

St Christopher's & St Patrick's

Catholic Parishes



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE YEAR B

21st November 2021

St Christopher's Catholic Church 233 Tower Street Panania NSW 2213 www.stchristopherpanania.org.au

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8am, 9:30am & 5pm

Tuesday: 7pm,

Wednesday-Friday: 9:15am

Saturday: 9am

Exposition & Benediction

Tues: 6-7pm, Thur: 5-7pm Sat: after 9am Mass

Holy Hour

Friday: 6.15am-7. 15 (except school holidays)

Reconciliation

Saturday: 9.30am & 4.45 pm

Baptisms

11am: 1st & 3rd Sundays

Weddings (by appointment)

St.Patrick's Catholic Church

294 The River Road Revesby Heights NSW 2212 www.stpatrickrevesbyheights.org.au

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 9am

Tuesday- Friday: 8am,

Healing Mass

Exposition & Benediction

8:30 am - 9am, 1st Friday of the month

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4.45 pm-5:15 pm

Baptisms

Weddings (by appointment)

Parish Priest

Fr Salas Muttathukattil MSFS

Assistant Priest

Fr Bhaskar Mendam MSFS



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Gospel Reflection

Not from, but for, the World

What are we to make of the famous reply of Jesus to Pilate: 'My kingdom is not of this world'? Left there, it sounds as though Jesus is talking about a realm which is far removed from terrestrial concerns. Perhaps our task as his followers is to meditate into a blissful nothingness, to live other-worldly lives.

It is a poor translation, and it should read: 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would have fought to stop my being handed over.' Of all the ways in which our Lord could have contrasted his realm with all the other ways in which societies are ruled, he chose a contrast about the use of force. Rather, his reign springs from his Father's will that humanity should live together in a realm of non-violence.

We can easily criticise ISIL's blasphemous use of barbaric violence in the supposed service of religion. It is the most extreme opposite of Our Lord's teaching which He embodied in his practice. But, even for us, the challenge is there to restrain too-ready resort to armed violence and to humanely moderate its exercise where it is used to protect the innocent.

We could pause for a moment to pray for the coming of the Kingdom, not as an 'out of this world' experience, but in the words of the Our Father: 'Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.'

Fr Michael Tate

Our quote for the day

" When it is necessary to contradict someone and to oppose his opinion to that of another, we must use great gentleness and tact without any wish to force his spirit." St Francis De Sales



Gospel Acclamation

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

1st Reading

Dn 7:13-14

A reading from the prophet Daniel

<u>Gospel</u>

Jn 18:33-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

I gazed into the visions of the night.

And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man.

He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence.

On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship,

and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants.

His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass away, nor will his empire be destroyed.

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 92:1-2, 5, R.v.1

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

2nd Reading Rv 1:5-8

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.**

Communion Antiphon

Ps 28:10-11

The Lord sits as King forever.
The Lord will bless his people with peace.

A Prayer for HSC Student preparing for Examination

Dear God, Father, Son and the Holy Spirit, source of all wisdom, help me to use my time and my intelligence wisely, as I prepare for exams. Help me to dispose myself to listen to your Holy Spirit, so that you, as my loving Father, place me in a state of prayer, and lead me to understand that the supreme wisdom is knowing that I am your child. Help me to remain serene, so that my work may truly reflect this profound truth. Mary, Mother of my spiritual life, guide me in the ways of your Son, so that my work may help to transform this world for His glory. Amen.

St Christopher. Pray for us

St Patrick. Pray for us

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Pray for us



COVID UPDATE

- * Churches across the Archdiocese of Sydney are open to all people regardless of vaccination status. The number permitted is according to the 2sqm rule, with the exception of people from the same household.
- * Masks must be worn while inside a church.
- * Covid Check-in is also required via the Service NSW App or a written record.
- * If those attending weddings and funerals are all vaccinated no person limit.
- * Those not vaccinated that attend funeral or wedding , then the ceremony must be "small": maximum 11 at a wedding and 10 at a funeral.
- * Vaccinated members of the congregation are permitted to sing, but masks must still be worn.
- * More information is available on www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-frequently-asked-questions/.

Information for Wardens, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Acolytes:

We have been advised that the ONLY volunteers who MUST have a WWCC are Acolytes and Senior Altar Servers, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Wardens/Collectors, Sacramental Coordinators, Sacramental Group Leaders, Catechists, Children's Liturgy Coordinators and Children's Choir Ministry Leaders.

It is also a requirement of the Safeguarding Office that all these volunteers need to complete Safeguarding Induction Training. This training can be done online and is very quick and simple. The link for the training is: https://forms.gle/9ebT3voEAtfP7P8R9

In order to register for training, you will need to provide an email address. Volunteers who work in Sydney Catholic Schools will need to use their personal email address and not their work email to do this online training. Once you have completed the training, you will receive a Certificate to verify training is complete. Could you please email this to safeguardingstcpanania@gmail.com. This training needs to be completed ASAP. We will audited by the Safeguarding Office in early January so it is imperative that this training is completed.



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Dear Parishioners of St Christopher's and St Patrick's.

We had 60 candidates for Confirmation who received the Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit across 3 masses last weekend.

We gratefully thank Bishop Richard Umbers, and our own Fr Salas for bestowing this beautiful sacrament on our Candidates.

We can confirm all candidates had prepared well, and were ready to receive this Sacrament.

A note from the candidates - We thank you all for your prayers and support during our preparation for our Confirmation. We have affirmed our faith, for the first time as fully initiated Catholics, and we humbly ask for your continued prayers. Also a big thank you to Ann Maree, Norma, Stephanie, Karen, Jamie, Mimi & Marianne.

We know, with the help of the Holy Spirit, our lives will be enriched and our decisions will be guided.

Thank you all for your prayers and support.

Priests' Retirement Foundation Appeal

On behalf of this parish, we thank you for supporting Priests' Retirement Foundation Appeal. Through your gift, we are able to continue in our mission to provide care for our growing number of sick and retired priests in the Archdiocese of Sydney. If you **374** missed the special collection you can still donate. Please scan the QR code or use this link www.ourfaithourworks.org/prf



St Patrick's church - Exposition & Benediction

Every 1st Friday of the month at 7.30am - 8am

BAPTISM

St Christopher's & St Patrick's Parishes welcome the families of those being baptised this weekend: Ava Brincat, Tom Zogbee, Jackson Stevens, Jack Brady and Rafael Abraham Let us keep the children and their family in our prayers



Welcome to Matthew Lukaszewicz : who will be with us until Christmas. He is a senior seminarian who is looking forward to experiencing parish life. Please make him welcome.

Congratulations to Melissa Felice

Who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation at 9.30am Mass this Sunday. We wish you blessings as you take this step in confirming your in Catholic faith.



Congratulations to Fr Danny Meagher who has been named Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney. We pray that he will receive the blessings necessary to lead and guide us in the church.

RCIA Mass

Parishioners are invited to next weekend's 9.30am Sunday 28/11/21 to welcome our RCIA Catechumens and Candidates into the church. During the Mass they will be declaring their intention to be in full Communion of the Catholic Church and receive their Bibles as they continue their studies before the Rite of Election next year in St Mary's Cathedral.

St. Christopher's & St. Patrick's Parish Contacts Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9.00am-3.00pm

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Parish Secretary: Van Doan
Parish Manager: John Tesoriero
Sac. Co-ordinator: Anne Maree Morris
Pastoral Care: Norma Coorey

St. Christopher's Church

Parish Pastoral Council

Chairperson: Anne Weeks Secretary: Dympna Paterson

<u>Parish Finance Committee</u> Chairperson: John Tesoriero

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Jeanette Carroll

St. Patrick's Church

<u>Parish Pastoral Council:</u> Chairperson: Chris Russell

Secretary: Pat Nolan

Parish Finance Committee
Chairperson: John Tesoriero

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Siobhan Van Den Nieuwenhuizen

Saint of the day

Secretary:

22nd Nov St Cecilia

23rd Nov Sts Clement 1 & Columban

Pat Nolan

24th Nov Sts Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions

25th Nov St Catherine of Alexandria 26th Nov St Leonard of Port Maurice

27th Nov St Intercisus



Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Joseph Vinh Pham, Glenn Dumlao, Thomas Mullane, Fr Daniel Dib, John Coorey, Hikmat Shina, Deacon Owen Rogers, Don Khoury

Anniversaries:

Tony Khoury & Tom Coorey, Michael & Francis Young, Giuse Nghi & Giuse Dung Hoang, Thomas Conway. Sydney Israel

General Intention:

Jose Quintal, June Zoelfel & families, Maria Tinh Nguyen, Thanksgiving & All Souls, Paul Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirmed:

Sam Law, Therese Nasser, Denis Kovc, John Esther, Eric Ellem, Alacoque Welsh, Jo Grosvenor, Dawn Poole, Jim O'Neill, John Esther, Giuseppe Iacono, Anne Coome, Sira Raveane, Bernadette Lawrance, Helen Dawson, Kerry & Russ, Stephen Sinclair, Chris Burke, Vincent Doan, Marie McLoughlin, Olive Gaynor, Mary Israel, Rudolf Rodriques, Suzanne Moig, Junior Zoran Stojanovski, Pat Tunnicliff, Pat Tindall, Val Edwards



	ST. CHRISTO	PHER'S WEEKEND	ROSTERS 2021			
20th/21st Nov	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries	
Readers:	Gabrielle Innes Louise Anderson	Maureen Singleton Natalie Salameh	Lea De Angelis Andrew Mills	Anita & Josie Hanna	Communion to the Sick Terese Jones, Josephine Jones, Norma Coorey Counters:	
Communion Ministers:	David Raish Barbara Tesoriero	Terese Jones Norma Coorey	Margaret Yasbek Magdalene Vetter	Gabi Bietresato Nazira Hanna		
Acolytes/Servers:	John Tesoriero	Andrew Mills	Ruben Nool	Ryan Romero	George Elias Dennis Lister	
27th/28th Nov	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries	
Readers:	Louise Harvey Mary Young	John Coates Natalie Salameh	Gabriela Bietresato Sam Coorey	Michelle Ryan Volunteer	Communion to the Sick Magdalene Vetter	
Communion Ministers:	Frank O'Brien Di Hennessy	Magdalene Vetter Ellen Russell	Norma Verjoustinsky	Anne Maree Morris Volunteer	Ellen Russell Gabi Bietresato	
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Acolytes/Servers:	Alan Freeman	Volunteer	Lisa Kerry	Cheryl Beaver	John Tesoriero Sam Coorey	

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2021

	20th/2	1st Nov	27th/28th Nov	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
Acolytes/Servers:	Chris	Kevin	Chris	Ray
Readers:	Marie Carr Liam Carr	Tess Hughes Madeleine Pizzuti	Siobhan Nieuwhuizen Wanieta Young	Pat Nolan Dawn Poole
Communion Ministers:	Sue Chant Elena Salgueira	May Coorey Joan Jones	Alison Simler Barbara Sherry	Madeleine Pizzuti Cathy Moussa



Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office (02)9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.