



St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes


THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B
3rd March 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

Where does God really dwell?

The Ten Commandments are badly named. Rather, they are the Ten Responses which should characterise a liberated people, freed from slavery by 'the Lord, your God'.

By the time Jesus came on the scene, the Temple in Jerusalem was no longer a fit dwelling place for a God who desires to free people from oppression and exploitation. To the contrary, Jesus saw the Temple ideology as placing undue burdens and shackles on people.

His anger at this erupted in dramatic street theatre. His overturning of the tables of the money-changers signalled the overturning of the Temple system.

What Our Lord revealed to uncomprehending authorities was that His body was the true sanctuary. The body of Jesus of Nazareth is the dwelling place of God, the habitation of the Lord God who liberates people. In short, God's sanctuary is not a place, but a person.

We could take a moment to pray, using the Ten Responses to review and guide our reflection and practice as we move towards Easter. This will help us to celebrate the enigmatic saying: 'Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it again.'

Fr Michael Tate



Entrance Antiphon

Cf Ps 24:15-16

***My eyes are always on the Lord,
for he rescues my feet from the snare.
Turn to me and have mercy on me,
for I am alone and poor.***

First Reading

Exodus 20:1-17

A reading from the book of Exodus

God spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it.

'Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy.

'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you.

'You shall not kill.

'You shall not commit adultery.

'You shall not steal.

'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. 'You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

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



Responsorial Psalm

Ps 18:8-11. R. Jn 6:68

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:22-25

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

While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

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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.

Gospel Acclamation

John 3:16

***Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!
God loved the world so much,
he gave us his only Son,
that all who believe in him might
have eternal life.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!***

Gospel

John 2:13-25

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

John 4:13-14

***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.***



St Patrick's Day Dinner - 16th March

Parishioners of St Patricks & St Christophers are warmly invited to attend the annual St Patricks Day Dinner. Come along to 5.30pm Mass on Saturday 16th March and join us afterwards for dinner, drinks, music, games and prizes at St Patrick's Conference Centre (300 River Rd). Be seen, be keen and wear green! Please complete the RSVP list located in your church foyer.

St Patrick's Choir Practice for Easter - Tuesdays 7.30pm in the Church

Pockets of Heaven Products

Now selling in our Piety Goods Store are products from 'Pockets of Heaven' - a small business of one of our parishioners! The range includes various learning tools to support children in understanding more about the faith: Biblical ABC Books, Colouring Adventures, Biblical ABC Flashcards and Saint Cards. Feel free to also explore the range at www.pocketsofheaven.com.au

Project Compassion

You can help women like Leaia access clean water and look forward to a brighter future for her family by making a generous donation through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes are available in the foyer or by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413

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: every Wednesday after 8am Mass in the church meeting room. Please see Marge Salone for more details or contact the Parish Office.

Evening Program: every Wednesday at 7pm at The Sherry family home. Please see Maureen Sherry for more details or contact the Parish Office.

St Christopher's

Lenten Journey
with Jesus and St. Francis de Sales

Where:
The Church Meeting Room, St. Christopher's Parish, 233 Tower St., Panania

When:
Thursday, 15th February 2024
Wednesday, 21st February 2024
Wednesday, 28th February 2024
Wednesday, 6th March 2024
Wednesday, 13th March 2024
Wednesday, 20th March 2024

7:00 PM
8:00 PM

Welcome Fr Suresh Babu MSFS



A very warm welcome to Very Rev Fr Suresh Babu MSFS, who is the Provincial Superior of the Mission of St Francis de Sales, which is the Order Fr Salas & Fr Vijay belong to. Fr Suresh will be celebrating Mass this Sunday 3rd March at 9.30am, please make him very welcome

St Christopher's School Welcome back Mass & BBQ

At the St Christopher's church on Sunday 3rd March @ 9.30am Mass, we will be welcoming back our St Christopher's school students & families, both old and new, followed by a BBQ in the School ground. All are welcome!

St Christopher's PPC Meeting - Thursday 7/3 @ 7pm in the church meeting room

HOLY WEEK ROSTER (EASTER) —HELP NEEDED! ST. CHRISTOPHER'S & ST. PATRICK'S

Please print your name to assist at our Easter masses during Holy Week. See the Roster in the foyer (even if you are already rostered on). We need acolytes, readers, eucharistic ministers, altar servers, wardens and welcomers. This roster needs to be finalised by Palm Sunday.

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S PANANIA

&

ST. PATRICK'S REVESBY HEIGHTS

EASTER CEREMONIES

Palm Sunday – 24th March 2024
Mass at all Parishes “as Normal”

Holy Thursday – 28th March 2024
St. Christopher's & St Patrick's 7.00pm

NO MORNING MASS

GOOD FRIDAY – 29th March 2024
St. Christopher's & St. Patrick's
Stations of the Cross - 10.00am - Confessions will follow

St. Christopher's & St. Patrick's - Our Lord's Passion 3.00pm

NO SATURDAY MORNING MASS/BENEDICTION

EASTER VIGIL – 30th March 2024

St. Christopher's & St. Patrick's Saturday 5.30pm

EASTER SUNDAY – 31st March 2024

St. Christopher's 8.00am & 9.30am

NO SUNDAY 5PM MASS

St. Patrick's 9.00am

Lenten Community Reconciliation:

St Christopher's - 7.00pm Wednesday 27 Mar

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

16th March: St Patrick's Day - Sat. Vigil Mass 5.30pm & Dinner



Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Pauline Hannan, Robert Wright, Dorothy Porter, Sultana Elias.

Anniversaries:

Emily Nader, Dominick McDermott, Eric Moon, Anne Sutton & James Taylor, Rodolfo Pena, Frank Sherry, Patrick O'Rourke, Baby Lucas, Dominic Lien Tran, Kevin Byron.

General Intention:

Prter & Thelma McDermott, Mary & Jim McPherson, Mary Grech, Owen & Marie McLoughlin, Janes Dawson, The souls in Purgatory, Sandra MacPhee, Jose Quintal, Linda Lopez & Agnes Florencio, Marianna & Josef Buda, Marouf Khoury, Najib & Jhon Abouaraad, Giuseppe Lopez, Sandrossi & Chouaifaity Families, Dominic Doan, Paul & Tim Burke, Deceased members of the Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

Bronwyn Pearson, Alma Tahhan, May Tran, Joan Jones, Georgina Kermode, Daniel Antonio Garcia, Terry Cooper, 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

2nd/3rd Mar	Sat. 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
Readers:	Clare Lourey Chris Tran	Ron Woods Stephanie Siaoasi	STC School Students	Julie Nugent Tanya Nguyen
Communion Ministers:	Caroline Khouri Josephine Jones	Megan Perez Margaret Yasbek	Jacqueline Bull Terese Jones	Volunteers
Acolytes/ Servers	Jonathan Tran	Jon D'astoli	Richard Hurst	Denis Lister
Altar Servers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
9th/10th Mar	Sat. 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
Readers:	Michael Mallia Sue Bracken	Steve Darcy Carolyn Ford	Mary Chan Pauline O'Shea	Charbel Tabet Tanya Nguyen
Communion Ministers:	Jeanette Carroll Barbara Tesoriero	Ann-Maree Darcy Norma Coorey	Norma Verjoustinsky Bernadette Saleme	Volunteer Stephanie Siaoasi
Acolytes/ Servers	John Tesoriero	Aldrae Cruz	Tony O'Shea	Cheryl Beaver
Altar Servers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers

Other Ministries

Communion to the Sick

Megan Perez
Josephine Jones
Margaret Yasbek

Counters:

John Tesoriero
Marie Lourey

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Philip Weeks

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	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
Acolytes/Servers:	Kevin	Jason	Chris	Moses
Readers:	Steve Iacono Volunteer	Roza Bulic Volunteer	Roza Bulic Natalie Bulic	Pat Nolan Dawn Poole
Communion Ministers:	Elena Salgueira Steve Iacono	May Coorey Lynda Cameron	Elena Salgueira Volunteer	May Coorey Jacqueline Bull
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.