

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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26 & 27 October 2024
30th 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:

Monsignor John Usher, Francina Mathew, Lam Xuan Hoa La, Monsignor Vincent Redden, Sylviane Kafoa Mekenese, Tominiko Saliga, Silvana Ingrao, Isalei Hausiaivaha Payet

Anniversaries:

Norman Cordeiro, Robin Gomes, Elias Fernandopulle, Veselko Luburic, Eileen Crowley, Heneliko Tokavahua, Fulilotojean Michel Pagatele, Ron Cartwright, Sebastian D'Silva, Souraya Tannous, Tom Shedden, Florita Balmes, Stephen Richard Dennis

Deceased:

Deceased Members of the Frois Family, Felix Gonsalves, Mary Jane Axiak, Maria & Joseph, Rima & Bassima Hanna & Family, Peter, Janette & Eid Majed & Family, Elias, Tony & Peter & Family, Adell Jamily & Family, Sebastian Lobo, Jocelyme Siaga Manukula, Papiola Lavasele Pooi, Ninda Tchong, Moussa & Joseph Tannous, Cesar Balmes, Pamalias & Padillo Families, Mansour Ayrout & Family, Emile & Evette Tayoun, 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

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B



1ST READING: JEREMIAH 31:7-9

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The Lord says this:

Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations!
Proclaim! Praise! Shout!

'The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!'
See, I will bring them back from the land of the North
and gather them from the far ends of earth; all of them:
the blind and the lame, women with child, women in
labour: a great company returning here. They had left
in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back; I will
guide them to streams of water, by a smooth path
where they will not stumble. For I am a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my first-born son.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 125

Response: The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. **R.**

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
the Lord worked for them!'
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. **R.**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap. **R.**

They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing:
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. **R.**

2ND READING: HEBREWS 5:1-6

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is
appointed to act for men in their relations with God,
to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can
sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain
because he too lives in the limitations of weakness.
That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as
well as for the people. No one takes this honour on
himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was.
Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high
priest, but he had it from the one who said to him:
You are my son, today I have become your father,
and in another text: You are a priest of the order of
Melchizedek, and for ever.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: CF 2 TIMOTHY 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death,
and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: MARK 10:46-52

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large
crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a
blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road.
When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he
began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus,
have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and
told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the
louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus
stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the
blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling
you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and
went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want
me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to
him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him,
'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his
sight returned and he followed him along the road.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



'Courage, he is calling you.'
Jesus said to the man
and says to us today.

'What do you want
me to do for you?'

PARISH NOTICES

NOVEMBER MASS OFFERINGS - NOVEMBER IS A SPECIAL TIME TO PRAY FOR THE DEAD:

During the month of November we remember, pray and offer Masses for members of our family and friends who have died and indeed all the faithful departed. November Mass Offering envelopes are available at the back of the Church. **Please PRINT names clearly on envelopes.** The names of those who have been remembered in the November Masses will be placed in front of the Altar.

MORNING TEA AFTER 10:00AM MASS NEXT SUNDAY:

We would like to invite everyone to join us for morning tea next Sunday. 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.

PASTOR'S ANNUAL LEAVE: I'll be away from 20th October to 22nd November.

~ Fr .Peter Blayney

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. **The cut-off date for Enrolment Forms to be returned to the Parish Office is COB on Wednesday, 20 November 2024.**

CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL – GO AND INVITE EVERYONE TO THE BANQUET:

We would like to thank you for your generosity supporting the Church in Mongolia and House of Mercy. **Thanks to your kindness, people like Chuluunbaatar will have access to the support they need to help them get back on their feet. Your gift will also support a variety of Church programs around the world.** To learn more about the impact your support is making, please visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work. Here, you can also sign up to our regular newsletter to keep up-to-date with the latest news. If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please do so at catholicmission.org.au/mongolia. Your action will make a profound change on people's lives. **Freecall: 1800 257 296**

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.

PARISH NOTICES

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.

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:

Administration Assistant – Holy Spirit Parish, St. Clair – **Applications close 31 October**

Accountant – Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains

More details at: parracatholic.org/about/jobs/

FROM THE PASTORAL PLAN 2024-2028 -

BEHOLD, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS: "From the ancient truism, *Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi, Lex Vivendi* (as we worship, so we believe, so we live), we are challenged that liturgy is not just an add-on to our faith lives but an essential expression of it. We recognise the need to continually renew and strengthen our liturgical celebrations so that all the baptised may truly participate in the life of the Church." (Page 43, Pastoral Plan). **Learn how the Synodal Church invites us to strengthen our liturgy:** www.parracatholic.org/synodality.

ACBC - SYNOD ON SYNODALITY PRAYER

RESOURCES: A range of liturgical resources have been prepared for parishes as we enter the second session of the Synod on Synodality in Rome. **The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference website has a range of related resources here:** <https://www.catholic.au/s/article/XVI-Ordinary-General-Assembly-of-the-Synod-of-Bishops>.

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

PARRAMATTA STREET FEAST - 13 NOVEMBER:

On behalf of Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv, you are warmly invited to the Parramatta Street Feast 2024. Come and share a free meal, entertainment and company in a spirit of friendship and solidarity: **13 November 2024, 10:30am–1:00pm, St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall, Parramatta.** BE A VOLUNTEER: **If you would also like to volunteer on the day (e.g. set-up, ushering, serving food), please fill out this registration form:** parracatholic.org/streetfeast.

ST. LUKE'S FAITH COMMUNITY 'VICTORY IN CHRIST' CONFERENCE - 1-2 NOVEMBER:

Join us for a retreat organised by St. Luke's Catholic faith community together with the Risen Lora Prayer Community. This weekend is an opportunity to refresh our hearts, to reset and to reconnect with God. There will be a children's program for kids aged 5-12, and childminding services for preschool-aged children. This is a free event, however registrations are essential. **For more information and registration visit:** <https://www.trybooking.com/CVTNB>.

SAFEGUARDING FACE-TO-FACE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:

The next session of face-to-face Mandatory Safeguarding Training will be held on Saturday, 9 November at St. Margaret Mary's Parish, Merrylands for Modules 4-5. **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.

ST. NICHOLAS OF MYRA PENRITH PAVILLION OF FELLOWSHIP RAFFLE:

St. Nicholas of Myra Parish is holding a fundraising raffle to help construct our Pavilion of Fellowship. The prize is a 7-day holiday in a Bali Villa for 6 people (flights not included). **For more information and to purchase tickets visit:** <https://www.raffletix.com.au/pavilionoffellowship>.

ST. NICHOLAS OF MYRA PENRITH — ROSARY TRIDUUM:

Join us on Tuesday, 29 October, Wednesday, 30 October and Thursday, 31 October commencing at 7:00pm with the Rosary followed by Holy Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians Grotto at the side of the Church. Please bring a chair.

THE VOCATION OF HEALTHCARE — SATURDAY, 23 NOVEMBER 2024:

This Formation session is suitable for young people discerning their vocation in life as a Healthcare professional, as well as Catholics involved in Healthcare as Professionals, Clergy, Aged Care, Ministers of Communion to the Sick, Lay Chaplains and Pastoral Associates. Anybody else interested in the topic is also welcome to come along. **10:00am-12:30pm — Saturday, 23 November 2024 — Parish Mass starting at 9:10am — St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Winston Hills.**

THE GOOD NEWS IN END-OF-LIFE CARE:

The topic covered will include having a look at the current Voluntary Assisted Dying situation, together with gaining an understanding of our Faith in the Resurrection from the Dead as the foundation for us to be at peace with death as we look forward with hope to joining loved ones who have gone before us as we wait for loved ones coming after us in the communion of saints. These sessions are suitable for anybody interested in the topic, especially young people discerning their vocation in life as a Healthcare professional, as well as Catholics involved in Healthcare as Professionals, Clergy, Aged Care, Ministers of Communion to the Sick, Lay Chaplains and Pastoral Associates. **Wednesdays 7:00pm-8:30pm — 4, 11 and 18 December 2024 — Cloister Hall, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta.** **RSVP:** met@parracatholic.org. **Enquiries:** michael.tan@parracatholic.org.

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

- Sr. Deborah Harmeling, O.S.B.

O God of Mercy and Tender Compassion, we cry out to you in this time of crisis.

Hear the cries of the people of the Middle East. Bring healing to those suffering from violence and comfort to those mourning the dead.

O God of Hope, sustain those who labour for peaceful and just solutions.

Inspire leaders and decision makers to choose the way of peace over the way of violence. Deliver all your children from the threat of war and teach us to encounter one another with reverence and love.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ who came to bring to peace on earth and who abides with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

- Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti

O God, Trinity of love, from the profound communion of your divine life, pour out upon us a torrent of sisterly and brotherly love.

Grant us the love reflected in the actions of Jesus, in his family of Nazareth, and in the early Christian community.

Grant that we Christians may live the Gospel, discovering Christ in each human being, recognising him crucified in the sufferings of the abandoned and forgotten of our world, and risen in each sister or brother who makes a new start.

Come, Holy Spirit, show us your beauty, reflected in all the peoples of the earth, so that we may discover anew that all are important and all are necessary, different faces of the one humanity that God so loves.

Amen

