



St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

10th September 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

Fr Vijay Kumar Boilla MSFS

02 9774-3662

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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

Boundaries and Juries

Our Lord acknowledged that the community he was establishing had to set boundaries. Who is to decide who is within or outside those boundaries?

In today's Gospel, Our Lord teaches that a nuanced step by step process should be invoked. First, there is private conversation, then slightly extended to bring in two or three others, then a sort of church community jury before a person is put beyond the pale. Our Lord promises to be with them to help guide their decision.

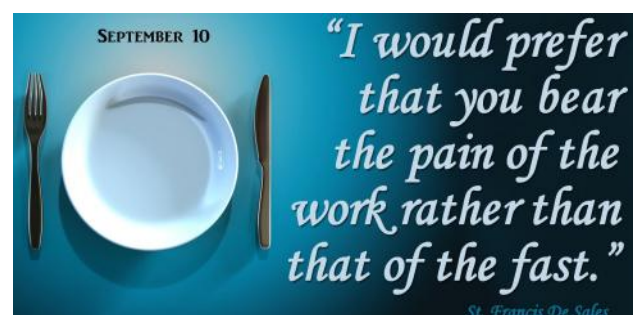
We all know of marriages which are fractured and where one partner has found intimacy and security in a second (civil) marriage. Pope Francis has not suggested that the second marriage be regarded as valid. But he has suggested a process of discernment to allow a divorced person to receive 'the Eucharist . . . a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak.'

Could a jury of ordinary Catholic lay people help make that discerning judgement, and then advise the Bishop as to the next step?

We could pause for a moment to ponder the promise: 'Where two or three are gathered into my name, I am there with them.'

Fr Michael Tate

Quote of the Day



***You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right;
treat your servant in accord with
your merciful love.***

1st Reading*Ezekiel 33:7-9*

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

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

Responsorial Psalm*Ps 94:1-2.6-9. R. v.8*

***O that today you would listen to his voice!
Harden not your hearts.***

2nd Reading*Romans 13:8-10*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

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

***Alleluia, alleluia!
God was in Christ,
to reconcile the world to himself;
and the Good News of reconciliation
he has entrusted to us.
Alleluia!***

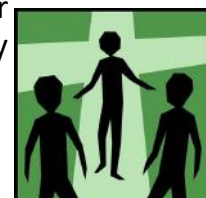
Gospel*Mt 18:15-20*

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Matthew*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'



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

Communion Antiphon*Cf Psalm 41:2-3*

***Like the deer that yearns for running streams,
so my soul is yearning for you, my God;
my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.***



Safeguarding Sunday

This weekend the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney and our Parish celebrates Safeguarding Sunday.

To help us reflect on how we can listen to the voices of Children and Young people within our community the Safeguarding Office has developed a new resource for Children; the Someone will listen to you Poster. The Safeguarding Office has also developed a resource pamphlet resource for Adults at Risk within our community. This resources helps Adults who may be at risk identify what abuse looks like for an adult as well as who they can contact for support. These resource can be accessed on the Safeguarding web: <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/safeguarding-and-child-protection/>



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 missed the special collection you can still donate visit www.ourfaithhourworks.org/prf.

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 , Phone: 9774 3662

St Michael's Charismatic Prayer Group

Every Thursday night at Mater Dei Catholic Church

1008 King George Rd, Blakehurst (Parking - turn left at Princess Hwy)

6.30pm: Rosary

7pm: Praise and worship and Reconciliation

7.30pm: Talk or Mass or Adoration



Fr Vijay is on leave

Fr Vijay will be away from 11/9 - 11/11/2023 to visit his family in India. We wish him a safe journey and a joyous and peaceful time with his family.



SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Celebration:
St Christopher's

Saturday 9th September 5.30pm

Sunday 10th September 11.30am & 2.30pm

St Patrick's: Sunday 17th September 9am



St Patrick's PPC meeting

Time: 7.45pm

Date: Wednesday 13/9

Location: Church meeting room

St Patrick's - Ministry Drive

The PPC will be hosting a ministry drive after mass on 16/17th Sept. Come along to enjoy some food/drinks, also to chat about various ministries and how your skills could be used in our parish. See you there!

PARISH 50TH JUBILEE - ST PATRICK'S



All are invited to celebrate this milestone on Sunday 26th November with 9am Mass with Archbishop Richard Umbers, followed by a special Morning

Tea in the Conference centre.

If you would like to contribute something sweet or savoury for the morning tea. Please contact Van at the parish office or email stcpanania@hotmail.com

We are in need of photos from the last 10 years of various parish groups, leaders and committees as well as parish events. Please send them to the above email

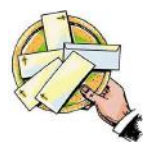
Care And Concern



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 9774 3662.

PLANNED GIVING



The Planned Giving contributions have significantly reduced in the last 5 years. Contributions towards the Parish Planned Giving assists in formulating a budget each year to the upkeep and maintenance of the Parish. To contribute, please complete forms located in the foyer or contact parish office 9774 3662.

A WOMEN'S OPPORTUNITY TO EXPERIENCE A CURSILLO 3-DAY WEEKEND

A Cursillo weekend will be held at Carmel House, Varroville (Nr Campbelltown) from Thursday evening 5th October to Sunday afternoon 8th October 2023.

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:
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



Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Janet Bahn, Maria Bui, Neil Mason, Joan Volk.

Anniversaries:

Rufina Gonsalves, Anne Wheatley, Crisogono Bartolo JR, Joyce Basile, Clare Bradley, Nichole Hardy, Phyllis Henderson, Jimmy Ross, Mary & Jim McPherson, Frank & Natasha Esther, Steven Peli, Jim Young, Catherine Anne, Catherine Therese, Denis Joseph & Buchanan family members, June Zoelfel, Carmilla Toleafoa.

General Intention:

Peter Vinh, for the intention of McLoughlin & Gillfeather family, John Field & George Sultana, Roger Brown, Rob Ellery, Sybil & Gerald Pereira, Glynis Arango & Brown, Pereira, D'Souza, Rosario, Arango families, Peter Long, Alf Pandoleon, Joseph & Veronica Ritchie, Joseph Dao & Dominic Tran, Boudas Zoghbi, Joseph & Nazha Nassif, Eddie Obeid, Jimmy Tauro & Jacob's mum, Jack Southwell, Jose Quintal, Simon Tan, Georgia Brown, Tom, Dominic Doan, Paul & Tim Burke, Deceased members of the Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

Alfred Stevens, Micky Long, Igor Mileusnic, Joan Jones, Nenita Nool, Margaret Sullivan & Jenny Breen, Sarah & Asher McLoughlin, Sebastian & Pedro Priou, Pedro Rozo, George Ormerod, Sryani Genge, Betty McDermott, 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, Michael Hains, Helena Kokoszka, Eriw Burwicle, Bronwyn Pearson, Margaret Azzi, Miriam Priou, Maria Koh, John Esther, Rosanne Sukkar, Bill Papadopoulos, McLoughlin & Gillfeathers families, Geordan Smith, Margaret O'Donnell, Kathleen Mulligan, Marie McLoughlin, Alma Tahan, Martin Hannaqan, Jim O'Neill, Anne Coome, Mary Israel.

ST CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2023

9th/10th Sept	Sat. 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
Readers:	1st Holy Communion Mass	Steve Darcy Carolyn Ford	Mary Chan Pauline O'Shea	Volunteers Tanya Nguyen	Communion to the Sick Josephine Jones Ann-Maree Darcy Megan Perez
Communion Ministers:	1st Holy Communion Mass	Ann-Maree Darcy Megan Perez	Norma Verjoustinsky VOLUNTEER	Volunteer Stephanie Siaoosi	
Acolytes/ Servers	John Tesoriero	Aldrae Cruz	Tony O'Shea	Denis Lister	Counters: John Tesoriero Marie Lourey
Altar Servers	Sybella & Milla Carney Charlie Felice, Rose Crowton Jeff Phan	Volunteers	Natalie Bulic Spencer Favotto Grace Favotto Mary Ibrahim	Campbell M, Nathanial F, Joshua, Annika K	
16th/17th Sept	Sat. 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
Readers:	Gabrielle Innes Louise Anderson	Volunteer Ron Woods	Lea De Angelis Andrew Mills	Nazira Hanna Tanya Nguyen	Communion to the Sick Gabi Bietresato Terese Jones Van Doan
Communion Ministers:	David Raish Volunteer	Terese Jones Gabi Bietresato	Margaret Yasbek Norma V	Volunteer Nazira Hanna	
Acolytes/ Servers	Jonathan Tran	Andrew Mills	Ruben Nool	Ryan Romero	Counters: Stephanie Siao John Tesoriero
Altar Servers	Sybella & Milla C Edward B, Charlotte K Thomas L	Volunteers	Lachlan Brunton Charlie Deng, Gabriel Zdunek	Hannah H, Illijana L, Mackenzie H, Chloe J	

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2023

	9th/10th Sept		16th/17th Sept	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
Acolytes/Servers:	Chris	Ray	Kevin	Jason
Readers:	Marge Salone Barbara Sherry	Tess Hughes Garry Solway	Marie Carr Roza Bulic	Pat Nolan Dawn Poole
Communion Ministers:	Elena Salgueira Barbara Sherry	May Coorey Volunteer	Elena Salgueira Alison	May Coorey Cathy Moussa
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.