

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
Closed daily: 12:30pm to 1:00pm

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13 & 14 June 2026
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year A

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:

Jenny Pedavoli, Antonios Kouzoukas,
Rita Ippolito, Oliva Muliakaaka, Robert
Chambers, Michele Adam, Telesia Sione
Mauvaka, Alaipulotu Ha'angata'ohihifo 'Aho,
Lolesio Tini, Soana Hautaufaao

Anniversaries:

James Barrett, Ernest Mitchell, Jack &
Georgette, Kamil & Georgette, Nellie Dunn,
Luisa Accatino, Marin Marcic, David Quach,
Santan Baptista, Anna Maria Baptista, Mark
Baptista, Leaha Francois Keletaona, Grga Vulic,
Frane & Marija Marcic

Deceased:

Bernabe Ponla Senior, Tokavahua, Falaeo &
Faupala Families, Joseph Kusitino Tukana &
Family, Katalina Lea'Kina Tuini Fatu & Family,
Soane & Doris Kikanoi & Family, Jeanette Love,
Edgar Montclar, George & Eva Beaini, Nelida
Abaquita, Remegio Abaquita, Sebastian Lobo,
Fr. Louis Breslan, r. Rod Bray, Rima & Bassima
Hanna & Family, Peter, Janette, Eid, Katia &
George Majed & Family, Elias, Tony, Peter &
Tony & Family, Abiwahab & Bechara Families,
Errol Perera, Nonilon Padillo, Carmencita
Padillo, Cordeiro Family Deceased Members,
Mansour Ayrouit & Family, Danilo Abaquita,
Danielle Jan Abaquita, Grga Vulic, Gwen Vogt,
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

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A



1ST READING: EXODUS 19:2-6

A reading from the book of Exodus

From Rephidim the Israelites set out again; and when they reached the wilderness of Sinai, there in the wilderness they pitched their camp; there facing the mountain Israel pitched camp.

Moses then went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Say this to the House of Jacob, declare this to the sons of Israel, "You yourselves have seen what I did with the Egyptians, how I carried you on eagle's wings and brought you to myself. From this you know that now, if you obey my voice and hold fast to my covenant, you of all the nations shall be my very own, for all the earth is mine. I will count you a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation."'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 99:2-3, 5

Response: We are his people: the sheep of his flock.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
Come before him, singing for joy. **R.**

Know that he, the Lord, is God.
He made us, we belong to him,
we are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R.**

Indeed, how good is the Lord,
eternal his merciful love.
He is faithful from age to age. **R.**

2ND READING: ROMANS 5:6-11

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

We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man - though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die - but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: MARK 1:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near;
repent and believe the Good News!

Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: MATTHEW 9:36 - 10:8

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.'

He summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits with power to cast them out and to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness.

These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them as follows:

'Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



**Know that he, the Lord, is God.
He made us, we belong to him,
we are his people,
the sheep of his flock**

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 age 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 Christ's death and resurrection. 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.

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL for Rita Ippolito will be held at St. Patrick's Church, Guildford on **Wednesday, 17 June at 11:30am.** Parishioners who are able to attend are most welcome.

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL for Jenny Pedavoli will be held at St. Patrick's Church, Guildford on **Thursday, 18 June at 10:30am.** Parishioners who are able to attend are most welcome.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE BISHOP'S GOOD WORKS APPEAL: Because of your compassion, our Parish has raised \$2,547.20 through the Bishop's Good Works Appeal, supporting Holy Spirit Seminary and helping form the future priests our Diocese will need in the years ahead. Your generosity helps provide education, spiritual formation, pastoral training and safe accommodation for seminarians as they continue answering God's call. With your support, they are being formed to one day serve our parishes with faith, compassion and hope. Please continue to pray for our seminarians and all Diocesan ministries supported through this Appeal. **If you haven't had a chance to donate, please visit: parracatholic.org/appeal.** Thank you.

1ST AND 2ND COLLECTION COUNTER'S ROSTER: The new roster for the 2026/2027 financial year is now available for collection from the Sacristy.

PLANNED GIVING OFFERING ENVELOPES: The Planned Giving Offering envelopes for the 2026/2027 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.

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.

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.

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:

Housekeeper Supervisor – Holy Spirit Seminary, Harris Park

Parish Secretary – St. Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta

More details at: parracatholic.org/jobs

SING A NEW SONG – MUSIC WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN - 14 JULY: Do you have a child in Year 4-12? Invite them to come along to our 'Sing A New Song Holiday Music Workshop', for a fun day of singing and exploration of sacred music. **When:** Tuesday, 14 July 2026, 9:30am-2:00pm. **Where:** St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall, 1 Marist Place, Parramatta. Morning tea and lunch provided. Student participants will form a choir that will sing at the Solemn Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta on Sunday, 19 July at 6:00pm. **Register here:** parracatholic.org/events/school-holiday-music-workshop/.

EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBIT AND SEMINAR AT ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL - 14-28 JUNE: Out of love for the Eucharist, St. Carlo Acutis created a website that compiled the details of every recorded Eucharistic miracle. These miracles are moments of extraordinary grace, where Christ's real presence in the Sacred Host is manifested in some physical way. The Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition has since been made available for display in parishes throughout the world where people are able to spend time learning about these extraordinary events as a community of faith. Throughout this year, the Diocese of Parramatta is displaying the Exhibition at various parishes for people to come and see. St. Patrick's Cathedral will be the first host parish from Sunday, 14 June to Sunday, 28 June in the Cloister Hall. **Guest Speaker:** Fr. Gerard Kelly, *Biblical Roots of the Eucharist* | Saturday, 27 June at 4:00pm in the Cloister Hall. **Please RSVP for the Seminar by Fr. Gerard via:** parracatholic.org/events/eucharistic-miracles-exhibit.

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

TRI-DIOCESAN SOCIAL JUSTICE DINNER - 1 JULY: Parishioners across the three Sydney Dioceses are welcome to attend the 2026 Tri-Diocesan Social Justice Dinner, to be hosted at All Saints Parish Hall in Liverpool on Wednesday, 1 July. We will hear about the stubborn persistence of slave-like working conditions even in modern Sydney, most often experienced by new migrants and we will reflect on the role church communities can play in helping victims to become aware of their rights at work and escape situations of exploitation. **Free to attend, registration is essential:** <https://events.humanitix.com/tri-diocesan-social-justice-dinner-2026>

KENTHURST PARISH DINNER DANCE – FRIDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER: All are welcome to attend the St. Madeleine's Dinner Dance on Friday, 18 September at 6:30pm at the Dural Club, 662A Old Northern Road, Dural. Cost is \$130.00 and includes a three-course dinner. **To enquire about tickets or how you can donate to the silent auction (goods, services or monetary contributions), please contact Sally Coppini on:** stmadsdinnerdance@gmail.com.

CYP ANNUAL LIFTED RETREAT FOR 18-35'S - 3-5 JULY: Join young people from Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains at Catholic Youth Parramatta's annual LIFTED Retreat for 18–35 year-olds. (3-5 July at Benedict XVI Retreat Centre, Grose Vale.) Together we will enter a weekend of connection, prayer and reflection on the theme of Abundance, inspired by John 10:10. Whether you're just beginning your faith journey, looking for community or need a mid-year renewal, the LIFTED Retreat welcomes you with open arms. Limited spots available. **Registrations close 19 June.** parracatholic.org/events/lifted-young-adults.

CYP ANNUAL LIFTED RETREAT FOR YEAR 10-12'S - 15 JULY: You're invited to LIFTED Retreat! A one-day retreat for 16-17 year olds from across the Diocese at St. Paul's, Winston Hills on Thursday, 15 July. Together we will enter a weekend of connection, prayer and reflection on the theme of Abundance, inspired by John 10:10. Whether you're just beginning your faith journey, looking for community or need a mid-year renewal, the LIFTED Retreat welcomes you with open arms. Limited spots available. **Registrations close 19 June.** parracatholic.org/events/lifted-high-school.

SAFEGUARDING FACE-TO-FACE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR JUNE 2026: There are several face-to-face Safeguarding Training opportunities available throughout June at several parishes. **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. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH RAFFLE - PRIZES DRAWN 15 AUGUST: Our Online Parish Raffle to help raise funds towards the construction of a new presbytery for our priest, together with a two-storey residence that will be leased to help ease some of the parish's ongoing financial commitments. This important project will provide suitable accommodation to support the long-term pastoral and spiritual care of our parish community. Funds raised will also contribute towards essential maintenance and improvement works throughout the parish, helping preserve and strengthen our facilities for future generations. **Drawn online:** 12:00pm, Saturday, 15 August. **Purchase tickets here:** <https://www.raffletix.com.au/stthomasaquinas>. Every ticket purchased helps support the future mission and ministry of our parish. We sincerely thank you for your generosity, prayers and support.

NAIDOC DAY CELEBRATION AT WHALAN RESERVE - 9 JULY: Join us for NAIDOC Day 2026 at Whalan Reserve as we celebrate **50 Years Deadly!** Hosted by Baabayn Aboriginal Corporation and Holy Family Parish, Mt. Druitt and supported by Blacktown City Council, Diocese of Parramatta and Catholic Care WSBM. All welcome to this free community event. **Please register your interest as a volunteer or stallholder:** <https://parracatholic.org/events/naidoc-week-celebration-9-july/>.

BETHANY PILGRIMAGE FOR WOMEN - 29 AUGUST: The theme for 2026 is "Totus Tuus" ("Totally Yours"). There will be a decade of the rosary, reflection and personal prayer at each church. Adoration and Confession will be available at times also. This event is perfect for active women who would like to spend a day in prayer whilst pushing themselves physically in order to pray for themselves or family. Water, snacks and light lunch provided. **Registration is essential** - \$20.00 - www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1569560. **For more information call Victoria on:** 0494 173 359 or email: bethanypilgrimage@gmail.com

BE A STRONGER YOU – FREE EMPOWERMENT COURSE FOR WOMEN: Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains has partnered with Survivor Voice Australia to run a free six-week empowerment program for women who have experienced domestic violence and abuse. The program will be held in the lower Blue Mountains on Wednesday mornings. **To find out when the next program starts, contact Catholic Care on 8843.2500 or Survivor Voice Australia on 0422 876 700.**

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES, SEVEN HILLS - 2 JULY: Join us for Eucharistic Adoration with the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth. An hour with Jesus in prayer and adoration followed by a fellowship at 7:00pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Seven Hills. All are warmly welcome.