



St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes



THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

21st JANUARY 2024

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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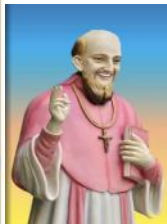
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Feast of St Francis De Sales - 24th January

St Francis de Sales: The Gentleman Doctor for the Everyday



St. Francis, who is well known as "the Gentleman Saint" because of his patience and gentleness, was born on 21 August 1567 in France. St. Francis was one of the greatest evangelists and the most powerful confessors during the Counter-Reformation. His writings on Catholic spirituality still inspire the faithful today and his words still resonate across the centuries.

At his weekly general audience at the Vatican, Pope Benedict XVI said that St. Francis de Sales believed and wrote that "divine love is the reason for all things" and that his views, which were influential during his lifetime between the 16th and 17th centuries, are still relevant today.

Pope Francis' letter was titled "Totum Amoris Est" ("Everything Pertains to Love") and was released by the Vatican Dec. 28, 2022, on the occasion of the 400th anniversary of the death of St. Francis de Sales. The saintly bishop developed a new approach to spiritual direction, the pope said. "It was a method that renounced all harshness and respected completely the dignity and gifts of a devout soul, whatever its frailties." Even before the Second Vatican Council would teach 350 years later, the pope wrote, St. Francis de Sales knew and wrote that every person was called to holiness and that the call was specific to each person and his or her talents, shortcomings and state in life.

St. Francis taught how to live in the world and to appreciate it, but also to maintain a proper detachment from it and it remains a valuable lesson for men and women in our own time. Today his spirituality is widespread because his guidance is easy and practical.

He died on 28 December 1622 and was buried on 24 January 1623. He was beatified in 1661 by Pope Alexander VII, who then canonized him four years later. He was declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius IX in 1877. In 1923, Pope Pius XI proclaimed him a patron of writers and journalists, because he made extensive use of broadsheets and books both in spiritual direction and in his efforts to convert the Calvinists of the region.

Entrance Antiphon

Cf Ps 95:1,6

***O sing a new song to the Lord;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
In his presence are majesty and splendour,
strength and honour in his holy place.***

should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

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

First Reading

Jonah 3:1-5. 10

A reading from the prophet Jonah

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

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



Responsorial Psalm

Ps 24:4-9. R. v.4

Teach me your ways, O Lord.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers, our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world

Gospel Acclamation

Mark 1:15

***Alleluia, alleluia!
The kingdom of God is near:
believe the Good News!
Alleluia!***

Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

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

Communion Antiphon

Cf Psalm 33:6

***Look toward the Lord and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.***

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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.

Candle Blessing - St Patrick's & St Christopher's

A Blessing of Candles will be held on Friday 2nd Feb on the Feast of the presentation of the Lord if your wish to have candle bless at Mass, please present the candles to the acolyte before mass.

Catechist Sunday - St Christopher's & St Patrick's

All Catechist are invited to attend the Catechist Sunday Mass at St Christopher's church Saturday Vigil 5.30pm Mass on 3 February, followed with refreshments.

Fr Salas

The Archbishop of Sydney has reappointed Fr Salas for a further 3 years to the position of Dean for the South Western Area. We wish Fr Salas God's Blessing for his continued work for this Deanery.

Ministry training

Readers: St Charles Borromeo, Ryde

Thursday 8th & 15th Feb 2024 @ 6pm-9pm

Eucharistic Ministers: St Therese's Denistone

Wednesday 21st Feb 2024 @ 6.30pm - 9.30pm

Acolytes: St Therese's Denistone

Wednesday 28th Feb & 6th, 13th Mar 2024

6.30pm - 9.30pm

If interested please contact Parish Office 9774 3662.

Sacramental Programme 2024

The pamphlets of the 2024 sacramental programme are available at the church's foyer.

St Christopher's

Rosters for Piety Stall & Counters can be collected from Piety Stall

Rosters for Acolytes & Communion Ministers can be collected from Sacristy

Thank you for your continues support at these ministries.

Communion - Visit to the sick

During the month of January 2024 there will be no regular Sunday Communion Visits to the Sick until the 28th January as most of the ministers are on holidays. If there is need anytime please contact parish office 9774 3662 and leave a message.

Novena to St Francis De Sales

Monday 15/1 - Tuesday 23/1

There will be a Novena prayer for nine days in preparation for the feast of St Francis De Sales on January 24th. St Francis De Sales is patron of the order our priests Fr Salas and Fr Vijay. Please pray for our priests on the occasion of this important celebration for their order.

Feast of St Francis De Sales - 24th January

The parish communities St Christopher's and St Patrick's wish Fr Salas & Fr Vijay a happy feast day.

Mass Offerings

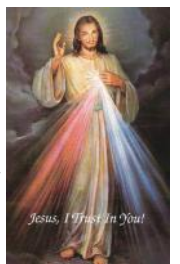


If you would like to offer a Mass intention, please complete an envelope available in the church foyer with details clearly written to avoid any misread names and please leave your contact number, should we need any clarification. Please nominate which Parish and what the intention is for. We are also wishing to update our sick list so if you would like to add a name to the list or remove a name, please contact the Parish Office. The names will be removed from the sick list in bulletins after 5 weeks unless advised otherwise.

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

Every Monday, St Patrick's Church has a Devine Mercy Prayer Group.

If you are free on Mondays at 6pm and would like to join in, please come along, bring a friend and join us in the rosary and reflecting on the diary of St Faustina. The group is open to anyone from both parishes.



Used Postage Stamps Wanted—St Christopher's

If you have any used postage stamps that you are wanting to throw away, please leave them at the St Christopher's Piety Stall as we are collecting them for charity.



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. Please contact parish office 9774 3662

St. Christopher's & St. Patrick's Parish Contacts
Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9.00am-3.00pm
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St. Christopher's Church
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 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:

John Daley, Therese Buchanan, Josip Kovac, Serge Fauvette, Marjorie Eglinton, Georgina Dorigo, Lorraine Lindsay.

Anniversaries:

Joy Ackapadickal, Warren Bruce, Tedfista Cruz, Maria Tesoreiro, Margaret Lister, Bridget McLoughlin & Hugh O'Connell, Dulcie Southwell, Win Burns, Joseph & Maria Dao, Fr Joseph Dao, Dominic & Maria Pham.

General Intention:

Thomas Mullane & Antoinette Constable, Cecilia Abela, David Madge & Nick Amigo, Poor souls in Purgatory, William & Peter Hanley, Pedro Priou & Silvana B, Georgy Pierre & Souls in Purgatory, Dominic Doan, Paul & Tim Burke, Deceased members of the Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

Terry Cooper, Joly May Sammut, Annie Saffrett, Simon Boukaram, Margaret Maloney, Mario Bosquet, Igor Mileusnic, Jack & Leonie Mullane, Baby Lexi, Gerry & David Shepherd, Owen & Marie McLoughlin, Micky Long, Joan Jones, Jenny Breen, Sebastian 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, Eric Burwicle, 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 2024

20th/21st Jan	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 N/A
Communion Ministers:	David Raish Volunteer	Terese Jones Gabi Bietresato	Margaret Yasbek Magdalene Vetter	Volunteer Nazira Hanna	
Acolytes/ Servers	Jonathan Tran	Andrew Mills	Rennie Velarde	Ruben Nool	Counters: George Elias Denis Lister
Altar Servers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	
27th/28th Jan	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	Michelle Ryan Tanya Nguyen	Communion to the Sick N/A
Communion Ministers:	Frank O'Brien Renee Taylor	Magdalene Vetter Van Doan	Louise Anderson Kim Barbagallo	Anne Maree Morris Volunteer	
Acolytes/ Servers	John Tesoriero	Jon D'astoli	Lisa Kerry	Cheryl Beaver	Counters: John Tesoriero Joanne Carney
Altar Servers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2024

	20th/21st Jan		27th/28th Jan	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
Acolytes/Servers:	Kevin	Jason	Chris	Ray
Readers:	Roza Bulic Steve Iacono	Pat Nolan Dawn Poole	Steve Iacono Monika Bradvica	Cathy Moussa Ann Papalii
Communion Ministers:	Elena Salgueira Barbara Sherry	May Coorey Jacqueline Bull	Elena Salgueira Monika Bradvica	May Coorey Cathy Moussa
Counters:		Bill Woods Brian Quinn		Maureen Sherry 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. 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.