

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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**18 & 19 April 2020
2nd Sunday of Easter — Year A**

STAY IN TOUCH!

Parishioners are reminded to stay connected within families, with friends and fellow parishioners as much as possible while we live through the current health crisis. If you know of someone without internet access, please give that person a phone call. As you would be reading this on the parish website, you are already connecting with us through this medium. There is a "Guildford Catholics" WhatsApp group whereby parishioners are connecting with each other.

Download the "WhatsApp" Application on your mobile phone, then use the following link to get onto "Guildford Catholics": <https://chat.whatsapp.com/LxCYnBNeF8X6S5L9WK865K>. Explore our website as there is a FaceBook, Instagram and YouTube link. The pre-recorded Mass from St. Patrick's for the 2nd Sunday of Easter can be found on the YouTube link on Saturday, 18 April after midday. This Mass will also be live-streamed at 6:00pm on Saturday, 18 April. Remember, you are welcome to phone the Parish Office for any reason on 9632.2672 or the parish mobile 0457 717 220.

~ Fr. Peter Blayney

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
ON MONDAYS AND FRIDAYS UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE**

PASTORAL REVENUE (1ST COLLECTION):

Any parishioner who would like to make a donation to the Diocesan Priests Pastoral Revenue (1st Collection) please use the below Electronic Funds Transfer details:

BSB: 067-950

Account No: 00004265

Account Name: Parramatta Diocesan Clergy

Reference: 6016 Donation

The "6016 Donation" refers to Guildford Parish.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH GUILDFORD (2ND COLLECTION):

Any parishioner who would like to make a donation to St. Patrick's Church Guildford (2nd Collection) please use the below Electronic Funds Transfer details:

BSB: 067-950

Account No: 00000354

Account Name: Guildford Catholic Church

Reference: 2nd Collection Donation

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



LITURGY OF THE WORD

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR A



1ST READING: ACTS 2:42-47

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The whole community remained faithful to the teaching of the apostles, to the brotherhood, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. The many miracles and signs worked through the apostles made a deep impression on everyone. The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared out the proceeds among themselves according to what each one needed. They went as a body to the Temple every day but met in their houses for the breaking of bread; they shared their food gladly and generously; they praised God and were looked up to by everyone. Day by day the Lord added to their community those destined to be saved.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 117:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Response: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
his love is everlasting.

Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'
Let the sons of Aaron say:
'His love has no end.'
Let those who fear the Lord say:
'His love has no end.' **R.**

I was thrust, thrust down and falling
but the Lord was my helper.
The Lord is my strength and my song;
he was my saviour.
There are shouts of joy and victory
in the tents of the just. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.
This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad. **R.**

2ND READING: 1 PETER 1:3-9

A reading from the first letter of St. Peter

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy has given us a new birth as his sons, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead, so that we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be spoilt or soiled and never fade away, because it is being kept for you in the heavens. Through your faith, God's power will guard you until the salvation which had been prepared is revealed at the end of time. This is a cause of great joy for you, even though you may for a short time have to bear being plagued by all sorts of trials; so that, when Jesus Christ is revealed, your faith will have been tested and proved like gold - only it is more

precious than gold, which is corruptible even though it bears testing by fire - and then you will have praise and glory and honour. You did not see him, yet you love him; and still without seeing him, you are already filled with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described, because you believe; and you are sure of the end to which your faith looks forward, that is, the salvation of your souls.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: JOHN 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!
Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews.

Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side.

The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.

When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!'

Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me, Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book.

These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

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



**‘My Lord
and
my God!’**

**Happy are
those
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MASS INTENTIONS

Anniversary: Frane and Marija Marcic

