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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WEEKLY TIMETABLE

10 & 11 August 2019

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

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

EUCHARISTIC 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.

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:

Frances Zammit, Theresa Fuchs, Latu Fatu, Youmna Daaboul, Joseph Tannous, Catherine Caruana

Anniversaries:

Margaret Lane, Rex Lane, Nicola Mastrippolito, Julia Georges, Antoun Azar & Deceased Family Members, Concetta Saffioti, Alfred Xuereb, Angelo Palombit, Therese Safadi & Safadi Family, Clare McMahon, Sebastian D'Silva

Deceased:

Albert Gray & Dawson Family, Benny Thomas, Susan Dhann, David, Edgar Montclar, Mary Jane Axiak, Joao & Tomazia Alves, Michael Remaili, Hanna & Majed Families, Tokavahua, Falaeo & Faupala Families, Muscat & Xuereb Family Members, Frank Gauchi, Nayef El-Khoury, Jriege Jlailaty, Reginald Dean, Holy Souls in Purgatory





LITURGY OF THE WORD 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C



1ST READING: WISDOM 18:6-9 A reading from the book of Wisdom

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage.

This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you.

The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

The word of the Lord Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 32:1, 12, 18-20, 22

Response: Happy the people the Lord has chosen

to be his own.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. They are happy, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own. **R**.

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **R**.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. **R.**



Jesus
said to his
disciples and
says to us
today:
'You must
stand ready,
because the
Son of Man is
coming at an
hour you do
not expect.'

2ND READING: HEBREWS 11:1-2, 8-12

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: MATTHEW 24:42, 44

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

LUKE 12:35-40

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to his disciples: 'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**



PARISH NOTICES

PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY: A representative of Catholic Youth Parramatta will join us for the 10:00am Mass on Sunday, 25 August and will meet after Mass in the Parish Office with those young people who have already indicated an interest in forming a Youth Ministry

MR. MICHAEL TAN: Michael is a candidate for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Parramatta. He will be with us in the parish for the next 6 months for "on-the-job training". Please welcome Michael who will be present at all Masses this weekend.

PARISH ASSEMBLY: This will take place on Sunday, 8 September at 11:30am in the Parish Hall. This assembly will last no longer than one and a half to two hours. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss present and future planning issues. A member of the Finance Committee and representatives of various ministries in the parish will present a brief sharing about their ministries and how they are relevant to our parish life. All are welcome. A cuppa will be available before the meeting.

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.

FUNERAL: A funeral for Frances Zammit will be held at St. Patrick's Church, Guildford on **Friday**, **16 August at 9:15am.** All welcome to attend.

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.

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 each month will be held at the community garden and the 3rd Sunday of each month will be held at the hall.

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

DIOCESAN NOTICES

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK -4-11 AUGUST: Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured. In this National Vocations Awareness Week, let us pray for all families in our parish, and for those preparing for marriage. Let us also pray that our parish community may always be welcoming and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life. For more information about Vocations in the Diocese of Parramatta, please visit: www.parracatholic.org/vocations/

SPIRIT SEMINARY OPEN 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.

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.

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 Imf@parracatholic.org.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL FOR RETIRED AND SICK PRIESTS - 1 SEPTEMBER: There will be a special collection for the Clergy Support Foundation of the Diocese – on Father's Day. Your donation helps them cover healthcare costs and expenses associated with everyday living, supplementing the pension that some receive. Please give generously this Father's Day Appeal. Donations of \$2.00 or more are tax deductible.

Donations can be made here: parracatholic.org/csf

MINISTRY OF COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND DYING ONGOING FORMATION - 14 SEPTEMBER:

The Office for Worship is organising a formation day for those already involved in the ministry, Ministers of Communion to the Sick and the Dying on Saturday, 14 September at the Institute for Mission, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown, from 9:30am until 2:00pm. Morning tea and lunch will be provided. RSVP by 10 September. To RSVP, please contact the Office for Worship team on telephone 8838.3456 or anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org.

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: The National Centre for Pastoral Research has just published *Listen to What the Spirit is Saying*, the final report of the Listening and Dialogue stage of the Plenary Council. The report captures the voices of the more than 222,000 people who shared their submissions, questions and stories of faith during the 10-month process. Access the report at:

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/reports

CAMPION COLLEGE AUSTRALIA BOOK FAIR: - 31 AUGUST: The Library at Campion College Australia will be holding a book fair with a large number of second-hand books for sale. 10:00am-3:00pm at Campion College, 8-14 Austin Woodbury Place, Old Toongabbie. Inquiries: 9896.9307 or email: k.vanaardt@campion.edu.au

REFLECTION DAY FOR WOMEN - SATURDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER - 9:30AM TO 3:00PM: Theme: "Give me the living water, that I may never thirst again." Jn4:15. Speaker: Sr. M. Isabell Naumann. Cost: \$25.00 / BYO Lunch, tea and coffee provided. Please register by calling 4773.8338 or by emailing: info@schoenstatt.org.au

WEEKEND RETREAT FOR ADULTS - FRIDAY, 1 NOVEMBER 5:00PM TO SUNDAY, 3 NOVEMBER 3:00PM: With details to be finalised this is a great weekend to get away for some peace and prayer, in the lovely retreat centre at Mt. Schoenstatt. You will experience the graces of the Shrine along with comfortable and clean, twin share rooms with ensuite, home cooked meals and the tranquil atmosphere of the property. To express your interest in this weekend please telephone 4773.8338 or email: info@schoenstatt.org.au. Further details will be provided in the next few weeks.

DISCOVERING GLOBAL MISSION: How can our skills create better opportunities for disadvantaged people? Communities in Timor Leste, PNG, Samoa, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to build local capacity. These assignments are not quick fixes. Find out how Blue Mountains couple Lukas and Kristina increased and expanded services for people with disabilities in Dili, Timor Leste, and how sharing your skills can immerse you in a world of deep cultural discovery. Qualified medics, teachers, tradies, business and admins are always required. Palms Meet and Greet: Sunday, 1 September at 10:30am, The Heritage Terrace Café, Westfield, 585 High Street, Penrith; www.palms.org.au.

OLMC PARRAMATTA 50 YEAR REUNION - 21 SEPTEMBER: Did you commence Year 7 at OLMC in 1964, or attend any year thereafter, such that you did your HSC in 1969, or your SC in 1967? It's OK if you left before your exams, you're still welcome at our 50th Reunion! Contact Jennifer Newton: Email fiftyyearsonolmc64-69@hotmail.com or Facebook page OLMC Parramatta 1964-1969 50th Reunion (September 2019).

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.