



# St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes


**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A**
**16th July 2023**
**St Christopher's Catholic Church**

233 Tower Street Panania NSW 2213

[www.stchristopherpanania.org.au](http://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: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays

**Weddings** (by appointment)

**St. Patrick's Catholic Church**

294 The River Road Revesby Heights NSW 2212

[www.stpatrickrevesbyheights.org.au](http://www.stpatrickrevesbyheights.org.au)
**Mass Times**
**Saturday Vigil:** 5:30pm

**Sunday:** 9am

**Tuesday- Friday:** 8am,

**Exposition & Benediction**

 7:30 am - 8am, 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month

**Reconciliation**
**Saturday:** 4.45 pm-5:15 pm

**Baptisms**

 10:30am, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month

**Weddings** (by appointment)

**Parish Priest**

Fr Salas Muttathukattil MSFS

**Assistant Priest**

Fr Vijay Kumar Boilla MSFS

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 Parish Office [stcpanania@hotmail.com](mailto:stcpanania@hotmail.com)

St Christopher's Catholic Church Panania

St Patrick's Catholic Church Revesby Heights

**St Christopher's Primary School**

02 9771-5492

**De La Salle College**

(02) 9773 7755

**Mount St Joseph College**

(02) 8724 6200



## Gospel Reflection

### Creation Set Free

Here is Jesus telling another story about nature, in this case about soil good enough to bear a crop. Is he just a keen observer of the farmers of his time? No.

Throughout the Gospels there is a harmony between Jesus and the natural creation of a profound kind.

But St Paul intuited that link at a profound level in the case of the Risen Lord. This led him to make the most amazing claim that:

'The creation itself would be set free from its slavery to decay in order to share the freedom associated with the glory of the children of God.'

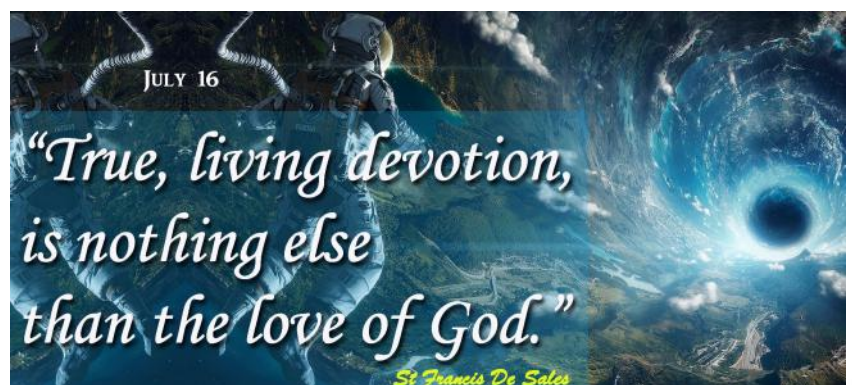
We, and the whole cosmos, share the legacy of a common destiny brought about by the powerful victory of Christ over the final instance of decay, destruction and every type of death.

We could pause a moment to pray with the angels as we do at every Mass:

'Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.'

Fr Michael Tate

## Quote of the Day



## Entrance Antiphon

***As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;  
I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.***

*Cf. Ps 16:15*

## Gospel Acclamation

***Alleluia, alleluia!  
The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower;  
all who come to him will live for ever.  
Alleluia!***

## 1st Reading

*Is 55:10-11*

*A reading from the prophet Isaiah*

Thus says the Lord: 'As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.'

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

## Responsorial Psalm

*Ps 64:10-14. R. Lk 8:8*

***The seed that falls on good ground will yield  
a fruitful harvest.***

## 2nd Reading

*Rom 8:18-23*

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans*

I think that what we suffer in this life can never be compared to the glory, as yet unrevealed, which is waiting for us. The whole creation is eagerly waiting for God to reveal his sons. It was not for any fault on the part of creation that it was made unable to attain its purpose, it was made so by God; but creation still retains the hope of being freed, like us, from its slavery to decadence, to enjoy the same freedom and glory as the children of God. From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free.

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## Gospel

*Mt 13:1-9*

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to  
Matthew*

Jesus left the house and sat by the lakeside, but such crowds gathered round him that he got into a boat and sat there. The people all stood on the beach, and he told them many things in parables.

He said, 'Imagine a sower going out to sow. As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up straight away, because there was no depth of earth; but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen, anyone who has ears!'



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

## Communion Antiphon

*Cf. Ps 83:4-5*

***The sparrow finds a home,  
and the swallow a nest for her young:  
by your altars, O Lord of hosts,  
my King and my God.  
Blessed are they who dwell in your house,  
for ever singing your praise.***



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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.**



## **PLANNED GIVING**

RECEIPTS FOR YEAR ENDING 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023 AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP

ENVELOPES FOR YEAR ENDING 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2024 AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP CREDIT CARD, BPOINT & APPEAL RECEIPTS FOR YEAR ENDING 2023 ALSO AVAILABLE

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PARISH ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE, CREDIT CARDS & ENVELOPES (*Please complete Planned Giving Form*) or via WEBSITE, TAP & GO MACHINE.



**PLEASE CONTACT PARISH OFFICE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION Phone: (02) 97743662 OR email: [stcpanania@hotmail.com](mailto:stcpanania@hotmail.com)**

## **Position Vacant – Ministry/Liturgy Coordinator St Christopher's Panania & St Patrick's Revesby Heights.**

The parish Ministry/ Liturgy Coordinator supports Fr Salas, the parish priest, in meeting the pastoral care needs of the parish. If you are a people person and enjoy networking and meeting new people and would like to be involved in the pastoral life of the parish then please contact the parish office for a copy of the position description.

This position is part time for 12 hours per week and the salary is negotiable. This position will involve working on weekends.

Email: [stcpanania@hotmail.com](mailto:stcpanania@hotmail.com)

Phone: 9774 3662

## **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.

**St Patrick's PPC/Finance** Meeting Thursday 20 July  
In The Church meeting room, at 7.45pm

## **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



## **Vinnies winter appeal—15th/16th July**

This weekend the local conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society is conducting its winter appeal. This appeal is required to raise the funds necessary to meet the needs of the poor and disadvantaged in our parish. You might remember that Vinnies used to conduct raffles as its main fundraising activity. Unfortunately, we no longer have the resources to conduct raffles so, regrettably, a direct appeal is the only practical alternative.

Donations can be made to the Poor Box or via the envelopes available. Receipts can be issued to those requesting one.

Thank you and please give generously.



## **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.

## **RIP— Stan Kramarzewski**



Funeral service: Sacred Heart Catholic Chapel, Barnet Ave Rookwood

Date: Friday 28th July at 10.30am

## **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](mailto:emiclo@bigpond.com)



## **Overshadowed: Filled with the Power of the Holy Spirit, 18-20 August 2023**

Join the MGL Sisters in a weekend retreat exploring what happens we say yes to the Holy Spirit. Experience the life-changing power of deepening in God's love, surrendering to Jesus and living under the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Venue: Carmel House, 345 St Andrews Rd, Varroville NSW

Booking: <http://www.trybooking.com/CFBQX> (by 11 August)

Contact: Katherine - [mgl sisters.sydney@gmail.com](mailto:mgl sisters.sydney@gmail.com)

**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:**

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**COMING EVENTS**



*Mass Intentions*

**Let Us Pray for our Parish Community**

**Recently Deceased:**

Baby Jade, Stanislaw Kramarzewski, Pat Tunncliff, Rosaria Mollica.

**Anniversaries:**

Shelia Wormleaton, Patricia Togher, William Hanley, George Dunstan, Nick Cordero & Br. Michael Warner, Rosina Bonamo, Rosa Hoang & Joseph Dao, Fr Brian Conaghan, Fr Colin Mason & Clare Young, Paul Byron & Patricia Palmer, Maria Doan, Joseph Muttathukattil.

**General Intention:**

Hanna & Mansour families, Giuse Hung, Bernard Togher and Togher, Natili, Ottaviani & Brown families, Roger Brown, Rod Ellery & Brown, Pereira, Aranjó, Rosario families, Sandroussi & Choufaity families, The poor Souls in Purgatory, Anna Ngoc, Anna Nhieu, Phaolo Muoi, Glenn O'Brien & Family, Cecilia Abela & Jane Zammit, Shirley Melanie, Alexandre Arekion, Norm Ronan, Dominic Doan, Paul & Tim Burke, Deceased members of the Legion of Mary.

**The Sick and Infirm:**

George Gomerod, Sryani Genge, Betty McDermott, 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, Margaret Azzi, Miriam Priou, Maria Koh, Giovanna Iacono, John Esther, Rosanne Sukkar, Bill Papadopoulos, McLoughlin & Gillfeathers families, Geordan Smith, Margaret O'Donnell, Kathleen Mulligan, 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**

15th/16th July	Sat. 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
<b>Readers:</b>	Gabrielle Innes Louise Anderson	Volunteer Ron Woods	Lea De Angelis Andrew Mills	Nazira Hanna Tanya Nguyen
<b>Communion Ministers:</b>	David Raish Volunteer	Terese Jones Gabi Bietresato	Margaret Yasbek Norma Verjoustinsky	Volunteer Nazira Hanna
<b>Acolytes/ Servers</b>	Jonathan Tran	Andrew Mills	Ruben Nool	Ryan Romero
22nd/23rd July	Sat. 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
<b>Readers:</b>	Louise Harvey Clare Lourey	George Elias Ron Woods	Gabriela Bietresato Sam Coorey	Michelle Ryan Tanya Nguyen
<b>Communion Ministers:</b>	Frank O'Brien Renee Taylor	Margaret Yasbek Norma Coorey	Louise Anderson Kim Barbagallo	Anne Maree Morris Volunteer
<b>Acolytes/ Servers</b>	John Tesoriero	Aldrae Cruz	Lisa Kerry	Cheryl Beaver

**Other Ministries**

**Communion to the Sick**  
 Josephine Jones  
 Terese Jones  
 Gabi Bietresato

**Counters:**

John Tesoriero  
 Joanne Carney

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 Josephine Jones

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	15th/16th July		22nd/23rd July	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
<b>Acolytes/Servers:</b>	Chris	Janson	Kevin	Moses
<b>Readers:</b>	Marge Salone Barbara Sherry	Tess Hughes Garry Solway	Marie Carr Roza Bulic	Pat Nolan Dawn Poole
<b>Communion Ministers:</b>	Elena Salgueira Barbara Sherry	May Coorey Joan Jones	Elena Salgueira Alison	May Coorey Cathy Moussa
<b>Counters:</b>		Elena Salgueira Charlie Howard		Bill Woods 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](mailto: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.