

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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10 & 11 October 2020

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

WEEKLY TIMETABLE

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

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 phone:

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:

Sonasi Valugofulu, Siolesio Panapana, Atelema Sialefuka, Jeanette Rogers (Wife of Deacon Owen Rogers), Noeleen Remaili, Milos, Vinka Horvik, Togilea Vakalepu, Soakimi Tukana, Lina Nasr

Anniversaries:

Ron Cartwright, Frank Saffioti, Luca Cindric, Graeme Mansour, Margaret Wonson, Joseph Kusitino Tukana, Sele Halahigano Tukana, Robert Taufana

Deceased:

Sebastian Lobo, Mary Jane Axiak, Hanna & Majed Families, Joseph Kusitino Tukana & Family, Stephanie & Karl Kafotamaki & Family, Setefano Fanene Manuopuava & Family, Sayed & Lucene Fadlallah & Family, Tokavahua, Falaeo & Faupala Families, Kathleen Fatu, Penisio Sinamo & Family, Michael Grima, Haber & Grima Families, Alfred Xuereb, Tony & Odette Chabchoul, Simon & Susane Yazbeck, Alamani Kanimoa & Family, Nalagaheehau, Manakofaiva & Kikanoi Families, Holy Souls in Purgatory



LITURGY OF THE WORD

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A



1ST READING: ISAIAH 25:6-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 22

Response: I shall live in the house of the Lord
 all the days of my life.

The Lord is my shepherd;
 there is nothing I shall want.
 Fresh and green are the pastures
 where he gives me repose.
 Near restful waters he leads me,
 to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**

He guides me along the right path;
 he is true to his name,
 If I should walk in the valley of darkness
 no evil would I fear.
 You are there with your crook and your staff;
 with these you give me comfort. **R.**

You have prepared a banquet for me
 in the sight of my foes.
 My head you have anointed with oil;
 my cup is overflowing. **R.**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
 all the days of my life.
 In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
 for ever and ever. **R.**

2ND READING: PHILIPPIANS 4:12-14, 19-20

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

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere; full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: CF EPHESIANS 1:17, 18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
 enlighten the eyes of our heart
 that we might see how great is the hope
 to which we are called.

Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22:1-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited," he said, "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He dispatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

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



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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

Masses will be celebrated in the church:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 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.

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.

Live-Streaming Sunday Mass

Will begin on the weekend of 17th/18th October. The Mass to be live-streamed will be the 5:30pm Vigil Mass. This can be viewed in real time or later as the Mass will remain on the website for some days. **This means that the last pre-recorded Sunday Mass will be for this coming weekend, 10th/11th October.**

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CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL — 17-18 OCTOBER: *For the Joy of the Lord is Your Strength.* Next weekend our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission Church Appeal. This year we are invited to partner with the Church in Cambodia, which is reaching out to those who have been affected by disability and giving them hope and support to live a fulfilling life. Chen was just 16 years old when he lost both his legs in a landmine accident. Knowing that his life would never be the same, he felt hopeless, until he and his family were approached by the Arrupe Centre. Led by Bishop Enrique Figaredo Alvargonzalez, the Arrupe Centre provides children like Chen with support and opportunities they may not access otherwise. Next week you will be offered the opportunity to personally partner with the Church in Cambodia as a monthly giving partner, with all gifts specifically directed to support community and child-focused programs in Cambodia. Please come prepared to give generously. **Freecall: 1800 257 296** catholicmission.org.au/cambodia

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

ST. PATRICK'S SENIORS CLUB: The President Shirley called a Committee Meeting and due to 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 AND COMMUNITY NOTICES

MOUNTAINS DEANERY LITURGICAL FORMATION COURSE 2020: The Office for Worship will be running two Liturgical Ministry workshops at St. Finbar's Parish, Glenbrook. Workshops are Saturday, 24 October from 2:00pm-4:00pm, for Ministers of the Word (Readers) and Saturday, 31 October from 2:00pm-4:00pm for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Communion to the Sick & Dying. Due to COVID-19 restrictions there are limited places available. For more information, contact the Office for Worship on anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org.

OFFICE FOR WORSHIP RCIA INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW WORKSHOP - 26 OCTOBER: The Office for Worship will be running a workshop: RCIA: An Introduction and Overview of the RCIA Process for RCIA Co-Ordinators and teams on the evening of Monday, 26 October at the Institute for Mission, Blacktown. To RSVP by 22 October, or if you would like more information, please contact the Office for Worship on 8838.3456 or anne.alimangohan@parracatholic.org. **Please Note:** there will be limited spacing due to social distancing.

DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA COVID-19 UPDATE: Parishes across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains have COVID-Safety plans in place requiring social distancing, maximum attendance figures and other safety measures. We also highly recommend wearing masks to Mass and other services. For more information, please visit the Diocesan website: www.parracatholic.org/covid19.

CATHOLICCARE IS STILL OPEN AND OPERATIONAL: CatholicCare Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains services remain open and operational during the current COVID-19 outbreak. Individual offices have been closed to clients, but the service continues to operate with care and support offered via phone, video conferencing/telehealth and online. Some programs are continuing to run groups via video conference. To make a referral, call 8843.2500 (Monday-Thursday 8:30am-8:00pm, Friday 8:30am-5:00pm, Saturday 9:00am-1:00pm), email – enquiries@ccss.org.au or visit ccss.org.au.

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 JRS amelia.savage@jrs.org.au.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED: Aid to the Church in Need is organising the prayer campaign *One Million Children Praying the Rosary*. We know how powerful the prayers of children are, they fly like an arrow into the heart of God. How powerful then is the prayer of the Rosary prayed by millions of children, and adults, all around the world! Join this prayer campaign on the 18 October. Go to www.aidtochurch.org/one-million-children to learn more.