

St Christopher's & St Patrick's

Catholic Parishes



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR /

2nd July 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 mont

Reconciliation Saturday: 4.45 pm-5:15 pm

Baptisms 10:30am, 4th Sunday of the month **Weddings** (by appointment)

> **Parish Priest** Fr Salas Muttathukattil MSF:

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Gospel Reflection

Christianity not a Cult

In the early Church, Christianity ripped families apart. Good Jewish families would have been appalled to see their sons and daughters go off to follow a crucified blasphemer. Good reason to keep apart in the synagogue, avoiding damnable pollution. This sectarianism contrasted with the Christians who fearlessly went out into the world.

St John Paul II personified what it is to be Catholic. But, he pressed a prayer into a crack in the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem and as an old man shuffled across the floor of a Mosque in Syria.

Of course, there was no compromise of belief and faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, denied by both Jews and Muslims. But his actions were not those of one with the siege mentality of the member of a cult. Rather, he was able to respond to the promptings of the Holy Spirit to take these steps recognising what was good amongst the adherents of those faiths.

We could pause for a moment to implore the Holy Spirit to break us out from any constricting cult-like tendencies so that we can go out into the world powerfully proclaiming the resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Fr Michael Tate

<u>Quote of</u> <u>the Day</u>

JULY 2 "God makes His Will known to us by inspirations. St Francis De Sale

Ps 46.2 alive for God in Christ Jesus.

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

1st Reading

2 Kgs 4:8-11. 14-16

A reading from the second book of the Kings

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.' One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

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



Responsorial Psalm

Ps 88:2-3. 16-19. R. v.2

Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

2nd Reading

Rom 6:3-4. 8-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people. Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light. Alleluia!

<u>Gospel</u>

Mt 10:37-42

1 Pt 2:9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward.

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

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

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 102:1

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

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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.

Holy Father's Appeal

The annual Holy Father's Appeal is on this weekend. The appeal highlights the global charitable causes spearheaded by Pope Francis, and is aimed at



alleviating the suffering of those affected by natural disasters, wars, refugee crises, and poverty. It is an opportunity for us to get involved in an important initiative of the Catholic Church on a local level, and we humbly ask you to give what you can. Give today at www.ourfaithourworks.org/give-to-holy-fathers-appeal phone 1800 753 959 or through our parish collection.

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

Every Monday evening at 6pm, there is a Divine Mercy prayer group held at St. Patrick's Parish, lead by Moses and Anne Papalii. It is an opportunity for parishioners of St. Patrick's and St. Christopher's to come together to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Holy Rosary and reflect on the Diary of St. Faustina. The group is open to anyone from both parishes.

Care And Concern

Would you or someone you know benefit from a social visit? If you like a social visit or a phone call from a fellow parishioner or if you need anything at all, please complete a Care and Concern form, located in the Church foyer and place it in the clear box provided. Please make sure that Mass intention envelopes are not placed in this box as they can get mixed up. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.

Statue of Our Lady: St Christopher's & St Patrick'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 St Christophe's - Josephine 0418 405 402



Deepest Condolences

The Parish of St Patrick's was saddened to hear of the recent passing of our beloved parishioner, Pat Tunnicliff. We pray for the eternal rest of Pat, that she may be at peace, and we send our thoughts and prayers to her family at this time. Pat's funeral will be held on Tuesday 11th July, 10:00am at St Patrick's church.

STC PPC meeting

Wednesday 5th July @ 7pm in the church's meeting room.

25th Anniversary of the Order of MSFS in Australia Mass will be celebrated on Saturday 1st July at 5.30pm at St Christopher's church All are welcome

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.



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ACN AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND

One of the major works of Aid to the Church in Need is providing transport to priests, sisters, and catechists to reach the faithful, who are often at great distances and must go through difficult terrain. In 2022, ACN provided 1,253 pastoral vehicles. This included 564 cars, 406 bicycles, 252 motorcycles, 16 boats, 11 buses, and 4 trucks for the pastoral work of the Church – particularly in Latin America and Africa. Can you help us supply transport to priests and religious again in 2023? Visit www.aidtochurch.org/ transport or scan the QR code to make an offering and learn more.

MSJ 40 Year Reunion

The MSJ Graduating Class of 1983 will be gathering to celebrate this milestone. When : September 9th, 2023 from Noon Where : The Rocks Contact: Maryanne at emiclo@bigpond.com





St. Christopher's & St. Patrick's Parish Contacts Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9.00am-3.00pm Address: 237 Tower Street, Panania	Mass Intentions Let Us Pray for our Parish Community	
Parish Secretary: Van Doan Parish Manager: John Tesoriero	<u>Recently Deceased:</u> Pat Tunnicliff, Rosaria Mollica, Colleen Bush, Barry Sinclair, Harvey Thompson, Jackie Costello Foster.	
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:	Anniversaries: Fr Brian Conaghan, Fr Colin Mason & Clare Young, Paul Byron & Patricia Palmer, Maria Doan, Joseph Muttathukattil, Diego Calabro, Clarence Clemons, Irene Burns, Joseph Basile, Gertrude Smith, Ron O'Brien, John Reardon, Dominick & Finbar McDermott, Bett Pacey, Mary & Les Gapps, Patrick Heffron.	
Parish Finance Committee Chairperson: John Tesoriero Parish Safeguarding Officer: Jeanette Carroll St. Patrick's Church Parish Pastoral Council: Chairperson: Roza Bulic	<u>General Intention:</u> Cecilia Abela & Jane Zammit, Shirley Melanie, Alexadre Arekion, Norm Ronan, Anna Nhieu, Hanna & Mansour families, Georgy Pierre, Sandra Biasetto, Jose Quintal, Hazel, Dominico Khanh, Maria Chuoi, Deceased members of Yousib & Dagher, Yousib & Adele families, Dominic Doan, Paul & Tim Burke, Deceased members of the Legion of Mary.	
Secretary: Pat Nolan Parish Finance Committee Chairperson: John Tesoriero Secretary: Pat Nolan Parish Safeguarding Officer: Siobhan Van Den Nieuwenhuizen	The Sick and Infirmed: Marlene Ronan, Pat Coates, Ivette Charadia, Ursula O'Shea 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, Margarett Azzi, Miriar Priou, Maria Koh, Giovanna Iacono, John Esther, Rosann	
COMING EVENTS Sat. 1st July - 5.30pm Mass at St Christopher's 25th Anniversary of the Order of MSFS in Australia 1st/2nd July - Holy Father's Appeal	Sukkar, Bill Papadopoulos, McIoughlin & 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 Tindall, Sick members of the Legion of Mary.	

ST CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2023					1
1st/2nd July	Sat. 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
Readers:	Clare Lourey Chris Tran	Ron Woods Stephanie Siaosi	Sam Coorey Joe Nguyen	Julie Nugent Tanya Nguyen	Communion to the Sick Ellen Russell Norma Coorey
Communion Ministers:	Caroline Khouri Josephine Jones	Ellen Russell Magdalene Vetter	Jacqueline Bull Terese Jones	Gabi Bietresato Volunteer	Magdalene Vetter Counters:
Acolytes/ Servers	Jonathan Tan	Aldrae Cruz	Richard Hurst	Denis Lister	Jeanette Carroll Maureen Singleton
8th/9th July	Sat. 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
Readers:	Michael Mallia Sue Bracken	Steve Darcy Carolyn Ford	Mary Chan Pauline O'Shea	Volunteers Tanya Nguyen	Communion to the Sick Josephine Jones Ann-Maree Darcy
Communion Ministers:	Jeanette Carroll Barbara Tesoriero	Ann-Maree Darcy Megan Perez	Norma Verjoustinsky VOLUNTEER	Volunteer Stephanie Siaosi	Megan Perez
Acolytes/ Servers	John Tesoriero	Aldrae Cruz	Tony O'Shea	Cheryl Beaver	George Elias Dennis Lister

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	1st/2nd July		8th/9th July	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
Acolytes/Servers:	Chris	Jason	Kevin	Ray
Readers:	Siobhan Van Den Nieuwenhuizen Wanieta Young	Lynda Cameron Mary Cameron	Monika Bradvica Steve Iacono	Cathy Moussa Ann Papalli
Communion Ministers:	Elena Salgueira Steve Iacono	May Coorey Cathy Moussa	Elena Salgueira Barbara Sherry	May Coorey Joan Jones
Counters:		Maureen Sherry Brian Quinn		Sue-Ann Burton Peter Volk



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.