

# 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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**5 & 6 October 2019**

**27th 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:**

Concettina Di Cecco, Margaret Wonson, Enny Gunawan (Tan Giok Eng), Erlinda M. Datu, Wally Younan, Robert Taufana

### **Anniversaries:**

Barry Avery, Camilo Onez, Lucy Cindric, Sam Lazzoppina, Martha Mizzi, Luerice Gilbert, Michael Abiwahab, Alma Azar & Deceased Family Members, Carmen Peiry, Patricia Khawaja & Deceased Family Members, Anthony Chetcuti

### **Deceased:**

Mary Jane Axiak, Charles & John Williams & Family, Michael Danaher, Ivy Rice, Albert Vella, Joseph Chu Van Tuan, Anna Nguyen Thi Tu, Marian D'Souza, Nayef El-Khoury, Jreige Jlaillaty, Semaan Azar & Deceased Family Members, Mansour Ayroul & Family, Holy Souls in Purgatory





# LITURGY OF THE WORD

## 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C



### 1ST READING: HABAKKUK 1:2-3; 2:2-4

A reading from the prophet Habakkuk

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help  
while you will not listen;  
to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear  
and you will not save?  
Why do you set injustice before me,  
why do you look on where there is tyranny?  
Outrage and violence, this is all I see,  
all is contention, and discord flourishes.  
Then the Lord answered and said,  
'Write the vision down,  
inscribe it on tablets  
to be easily read,  
since this vision is for its own time only:  
eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive;  
if it comes slowly, wait,  
for come it will, without fail.  
See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights,  
but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

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

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 94:1-2, 6-9

**Response:** If today you hear his voice,  
harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;  
hail the rock who saves us.  
Let us come before him, giving thanks,  
with songs let us hail the Lord. **R.**

Come in; let us bow and bend low;  
let us kneel before the God who made us  
for he is our God and we  
the people who belong to his pasture,  
the flock that is led by his hand. **R.**

O that today you would listen to his voice!  
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,  
as on that day at Massah in the desert  
when your fathers put me to the test;  
when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **R.**

### 2ND READING: 2 TIMOTHY 1:6-8, 13-14

A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to Timothy

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

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

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: 1 PETER 1:25

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

The word of the Lord stands for ever;  
it is the word given to you, the Good News.  
**Alleluia!**

### THE GOSPEL: LUKE 17:5-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you.'

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately?" Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."'

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



**"Lord,  
increase our  
faith."**

**If today  
you hear his  
voice  
harden not  
your hearts.**

## PARISH NOTICES

### PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 LISTENING AND DISCERNMENT SESSIONS:

Two weekends past, at the homily time, I gave an update of where the Plenary Council process is up to. The following information comes from the Diocesan Pastoral Planning office: "We have now entered the second phase of the Plenary 2020 Council the Listening and Discernment Phase. We are now inviting groups to engage in communal Discernment on any one or all of the six themes. As the Holy Spirit guides the Church in Australia, all are welcome to participate and discern together. These six themes are described here: <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/themes/about-the-themes/>. Each Discernment session is expected to result in a two-fold response:

1. A **National** response that can be summarised in 1,000 characters and that can be submitted through a form on the Discernment page <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/listening-and-discernment/> (please scroll to bottom of page).

2. A **Local** response, with encouragement to collaborate with others. Please contact your Deanery Pastoral Council Chair if you have any local group suggestions for action. This can be anything in our lives, in our parishes, our communities or schools or in any other part of our local neighbourhoods".

For a number of reasons, we are not holding these sessions in the parish. I have not yet heard what the Eastern Deanery Council has decided, as it is holding a meeting this Saturday, 5 October. What we have decided to do is to encourage anyone who wishes to participate in the Listening and Discernment sessions to be held at the Institute for Ministry, Blacktown. The topic, dates and times are listed elsewhere in this Bulletin. Members of the Parish Pastoral Council will be attending at least the first two sessions on 17 & 23 October. Those involved in the various ministries in the parish are invited and encouraged to attend these sessions at Blacktown. Anyone is welcome to attend such sessions at any other parish or forum you become aware of.

~ Fr. Peter Blayney

### SYNOD OF BISHOPS ON THE PAN-AMAZONIAN REGION:

Catholic bishops, indigenous leaders and experts are preparing to gather in Rome from 6 October to 27 October for the special Synod of Bishops on the Pan-Amazonian Region. While other special synods have addressed particular geographical regions, this is the first one organized around a distinct ecological territory.

"The synod arises from 'Laudato Si'," the social encyclical published by Pope Francis in 2015.

In recent weeks, the Amazon rainforest has received increased attention as devastating fires burn at the highest rate since 2010.

The international community needs to "take serious measures to save the lungs of the world," said the executive council of the Latin American Bishops' Conference on 22 August. "What happens to the Amazon is not just a local issue, but is of global reach. If the Amazon suffers, the world suffers."

Let us pray for Pope Francis and all members of the Synod during this time.

### CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL - 19-20 OCTOBER

**2019:** On the weekend of 19-20 October our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission Appeal. A third collection will be held at all Masses on this weekend.

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY ROSTER:** The new roster for all liturgical ministries has been emailed. There are copies in the Sacristy for those who require a printed copy.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP MEETING:** The next Social Justice Group meeting will be held on **Wednesday, 9 October at 6:30pm** in the Parish Office.

### 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.

## 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

### CHIME IN FOR THE BELLS OF ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL:

The Bells of St. Patrick's Cathedral Appeal offers a rare opportunity to create history and donate a bell that commemorates a loved one, or honours your family name, organisation or community group. As a Benefactor, you'll also have the privilege of naming your bell in honour of a revered Catholic Saint and helping make the dream of a peal of bells for St. Patrick's Cathedral become a reality.

**For further information visit:**

[yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/bellsappeal](http://yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/bellsappeal)



## DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

**CYP LIFTED LIVE IN THE FORECOURT - 26 OCTOBER:** Join Catholic Youth Parramatta, Bishop Vincent and over 1,000 other youth and young adults as they celebrate the feast of St. John Paul II during LIFTED Live in Forecourt at the St. Patrick's Cathedral Precinct on Saturday, 26 October from 7:00pm-10:00pm. There will be live music, food stalls, rides and entertainment. \$5.00 entry on arrival.

**For more information visit:**

<https://parracatholic.org/liftedlive/>

**ST. PHILOMENA MASS AND DEVOTIONS - 9 NOVEMBER:** Mass and Devotions for St. Philomena will be held on Saturday, 9 November at St. John Vianney Parish, Doonside. Mass will be held at 12 Midday, with confession from 11:30am. Please bring a snack to share. For further information, contact Libby Peoples on 0423 154 463 or [epeoples9@gmail.com](mailto:epeoples9@gmail.com).

**PLENARY 2020 - LISTENING & DISCERNMENT:** You are invited to attend any or all of the six sessions to gather and discern the Plenary 2020 National Themes for Discernment. Each session held will be focusing on one of the six themes. These sessions are being held at the Institute for Mission, 1-5 Marion Street, Blacktown.

A light supper will be served. Please RSVP Tanya Quinn to [tanya.quinn@parracatholic.org](mailto:tanya.quinn@parracatholic.org).

**Session 1:** Thursday, 17 October - 6:30pm-9:00pm - Missionary and Evangelising

**Session 2:** Wednesday, 23 October - 6:30pm-9:00pm - Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal

**Session 3:** Thursday, 31 October - 6:30pm-9:00pm - Prayerful and Eucharistic

**Session 4:** Wednesday, 6 November - 6:30pm-9:00pm - Humble, Healing and Merciful

**Session 5:** Thursday, 14 November - 6:30pm-9:00pm - Joy, Hope-Filled and Servant Community

**Session 6:** Wednesday, 20 November - 6:30pm-9:00pm - Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform

**ALPHA PROGRAM WEEKEND TRAINING - 8-10 NOVEMBER:** The Pastoral Planning Office is running a training course in the Alpha Catholic program at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown. A sample Alpha evening will be held on Friday, 8 November from 7:00pm to 9:00pm, before full-day training sessions on Saturday, 9 November and Sunday, 10 November. Morning and afternoon tea and lunch will be provided. To register, and for more information, please contact Lisa in the Pastoral Planning Office on 8838.3497 or [lisa.bright@parracatholic.org](mailto:lisa.bright@parracatholic.org).

**SPRINGWOOD CHURCH CENTENARY - 19 OCTOBER:** St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, Springwood is celebrating the centenary of the opening of its second church (corner Macquarie and Hawkesbury Roads, Springwood) on Saturday, 19 October. If you attended Mass or school at this site, you are warmly invited to wander in for a memory walk between 12 Noon and 2:00pm. For more information, please contact the Parish Office on 4754.1052.

**BLACKTOWN LEGION OF MARY ROSARY PROCESSION - 26 OCTOBER:** The Legion of Mary Blacktown Comitium is celebrating the Month of the Holy Rosary with a Rosary Procession on 26 October. The procession will start at Alpha Park, Blacktown at 12:30pm and will process from 1:00pm to St Patrick's Church, Blacktown. Benediction will close the event at 2:30pm.

**NIGERIAN MASS IN IGBO:** The Nigerian Catholic community come together to celebrate Mass every second and fourth Sundays of the month at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, 198 Old Prospect Road, Greystanes. For more information, please contact Nigerian chaplain Fr. Chinonye Akamadu via the Parish Office on 9631.8135 or Stella Nwosu on 0405 478 472.

**PLENARY COUNCIL 2020:** The Plenary Council invites people to continue to participate in the journey towards the Council sessions in 2020 and 2021. The "Listening and Discernment" phase recently opened and a guide has been developed to encourage groups to take part in communal discernment on the National Themes for Discernment. Learn more about the Christian practice of discernment and download the guide, "Let's Listen and Discern" at [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au).

**ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS - 27 OCTOBER:** All married couples and their families are warmly invited to the Diocese of Parramatta's Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass and Lunch on Sunday, 27 October at 11:00am at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta. A light lunch in the Cathedral Hall will follow. Please register your names and numbers of years married, and the numbers attending the lunch by contacting the Life, Marriage and Family Office on 8838.3460 or email [lmf@parracatholic.org](mailto:lmf@parracatholic.org).

### POSITIONS VACANT:

Volunteers - CatholicCare Mamre Creche

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

## 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.