

# 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**

## **St. Patrick's Primary School**

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**20 & 21 April 2019**

**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord - 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.**

## **EASTER SUNDAY**

One of the themes of Lent was that we are on a journey from sin to sanctity, from darkness to light and from captivity to freedom in the Lord. From the early Church until now, the baptised have put this into action by "going on pilgrimage". It is a practical (and sometimes physically and spiritually challenging) way to come closer to God and perhaps glimpse the divine by visiting Holy Places, such as the Holy Land, Rome, Assisi, and the numerous Marian sites around the world. Over the past few decades the *Camino* (path, way) has become very popular. The Camino de Santiago, known in English as the Way of Saint James is a network of pilgrims' ways leading to the shrine of the apostle Saint James the Great in the cathedral of Santiago de Compostela in Galicia in northwestern Spain, where tradition has it that the remains of the saint are buried. Many follow its routes as a form of retreat for their spiritual growth.

Pope Benedict XVI said that "To go on pilgrimage is not simply to visit a place to admire its treasures of nature, art or history. To go on pilgrimage really means to step out of ourselves in order to encounter God where he has revealed himself, where his grace has shone with particular splendour and produced rich fruits of conversion and holiness among those who believe. Above all, Christians go on pilgrimage to the Holy Land, to the places associated with the Lord's passion, death and resurrection." (November 2010).

A humble form of pilgrimage took place in the Diocese of Parramatta on Good Friday night and into the early hours of Holy Saturday. It was estimated that more than 1,500 pilgrims, mostly young people, were expected to take part in the Good Friday night walk through Parramatta Diocese. The walk began at 10:00pm and ended at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. The focus of the 20km walk was a reflection on the Stations of the Cross within a contemporary context. Apart from the usual route from Blacktown parish, our parish was asked to host the beginning of a new route which will journey through Holy Family Parish, East Granville, Holy Trinity Parish, Granville, St. Margaret Mary's Parish, Merrylands and St. Oliver Plunkett's Parish, Harris Park to arrive at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Congratulations to all those young (and not so young) who took part in this pilgrimage. We will be on our own Easter journey now as we explore, reflect on and pray about how the early Church proclaimed the greatest message ever heard: 'There is no need for you to be afraid. I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said he would' (Mt 28:6). Happy Easter to all. ~ **Fr. Peter Blayney**



# LITURGY OF THE WORD

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

### OF THE LORD - YEAR C



#### 1ST READING: ACTS 10:34, 37-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil.' Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

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

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

**Response:** This is the day the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
for his love has no end.  
Let the sons of Israel say:  
'His love has no end.' **R.**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;  
his right hand raised me up.  
I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount his deeds. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

#### 2ND READING: COLOSSIANS 3:1-4

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

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

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

#### SEQUENCE

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.

The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;  
and Christ, the undefiled,  
hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended: combat strangely ended!  
Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.

Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way.

The tomb the Living did enclose;

I saw Christ's glory as he rose!

The angels there attesting;

shroud with grave-clothes resting.

Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee.

That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.

Victorious king, thy mercy show!

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 1 CORINTHIANS 5:7-8

##### Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;  
let us feast with joy in the Lord.

##### Alleluia!

#### THE GOSPEL: LUKE 24:1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

On the first day of the week, at the first sign of dawn, the women went to the tomb with the spices they had prepared. They found that the stone had been rolled away from the tomb, but on entering discovered that the body of the Lord Jesus was not there. As they stood there not knowing what to think, two men in brilliant clothes suddenly appeared at their side. Terrified, the women lowered their eyes. But the two men said to them, 'Why look among the dead for someone who is alive? He is not here; he is risen. Remember what he told you when he was still in Galilee: that the Son of Man had to be handed over into the power of sinful men and be crucified, and rise again on the third day?' And they remembered his words.

When the women returned from the tomb they told all this to the Eleven and to all the others. The women were Mary of Magdala, Joanna, and Mary the mother of James. The other women with them also told the apostles, but this story of theirs seemed pure nonsense, and they did not believe them.

Peter, however, went running to the tomb. He bent down and saw the binding cloths, but nothing else; he then went back home, amazed at what had happened.

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

## PARISH NOTICES

**NO MORNING TEA** in the hall after the 10:00am Mass this Sunday.

**NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE** in the Church on Tuesday, 23 April at 7:30pm or Wednesday, 24 April at 9:15am this week.

**ANZAC DAY MASS** will be celebrated at the usual time this Thursday, 25 April at 9:15am.

**THANK YOU:** We wish to thank the parishioners of St. Patrick's Parish for their kindness and prayers we received on the loss of our daughter, Natalie and sister to Vicki, Joanne, Andrew and Damian. It was a great comfort. God's blessings to all.

~ Frank and Judith Bourke

**PROJECT COMPASSION:** If you took home money boxes or sharepack envelopes during Lent, would you please return them as soon as possible. Thank you.

**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.

**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.

**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.



**Jesus  
is risen  
Alleluia!**

**This is the  
day the  
Lord has  
made.**

**Let us rejoice  
and be glad.**

## 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.

**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:*

Miguel Calpito Sison, Shirley Mackay, Mary Khoury, Maria Vinh Thi Nguyen (Aunty of Bishop Vincent Long), Nora Thackerey, Yvette Ikafolau, Emilio Tokotuu, Marie Pierre Uai, Edgar Montclar, Maree Belcher

### *Anniversaries:*

Marko Radovnikovic, Annie Josephine Badcock, Max Lane, Joan Turner, Ferruccio Palombit, Maureen Therese Oliver, Vincent Gabriel Keogh, Amelia D'Silva, Habib, Bassame, Najah, Nadia & Katia Al Khouri

### *Deceased:*

Mary Jane Axiak, Les Romero & Family, McQuillan Family, Albert Gray & Dawson Family, Therese Safadi, Maria, Stiv & Ilonka Demerac, Hanna & Majed Families, Taleb, Rose & Joe Nasr, Boutros & Annie Boutros, Gusa Biggerstaff, Joe & Yvonne Saleh, Jozefina, Simo & Dina, Simon & Sussane Yazbeck & Family, Jakeb & Salwa Nasim, Nayef El-Khoury, Jreige Jlailaty, Tokavahua, Falao & Faupala Families, Holy Souls in Purgatory

## DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

Happy Easter from Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv and the Diocese of Parramatta.

**ANNUAL SEMINAR - MARRIAGE ANNULMENTS IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:** Each year CatholicCare Solo Parent Services together with the Catholic Tribunal Office hosts an Information Seminar on Marriage Annulments in the Catholic Church. The evening is open to anyone who is interested in gaining a greater understanding of the Annulment Process. **Date:** Tuesday, 7 May. **Time:** 7:00pm–9:00pm. **Venue:** St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall, 1 Marist Place, Parramatta (on-site parking via Victoria Road). **No charge.** Donations welcome. **Registration Essential:** Telephone: 8843.2575 or Email: soloparentservices@ccss.org.au.

**INSPIRE WOMEN'S AFTERNOON TEA - 27 APRIL:** Inspire Women's Afternoon Tea at Holy Spirit Parish St. Clair on Saturday, 27 April at 5 Todd Row, St. Clair. 2:45pm for a 3:00pm start. **Cost:** Free (donations welcome). Bring a plate to share. **Special Guest Speaker:** Rosemary Downes from The Catholic Guy Ministry. Come and enjoy the company of like-minded women and challenge yourself as a mother, daughter, sister and friend. **Enquiries:** admin@holyspiritclair.com.au.

**INTERFAITH RELATIONS AFTER CHRISTCHURCH - 10 MAY:** CCD invites all parishioners and friends to attend "Christian-Muslim Relationships after Christchurch - Our Responsibility," presented by Rev. Dr. Patrick McNerney, Director of the Columban Centre for Christian-Muslim Relations on Friday, 10 May, 10:00am-12 Noon at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown. Please register with Maree on 8838.3486 and bring your lunch.

**DIVINE MERCY CELEBRATION AT GREYSTANES - 28 APRIL:** The Feast of Divine Mercy will be celebrated at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, Greystanes. Commencing at 3.00pm and includes: Chaplet; Confessions; Benediction and Mass. Fellowship will follow at the conclusion of Mass. Bring a plate to share. All are welcome.

**RAISING LAZARUS RETREAT DAY - 7 MAY:** The Marist Association of St. Marcellin Champagnat and the Institute for Mission present a retreat day on 7 May with Dr. Bonnie Thurston on *Raising Lazarus: Contemplative Living and Our Inner Journey from Death to New Life*. Held at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown from 10:00am to 2:00pm. BYO Lunch. **To register, please contact:** mark.oconnor@parracatholic.org

**EXPLORING LAUDATO SI - 24 MAY:** CCD invites all parishioners and friends to attend a presentation by Sr. Valda Dickenson RSM that explores aspects of Pope Francis' Letter on Our Common Home – *Laudato Si*. Held on Friday, 24 May at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Please register with Maree on 8838.3486 and BYO lunch.

**PREPARE TO REACH BEYOND:** Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. These assignments are not quick fixes. **Overseas Catholic communities** are inviting you to **immerse yourself** for 1 to 2 years. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, you can give opportunity by **sharing them with our global family!** **Come for Global Mission Info:** Sunday, 26 May at 10:30am, Aquinas Academy, 141 Harrington Street, The Rocks, Sydney.

**CATHOLIC BUSHWALKING CLUB:** Are you interested in Bushwalking, Camping, Canyon and Ski Trips? Apply for Membership with the CBC via website [www.cbcnsw.org.au](http://www.cbcnsw.org.au) or contact Adriana on 0422 688 332.



### 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

## 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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.