

St Christopher's & St Patrick's

Catholic Parishes



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8th September 2022

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

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

Reconciliation

Saturday: 9.30am & 4.45 pm

Baptisms

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

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

Reversal of Fortunes

Jesus, surprisingly, found something appealing about this steward who was in the rapacious lending business. What was it? Faced with the news that he was about to lose his position, his catastrophic reversal of fortune, he cut a deal with his debtors to help secure his future. Jesus gave him full marks for being astute and shrewd.

Jesus laments the fact that many of his followers, 'children of the light,' are not as smart in the face of the Great Reversal which He is inaugurating in which 'the hungry will be filled with good things and the rich sent empty away' (Mary's Magnificat). We should be using our money ('mammon') to alleviate the myriad hungers of the world, not to buy our way into Heaven, but so that we become the sort of person who will be able to enjoy the heavenly companionship of those who hungered.

We could take a moment to pause and take stock of the use of our resources which are passing, so that we may be received into the eternal habitation.

Fr Michael Tate

Quote of the day



Gospel

Lk 16:1-13

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.
Should they cry to me in any distress,
I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,

to make you rich out of his poverty.

1st Reading Am 8:4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

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



Responsorial Psalm

Ps 112:1-2. 4-8. R. see vv.1. 7

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

2nd Reading

1 Tm 2:1-8

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone — petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving — and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and — I am telling the truth and no lie — a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

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

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes."

'Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil," was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat," was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty."

'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 35:8

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.



Parish Census

We are in the process of updating our parish records. To assist us with this, we kindly request all parishioners to complete a Parish Census Form via the following link: https://forms.gle/81sx1hzScM8P1F2d8. Hard copies are available in the Church Foyer which you can complete and hand in to the Parish Office.

Meeting For Acolytes, Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

There will be a meeting on Wednesday, 21st September at 7pm for all Acolytes and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion from St. Christopher's and St. Patrick's and Thursday, 22nd September at 7pm for all readers of both parishes. Both meetings will be held in St. Christopher's Church. The purpose of these meetings is to make sure that everyone who volunteers in these important ministries are kept informed on the current parish practices within each ministry.

HSC Mass and Supper

On Saturday, 8th October at 5:30pm at St. Patrick's, we will be having our inaugural HSC Mass and Supper as a way for our parish communities to show our support for our Year 12 students, preparing for their HSC exams. Each student will receive a small gift and a blessing during the Mass, followed by a supper and fellowship. We invite all Year 12 students and their families. We encourage the parish communities of St. Patrick's and St. Christopher's to come along and join us!! We ask that anyone in Year 12 who would like to attend, please register at: https://forms.gle/Z6vpsLktZWbPnUU16 For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Ben via the Parish Office: 9774 3662

Pious Goods Shop

Shop assistants required!! Our shop sells many unique and beautiful Religious items and we would like to have it open every weekend at all Masses. If you can assist once a month, please see Anne Weeks or contact the parish office. We had many comments during First Communion Masses about the quality and variety of gifts, so please join us in making this ministry a success.

Statue of Our Lady - St Christopher's

Would you like to take Our Lady home to pray and receive blessings with your friends and family? Please fill in the sheet near the Statue. Delivery of the statue can be arranged if needed. Contact Josephine 0418 405 402



One Million Children Praying the Rosary

We are inviting families, parishes, catechists, and teachers to pray together with children on the 18th of October for peace and unity in the world. Prayer materials have been prepared for you to spread the word and be inspired when gathering the children to pray the rosary together. To register and learn more visit: www.aidtochurch.org/one-million-children



SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Celebration: St Patrick's church

Sunday 18th Sept: 9am

Dear Parishioners of St Christopher's and St Patrick's, we are blessed and excited to congratulate our 91 candidates who made their First Holy Communion last weekend. With a further 3 candidates in the next few weeks!

I can confirm all candidates have prepared well to receive this most beautiful Sacrament.

Our parishes are alive and well, with the Holy Spirit moving amongst us.

A note from the candidates - We thank you all for your prayers and support during our preparation for our First Holy Communion. Also a big thank you to Ann Maree, Norma, Stephanie, Ben, Karen, Josephine, Marianne, Kim & school teachers.

We know, after receiving Jesus for the first time, he will always be with us, protecting and guiding us.

Youth Committee

We are looking for volunteers who would be interested in getting involved in youth ministry within the St. Patrick's and St. Christopher's Parish Communities. If you are interested in being part of our new Youth Committee which will centre around helping to organise youth events within the parish communities and eventually establishing a youth group, please contact Ben via stcpministry@gmail.com or Parish Office: 9774 3662

THE YOUTH ARE COMING!

We are exploring ways to connect the youth to our parish communities and we want your help! We would like to hear from all children and young people from Year 5 all the way to university on what they want to happen in our community. Please complete this questionnaire: https://forms.gle/tux6n5ixXLi2SGPy7. We look forward to hearing your ideas. Any questions or concerns, please contact Ben via Parish Office: 9774 3662 or stcpministry@gmail.com

World Youth Day 2023

His Holiness, Pope Francis is calling all youth and young adults to join him in Lisbon, Portugal for World Youth Day in August, 2023. World Youth Day is a way for our youth and young adults to gather together from all over the world and unite as one, in faith. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of faith and a truly remarkable moment of evangelisation for our world. If you would like to register an expression of interest or would like more information, please contact Ben via the Parish Office 9774 3662

BAPTISM

St Christopher's & St Patrick's Parishes welcome the families of those who being baptised this weekend: Bianca Villella & Jack Barlow Let us keep the children and their family in our prayers

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

Address: 237 Tower Street, Panania

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

Liturgy and Ministry Coordinator: Benjamin Woolf

St. Christopher's Church

Parish Pastoral Council
Chairperson: Anne Weeks
Secretary: Dympna Paterson
Parish Finance Committee
Chairperson: John Tesoriero

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Jeanette Carroll

St. Patrick's Church Parish Pastoral Council: Chairperson: Roza Bulic

Secretary: Pat Nolan

Parish Finance Committee
Chairperson: John Tesoriero
Secretary: Pat Nolan

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Siobhan Van Den Nieuwenhuizen

COMING EVENTS

Sat.8th Oct @ 5.30pm: St Patrick's church - Inaugural HSC

Mass & Supper



Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Tania Howard, Georgia Brown, Kamala Peters, Camille Erwin, Gweneth Grandy, Ester Maningas - Puno, Nichole Hardy, Therese Mitry, Maxwell Baragry, Nicole Knox, Margaret Gray, Alfred Katalinic, Edgardo Bunyi.

Anniversaries:

Doumit & Nayfe Tahhan, Baby Lucas Pullinger, Crisogono Bartolo Jr, Clare Bradley, Anne Wheatley, Horacio Blanco, Paul Mifsud, Jim Young, Rufina Gonsalves.

General Intention:

Dominic Tuan, Ysave, Peter Ngu, Giuse Khanh, The Gillfeather & Mc Loughlin families(Thanksgiving), Peter Long, Victor Batch, Dominic Tran & Joseph Dao, Lazer Fernandez, Dominic Doan, Anna Nhieu, Hanna, Mansour families, Jack Southwell, Francis Constable, Thomas Mullane, Simon Tan, Joseph & Veroniva Ritchie Alf Pandoleon, Paul & Tim Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirmed:

Anita Smith, Maria Koh, Marie Solway, Margaret Duffy, Giovanna Iacono, John Esther, Rosanne Sukkar, Bill & Dina Papadopoulos, Alana Boruta, Mcloughlin & Gillfeathers families, Geordan Smith, Margaret O'Donnell, Kathleen Mulligan, Tom Bradley, Marie & Owen McLoughlin, Alma Tahan, Martin Hannagan, Sam Law, Therese Nasser, Denis Kovc, Jim O'Neill, Giuseppe Iacono, Anne Coome, Sira Raveane, Bernadette Lawrance, Kerry & Russ, Stephen Sinclair, Chris Burke, Vincent Doan, Mary Israel, Rudolf Rodriques, Suzanne Moig, Junior Zoran Stojanovski, Pat Tunnicliff, Pat Tindall.

ST CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2022 **Other Ministries** 17th/18th Sept Sat Vigil: 5.30pm Sun 9.30am Sun 5pm Sun 8am Communion to the Sick Gabrielle Innes Maureen Singleton Anita & Josie Readers: Lea De Angelis Gabi Bietresato Louise Anderson Tanya Nguyen Andrew Mills Hanna Ann-Maree Darcy Norma Coorey Communion David Raish Terese Jones Norma Verjoustinsky Volunteer Counters: **Ministers:** Ann-Maree Darcy Margaret Yasbek Nazira Hanna Barbara Tesoriero Stephanie Siaosi John Tesoriero Acolytes/Servers John Tesoriero Andrew Mills Ruben Nool Ryan Romero Other Ministries 24th/25th Sept Sat Vigil: 5.30pm Sun 8am Sun 9.30am Sun 5pm Communion to the Sick George Elias Ron Woods Readers: Louise Harvey Gabriela Bietresato Michelle Ryan Magdalene Vetter Mary Young Tanya Nguyen Sam Coorey Norma Coorey Josephine Jones Communion Frank O'Brien Magdalene Vetter Louise Anderson Anne Maree Morris Counters: Renee Taylor Ministers: Norma Coorey Stephanie Siaosi Volunteer Jeanette Carroll Maureen Singleton Acolytes/Servers John Tesoriero Geoff Giltinan Cheryl Beaver Lisa Kerry

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2022

	17th/18th Sept		24th/25th Sept	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
Acolytes/Servers:	Chris	Jason	Chris	Kevin
Readers:	Sean McKenna Garry Solway	Cathy Moussa Roza Bulic	Marge Salone Barbara Sherry	Tess Hughes Madeleine Pizzuti
Communion Ministers:	Alison Simler Barbara Sherry	Madeleine Pizzuti Cathy Moussa	Sue Chant Elena Salgueira	May Coorey Joan Jones
Counters:		Maree and Phillip Carr		Maureen Sherry, Brian Quinn



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.