

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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16-17 February 2019
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

WEEKLY TIMETABLE

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 6:00pm
8:00am and 10:00am

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday: 7:30pm
Wednesday: 9:15am
Thursday: 9:15am
Friday: 9:15am
Saturday: 9:00am

Confessions:

Saturday: 9:30am to 10:15am
5:00pm to 5:45pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

- ◆ Every Saturday following the 9:00am Mass until 10:30am, including Prayer for Priests (Vocations).
- ◆ Every 1st Sunday of the month from 11:00am to 12:30pm.



Baptisms: Please contact the Parish Office to arrange. Baptisms, held every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 11:15am, or during any Sunday Mass, to be negotiated with the Parish Priest. Baptism preparation is held on the last Wednesday of each month at 7:00pm in the Parish Office. **Booklets need to be obtained from the Parish Office prior to the preparation.**

Parish Ministries

Parish Pastoral Council: Meet bi-monthly on a Thursday evening (6:00pm-8:00pm) in the Parish Office.

Social Justice Group: Meet monthly on a Wednesday evening (6:30pm) in the Parish Office.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): For enquiries, please call the Parish Office on 9632.2672.

Music for Worship: Meet once a month at 10:00am in the Parish Office.

Welcome Committee: Meet Bi-Monthly on a Monday at 9:30am in the Parish Office.

The Manning Foundation: Meet 2nd Monday of each month at 6:00pm in the Parish Office - Mobile Number: 0497 973 311.

Catechists: Meet 2nd Tuesday of each term at 9:30am in the Parish Office.

Children's Liturgy: Every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month, during the 10:00am Mass, except during school holidays or when otherwise advised.

Legion of Mary: Meet every Wednesday (after the 9:15am Mass) in the Parish Office.

Sacred Heart Society: Meet 1st Sunday of each month at the 8:00am Mass.



Mass Intentions

Recently Deceased:

Cheryl Thompson, Br. Joseph (Basil) Byrne fsp, Rubena Hedges, Edgar, Soane Patita Mauvaka, Doris Tuipolotane, Giuseppe Vespa, Bruce Rutherford, Clare Lamb, Melani Mercado Ong, Deacon James Phelan, Fortunato Bortollon

Anniversaries:

Cynthia Fernandes, Michael Grima, Emilia Apap, Gabriel Lobo, Enrico (Ric) Di Carlo, Inacine & Ignatius Lobo, Matthew Lane, Melia Mansour, Phyllis Brosnan, Edward & Lawrence Frois

Deceased:

Mary Jane Axiak, Hanna & Majed Families, Tokavahua, Falaeo & Faupala Families, Losa, Pasilio & Kilama Families, Puaavesa, Sosefo & Tuilalo Families, Sononefa, Falakiko & Keletaona Families, Albert Gray & Dawson Family, Albert Xuereb, Members of Muscat Family, Albert Vella, Ben Colecliffe, Mary Noonan, Tomazia & Joao Alves, Holy Souls in Purgatory



LITURGY OF THE WORD

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C



1ST READING: JEREMIAH 17:5-8

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The Lord says this:

'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord.

He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited. 'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord, with the Lord for his hope. He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green; it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 1:1-4

Response: Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Happy indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked; nor lingers in the way of sinners nor sits in the company of scorners, but whose delight is the law of the Lord and who ponders his law day and night. **R.**

He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, that yields its fruit in due season and whose leaves shall never fade; and all that he does shall prosper. **R.**

Not so are the wicked, not so! For they like winnowed chaff shall be driven away by the wind. For the Lord guards the way of the just but the way of the wicked leads to doom. **R.**

2ND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:12, 16-20

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people. But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: LUKE 6:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven.

Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 6:17, 20-26

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:

'How happy are you who are poor; yours is the kingdom of God.

Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied.

Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

'Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry.

Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep.

'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



**Happy are they
who hope in
the Lord.**

***How do I
hope in
the Lord?***

PARISH NOTICES

PARRAMATTA CATHOLIC FOUNDATION APPEAL - THE BISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL – 23-24 FEBRUARY: The theme for the Appeal is 'Bring Hope This Lent'. Funds raised will support The Ephpheta Centre – a ministry which gives hope, compassion, connectivity and care to the deaf and hard of hearing. The Appeal will also support chaplaincy and pastoral care for the vulnerable and isolated - in homes, hospitals, prison and aged-care facilities. Please be a channel of hope and give generously via the Appeal envelopes or online at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY ROSTER: The new roster is due to begin on the first Sunday of Lent (10 March 2019) and it will cover the period of Lent and Easter which concludes on Pentecost Sunday (9 June 2019). If you are intending to be away during this period, please let the Parish Office know by email (admin@guildfordcatholicchurch.org.au) or telephone (9632.2672), **the dates you will not be available to minister at our Sunday Masses** 6:00pm (Saturday), 8:00am and 10:00am. Thank you.

~ Sr. Helen

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND: Pilgrimage to the Holy Lands of Jordan and Israel, escorted by Father Peter Blayney, 30 October–13 November 2019. Organised by Olive Tree Travel (Melbourne). For details of itinerary, cost etc., please contact Jo Cartwright at the Parish Office on 9632.2672 or Olive Tree Travel on (03) 8488.9696.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Will be held every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month, during the 10:00am Mass, except during school holidays or when otherwise advised.

CUPPA IN THE HALL: Will be held every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month after the 10:00am Mass.

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**. Printed envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Thank you.

MOBILE PHONE FOUND IN CHURCH: A blue Nokia mobile phone was found in the church at Christmas. If any parishioner has lost their mobile phone, please contact Jo at the Parish Office on 9632.2672 to arrange for it to be picked up from the office.

LEGION OF MARY — PARISH VISITATION: Anyone who would like the Legion to call on them or if you know of anyone you think might appreciate a visit by our Legion Ladies, please call Tina on 0432 043 365 or the Parish Office on 9632.2672.

LEGION OF MARY: If you would like the Rosary statue in your home, please call Tina on 0432 043 365 or the Parish Office on 9632 2672.

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

DIOCESAN NOTICES

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE - 22 FEBRUARY: Most Rev. Vincent Long OFM Conv, Bishop of Parramatta, will be the Principal Celebrant for the Mass of Ordination to the Diaconate of Roque Dias, John Cinya, Thong Nguyen and Roderick Pirota on Friday, 22 February at 7.30pm. The ordination will take place at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. Refreshments to follow.

LIFTED LIVE FEATURING FR ROB GALEA - 22 FEBRUARY: All are welcome to attend LIFTED Live featuring Fr Rob Galea. To be held on Friday, 22 February from 7:30pm-10:00pm at the Evan Theatre, Penrith Panthers. \$5.00 entry fee. Join Catholic Youth Parramatta, the LIFTED team and very special guest Fr. Rob Galea for an energetic, exciting, life-giving, and inspirational evening to launch 2019!

FERTILITY AWARENESS EVENING - 12 MARCH: Abnormalities in a woman's menstrual cycle can indicate underlying health issues. Hear about how irregularities to a normal cycle can be addressed and how an awareness of a regular cycle is a sign of good health. You're warmly welcomed to attend this free event. This topic is of interest to women of all ages. For further information please contact Catherine on 8838.3460 or 0400 427 605; catherine.bourne@parracatholic.org and www.parralmf.org.au/nfs.

TIME IS RUNNING OUT FOR PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: Submissions to Plenary Council 2020 close on Ash Wednesday, 6 March 2019. YOUR voice matters! Make a personal submission now or join a small group. Our question is for everyone: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?" To make a submission or to find out more visit: parracatholic.org/haveyoursayplenary2020/.

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

IFM REFLECTIVE MINISTRY PROGRAM: Are you serving in and through Catholic communities? The Reflective Ministry program offered by the Institute for Mission is a great opportunity to learn and explore ideas of pastoral theology to benefit you and those you serve - and it's now open for registration. Visit www.ifm.org.au/reflectiveministry for more information and to register online or call 9296.6369 to talk to our friendly team.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT PROGRAM - 21 FEBRUARY-16 MAY: CatholicCare Solo Parent Services is commencing a Bereavement Support Program for men or women whose spouse or partner has died. The program will be run at Holy Spirit Parish, St. Clair (5 Todd Row, St. Clair) on Thursdays fortnightly from 10:00am to 12 midday in the Pioneers Room of the Parish, commencing 21 February to 16 May. To secure a place on this program please ring the Parish on 9670.8222 or email to stclair@parracatholic.org.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK AT BLACKTOWN HOSPITAL: We urgently require people to take Holy Communion to patients in Blacktown Hospital on Sundays. Volunteers are currently rostered on every second month (6 times annually). Distribution of Communion takes about 2 to 3 hours. Security checks required and carpark access available. Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist who can help with this important ministry please contact Deacon George Bryan at Mary, Queen of the Family Parish, Blacktown either via the parish office or via email at: George.Bryan@parracatholic.org.

COUNCIL FOR AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC WOMEN: 22-24 FEBRUARY: The Council for Australian Catholic Women warmly invite you to join us on 22-24 February in Adelaide for our 2019 Colloquium. Everyone is welcome to attend the Colloquium and we hope women from across Australia will attend this important event. **Details at:** cacwcolloquium.org.au.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEK-END - 26-28 APRIL: This is a marriage enrichment experience for married couples – set in peaceful, picturesque surroundings, away from the distractions of everyday life. During the weekend, couples have a unique opportunity to reconnect, rekindle and refresh their relationship. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset - your marriage! **26-28 April at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville NSW.** Bookings at www.wwme.org.au or Adrian and Janet Sullivan on 0490 774 419 or adrian.janet1@bigpond.com.

STEPPING BEYOND - SUPPORT FOR THOSE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED: CatholicCare Solo Parent Services "Stepping Beyond" Support Group, is held on the last Tuesday of each month for men and women who would like support following a separation or divorce. **First Gathering for the Year:** 26 February, 2019. **Venue:** 13 Buller Street, North Parramatta. **Time:** 7:00pm-9:00pm. **Cost:** \$5.00. **Registration:** Call Rita telephone 8843.2575 or email soloparentservices@ccss.org.au. Flyer on Church Noticeboard.

ST. PATRICK'S GIFT SHOP: St. Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta on-site gift shop. Opening hours will be 10:00am-3:00pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday. **For more information visit:** stpatscathedral.com.au.

VOLUNTEER BUS DRIVER: St. Joseph's Hospital, Normanby Road, Auburn needs a volunteer to drive a 24-seat Rosa Mitsubishi bus each Tuesday and on the third Wednesday of each month. If you possess or are willing to obtain an NSW Light Rigid Driver's License, please discuss this rewarding opportunity with John Butler on 9749.0317 or 0438 327 463.

HEALING AFTER ABORTION: Rachel's Vineyard Retreat offers a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment. Rachel's Vineyard offers a confidential voicemail number: 0400 092 555 or email info@rachelsvineyard.org.au. The retreats for 2019 will be held at Varroville, NSW on 5-7 April and 25-27 October.

Website: www.rachelsvineyard.org.au.

REQUEST FOR HELP: Parramatta Holroyd Family Support are asking for some help for a mum who lives in Guildford who has recently been receiving treatment for cancer. The cancer treatment is making her very tired and she is struggling to stay on top of her housework and laundry. She needs some help around the house as well as some friendship. Please note that this is **NOT** a request for financial assistance, but for physical help and support. If anyone parishioner could reach out and help this mum please contact Wendy from Parramatta Holroyd Family Support on 9636.8437 or wendy@phfs.org.au.

WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP: Date: 4-7 July. **Venue:** Benedictine Abbey, 695 Mountain Road, Jamberoo. **Time:** Arrive afternoon of Thursday, 4 July leaving after lunch on the Sunday. **Cost:** \$300.00 for the talks plus accommodation fees. **Bookings:** (02) 4236.0533, or cottageretreats@jamberooabbey.org.au.

ST. PATRICK'S SENIOR CITIZENS

Hello everyone! **St. Patrick's Senior Citizens Club** is for anyone over **55**. We have been functioning for 40 years and new members are always welcome. We meet in the School Hall next to the Church every Monday at 10:00am, except for the 4th Monday which is our day bus trip. Bingo, bowls and cards are some of our activities. For general information please ring President Shirley Fenton on 9721.1875 or Trips Officer Jim Newell on 9632.5049.