



St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes



TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

1st October 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

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St Patrick's Catholic Church Revesby Heights

St Christopher's Primary School

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De La Salle College

(02) 9773 7755

Mount St Joseph College

(02) 8724 6200



Gospel Reflection

'No, no, no, no ... Y-yes!'

Jesus tells a little story about two brothers. One said 'Yes', but never did anything. The other said 'No', but then had a change of heart and did what was required. Jesus loved the brother who came around. He was very hard on the one who said 'Yes' but did not 'walk the talk'.

That is why he loved those tax collectors who gathered the revenue for the Roman authorities, and the prostitutes who serviced the Roman occupying army, but who switched allegiance from the Empire of Caesar to the Kingdom of God. This signalled a profound change of heart.

We may have said 'No' to God at various times with various intensity in our lives. But God is wonderfully patient and prepared to hear 'No' many times in the hope of hearing 'Yes'. God's patience never runs out. But our time to say 'Yes' does run out. We only have a relatively short life span!

At the end of Mass, I will say 'Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.' As St Francis of Assisi put it, 'Preach the Gospel, and occasionally use words.' Walk the talk.

Fr Michael Tate

Quote of the Day



OCTOBER 1

**All that you have done to us, O Lord,
you have done with true judgement,
for we have sinned against you
and not obeyed your commandments.
But give glory to your name
and deal with us according to
the bounty of your mercy.**

1st Reading*Ezekiel 18:25-28*

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

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

**Responsorial Psalm***Ps 24:4-9. R. v.6*

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

2nd Reading*Philippians 2:1-5*

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

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

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

Alleluia, alleluia!

**My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.
Alleluia!**

Gospel*Mt 21:28-32*

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Matthew*

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go," but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir," but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

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

Communion Antiphon*Cf Ps 118:49-50*

**Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,
by which you have given me hope.
This is my comfort when I am brought low.**

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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.

Special blessing for all HSC students

There will be a **special blessing for all HSC students** at all Masses on the weekend of 7th/8th October. Please come along if you are doing the HSC this year and receive your blessing for the exams ahead of you.

Catholic Mission Appeal

On the weekend of 14th/15th October we will be holding a Catholic Mission Appeal to support the Salesian Sisters in their work in the Venilale Diocese of Timor-Leste as they bear witness to their community through programs like Maria Auxiliadora Clinic. Envelopes will be available in the parish foyer from this weekend and at the end of each pew on the weekend of the appeal.

Rosary - Our Lady of Fatima - St Christopher's Saturday 14th October @ 2pm

All over Australia, people will be praying a Rosary for our families and our country. Please join us in the foyer around the statue of Our Lady. All welcome.



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.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Dear Parishioners of St Christopher's and St Patrick's We are blessed and excited to congratulate our 65 candidates who made their First Holy Communion last 2 weekends. With Grace Jenson, Manafa & 'Ilaisaane Sete this Sunday.

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, Josephine, Marianne, Kim & school teachers.

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

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 Patrick's Parish Revesby Heights
cordially invites you to attend the Mass
and Celebration on the occasion of the

50TH

ANNIVERSARY
OF ST. PATRICK'S
PARISH

SUNDAY
26 NOVEMBER 2023
9.00AM

CELEBRANT:
MOST REVEREND RICHARD UMBERS
AUXILIARY BISHOP OF SYDNEY

Please join us for Morning Tea in the College Hall, Ferndale Road
following the Mass at St Patrick's Church,
294 The River Road, Revesby Heights.



Aid to the
Church in Need

ACN AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND

Aid to the Church in Need
invites all parishes, schools and

families to take part in our annual "One million children praying the Rosary," on 18 October 2023. Last year 40,000 Australian children participated. Free resources can be found online including reflections for children and a prayer of consecration for children to the Mother of God. To learn more and to register visit www.aidtochurch.org/onemillionchildren.

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.



Turn forward your clocks one hour on
Sunday 1st 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:

Shirley Scott, Janet Bahn, Elaina Lewis, Sue Gardiner, Elizabeth Kennedy, Joan Maurice, Norm Inch, Frances Long, Leesa Brischetto.

Anniversaries:

Therese Mitry, Dominic Ky Tran, Giuseppe Iacono, Albert Salone, Ketty & Germaine Perrin, Tom Byron, Francesco Paino, Rufina Gonsalves.

General Intention:

Catelinh Tran, Esther & Vijay Charles, Peter Long, Jose Quintal, Sue & Anthony, Dominic Khanh, Hanna, Mansour & Crowe families, Derek & Carmela Lee, John Field & George Sultana, Dominic Doan, Paul & Tim Burke, All Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of the Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

Baby Lexi, Thomas Coorey, Gerry & David Shepherd, Owen & Marie McLoughlin, Micky Long, Igor Mileusnic, Joan Jones, Nenita Nool, Margaret Sullivan & Jenny Breen, Sarah & Asher McLoughlin, Sebastian & Pedro Priou, Pedro Roza, 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, 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

30th Sep/1st Oct	Sat. 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
<i>Readers:</i>	Clare Lourey Chris Tran	Ron Woods Stephanie Siaoosi	Sam Coorey Joe Nguyen	Julie Nugent Tanya Nguyen	<i>Communion to the Sick</i> Megan Perez Norma Coorey Margaret Yasbek <i>Counters:</i> George Elias Dennis Lister
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Caroline Khouri Josephine Jones	Megan Perez Jeff Giltinan	Jacqueline Bull Terese Jones	Gabi Bietresato Volunteer	
<i>Acolytes/ Servers</i>	John Tesoriero	Denis Lister	Richard Hurst	Denis Lister	
<i>Altar Servers</i>	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	
7th/8th October	Sat. 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
<i>Readers:</i>	Michael Mallia Sue Bracken	Steve Darcy Carolyn Ford	Mary Chan Pauline O'Shea	Volunteers Tanya Nguyen	<i>Communion to the Sick</i> Anne Maree Darcy Josephine Jones Ellen Russell <i>Counters:</i> John Tesoriero Joanne Carney
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Jeanette Carroll Barbara Tesoriero	Ann-Maree Darcy Ellen Russell	Norma Verjoustinsky Bernadette Saleme	Volunteer Stephanie Siaoosi	
<i>Acolytes/ Servers</i>	John Tesoriero	Aldrae Cruz	Tony O'Shea	Cheryl Beaver	
<i>Altar Servers</i>	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2023

	30th Sep/1st Oct		7th/8th October	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Kevin	Ray	Chris	Jason
<i>Readers:</i>	Monika Bradvica Steve Iacono	Cathy Moussa Ann Papalli	Marge Salone Barbara Sherry	Tess Hughes Garry Solway
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Elena Salgueira Steve acono	May Coorey Cathy Moussa	Elena Salgueira Steve Iacono	May Coorey Cathy Moussa
<i>Counters:</i>		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.