

# 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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**25 & 26 May 2019**  
**6th Sunday of Easter - 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.

**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:**

Barry Avery, Mary Butler, Deacon Jim Caulfield, Fr. John Pearce CP (grew up in Guildford), Marie Williams, Ivan Gavranovic (Brother of Fr. Zvonimir Gavranovic), Monica De Mello (Mother-in-Law of Deacon Roque Dias), Atelea Kaihea, Feleti Kaihea, Josephine Nakhoul, Jocelyne Siaga Manukula, Gill Alves

### **Anniversaries:**

Frane & Marija Marcic, Marta & Miyo Buntic, Leaha Falakiko Keletaona, Serafina & Dante Letta, Francis Lobo, Stanley Fernandes, Louiza Maria D'Souza, Belinda Avagliano, Robert D'Souza, Rita & Annie Gonsalves, Zeljko Trogrlic, John D'Souza

### **Deceased:**

Mary Jane Axiak, Nayef El Khoury, Jreige Jilailaty, Antonios & Leila Amine, Nabil & Bahie Maroun, All those who have passed away in Australia and Lebanon, Mary Saule & Family, Marie & Elizabeth Carroll & Families, Josep Moore & Family, Ellen & Marjorie Grew & Families, Giuseppe Vespa, Antonia Vespa, Rose Mancini, Albert Gray & Dawson Family, Majed & Hanna Families, Edgar Montclar, Fahed & Hasna Zakka, Holy Souls in Purgatory



## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR C



#### 1ST READING: ACTS 15:1-2, 22-29

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter.

It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

The word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 66:2-3, 5-6, 8

**Response:** O God, let all the nations praise you!

O God, be gracious and bless us  
and let your face shed its light upon us.  
So will your ways be known upon earth  
and all nations learn your saving help. **R.**

Let the nations be glad and exult  
for you rule the world with justice.  
With fairness you rule the peoples,  
you guide the nations on earth. **R.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
May God still give us his blessing  
till the ends of the earth revere him. **R.**

#### 2ND READING: REVELATION 21:10-14, 22-23

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel or crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

The word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: JOHN 14:23

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

All who love me will keep my words,  
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

**Alleluia!**

#### THE GOSPEL: JOHN 14:23-29

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own; it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now, before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

## PARISH NOTICES

**REFLECTION/RETREAT ON POPE FRANCIS** will be led by Marist Brother, Br. Mark O'Connor, in the Parish Hall, on **Saturday, 1 June, 11:00am to 1:00pm**. Br. Mark is a specialist on the life of Pope Francis and how his leadership of the Church applies today. Please contact the Parish Office if you are attending. Bring a plate for a cuppa.

**PENTECOST REFLECTION GROUPS** will be held on Thursdays, 6, 13 and 20 June 2019 in the Parish Office at 10:00am and 7:00pm. The leaders are Sister Helen Cunningham OP, Deacon Richard Mulheron and Mrs. Julie Gorman. The format will be something like that of the Lenten Groups which were well-attended and of great interest. Given that Pentecost is such a significant time in the liturgical calendar, we felt it timely to provide an opportunity for deeper reflection. All welcome! ~ *Fr. Peter Blayney*

**REQUIEM MASS:** A Requiem Mass for Barry Avery will be held at St. Patrick's Church, Guildford on **Thursday, 30 May 2019 at 10:30am**. All welcome to attend.

**ANTIQUÉ SIDEBBOARD**, polished timber, several draws, flat table top, available for free from the presbytery. Speak to me or Sister Helen if you wish to take a look. ~ *Fr. Peter Blayney*

**BISHOP'S GOOD SHEPHERDS APPEAL – 1-2 JUNE:** When God calls, will you help them answer? The Holy Spirit Seminary in Harris Park is training 15 young men to be true shepherds of Christ's flock and future priests for the Diocese of Parramatta. Your gift to Parramatta Catholic Foundation will support our seminarians to prepare for the priesthood and a life of community service. Please give generously via the Bishop's Good Shepherds Appeal envelopes or online at: [yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal](http://yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal)

**ST. PATRICK'S COMMUNITY GARDEN:** You are welcome to join in an initiative of The Social Justice Committee in response to concerns about environmental sustainability. Action on a local level begins with every one of us. We will meet after the 10:00am Mass between the Church and the Presbytery on **Sunday, 2 June**. Please bring your gardening tools and ideas.

232 : some, for example show concern for a public place...and strive to protect, restore, improve or beautify it as something belonging to everyone. Around these community actions relationships develop or are recovered and a new social fabric emerges...these actions cultivate a shared identity with a story which can be remembered and handed on...we live in a common home which God has entrusted to us. **Pope Francis Laudato Si**

**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.

**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.

## 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



The Holy Spirit,  
whom the  
Father will  
send in my  
name,  
will teach you  
everything and  
remind you  
of all that  
I have said  
to you.

## DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

**PENTECOST RETREAT DAY - 8 JUNE:** Walking with Refugees and People Seeking Protection present a Pentecost Retreat Day on Saturday, 8 June from 9:00am to 4:00pm at Mt. Schoenstatt, Fairlight Road, Mulgoa. Join Bishop Vincent as we reflect and share. **Registrations are essential by 4 June** with indicated dietary needs. Register at <https://register.eventarc.net/e/42849>, call Sr. Louise McKeogh on 8838.3460 or [lmckeogh@parracatholic.org](mailto:lmckeogh@parracatholic.org).

**NEW OFFICE FOR SAFEGUARDING AND PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS WEBSITE:** The Diocese of Parramatta's Office for Safeguarding and Professional Standards (OSPS) has launched a new website, strengthening their ability to deliver advice and support to parishes, agencies and ministries to ensure the Diocese is safe for all people. **Visit the website at:** [www.safeguarding.org.au](http://www.safeguarding.org.au)

**PENTECOST SUNDAY - 9 JUNE:** Join us at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, 198 Old Prospect Road, Greystanes. We will be praying that this Pentecost will be a time for the Holy Spirit to fill us with hope and trust and power in the face of the challenges facing our Church and our world. We start with prayer and praise at 11:30am followed by concelebrated Mass with Fr. Tony Alex MGL. Fr. Tony will be reflecting on the command of Jesus: "He instructed them that they take nothing for their journey, except a mere staff – no bread, no bag, no money in their belt." (Mark 6:8). After a BBQ lunch there will be teaching, adoration, Benediction and prayer for healing until 5:30pm. **Enquiries:** CCR Office: 9810.2499.

**THE JEWISH JESUS IN THE EUCHARIST – 12 JUNE:** The Northern Deanery Pastoral Council is hosting a presentation from the Institute for Mission on The Jewish Jesus in the Eucharist on **Wednesday, 12 June** at St. Michael's School Hall, Baulkham Hills from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. A light supper will be provided. To RSVP for catering purposes, please contact Wendy on 0427 863 149 or [deanerypc@parishofbaulkhamills.org.au](mailto:deanerypc@parishofbaulkhamills.org.au)

**STEPPING BEYOND - SUPPORT FOR THOSE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED:** Next gathering for Solo Parent Services "Stepping Beyond" Support Group will be held on **Tuesday, 28 May**. **Venue:** 13 Buller Street, North Parramatta. **Time:** 7:00pm–9:00pm. **Cost:** \$5.00. **Registration:** Call Rita on telephone 8843.2575 or email [soloparentservices@ccss.org.au](mailto:soloparentservices@ccss.org.au)

### POSITIONS VACANT:

Liturgy Administrative Support Assistant  
Office for Worship  
Fundraising Campaigns Executive  
The Catholic Foundation  
**More details at:** [parracatholic.org/employment](http://parracatholic.org/employment)

### SEMINAR - DEALING WITH THE LEGAL SYSTEM:

Each year Solo Parent Services offer a Seminar for anyone interested in gaining a greater understanding of the legal system, which can benefit those experiencing a marital breakdown. **Topics Addressed:** How to choose the best lawyer for your situation, how best to deal with lawyers to minimise your legal fees, how to protect your rights regarding family assets and estates. **Date:** Tuesday, 4 June. **Venue:** 13 Buller Street, North Parramatta. **Time:** 6:45pm for a 7:00pm start to 9:00pm. **Cost:** \$10.00. **Registration Essential** via telephone 8843.2530 or email [soloparentservices@ccss.org.au](mailto:soloparentservices@ccss.org.au)

### HEART WOMEN'S CONFERENCE - 20-22 JUNE

**2019: Venue:** Fairfield RSL, 14 Anzac Avenue, Fairfield. A time to come together as women to be refreshed and renewed in our busy lives. Spoil yourself. Dream again. Feel loved, honoured and cared for. Invite your daughters, mothers, sisters and friends! Men – what women in your life can you spoil by sending them to Heart 2019? **Register:** [Heart.TheCatholicGuy.com](http://Heart.TheCatholicGuy.com)  
**Email:** [heart@TheCatholicGuy.com](mailto:heart@TheCatholicGuy.com)  
**Phone:** 1300 734 880

### 40 HOURS WITH THE LORD JESUS IN PREPARATION FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE CORPUS CHRISTI:

"Could you not watch one hour with me?" – Matthew 26:40. **Event Schedule:**  
**Saturday, 1 June** - 10:00am to 12:00pm – Talk by Fr. Hugh Thomas Csr – What is Eucharistic Adoration? Held at St. Margaret Mary's Pastoral Centre, 5 Chetwynd Road, Merrylands.  
**Friday, 21 June:** 10:00am to 12 Midnight - 1<sup>st</sup> day of Vigil, St. Margaret Mary's, 5 Chetwynd Road, Merrylands.  
**Saturday, 22 June:** 1:00am to 12 Midnight - 2<sup>nd</sup> day of Vigil, St. Margaret Mary's, 5 Chetwynd Road, Merrylands.  
**Sunday, 23 June:** 1:00am to 7:00am - 3<sup>rd</sup> Day of Vigil, St. Margaret Mary's, 5 Chetwynd Road, Merrylands.  
**Sunday, 23 June:** 2:00pm - Feast of Corpus Christi procession. Fellowship at 4:30pm, St. Margaret Mary's, Merrylands.  
**Enquiries:** Annie on telephone 0414 652 479 or email [divinemercyteam3@hotmail.com](mailto:divinemercyteam3@hotmail.com)

## 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.