

# 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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**22 & 23 August 2020**  
**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A**

## WEEKLY TIMETABLE

### **Sunday Masses:**

Saturday: 4:45pm & 6:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am & 10:00am

### **Weekday Masses:**

Wednesday: 9:15am

Thursday: 9:15am

Friday: 9:15am

### **Confessions:**

By appointment only.

Please call the Parish Office on:

9632.2672



**Baptisms:** Please contact the Parish Office by telephone to arrange a Baptism. Baptisms are 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 will be explained when you contact the Parish Office. **Booklets need to be obtained from the Parish Office prior to the preparation.**

## 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



## Mass Intentions



### **Recently Deceased:**

Noleen Remaili, Catherine Leone Kelly, Fred Butterfield, Mikaele Fiakaifonu, Pasilia Kalisito Toafatavao

### **Anniversaries:**

Angelo Virzi, Terry & Des Golds, Pio Borg, Nicola Mastrippolito, Lamia & Kalil Mourched, Margaret & Rex Lane, Erlinda M. Datu

### **Deceased:**

Michael Remaili, Joao & Tomazia Alves, Lynch & Violet Families, Mary Jane Axiak, Tokavahua, Falao & Faupala Families, Falasuni Lagikula, Tameha Hiloia & Family, Jannette, Peter & Eid Majed & Hanna Family, Matri Awad, Malake Salloum, Ghasan Aswat, Franciska & Zelko Jakobin, Hanna, Majed & Karam Families, Joseph Kusitino Tukana & Family, Ausia Holokaukau & Family, Lusie Mickaele Manukula & Family, Holy Souls in Purgatory



# LITURGY OF THE WORD

## 21 ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A



### 1ST READING: ISAIAH 22:19-23

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office,  
I remove you from your post,  
and the same day I call on my servant  
Eliakim son of Hilkiah.  
I invest him with your robe,  
gird him with your sash,  
entrust him with your authority;  
and he shall be a father  
to the inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and to the House of Judah.  
I place the key of the House of David  
on his shoulder;  
should he open, no one shall close,  
should he close, no one shall open.  
I drive him like a peg  
into a firm place;  
he will become a throne of glory  
for his father's house.

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

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

**Response:** Lord, your love is eternal;  
do not forsake the work of your hands.

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.  
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,  
discard not the work of your hands. **R.**

### 2ND READING: ROMANS 11:33-36

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

How rich are the depths of God - how deep his  
wisdom and knowledge - and how impossible to  
penetrate his motives or understand his methods!  
Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who  
could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give  
him anything or lend him anything? All that exists  
comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be  
glory for ever! Amen.

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

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: MATTHEW 16:18

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my  
Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it.  
**Alleluia!**

### THE GOSPEL: MATTHEW 16:13-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi  
he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people  
say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he  
is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah  
or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said, 'who do  
you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are  
the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus  
replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man!  
Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this  
to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you:  
You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church.  
And the gates of the underworld can never hold out  
against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of  
heaven; whatever you bind on earth shall be  
considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on  
earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he  
gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that  
he was the Christ.

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



**You are Peter and on this rock  
I will build my Church.  
I will give you the keys of  
the kingdom of heaven.**

# **IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT MASSES AT ST. PATRICK'S, GUILDFORD**

The following provisions apply to gatherings in our parish church:

- 70 persons are permitted for Mass or other liturgical services

However, the COVID-19 health conditions still apply:

- Persons entering the church must use the hand sanitizer provided
- Persons entering the church must record their names and other contact details
- Persons must keep the "4 square metre" rule.

## **WEEKEND MASSES**

One extra Mass will be celebrated in the church.

The Saturday Mass timetable will now be: 4:45pm and 6:00pm.

The Sunday Mass timetable will now be: 8:00am and 10:00am.

**If you wish to attend any of these Masses, you MUST book in through the Parish Office (Monday-Thursday, 8:30am-3:00pm; 8:30am-2:00pm on Fridays) on 9632.2672 or email [admin@guildfordcatholicchurch.org.au](mailto:admin@guildfordcatholicchurch.org.au).**

## **WEEKDAY MASSES**

The weekday Mass timetable is: Wednesday 9:15am, Thursday 9:15am and Friday 9:15am.

**There will be no Masses on Tuesday at 7:00pm or Saturday at 9:00am until further notice.**

## **Sacrament of Penance**

Due to physical distancing provisions, it is not possible to celebrate the Sacrament in the Confessional Room. Please telephone the Parish Office (9632.2672) for an appointment with the Parish Priest who will meet with you within a reasonable time.

## **Pre-Recorded Sunday Mass**

Will be available on the parish website after midday Saturday as usual.

## PARISH NOTICES

### **THE WELL, NEW RESOURCE IN PANDEMIC ERA:**

Bishop Vincent this week launched an initiative in the Diocese for all of us to stay connected with the Church and each other. He said: "I am pleased to share with you the latest initiative from our ministries and agencies which responds to the growing need for a strong Catholic presence online. This need is only accentuated during this time of the pandemic. Through our work with our youth, with our parishes and our councils, we have understood the importance of offering a relevant and engaging online space, and what is being offered seeks to support and complement the work of our faith communities, as we work together to share and grow our faith in Jesus Christ. The Well online sharing platform contains videos, podcasts and other spiritual resources to support our communities to grow and engage in their faith". The resource is called **The Well**. The Bishop described this as "a 'living library' of many resources we create at the Diocese, as well as from other relevant liturgical sources. Our hope is that it will be another way that people can connect with our Church, whether they attend Mass regularly, or are unable to, particularly at the current time. Our desire is for the content to both feature local communities as well as relate to the needs of our local people. I invite you to visit The Well at [thewell.org.au](http://thewell.org.au) and see it for yourself. I encourage you to also watch the short video promoting The Well at this link: <https://youtu.be/vJqTwKWvBAw>".

### **MASKS ARE NOW HIGHLY RECOMMENDED TO BE WORN AT ALL MASSES:**

As you will have seen, NSW Health, supported by the Premier of NSW is highly recommending everyone in NSW to wear masks in any situation with the potential for COVID-19 transmission. Places of worship have been mentioned specifically. We are therefore officially recommending all worshippers in the Diocese of Parramatta wear a mask to Mass. This would be as people arrive on parish grounds, during Mass or the service and afterwards as they leave. During Communion, the mask may be removed, but it should be in place at all other times.

~ **Diocese of Parramatta**

**COVID-19:** During this time of COVID-19 many people may find themselves in financial difficulty and struggling to buy food and what is needed in daily life. If you know of anyone in these circumstances, please encourage them to contact the **Manning Foundation on 0497 973 311**. Let us continue to pray for one another and for all people during this difficult time.

**PLANNED GIVING OFFERING ENVELOPES:** The Planned Giving Offering envelopes for the 2020/2021 financial year are available at the Parish Office 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.

**ST. PATRICK'S SENIORS CLUB:** The President Shirley called a Committee Meeting and due to the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) it was decided to re-open the Club on Monday, 1 February 2021. Hoping everyone is well. See you in the new Year. Any enquiries please call Shirley on 9721.1875.

## DIOCESAN NOTICES

### **BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL FOR RETIRED PRIESTS - FATHER'S DAY APPEAL 2020:**

Owing to the COVID-19 pandemic and its social and financial impact on families, communities and Churches, the Clergy Support Foundation of the Diocese of Parramatta will not be holding its Annual Bishop's Collection for Retired Priests, i.e. the Father's Day Appeal, this September. Like many other organisations, the Clergy Support Foundation will use its own resources to support the retired priests in this financial year. Donations will always be accepted, however, via our BPOINT portal at [www.parracatholic.org/csf](http://www.parracatholic.org/csf) or Electronic Funds Transfer to BSB 067-950 Account No. 00001691 Account Name CSF No. 1 with Reference your name. If you would like a tax deductible receipt for your donation, please send email to [csf@parracatholic.org](mailto:csf@parracatholic.org) with your name and address details.

### **SOCIAL JUSTICE COVID-19 FOOD AND TOILETRIES DRIVE:**

Jesuit Refugee Service and House of Welcome are dealing with a 400% increase in emergency assistance calls and are needing to feed over 1,000 people facing destitution each week. You can help by running a food and toiletry drive or donating yourself. For more information, contact Patrice Moriarty 0409 399 505 or House of Welcome office@houseofwelcome.com.au or Jesuit Refugee Service [amelia.savage@jrs.org.au](mailto:amelia.savage@jrs.org.au).

### **CATHOLIC EDUCATION DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA SAFEGUARDING ESafety COMMISSIONER WEBINAR - 7 SEPTEMBER:**

Catholic Education and the Office for Safeguarding and Professional Standards are partnering with the eSafety Commissioner for a series of free webinars for parents and carers. The second session, 'Tech, Teens and Time Online' (for secondary students) will be held on Monday, 7 September from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. To register, please visit [bit.ly/39EtexJ](http://bit.ly/39EtexJ). For more information, please contact: [safeguarding@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:safeguarding@parra.catholic.edu.au) or visit: <https://safeguarding.org.au/prevention-education-and-training/>.

### **LIFE, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY OFFICE PRE-MARRIAGE WEEKENDS - 18 AND 20 SEPTEMBER:**

The Life, Marriage and Family Office will host another pre-marriage education course on the weekend of the 18 and 20 September 2020. Social distancing and hygiene measures will be in place, with other arrangements to be made if government requirements change. To view course dates for the remainder of 2020 and to book and pay for your preferred pre-marriage course, visit: [www.parracatholic.org/pmp](http://www.parracatholic.org/pmp) or call 8838.3460.

**MARY MACKILLOP TODAY:** In the spirit of Mary MacKillop we invite you to "Take Fresh Courage". This year is the ten year anniversary of Mary's canonisation. During the challenging times we all face, please pray and support Mary MacKillop today, so that we can continue to transform lives through our vital works and carry on the legacy of Saint Mary MacKillop of the Cross. For more information, please call 8912.2777 or visit [marymackilloptoday.org.au](http://marymackilloptoday.org.au).