

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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3 & 4 August 2019

18th 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:

Latu Fatu, Youmna Daaboul, Joseph Tannous, Catherine Caruana, George Safadi, Anthony Matthews

Anniversaries:

Julia Georges, Antoun Azar & Deceased Family Members, Concetta Saffioti, Alfred Xuereb, Angelo Palombit, Therese Safadi & Safadi Family, Clare McMahon, Sebastian D'Silva, Norman Cordeiro

Deceased:

Mary Jane Axiak, Hanna & Majed Families, Tokavahua, Falaeo & Faupala Families, Muscat & Xuereb Family Members, Frank Gauchi, Nayef El-Khoury, Jriege Jlalaty, Reginald Dean, Giuseppe Vespa, Albert Gray & Dawson Family, Wadih Tannous, Hoang Van Nhiem, Nguyen Thi Ninh, Wilson, Ursula & James Barrett, Olive & Joseph Donnelly, Joao & Tomazia Alves, Michael Remaili, Brigida & Peter Bowe, Alves & Moniz Families, Remaili & Wager Families, Holy Souls in Purgatory



LITURGY OF THE WORD

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C



1ST READING: ECCLESIASTES 1:2; 2:21-23

A reading from the book of Ecclesiastes

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity!

For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 89:3-6, 12-14, 17

Response: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You turn men back into dust
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night. **R.**

You sweep men away like a dream,
like grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades. **R.**

Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. **R.**

In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

2ND READING: COLOSSIANS 3:1-5, 9-11

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to 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.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies.

You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and, in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: MATTHEW 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

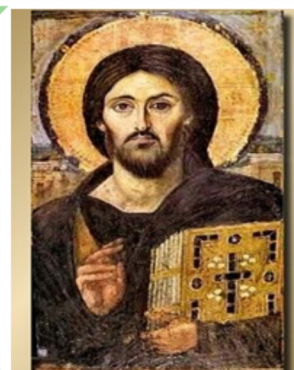
THE GOSPEL: LUKE 12:13-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.' Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to, do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do: I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say, to my soul: 'My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time.'" But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



**In every age,
O Lord,
you have
been
our refuge.**

PARISH NOTICES

CHANGES IN MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK:

There will be no Mass or Communion Service on Tuesday, 6 August. There will be no 9:15am Masses on Wednesday, 7 August or Thursday, 8 August this week. There will be the Rite of Distributing Holy Communion Outside Mass (Communion Service) on both days. At Bishop Vincent's request, I shall be in Brisbane attending a Conference. *Fr. Peter Blayney*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: A special welcome to our young parishioners who will receive Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion. Let us pray for them, their families and our parish as we continue our journey through life with Jesus.

ST. PATRICK'S COMMUNITY GARDEN: Join us at the St. Patrick's Community Garden after the 10:00am Mass for morning tea, cake and gardening fun. Every first Sunday of the month....for they..."heard the sound of the Lord God moving about in the garden." (Genesis 3:8). Jesus is the gardener who restores our Eden. Gardeners care for the earth. They encourage life and beauty and fruit.

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

SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP MEETING: The next Social Justice Group meeting will be held on **Wednesday, 14 August at 6:30pm** in the Parish Office.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION - SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - THURSDAY, 15 AUGUST: Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, 15 August at 9:15am and 7:30pm. Our Primary School will be joining us at the 9:15am Mass.

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

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.

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 me know. ~ *Fr. Peter Blayney*

FUNERAL FOR JOSEPH TANNOUS: A funeral for Joseph Tannous will be held on **Tuesday, 6 August 2019 at 10:30am** at Our Lady of Lebanon Church, 40-46 Alice Street, Harris Park.

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.

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.

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.

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

NVAW WEEK - 4 AUGUST: National Vocations Awareness Week - Today is the Feast of St. John Vianney, the patron saint of parish clergy. Pray for your priests today in thanksgiving for their ministry and presence in your community. Next Thursday is the Feast of St. Mary of the Cross McKillop, our first Australian saint. Pray for the religious who do so much in pastoral care, education, health care and many other ministries. Pray also that these saints may inspire many vocations to consecrated life and priesthood, especially from your community.

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.

2019 FAITH IN MARRIAGE SEMINAR - 30 AUGUST: American Catholic Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers is the guest speaker at The Life, Family and Marriage Office's 2019 Faith in Marriage Seminar on Friday, 30 August at St. Paul's Catholic College Hall, Greystanes from 7:30pm. Free entry and a light supper will be served afterwards. Donations are welcome. Please register your attendance to 8838.3460 or lmf@parracatholic.org.

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.

HOLY SPIRIT SEMINARY OPEN DAY - 18 AUGUST: "Come and See Day" at Holy Spirit Seminary, Harris Park on 18 August is a whole-day event, inspired by Our Lord's invitation to the two disciples of John the Baptist to "Come and See", found in the Gospel of John. Open Day provides single men open to a priestly vocation with the opportunity to experience seminary life, beginning with Holy Mass at St. Oliver's Parish Church at 10:00am, followed by talks, a tour, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and dinner with Bishop Vincent. **RSVP essential.** Please contact Fr. John Paul Escarlan via johnpaul.escarlan@parracatholic.org or 0420 310 771.

ST. PHILOMENA MASS AND DEVOTIONS - 10 AUGUST: Mass and Devotions for St. Philomena will be held on Saturday, 10 August at St. John Vianney Parish, Doonside. Mass will be held at 12 Midday. Please bring a snack to share. For further information, contact Libby Peoples – 0423 154 463 or epeoples9@gmail.com.

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.

CATHOLIC CENTRAL - HOLY MATRIMONY: Date: 11 August. **Where:** St. Bernadette's Parish, Dundas, 1 Cox Crescent, Dundas Valley. **Time:** 6:00pm Adoration/Confessions; 7:00pm Talk by Tim and Karin Abrams in the Hall. **RSVP:** 8 August - 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 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.