

# 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 July 2019**  
**16th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C**

## **WEEKLY TIMETABLE**

### **Sunday Masses:**

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm

Sunday: 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:**

Catherine Caruana, George Safadi, Anthony Matthews, Sr. Anne Derwin RSJ,

### **Anniversaries:**

Sebastian D'Silva, Norman Cordeiro

### **Deceased:**

Nayef El-Khoury, Jriege Jlailaty, Mary Jane Axiak, Reginald Dean, Giuseppe Vespa, Albert Gray & Dawson Family, Wadih Tannous, Hoang Van Nhiem, Nguyen Thi Ninh, Wilson, Ursula & James Barrett, Olive & Joseph Donnelly, Hanna & Majed Families, Joao & Tomazia Alves, Michael Remaili, Brigida & Peter Bowe, Alves & Moniz Families, Remaili & Wager Families, Edgar Montclar, Veselka Petruvic, Alfred Xuereb, Members of the Muscat Family, Albert Vella, Bernard Colecliffe, Father Josep Nguyen, Holy Souls in Purgatory





# LITURGY OF THE WORD

## 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C



### 1ST READING: GENESIS 18:1-10

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My Lord,' he said 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.'

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.

'Where is your wife Sarah?' he asked him. 'She is in the tent' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail, and your wife will then have a son.'

The word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 14:2-5

**Response:** The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?  
He who walks without fault;  
he who acts with justice  
and speaks the truth from his heart;  
he who does not slander with his tongue. **R.**

He who does no wrong to his brother,  
who casts no slur on his neighbour,  
who holds the godless in disdain,  
but honours those who fear the Lord. **R.**

He who keeps his pledge come what may;  
who takes no interest on a loan  
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.  
Such a man will stand firm for ever. **R.**

### 2ND READING: COLOSSIANS 1:24-28

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

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my own body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church.

I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

The word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: CF LUKE 8:15

#### Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart, and yield a harvest through perseverance.

#### Alleluia!

### THE GOSPEL: LUKE 10:38-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**



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## PARISH NOTICES

**CATHOLIC YOUTH PARRAMATTA**, the Diocese's youth ministry. A representative met with myself, Mary-Therese Bazouni and Parish Pastoral Council member, Julie Gorman, on Wednesday, 3 July in the Parish Office. It has been a concern of the Parish Pastoral Council that there is no specific ministry for young people in the parish, apart from our Catholic schools, primary and secondary. **CYP** would like one or more young people to volunteer as the parish youth representatives/contact persons to connect Diocesan and Parish youth activities. The first step is to ask some young people to form a small group who could act as a nucleus or catalyst to help get the ministry going in the parish. Some young people have been approached to assist. If you would like to join this group, please let Sr. Helen or myself know.

~ Fr. Peter Blayney

**HOLROYD COMBINED CHURCHES COMMUNITY PRAYER DINNER:** Join us as we pray for our community and be inspired by Guest Speaker, **Bishop Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv (Catholic Bishop of Parramatta)** on the topic of Refugees and Asylum Seekers: My Story and the Challenge Today. **Date:** Tuesday, 27 August 2019. **Time:** 6:45pm for a 7:00pm start. **Place:** Merrylands RSL, Swan Room. **Cost:** \$45.00 each (Students \$40.00 each) and include a two-course meal and soft-drinks. If you are interested in attending, Guildford Parish will be organising tables, so please call the Parish Office on 9632.2672, during office hours. Tickets are limited due to room capacity. The sooner you book and pay the better. Bookings close on **Monday, 5 August**. Please advise of any dietary requirements when booking. **For more information and a history of the Dinner visit:** [www.holroyd-churches.org.au/hmpd](http://www.holroyd-churches.org.au/hmpd)

**WORK WANTED:** Young man urgently requires work: cleaning, gardening, form work. Prepared to do any type of work. If you can help, please ring the Parish Office on 9632.2672.

**TAX RECEIPTS FOR PROJECT COMPASSION (CARITAS):** Tax Receipts for the 2018/2019 financial year are available in the Church. **Please note that Planned Giving Offering (Weekly Envelope/Credit Card) donations cannot be claimed as a tax deduction.** For this reason only tax receipts for parishioners who have contributed to Project Compassion (Caritas) have been printed. Thank you for your generous support.

**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.

**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 ON THE 1ST AND 3RD SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH AFTER THE 10:00AM MASS:** The 1st Sunday of the month will be held at the community garden and the 3rd Sunday of the month will be held in the hall.

**PLANNED GIVING OFFERING ENVELOPES:** The Planned Giving Offering envelopes for the 2019/2020 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 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.** Printed envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Thank you.

**PARISH OUTREACH TO THE ELDERLY AND SICK:** I am sure we all know some parishioners who, through no fault of their own, can no longer get to Mass to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. It may be that they are ill, or it may be that they are older parishioners and cannot get around as well as they used to. If you know of any people that can no longer get to the sacraments, could you please notify Father and he will arrange for an Acolyte or a Minister of Holy Communion to visit once a week and bring Holy Communion to them. In so doing, we can keep the parishioners within the reach of the parish and also make sure that, should the occasion arise, we can arrange for them to receive the Sacrament of the Sick.

## 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 AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

**PLENARY COUNCIL DISCERNMENT AND WORKING GROUPS – APPLICATIONS OPEN:** The Bishops Commission for the Plenary Council is seeking people, for volunteer positions, who are willing to be key partners and leaders in the process of discernment as the Church in Australia continues preparing for the Plenary Council in October 2020. For role descriptions and application information visit [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au) or contact Richard McMahon at the Pastoral Planning Office on 8838.3497.

**POSITIONS VACANT:**

Casual Workers/Volunteers - Catholic Care Mamre Creche

Cleaner - James Dixon House, Harris Park

**More details at:** [parracatholic.org/employment](http://parracatholic.org/employment)

**NATURAL FERTILITY SERVICES PRESENTATION**

- **4 AUGUST:** Are you looking for a healthy, natural and effective method to manage your fertility? No drugs, devices or side effects. All are welcome to attend a talk presented by Natural Fertility Services, Diocese of Parramatta at St. Monica's Parish Hall, North Parramatta. **Sunday, 4 August from 2:00pm to 3:30pm.** For more information, please contact Catherine on 8838.3460 or 0400 427 605, [nfpstmonica@gmail.com](mailto:nfpstmonica@gmail.com) or [catherine.bourne@parracatholic.org](mailto:catherine.bourne@parracatholic.org)

**NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK -**

**4–11 AUGUST:** National Vocations Awareness Week runs nationally from 4 to 11 August. The concept of 'vocation' applies to every person's life, for if we listen well, we discover that God calls each of us to play a part in his mission here on the earth. **For more information about Vocations in the Diocese of Parramatta, please visit:**

[www.parracatholic.org/vocations/](http://www.parracatholic.org/vocations/)

**THE HOUSE OF WELCOME NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT:**

Volunteers are the backbone of the House of Welcome (HoW). Join our team to assist in one of the many roles, including our drop-in volunteer role that assists with the distribution of the food bank program to over 8,200 people. People can access groceries on a weekly basis to alleviate the cost of living. The Foodbank program is largely stocked through the generosity of people in the community, and no contribution is too small!

Contact us to organise a food drive or for information on volunteering at HoW. Contact Suma Pillai on 9727.9290 or [suma.pillai@houseofwelcome.com.au](mailto:suma.pillai@houseofwelcome.com.au).

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT PROGRAM AT MACKILLOP HALL GRANVILLE COMMENCING**

**AUGUST 2019:** CatholicCare Solo Parent Services is commencing a 7 session Bereavement Support Program at MacKillop Hall for men or women whose spouse or partner has died. **It will be held weekly on Thursdays from 10:00am–12:00pm from 8 August–19 September 2019.** There will be an Information session and Overview of the Program on Thursday, 1 August from 10:00am-11:00am, for anyone who would like to learn more about this. **Venue:** Mackillop Hall, 38 Grimwood Street, Granville (corner Randle Street). **For further information / Registration Essential:** Contact Rita on 8843.2575. (Please see flyer on notice board for more information).

**SEMINAR – UNDERSTANDING FAMILY LAW:**

CatholicCare Solo Parent Services is holding a two session Seminar on "Understanding Family Law". These sessions are presented by an Accredited Family Law Specialist and will be held on Saturday, 10 August 2019.

**Session 1: 10:00am–12:00pm** – Understanding the Family Law Act – Focus on Divorce/Separation and Children's Needs.

**Session 2: 1:00pm-3:00pm** – Understanding the Family Law Act – Focus on Property Settlements.

**Venue:** St. Patrick's Cathedral Parish Hall, 1 Marist Place, Parramatta. Entry and onsite parking via boom gate on Victoria Road. **Cost:** \$10.00 per session.

**Registration Essential:** Contact Rita on 8843.2575 or email: [soloparentservices@ccss.org.au](mailto:soloparentservices@ccss.org.au)

**PLENARY COUNCIL 2020:** National Theme for Discernment #6 – How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Open to conversion, Renewal and Reform? This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a desire to do things differently in response to Christ and the experience of our people, accepting that faithfulness to tradition requires change that is both personal and communal.

**Find out more at:**

[www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

**CATHOLIC CENTRAL - CULTIVATING A LIFE OF PRAYER - SISTER MARY HELEN OP - 28 JULY**

**2019: Where:** St. Bernadette's Parish, Dundas, 1 Cox Crescent, Dundas Valley. **6:00pm:** Adoration/Confessions. **7:00pm:** Talk by Sr. Mary Helen OP - St. Bernadette's Hall.

**RSVP: 26 July - [catholiccentral2018@gmail.com](mailto:catholiccentral2018@gmail.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.