

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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27 & 28 July 2019

17th 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

Anniversaries:

Angelo Palombit, Therese Safadi & Safadi Family, Clare McMahon, Sebastian D'Silva, Norman Cordeiro

Deceased:

Frank Gauchi, Mary Jane Axiak, Nayef El-Khoury, Jriege Jlailaty, 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, Holy Souls in Purgatory





LITURGY OF THE WORD

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C



1ST READING: GENESIS 18:20-32

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.' The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.' Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No,' he replied, 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will be only forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.' Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 137:1-3, 6-8

Response: Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple. **R.**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul. **R.**

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Though I walk in the midst of affliction
you give me life and frustrate my foes. **R.**

You stretch out your hand and save me,
your hand will do all things for me.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands. **R.**

2ND READING: COLOSSIANS 2:12-14

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

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins. He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ROMANS 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father.

Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 11:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray: "Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come; give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test."' He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it to him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants. 'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. what father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of an egg? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

PARISH NOTICES

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: The next Parish Pastoral Council meeting will be held on **Thursday, 8 August at 6:00pm** in the Parish Office.

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

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 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



‘Lord,
teach us to pray.’

“Father,
may your name
be held holy,
your kingdom
come.”

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION PILGRIM WALK - 15 AUGUST: The Annual Pilgrim Walk from the Shrine of the Holy Innocents, Kellyville to St. Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta will be held on the Feast of the Assumption - Thursday, 15 August. Bishop Vincent Long will celebrate Mass at 12 Noon before the pilgrimage begins. Anyone is welcome to begin walking from any point of the 14km walk.

For more information: Contact the Parish Office on 9629.2595.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP MOVEMENT - PRESENTATION - HOW TO DEVELOP AUTHENTIC CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES: Parishioners from all over the Diocese interested in developing the sense of authentic community are invited to attend an enlivening presentation by Fr. Ray Sanchez CP, exploring the relevance of Passionist Family Groups in the changing era in our Church today:

6:00pm Mass: Saturday, 10 August, John 23rd Parish, Glenwood-Stanhope Gardens

8:00am Mass: Sunday, 11 August, Mary Queen of the Family Parish, St. Michael's Church, South Blacktown

10:00am Mass: Sunday, 11 August, Mary Queen of the Family Parish, St. Patrick's Church, Blacktown

11:15am-12:45pm: Clancy Room, Mary Queen of the Family Parish, St. Patrick's Church, Blacktown - followed by a shared lunch

Any enquiries please call Parramatta Diocese's Family Group contacts: Elizabeth and Dennis Farrar on 0425 209 840.

VINNIE'S SOCIAL JUSTICE NIGHT: You're invited to the second Social Justice Night of 2019! Come along to deepen your knowledge on refugees and people seeking asylum. We'll hear Rita Dacho's experience of coming to Australia as a refugee and learn about alternatives to offshore detention, such as the community sponsorship program. It's a great night out to meet new people and brainstorm actions you can take, all while enjoying a shared meal. All young adults (18-30) are invited to join us for this free event with dinner provided.

If you have any questions please email: parrayouth@vinnies.org.au

Date: Wednesday, 31 July 2019

Time: 6:30pm

Where: Mad Mex, 285 Church Street, Parramatta

Where to Register: <http://bit.ly/VinniesSJJuly>

FB Event Page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/305505063680939/>

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL, PERTH - 7-11 DECEMBER 2019: ACYF19 is a biennial national gathering of Catholic young people established by the Bishops of Australia. The event involves three days of exciting, large scale Plenary's, tens of workshops, concerts, prayer experiences, fun, expos and concludes with an outdoor mass with the City of Perth. Bishop Vincent and Catholic Youth Parramatta will be leading an expected 200 participants. Free twin-share hotel accommodation is being offered now. **For more information and to register visit:** www.catholicyouthparramatta.org.

CATHOLICCARE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT PROGRAMME - 8 AUGUST-19 SEPTEMBER:

CatholicCare Solo Parent Services is starting a bereavement support programme for those whose spouse has died. The programme will be held weekly on Thursdays from 10:00am to 12 midday from 8 August to 19 September at MacKillop Hall, Granville. An Information session will be held on Thursday, 1 August at 10:00am. **For more information:** Call Rita at Solo Parent Services on 8843.575.

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.

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.

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.