

St Christopher's & St Patrick's

Catholic Parishes



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,

Healing Mass

7 pm 1st Friday of the month

Exposition & Benediction

8:30 am - 9am, 1st Friday of the month

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4.45 pm-5:15 pm

Baptisms

10:30am, $4^{
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Weddings (by appointment)

Parish Priest

Fr Salas Muttathukattil MSFS

Assistant Priest

Er Phaskar Mondam MSES



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Parish Office

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (GOOD SHEPPERD SUNDAY) YEAR B - 25th April 2021



Gospel Reflection

The Voice

In the regions where Jesus was an itinerant preacher, three or four flocks could be kept in a communal sheepfold for safety. In the morning, the shepherds would come and, as each called out, the sheep attuned to the sound of his voice would follow to life-giving pasture.

We are surrounded by hundreds of voices clamouring for our attention. We are bombarded by messages, social media incessantly chattering. Jesus invites us to get attuned to his voice, listening for the distinctive sound of it so that, even if it is faintly heard in a cacophony, we immediately turn toward it so that we can follow it in a life-giving direction.

How do we get attuned to that voice? By reading the gospels. A Chinese student once told me that the Chinese character for gospel is 'happy sounds'. I like the plural. Jesus' gospel voice is not a monotone but a polyphony sounding in different ways in different situations.

As disciples, we have to get onto the same wavelength as that voice so that we can echo it in our own lives. We become reverberations of Christ's voice in many different situations, helping him to lead others to life-giving pastures.

We could take a moment to pray for better listening so that we might recognise the gospel voice of Jesus Christ, especially at the moment of death. Then we may hear the one voice we need and long for: 'Today you will be with me in paradise.'

Fr Michael Tate



Our quote for the day

"If you affections are gentle, your judgements will be gentle."

St Francis De Salles

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia!

1st Reading

Acts 4:8-12

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

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

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 117:1. 8-9. 21-23. 26. 28-29. R. v.22

The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

2nd Reading

1 Jn 3:1-2

A reading from the first letter of St John

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

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

<u>Gospel</u>

Jn 10:11-18

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep.

The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well.

They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock and one shepherd.

The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

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

Communion Antiphon

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.



Psalm 23:1



Important Notice

- * Please sign-in using the QR code or the sign-in sheet
- * Please wait until the priest has left the altar before sanitising your area. Many thanks for your ongoing cooperation with this.

<u>Urgent Reminder for Volunteers regarding Safeguarding of Children:</u> (St Christopher's & St Patrick's)

Please make sure that you have returned your completed Volunteer Registration – Acceptance Form and the Code of Conduct for Working With Children to either the Parish Office or the Sacristy **by 9**th **May.**

Please also ensure you have a current Working With Children Check (WWCC). This is easy to obtain and is free and is **mandatory for all volunteers**. To obtain or renew your WWCC go to the website:

https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check

Please email your WWC number and Date of Birth to: safeguardingstcpanania@gmail.com

This email address has been set up to specifically deal with Safeguarding matters for St Christopher's Parish.



ANZAC DAY - Sunday 25th April

For Australia and New Zealand observing Anzac Day, that honouring those who sacrificed their lives in the cause of freedom, we will commit

ourselves to the work of peace in all circumstances.

CWF May Appeal

The next Charitable Works Fund (CWF) CHARITABLE WORKS FUND Parish Appeal will be held on weekend 1st & 2nd of May. Your generous donations help those most vulnerable in Sydney - single mothers facing homelessness, those struggling with mental health, our local Aboriginal communities, and many more.

Appeal envelopes will be available on the pews. You can also make a donation and find out more at www.ourfaithourworks.org/cwf

Mother's Day Celebrations - Weekend 8/9 May St Christopher's

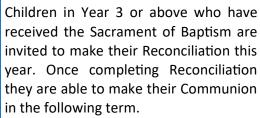


Please bring a flower to Mass on Mother's day, in honour of your Mother. We will have a special morning tea after 9.30am Mass. All welcome.

St Patrick's

As in previous years please help celebrate Mother's Day in a special way, why not bring a small something which can help others in need? Parishioners are invited to bring new toiletries, underwear, warm clothing or whatever to Saturday evening or Sunday morning mass (weekend 8/9 May). Before mass you are invited to bring up and leave the items at the altar as a reminder of your mothers. After the weekend, goods will then be given to local support groups to distribute to women in real need.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION





Parent Preparation Evening: Wed 12th May at 7.00pm in St. Christopher's Church. All parents wishing to have their child make their Reconciliation must attend this evening. Important information regarding the programme will be provided at this meeting.

Enrolment: the online enrolment form will be available on the weekend 15th/16th May.

Commitment Weekend: 22nd/23rd May at both parishes during all Masses. This is a compulsory part of the Reconciliation Programme.

Reconciliation Lessons: Lessons commence the week beginning the 24th May for four consecutive weeks.

Celebration of the Sacrament: to be celebrated at St. Christopher's Church. There are 3 sacrament times available -Tuesday 22 June at 5.00pm; Wednesday 23rd June and Thursday 24th June at 7.00pm

Home Visitation

Those who cannot come to Church and wish to receive Holy Communion or a priest to visit, please contact the Parish Office 9774 3662

BAPTISM

St Christopher's & St Patrick's Parishes welcome the family of Evangeline Ah-Loo who is being baptised this weekend



Let us keep Evangeline and her family in our prayers

St. Christopher's & St. Patrick's Parish Contacts Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9.00am-3.00pm Address: 237 Tower Street, Panania

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Parish Secretary: Van Doan
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Pastoral Care: Norma Coorey

St. Christopher's Church

Parish Pastoral Council

Chairperson: Anne Weeks Secretary: Dympna Paterson

Parish Finance Committee

Chairperson: John Tesoriero

Secretary:

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Jeanette Carroll

St. Patrick's Church

Parish Pastoral Council:

Chairperson: Chris Russell Secretary: Pat Nolan

Parish Finance Committee

Chairperson: John Tesoriero Secretary: Pat Nolan

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Siobhan Van Den Nieuwenhuizen

Saint of the day

26th Apr St Mark the Evangelist

27th Apr St Louis Grignion de Monfort

28th Apr St Peter Chanel 29th Apr St Catherine of Siena

30th Apr St Pius V

1st May St Joseph the Worker





Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Maria Tran Minh Nhut, John Goodwin, Margaret Kennedy

Anniversaries:

Margaret Staines, Kevin Weeks, Noel Staines, Anthony Bova, Bob & Cath Davis, William Moulden, Thomas McLoughlin, Fr Patrick McAuliffe, Bernard McDermott, Margaret Graham, John Holohan & Arthur Lindsay Smith, Fr Flanders, Mary& Les Gapps, Michael Young & Sr Bernadette Weslan, Frank & Natasha Esther.

General Intention:

John Bay Tran, Stephen Hill, Jose Joao Quintal, Deceased members of Carr & Davis Families, Angela McLoughlin, Ray Parry, Fili Tafunai (birthday), Chris Porter, John, Joseph & Frances Field, Andreana & George Sultana, Bill & Mollie Purdy, Bill & Molly Lowe & Shirley Holland, Bernard Togher, Brown & Togher families, Anne Sutton, Eric Pacey and Colin, Henry & Ellen Ross, Nazira Tahhan, Holy Souls, Paul Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirmed:

Sira Raveane, Bernadette Lawrance, Harry Ross (Senior), Helen Dawson, Kerry & Russ, Stephen Sinclair, Chris Burke, Vincent Doan, Marie McLoughlin, Olive Gaynor, Mary Israel, Rudolf Rodriques, Suzanne Moig, Junior Zoran Stojanovski, Therese Boukaram, Pat Tunnicliff, Pat Tindall, Val Edwards



ST. CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2021 Sat Vigil: 5.30pm Sun 5pm 24th/25th April Sun 8am Sun 9.30am Readers: Louise Harvey Natalie Salameh John Coates Gabriela Bietresato Mary Young Patricia Laidler Sam Coorey Volunteer Communion Ministers: Josephine Jones Magdalene Vetter Norma Verjoustinsky Trish Campedelli Renee Taylor Norma Coorey Stephanie Siaosi Anne Maree Morris Acolytes/Servers: Geoff Giltinan Alan Freeman Lisa Kerry Cheryl Beaver Sat Vigil: 5.30pm Sun 8am Sun 9.30am Sun 5pm 1st/2nd May Sam Coorey Anne Weeks Julie Nugent Readers: Trish McNamara John Coates Patrick McDermott Stephanie Siaosi Tanya Nguyen Di Hennessy Communion Ministers: Megan Perez Jacqueline Bull Lauren Smith Josephine Jones Norma Coorey Terese Jones Rebecca Lee Acolytes/Servers: John Tesoriero Jon D'Astoli Richard Hurst Dennis Lister

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2021

	24th/25th April		1st /2nd May	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
Acolytes/Servers:	Chris	Jason	Chris	Kevin
Readers:	Yvonne Mills Garry Solway	DLS Student DLS Student	Marge Salone Barbara Sherry	Pat Nolan Dawn Poole
Communion Ministers:	Alison Simler Barbara Sherry	Margaret Marriott Cathy Moussa	Sue Chant Elena Salgueira	May Coorey Joan Jones