

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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11 & 12 October 2025
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year C

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:

Antoine Bazouni, Felicia Mary Subramaniam,
Michael Godfrey, Joe Popovic, Antonietta
Sirolli, Shirley Ryan (Kerry Webb's mother)

Anniversaries:

Ron Cartwright, Robin Gomes, Eric & Eileen
Crowley, Heneliko Tokavahua, Silvana
Ingrao, Doris Salerno, Gertrude Santa Maria,
Dolores Borg, Robert Jerry D'Souza, Felix
Gonsalves, Carmen Peiry, Rose Watts,
Leahaitaua Falakiko Keletaona, Joseph
Kusitino Tukana, Foliaki Folautanoa, Alma &
Semaan Azar

Deceased:

Sebastian Lobo, Edgar Montclar, Tito &
Maria, Rima & Bassima Hanna & Family,
Katia, Peter, Janette, Eid & George Majed &
Family, Elias, Tony & Peter & Family, Phillip &
Phyllis Fimognari, Maria & Joseph, Wilfredo
O. Tano, Danielle Jan Abaquita, Abiwahab &
Bechara Families, Raymond Heloui, Robert &
Florence Frois, Tokavahua, Falaeo & Faupala
Families, Katalina Lea'Kimua Tuini Fatu &
Family, Soane & Doris Kikanoi & 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

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C



1ST READING: 2 KINGS 5:14-17

A reading from the second book of the Kings

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child.

Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.'

Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 97:1-4

Response: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Sing a new song to the Lord
for he has worked wonders.
His right hand and his holy arm
have brought salvation. **R.**

The Lord has made known his salvation;
has shown his justice to the nations.
He has remembered his truth and love
for the house of Israel. **R.**

All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Shout to the Lord all the earth,
ring out your joy. **R.**

2ND READING: 2 TIMOTHY 2:8-13

A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to Timothy

Remember the Good News that I carry, 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal - but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it.

Here is a saying that you can rely on:

If we have died with him, then we shall live with him. If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him. If we disown him, then he will disown us. We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful, for he cannot disown his own self.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

1 THESSALONIANS 5:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God,
because this is what he expects of you in
Christ Jesus.

Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 17:11-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



**'Jesus! Master!
Take pity on us.'**

**For all things
give thanks to God.**

PARISH NOTICES

CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL – 18-19 OCTOBER – MISSIONARIES OF HOPE – AMONG ALL PEOPLES: For women like Sharon, who must choose between feeding their children or selling their crops to survive, and Grace, who risked her life traveling 160km for safe childbirth, hope comes through Sr. Jane and Kayula. Through sustainable farming, Sr. Jane helps women provide for their families. At the Chilonga Mission Hospital, Kayula ensures mothers and babies receive the dignity and care they deserve. **This World Mission Month, we invite you to extend your generosity to help enhance the vital work of the Church. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope to the people of Zambia. Freecall: 1800 257 296; catholicmission.org.au/mission\.**

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Will be celebrated in our Parish at the 5:30pm Mass on Saturday, 22 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. Parents are invited to come to the Parish Office and collect an enrolment form, complete it at home and return it to the Parish Office **with a copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate attached, if your child was not baptised at St. Patrick's, Guildford.** You will receive reflection sheets to share with your child as preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT 2025-2026 — "SIGNS OF HOPE ON THE EDGE — SERVING HOMELESS PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILL-HEALTH": Copies of the Australian Catholic Bishops' 2025-2026 Social Justice Statement and prayer cards are available at the back of the Church. Please feel free to take a copy home with you.

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.

DIOCESAN NOTICES



CASTLE HILL PARISH MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON - 4 NOVEMBER: St. Bernadette's Parish, Castle Hill, are hosting a Melbourne Cup Lunch on Tuesday, 4 November 2025 from 12:00pm-3:30pm at The Heritage House, Kenthurst. Tickets are \$120.00pp and includes canapes on arrival, 2 course lunch (mains and dessert). Drinks are buy-as-you-go. Sweeps and games will be available to enter with prizes to be won! **Tickets on sale now at the St. Bernadette's Parish Office, Castle Hill or online via the QR Code.** All Welcome.

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN FOR DIOCESAN RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES: The Diocese is hosting one final retreat opportunity for adults of all ages to engage more with this Jubilee Year of Hope. Take the time to step away from your usual routine to experience a diocesan retreat – a sacred space for prayer, reflection, renewal and encounter with God. Registrations are now open for the final retreat on 15 November. **Visit: <https://parracatholic.org/events/diocesan-retreat-15-november/> for more details.**

ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS - 26 OCTOBER: Join us for the annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass to be held on Sunday, 26 October at 2:00pm at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta, followed by afternoon tea. Those celebrating a significant wedding anniversary will receive a certificate. If you would like to attend, please register your name, numbers attending and any dietary requirements. Family and friends are welcome. **RSVP to: marriage@parracatholic.org or call 0408 233 478 by 20 October.**

MINISTRY OF COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND DYING FORMATION - 8 NOVEMBER: 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 8 November from 9:30am–2:00pm at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown. Morning tea and Lunch provided. **For more information and to register before 3 November please contact the Office for Worship Team: OFW@parracatholic.org or 0488 000 211.**

MT. SCHOENSTATT FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATIONS - 19 OCTOBER: Everyone is invited to the Schoenstatt Foundation Day family festival celebrations on Sunday, 19 October at 230 Fairlight Road, Mulgoa. The program starts at 10:15am with a pre-program and confessions available, with Mass celebrated at 11:00am. Lunch and family activities will follow Mass, concluding with devotion and benediction at 1:45pm. The day will include FREE jumping castle and face painting, as well as the opportunity to purchase BBQ lunch as well as various food stalls, drinks, snow cones and other stalls. **For more information, contact Sr. M. Rita on: srrita@schoenstatt.org.au, 0493 026 628 or visit the Schoenstatt website or Facebook page.**

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

POSITIONS VACANT:

Senior Employment Relations Advisor – Diocese of Parramatta

Principal Risk Lead – Diocese of Parramatta

Administration and Projects Co-Ordinator – Diocese of Parramatta

More details at: parracatholic.org/jobs

WINSTON HILLS PARISH WORLD ROSARY HOUR AND OUR LADY OF FATIMA PROCESSION — 13 OCTOBER:

St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Winston Hills, will be taking part in World Rosary Hour on Monday 13 October at 7:00pm AEDT. The date marks the anniversary of the last apparition of Our Lady of Fátima to the three children. Join us to pray the rosary, followed by a candlelit procession with the statue of Our Lady around the church grounds. **Visit:** <https://www.worldrosaryhour.com/> for more information and also to view as a livestream for those unable to attend.

SAFEGUARDING FACE-TO-FACE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:

The next sessions of face-to-face Mandatory Safeguarding Training will be held on the following days:

Saturday, 18 October for Initial training (Modules 1-3) from 10:00am to 3:00pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, St. Marys.

Saturday, 25 October for Initial training (Modules 1-3) from 10:00am to 3:00pm at Corpus Christi Parish, Cranebrook.

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.

DESIGN OUR NEXT CATHOLIC OUTLOOK MAGAZINE FRONT COVER! We're inviting you to design the front cover of the *Catholic Outlook Magazine's* Christmas and Summer 2025 edition! People of all ages from across the Diocese of Parramatta are welcome to submit their artwork for consideration. Let's make this Advent and Christmas season a canvas of faith and joy – together. **Please submit your entry by Friday, 7 November 2025 – with a short description of your artwork – via:** parracatholic.org/artcomp.

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.

VOLUNTEER COMMUNICATORS NETWORK:

Are you savvy with a camera, writing or social media? We want to hear from you! Share your interest with us to support our storytelling in *Catholic Outlook*, our websites and social media. **Name/contact details are required:** parracatholic.org/communicators.

WINSTON HILLS PARISH SEVEN SURPRISES OF THE EUCHARIST PRESENTATION - 30 OCTOBER:

St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Winston Hills, is pleased to announce the next event in its 'Faith Seeking Understanding' series. Dr. Robert Haddad will present on the topic "Seven Surprises of the Eucharist" on Thursday, 30 October at 7:45pm, with optional Mass at 7:00pm. All are welcome to attend and there is no need to RSVP. **For more information, contact the Parish Office on 9639.6516 or email:** winstonhills@parracatholic.org.

CATHOLIC CARE PREGNANCY AND INFANT LOSS DAY COMMEMORATION — 16 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 Thursday, 16 October from 10:00am 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 at Catholic Care on 0439 917 129 or Christy at White Lady Funerals 4731.4385.**

MOUNT SCHOENSTATT MONTHLY SHRINE TIME FOR MEN:

Men at the Shrine is a monthly hour for men at the Schoenstatt Shrine in Mulgoa, held on the second Wednesday of the month from 8:00pm-9:00pm. The hour includes a brief reflection, silent personal prayer and the opportunity for confession. The Shrine has been a place of pilgrimage in the Diocese since 1968 and in 2025 is also one of the three locations in the Diocese to gain the Jubilee Indulgence.

MOUNT SCHOENSTATT MONTHLY SHRINE TIME FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS:

Join us for Monthly Holy Hour for youth and young adults at the Schoenstatt Shrine, Mulgoa, every fourth Sunday of the month for praise, worship, silence, prayer, reflection and benediction at the Shrine. There is the opportunity to go to confession and there is a small social gathering afterwards. **For further information please contact Sr. M. Rita via:** srrita@schoenstatt.org.au or 0493 026 628. **Web:** <https://schoenstatt.org.au/>.

MERCY WORKS 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS - 23 OCTOBER:

Mercy Works, the development arm of the Sisters of Mercy Australia and Papua New Guinea, is celebrating its 25th Anniversary with an evening of inspiration, storytelling and connection on Thursday, 23 October at St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Tickets are \$60.00 per person. **Please RSVP by 12 October or while tickets last by visiting:** <https://events.humanitix.com/mercy-works-25th-anniversary-celebration-and-fundraiser>.

For more information, contact MercyWorks on 9564.1911 or visit: mercyworks.org.au.

