



St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes


SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
11th February 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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St Patrick's Catholic Church Revesby Heights

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Gospel Reflection

Jesus outcast for us

Lepers were social outcasts forced to live outside the villages and towns. Jesus heals the leper, allowing him to return to communal living, but, in touching him, Jesus put himself on the outer. The Gospel says that Jesus 'had to stay outside where nobody lived'. Jesus willingly changed places with the leper!

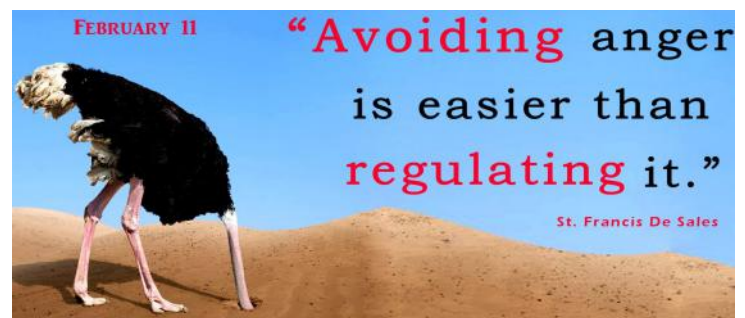
This incident prefigures the deepest mystery and scandal of the Gospel. Because of our deliberate wrongdoing, we are 'on the outside' with God. Our Lord and Saviour willingly experienced that alienation on Calvary, outside the walls of Jerusalem, in a desolate place where no-body lived. He suffered the dis-locating consequences of sin in his body and mind: 'My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?'

He took our place outside the human awareness of the loving presence of His Heavenly Father so that we might be located in the right place, insiders with God.

We might pause for a moment to lovingly thank our Saviour for leading us into 'the One in Whom we live and move and have our being'.

Fr Michael Tate

Quote of the Day



Entrance Antiphon

Cf Ps 30:3-4

***Be my protector, O God,
a mighty stronghold to save me.
For you are my rock, my stronghold!
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.***

First Reading

Leviticus 13:1-2. 44-46

A reading from the book of Leviticus

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.'

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

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 31:1-2. 5. 11. R. v.7

***I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill
me with the joy of salvation.***

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10:31 – 11:1

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

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved.

Take me for your model, as I take Christ

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

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 7:16

***Alleluia, alleluia!
A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people.
Alleluia!***

Gospel

Mark 1:40-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.



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

Communion Antiphon

Cf Psalm 77:29-30

***They ate and had their fill,
and what they craved the Lord gave them;
they were not disappointed in what they craved.***

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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.

St Patrick's Church - Morning Tea

Come and have a cuppa after Mass on Sun 11th February. This is a great opportunity for any new Parishioners to learn about the Parish, the schools and the local area.



Ash Wednesday Masses

St Patrick's : 8am

St Christopher's: 9.15am (With St Christopher's Primary school) & 7pm

Project Compassion

Project Compassion boxes & envelopes are available in the parish foyer.



RETURN OF PALMS



Could you please return last year palms to the parish foyer for the burning of the palms service to be held in the St Christopher primary school. Ashes will then be used for Ash Wednesday.

Stations of The Cross

St Patrick's: Every Friday during Lent after 8am Mass

St Christopher's: Every Friday during Lent at 7pm



Lenten Program



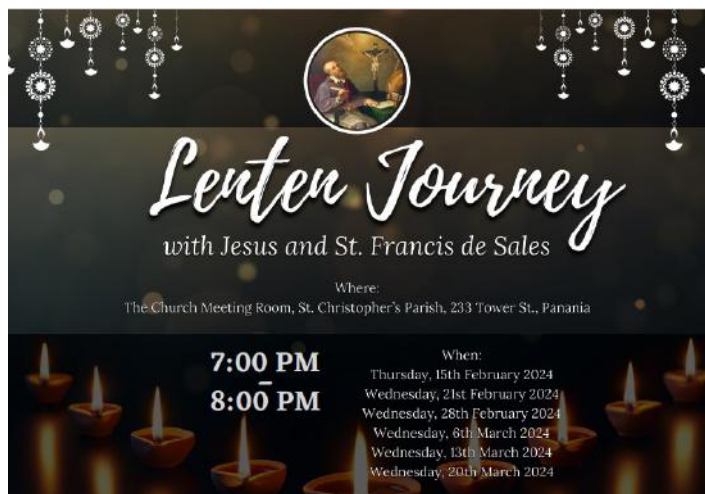
St Patrick's

Morning program: Starts Ash Wednesday 14th Feb after 8am Mass in the church meeting room.

Please see Marge Salone for more details or contact the Parish Office.

Evening Program: Starts Wed 21st Feb at 7pm at The Sherry family home. Please see Maureen Sherry for more details or contact the Parish Office.

St Christopher's



Fr Stephen's Birthday

Last Friday 9th February, Fr. Stephen celebrated his birthday. We pray for his continued good health and blessings on the future.

Ministry training

The Liturgy office offers training courses for Readers, Eucharist Ministers and Acolytes. If you are interested in joining any of these ministries, please contact Parish Office 9774 3662.

The program details are on the notice board in the foyer.

Welcome Mass & Morning Tea for Archbishop Eugene Nugent - Sunday 18th February

St Christopher's church will be having a special visitor, Archbishop Eugene Nugent (relation of parishioners Julie and Pat Nugent) on this day. He is currently the Apostolic Nuncio to Bahrain, Kuwait and Qatar and we are honoured to have him preside at our 9.30 am Mass. The Mass will be followed by morning tea in the foyer. Please join us to welcome the Archbishop with a cup of tea and some tasty treats.

Welcome to all our new Parishioners

With the New Year, we also have some new faces coming to Mass.

Welcome to any new Parishioners at St Christopher's and St Patrick's Churches. We hope you feel welcome and we look forward to getting to know you. It would be great if you could complete a Parish Census Form, which are can be found in the Church foyer. Also, if you are interested in joining a ministry, please reach out to the Priest or Parish Office 9774 3662.



St Christopher's Panania Playgroup Monday Mornings

Playgroup is open to all families of St Christopher's school

and Parish community and provides a great opportunity for playtime, craft and storytelling. Starting Monday 26th February

When - Monday Mornings 9.15am-10.45am

Where-St Christopher's Panania School Hall (enter Hall via Eddie Avenue)

Cost- Gold coin donation- to cover sandwiches and equipment. Contact- Any questions, please contact marianne.bishara@syd.catholic.edu.au

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

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Secretary: Pat Nolan

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Siobhan Van Den Nieuwenhuizen

COMING EVENTS



Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Dorothy Porter, Norm Ronan, Kathleen Mulligan, Claude Hennessy, Thomas Do, John Ebb, Gala Lobo, Kathleen Mills, Kath Gibson.

Anniversaries:

Bruce Lister, Cecilia Gaveran, Michael & Mary Singleton, Lillian Harris, Angelan Cardwell, Mickalina Azzopardi & Yvonne Fitzpatrick, Genevieve Goder, Paulose Puthuparambil, Peter Vu, Len Khoury, Louis & George Hanna, Stephen Cummins, Fr Brian Byron, Jack Southwell, Bella Mercado, Maria & Joseph, Richard Orton, Allan Bargary, Joy Ackapadickal, Warren Bruce.

General Intention:

Giuseppe Lopez, Sandrossi & Chouaifaity Families, Jonathan Rodriguez, Ruth Gardiner & Christine Hooper, Ruth Gardiner & Christine Hooper, Deceased member of St Vincent de Paul Conference, Zahraa Jawal, Jose Quintal, John, Julie, Terrence, Jean & Vincent Hoad, Dominic Doan, Paul & Tim Burke, Deceased members of the Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

Bronwyn Pearson, Joan Jones, Georgina Kermode, Matilda Rodriguez, May Tran, Daniel Antonio Garcia, Terry Cooper, Jolymay Sammut, Annie Saffrett, Simon Boukaram, Margaret Maloney, Mario Bosquet, Igor Mileusnic, Owen & Marie McLoughlin, Micky Long, Pat Coates, Di Mason, Michael Hains, Martin Hannagan, Jim O'Neill, Mary Israel, Stephen Sinclair, Pat Tindall, Sick members of the Legion of Mary.

ST CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2024

10th/11th Feb	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	Charbel Tabet Tanya Nguyen	Communion to the Sick Josephine Jones Ann-Maree Darcy Norma Coorey
Communion Ministers:	Jeanette Carroll Barbara Tesoriero	Ann-Maree Darcy Norma Coorey	Norma Verjoustinsky Bernadette Saleme	Volunteer Stephanie Siaoosi	Counters: Jeanette Carroll Philip Weeks
Acolytes/ Servers	Jonathan Tran	Aldrae Cruz	Tony O'Shea	Cheryl Beaver	Other Ministries
Altar Servers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Communion to the Sick Ann-Maree Darcy Gabi Bietresato Ellen Russell
17th/18th Feb	Sat. 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Counters:
Readers:	Gabrielle Innes Louise Anderson	Volunteer Ron Woods	Lea De Angelis Andrew Mills	Nazira Hanna Tanya Nguyen	George Elias Denis Lister
Communion Ministers:	David Raish Volunteer	Ann Maree Darcy Gabi Bietresato	Margaret Yasbek Magdalene Vetter	Volunteer Nazira Hanna	
Acolytes/ Servers	Jonathan Tran	Andrew Mills	Rennie Velarde	Ruben Nool	
Altar Servers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2024

	10th/11th Feb		17th/18th Feb	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
Acolytes/Servers:	Chris	Jason	Kevin	Ray
Readers:	Roza Bulic Natalie Bulic	Pat Nolan Dawn Poole	Siobhan Van Den Nieuwenhuizen Wanieta Young	Lynda Cameron Mary Cameron
Communion Ministers:	Elena Salgueira Volunteer	May Coorey Jacqueline Bull	Elena Salgueira Steve Iacono	May Coorey Cathy Moussa
Counters:		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. 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.