



St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes


ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A
18th June 2023
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,

Exposition & Benediction

 7:30 am - 8am, 1st Friday of the month

Reconciliation
Saturday: 4.45 pm-5:15 pm

Baptisms

 10:30am, 4th Sunday of the month

Weddings (by appointment)

Parish Priest

Fr Salas Muttathukattil MSFS

Assistant Priest

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Gospel Reflection

Guts in a Knot

When Jesus saw the crowds 'he felt sorry for them'. The Greek original actually says 'his guts were in a knot'. When Jesus saw a desperate need he found it stomach-churning stuff.

Our bodies often tell us what we should pray for. Another good signal is tears, not only of sadness but also of joy.

Body-felt impulse and prayer go together, whether celebrating good things or confronting bad things. This is what our Lord wants and, where possible, leading to effective action... labourers in the harvest.

So, when our body gives us the signal – stomach in a knot, or tremendous joy flooding into our lives – follow the body's signals. Pray for the person or the situation concerned. You can be sure that your prayer will be authentic.

Fr Michael Tate

Quote of the Day



Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 26:7,9

with joyful trust in God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

***O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you;
be my help.***

***Do not abandon or forsake me,
O God, my Saviour!***

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

1st Reading

Ex 19:2-6

A reading from the book of Exodus

From Rephidim the Israelites set out again; and when they reached the wilderness of Sinai, there in the wilderness they pitched their camp; there facing the mountain Israel pitched camp.

Moses then went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Say this to the House of Jacob, declare this to the sons of Israel, "You yourselves have seen what I did with the Egyptians, how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. From this you know that now, if you obey my voice and hold fast to my covenant, you of all the nations shall be my very own, for all the earth is mine. I will count you a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation."'

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

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 99:2-3. 5. R. v.3

***We are his people:
the sheep of his flock.***

2nd Reading

Rom 5:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled

Gospel Acclamation

Mk 1:15

***Alleluia, alleluia!
The kingdom of God is near;
repent and believe the Good News!
Alleluia!***

Gospel

Mt 9:36 – 10:8

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Matthew*

When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.'

He summoned his twelve disciples, and gave them authority over unclean spirits with power to cast them out and to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness.

These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them as follows:

'Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.'

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

Communion Antiphon

Ps 26:4

***There is one thing I ask of the Lord,
only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life***

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We wish to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet, the Durag people of the Eora nation, and pay respect to their traditions, customs and long and continuous culture and history. It is upon their ancestral lands that this Community of God is built.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: A Spiritual Journey

The pilgrims from our parishes and from around Sydney left for the long-awaited pilgrimage to the Holy Land in the evening on 21 May 2023.

This sacred journey was filled with awe-inspiring visits to numerous holy places including Dead Sea, Mount Nebo, River Jordan, Cana, Sea of Galilee, Nazareth, Mount Tabor, Mount of Olives, Mount of Temptations, Gethsemane Garden, Holy Sepulchre, Mount Zion, The Upper Room, Bethany etc. The pilgrimage was a great opportunity for us pilgrims to deepen our spiritual connection and understanding of the historical and religious significance of these revered sites.

We began our visits with the Dead Sea, the Earth's lowest point and one of the world's saltiest bodies of water. The journey to Petra, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, one of the Seven Wonders of the World was a time to enjoy the amazing history unfolding before us. Renewal of the Marriage vows at Cana was a memorable event for the seven married couples in the group who made use of the opportunity to strengthen their bond of marriage.

Though the weather was so hot, we all renewed the baptismal Promises by standing by the River Jordan where Jesus received baptism from John the Baptist. The journey from Bethlehem to Mount Olives, which included various places of importance in the life of Jesus and in salvation - history was a time of profound spiritual experience.

The visits to Masada and the Western Wall Tunnel Walk were an enriching experience that allowed us to immerse ourselves in Jewish history, culture, and spirituality. These sacred sites also reminded us of the strength and endurance of the Jewish people throughout history.

We were fortunate to have mass and morning prayer every day, and other devotions whenever we could. We made it a point that we prayed for all our families and parishioners every day without fail. The good Lord guarded us and brought us back safe and sound on the 3rd of June, while some of us extended our trips to Egypt or to Europe. In short, the pilgrimage to the Holy Land was a transformative and spiritually enriching experience. I wish to thank all of you for your prayers and support for the pilgrimage.

God Bless You All

Fr Salas Muttathukattil MSFS



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Celebration of the Sacrament:

St. Christopher's Church.

Wed 21st June - 5pm OR 6.30pm

Archdiocesan Youth Camp

At this year's Archdiocesan Youth Camp, participants from Years 9-12 (under 18's only) will be immersed in the theme 'Purpose: Know, Love, Serve'.

Participants can expect games & activities, social time, prayer and liturgy, talks, Q&A panels and much more! Spots are limited so get in quick. Please see the details below:

Date: 10-12 July 2023 (July School Holidays)

Location: The Tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops.

Participants: All high schoolers welcome aged 14-17.

To register, please scan the QR code below. For more information, please contact Ben via the Parish Office.



Youth Leaders Needed!

Agape Youth had a successful Term 1 with close to 30 children in attendance over the three sessions. In order to keep this important ministry running and due to safeguarding laws, we are in need of youth leaders to help run the group. If you are between the age of 18-30 and would be available fortnightly on a Sunday morning from 10:30am to 12:30pm during school terms and would be interested in getting involved, please contact Ben as soon as possible via stcpministry@gmail.com or contact the Parish Office.

Care And Concern

We are looking to revive a Care and Concern team within the St. Christopher's and St. Patrick's Parish communities. This ministry will involve phone calls and visits to those in our community who may be unwell or homebound. Sometimes, all a person needs is a nice phone call, someone to have a cup of tea with or simply to be prayed for and our 'Care and Concern' team will be there to provide this. If you would be interested in joining this ministry, please contact Ben via stcpministry@gmail.com or phone 9774 3662

If you, or someone you know, is in need of a call, visit or prayer, please complete a Visitation and Prayer Request Form which you will find on the table in the Church foyer and place it in the box provided and the Parish will be in contact.

St Christopher's Year 5 Parish Family Mass

Sunday 25th June at 5pm there will be a Family Mass for all Year 5 families. They will celebrate the Holy Eucharist with our parish community and take on roles within the Mass. All are welcome!

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 Coorey
Liturgy and Ministry Coordinator: Benjamin Woolf

St. Christopher's Church

Parish Pastoral Council

Chairperson: Anne Weeks

Secretary:

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

Sunday 25th June: School family Mass 5pm



Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Dina Papadopoulos, Adrienne Alescander, Dorothy Bottrill, Tom Ferguson, Carolina Garbellini.

Anniversaries:

Joseph Muttathukattil, Diego Calabro, Noelene Byron, Clarence Clemons, Irene Burns, Joseph Basile, Gertrude Smith, Ron O'Brien, John Reardon, Shirley Helm, Dominick & Finbar McDermott, Bett Pacey, Mary & Les Gapps, Giulio Iannilli, Patrick Heffron, Joseph Dao & Rosa Hoang, Mary Young.

General Intention:

Hazel, Dominico Khanh, Maria Chuoi, Deceased members of Yousib & Dagher, Yousib & Adele families, Sandra Biasetto, Georgy Pierre, Dominic & Maria Doan, Paul & Tim Burke, Deceased members of the Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

Peter Yasbek, Glen San Juan, Manfred Adam, Anne Hanna, Lisa Field, Aria Zimmermann, Di Mason, Robert Charadia, Moussa Debs, Pedro Priou, Michael Hains, Helena Kokoszka, Eriw Burwicle, Bronwyn Pearson, Margaret Azzi, Miriam Priou, Maria Koh, Giovanna Iacono, John Esther, Rosanne Sukkar, Bill Papadopoulos, McLoughlin & Gillfeathers families, Geordan Smith, Margaret O'Donnell, Kathleen Mulligan, Tom Bradley, Marie McLoughlin, Alma Tahan, Martin Hannagan, Jim O'Neill, Anne Coome, Mary Israel, Stephen Sinclair, Pat Tunnicliff, Pat Tindall, Sick members of the Legion of Mary.



ST CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2023

17th/18th June	Sat. 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
Readers:	Gabrielle Innes Louise Anderson	Volunteer Tanya Nguyen	Sam Coorey Volunteer	Nazira Hanna Volunteer	Communion to the Sick Terese Jones Van Doan Gabi Bietresato
Communion Ministers:	Volunteer David Raish	Terese Jones Gabi Bietresato	Magdalene Vetter Margaret Yasbek	Volunteer Nazira Hanna	Counters: John Tesoriero Marie Lourey
Acolytes/ Servers	Jonathan Tran	Andrew Mills	Ruben Nool	Ryan Romero	Other Ministries
24th/25th June	Sat. 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
Readers:	Louise Harvey Clare Lourey	George Elias Ron Woods	Gabriela Bietresato Sam Coorey	STC School Students	Communion to the Sick Magdalene Vetter Norma Coorey Josephine Jones
Communion Ministers:	Frank O'Brien Renee Taylor	Magdalene Vetter Norma Coorey	Louise Anderson Kim Barbagallo	Volunteer Anne Maree Morris	Counters: Stephanie Siaso John Tesoriero
Acolytes/ Servers	John Tesoriero	Jon D'astoli	Lisa Kerry	Cheryl Beaver	

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2023

	17th/18th June		24th/25th June	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
Acolytes/Servers:	Chris	Ray	Kevin	Moses
Readers:	Marge Salone Barbara Sherry	Tess Hughes Garry Solway	Marie Carr Roza Bulic	Pat Nolan Dawn Poole
Communion Ministers:	Elena Salgueira Alison	May Coorey Cathy Moussa	Elena Salgueira Monika	May Coorey Joan Jones
Counters:		Bill Woods Brian Quinn		Dorothy Gonsales Seamus McKenna



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.