

# 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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**20 & 21 June 2026**  
**12th 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 'Ahio

### Anniversaries:

Filliop & Phyllis Fimognari, Calvin, Norman &  
Baby Cordeiro, 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

### Deceased:

Rima Hanna & all those who have passed in  
Mazrat el Toufeh, 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,  
Fr. 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, 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

## 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A



### 1ST READING: JEREMIAH 20:10-13

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

Jeremiah said:

I hear so many disparaging me, "Terror from every side!" Denounce him! Let us denounce him! All those who used to be my friends watched for my downfall, 'Perhaps he will be seduced into error. Then we will master him and take our revenge!' But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero; my opponents will stumble, mastered, confounded by their failure; everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs. But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice, who scrutinise the loins and heart, let me see the vengeance you will take on them, for I have committed my cause to you. Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord, for he has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of evil men.

The word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 68:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35

**Response:** Lord, in your great love, answer me.

It is for you that I suffer taunts,  
that shame covers my face,  
that I have become a stranger to my brothers,  
an alien to my own mother's sons.  
I burn with zeal for your house  
and taunts against you fall on me. **R.**

This is my prayer to you,  
my prayer for your favour.  
In your great love, answer me, O God,  
with your help that never fails:  
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;  
in your compassion, turn towards me. **R.**

The poor when they see it will be glad  
and God-seeking hearts will revive;  
for the Lord listens to the needs  
and does not spurn servants in their chains.  
Let the heavens and the earth give him praise,  
the sea and all its living creatures. **R.**

### 2ND READING: ROMANS 5:12-15

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

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law. Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

The word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: JOHN 15:26, 27

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses.

**Alleluia!**

### THE GOSPEL: MATTHEW 10:26-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the house-tops.

'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

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



**The Lord is the strength of  
his people, a saving refuge for  
the one he has anointed.**

## 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.

**THE 9:15AM TUESDAY MASS:** The 9:15am Tuesday Mass will be cancelled on Tuesday, 23 June and Tuesday, 30 June while Fr. Treesen is away. The 9:15am Tuesday Mass will resume on Tuesday, 7 July.

### CATHOLIC OUTLOOK MAGAZINE OUT NOW:

The latest *Catholic Outlook* magazine is out now, keeping you connected with news and events across the Diocese of Parramatta. Inside this edition, you'll find: Celebrating 40 years as a Diocese, Catholic entrepreneurs providing hospitality and welcome, Giving thanks for our new Deacons, Hospitality in our Parishes ... and much more. **Pick up a copy or read online at:** [catholicoutlook.org/e-edition](http://catholicoutlook.org/e-edition).

### 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](http://parracatholic.org/appeal).** Thank 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.

**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.

**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

### 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](http://parracatholic.org/events/eucharistic-miracles-exhibit).

### RCIA SEMINARS FOR PARISH CO-ORDINATORS - 29 JULY & 5 AUGUST:

The Office for Worship team is hosting two seminars for RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) co-ordinators to come together to learn and ask questions about how to run an RCIA program in their parish. These workshops will be held on Wednesdays 29 July and 5 August at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre, Blacktown at 7:00pm. **For more information and to register please see the website:** <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?topic=rcia> **or contact:** [ofw@parracatholic.org](mailto:ofw@parracatholic.org) or 0460 037 795.

# DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

**MUSIC WORKSHOP ON THE IMPORTANCE OF COPYRIGHT - 23 JUNE & 21 JULY:** Copyright can be tricky to navigate. Come on 23 June or 21 July to the Bishop Bede Heather Centre and learn all about your requirements for reporting music used at Mass, the different types of copyright licensing available, and much more. This workshop will be led by MET Music Formation Facilitator Eric Grella. Be sure to bring along any questions you might have. **Register:** [parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=office-for-worship](http://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=office-for-worship).

**MET NATURAL FERTILITY SEMINAR – INTRODUCTORY SESSION FOR COUPLES HOPING TO CONCEIVE - 8 JULY:** Hear about Restorative Reproductive Medicine and natural methods of achieving pregnancy — [www.fccau.org](http://www.fccau.org) — **on Wednesday, 8 July - 7:00pm-8:00pm via Teams (online)**. This session is of particular interest to couples that are trying to conceive a child where they may have infertility issues and are seeking medical intervention to help them. **To register visit:** [arracatholic.org/natural-fertility](http://arracatholic.org/natural-fertility).

**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](mailto:stmadsdinnerdance@gmail.com).

**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/](http://parracatholic.org/events/school-holiday-music-workshop/).

**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](http://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1569560). **For more information call Victoria on:** 0494 173 359 or email: [bethanypilgrimage@gmail.com](mailto: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.