatholic.org/about/jobs/.

FROM THE PASTORAL PLAN 2024-2028 - BEHOLD, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS: "If we listen attentively, we learn to recognise the new and different ways by which the Spirit of Jesus continues to breathe God's goodness and speak God's Word in our fractured world. Our call is to listen deeply, to discern God's voice, especially in those unexpected or uncomfortable encounters or places." (Page 35, Diocesan Pastoral Plan). Explore the Pastoral Plan and join the synodal journey: www.parracatholic.org/synodality.

CYP LIFTED GO - 17 OCTOBER: "LIFTED Go" is an exciting new initiative in Catholic Youth Parramatta's LIFTED series, co-created with the Peace, Justice and Ecology team. You can expect an uplifting, energising and prayerful night in true LIFTED style, that will encourage us all to GO out into the deep as missionary disciples and peacemakers: 17 October 2024, 7:00pm-9:00pm, WestHQ. **Find out more and register at:** parracatholic.org/liftedgo.

MET WORSHIP SERVING AT THE ALTAR WORKSHOP - 2 NOVEMBER: Back by popular demand! We have decided to repeat the 'Back to Basics' Seminar for Acolytes and Ministers of the Altar (Senior Servers) who missed the last session and those who would like to attend again. This seminar will occur on Saturday, 2 November from 9:30am to 3:00pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Refreshments and lunch will be provided. **RSVP by 26 October to:** hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org or 0488 000 211.

ROUSE HILL PARISH CAR BOOK SALE - 19 OCTOBER: Our Lady of the Angels Parish, Rouse Hill, is having a Car Boot Sale on Saturday, 19 October between 10:00am to 3:00pm on the church grounds. All are welcome to join in with our Parish community, sell items that you no longer want, or you may even pick up a bargain! Spaces to hire are limited. Cost is \$100.00 for a double car space. **If you wish to reserve a space, please email:** parishoffice@ourladyoftheangels.org.au.

MET WORSHIP MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND DYING FORMATION - 19 OCTOBER: Are you currently taking Communion to the Sick and Dying in the Diocese of Parramatta? If so, please join the Office for Worship for a day of ongoing formation to further your knowledge and understanding of this important topic. Saturday, 19 October from 9:30am-2:00pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Morning tea and lunch provided. **For more information and to register before 14 October, please contact:** Hannah on hannah.portelli@parracatholic.org or 0488 000 211 or visit <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=office-for-worship>.

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS - 18 OCTOBER:

Please join us across the Diocese to pray for more vocations to the priesthood. Join us at St. Aidan's Parish, Rooty Hill on Friday, 18 October from 6:00pm to 7:00pm with Fr. Galbert Albino. Holy Hour will be 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 FAITHFEED ECHO -

20 OCTOBER: Looking for a space that brings together creativity, music and meaningful conversations? Searching for a place where leadership among those in their 20's, 30's and 40's can be celebrated and empowered? Register for TFF ECHO - a brand new experience from The

FaithFeed, launching Sunday, 20 October. **More event details and RSVP via:** <https://parracatholic.org/events/the-faithfeed-october-2024/> or the QR code. Food, drink and live music provided!

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS - 27 OCTOBER:

The annual Diocese of Parramatta Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, 27 October at 11:00am at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Bishop Vincent will celebrate Solemn Mass, followed by a light lunch at the Cathedral Hall. All couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary will receive a certificate from Bishop Vincent. Please register your name, years of marriage and numbers attending by visiting parracatholic.org/weddingmass or telephone 0488 000 211 by 20 October. Family and friends are welcome.

DIOCESAN DELEGATION FOR SYDNEY ALLIANCE CONVENTION - 30 OCTOBER:

As a member of the Sydney Alliance, the Diocese of Parramatta invites you to be part of our delegation at the 2024 Sydney Alliance Convention. It will be an opportunity to come together from across faith-, community- and union-based organisations that reflect the diversity of Greater Sydney. The Convention will build momentum for affordable housing, clean energy, and action on climate ahead of the 2025 Federal Election: 30 October 2024, 6:00pm-8:45pm, Bowman Hall in Blacktown. **Find out more and register online at:** tinyurl.com/sa-convention24.



MISSION: TRANSFORM LIVES - THEIRS...AND YOURS:

Are you ready to embark on a life-changing journey that combines your professional experience with meaningful community impact and living our faith in practice? Hear inspiring stories from Palms

mission participants at our Discovery Online session on Wednesday, 9 October. Explore unique opportunities matching your skills to sustainable solutions. **Venue:** Online via Zoom - Scan the QR code or register at palms.org.au/events. **Date:** Wednesday, 9 October 2024. **Time:** 7:30pm-8:30pm - **9560.5333; palms@palms.org.au.**

WORLD ROSARY HOUR AND OUR LADY OF FATIMA PROCESSION - 13 OCTOBER:

The Parish of Saint Paul the Apostle, Winston Hills invites you to join us as we pray the Holy Rosary on Sunday, 13 October at 4:00pm. This also includes Our Lady of Fatima procession around the Church grounds and will be livestreamed. **To know more visit:** worldrosaryhour.com, contact our Parish Office on 9639.6516 or winstonhills@parracatholic.org.

YOUNG ADULTS FAITH FORMATION -

13 OCTOBER: Young Adult Faith Formation sessions continue on Sunday, 13 October at The Hustle (Unit 4, 4-6 Purdy Road, Minchinbury) at 7:00pm. The speaker is Christian Stephens who will talk about and lead discussion on "Is Evolution Compatible with Faith?" 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.

CATHOLIC CARE PREGNANCY AND INFANT LOSS DAY COMMEMORATION - 15 OCTOBER:

To commemorate Pregnancy and Infant Loss Memorial Day, Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains and White Lady Funerals are holding a memorial service on Tuesday, 15 October from 11:00am at Mamre House, Orchard Hills. There will be an opportunity to place a plant in memory of your loved one in the Garden of Remembrance. Please RSVP to Lisa on 0439 917 129 or Christy at White Lady Funerals 4731.4385.

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA TRIBUNAL OFFICE:

The Tribunal of the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Parramatta is open Monday to Friday, 9:00am to 5:00pm, to offer advice and assistance regarding marriage annulments and dissolution of marriages. Interviews are preferably conducted in person with Zoom and telephone interviews in special circumstances. Please contact the Tribunal Office on 8838.3480 or email: tribunal@parracatholic.org.

WINBOURNE 'THE SPIRITUALITY OF THE LORD OF THE RINGS' REFLECTION DAY -

19 OCTOBER: The Winbourne Edmund Rice Retreat Centre, Mulgoa, is holding a reflection day on 'The Spirituality of The Lord of the Rings' on Saturday, 19 October from 9:30am to 3:00pm. J.R.R. Tolkien's deep Catholic spirituality is evident throughout the trilogy, although neither God nor Church are mentioned. Cost is \$30.00 per person. BYO lunch. **For more information or to book, contact:** 4773.5555 or email: info@winbourne.org.

MT. SCHOENSTATT FOUNDATION DAY AND CROWNING JUBILEE - 20 OCTOBER:

Join us as we celebrate Mt. Schoenstatt's Foundation Day and Crowning Golden Jubilee on Sunday, 20 October. The family festival will begin at 10:15am, with Mass celebrated at 11:00am followed by a procession to the Shrine. There will be BBQ, food stalls, jumping castle, face painting and more activities for the whole family. **For more information, follow the Shrine on Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/MtSchoenstattMulgoa/>.