

St Christopher's & St Patrick's

Catholic Parishes



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C

24th April 2022

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

7:30 am - 8am, 1 $^{
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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 Bhaskar Mendam MSFS



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Parish Office

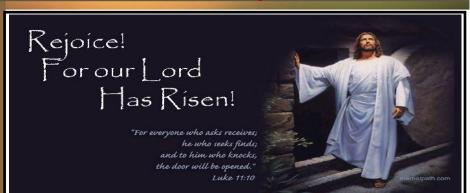
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St Christopher's Primary School

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Gospel Reflection

The disciples did not purge their group of 'doubting Thomas'. They remained his companions, waiting for something or Someone to be revealed to him with them.

Doubt and questioning are a normal and proper part of being human. We should allow for this within the community of the Church. A point may come where a person may no longer remain in the Church with any integrity. But a dismissive, excluding Church is not the Church of this gospel story.

Within the companionship of the Church a doubter may hear the words: 'Peace be with you.' What sort of peace? It is that inner assurance that, in the midst of all the tribulations and the turmoil and the myriad precursor deaths which we suffer on all sorts of levels, the Conqueror of Death wants to be with us.

How can the Risen Lord be with us? In Holy Communion, and in those counted as least in the world. According to Matthew 25, He is those without the necessities of life: food, shelter, medical care, comfort in distress.

We could pause for a moment to savour that Peace which comes from faith in the Conqueror of Death and in his Real Presence in Holy Communion and in those in dire need.

Fr Michael Tate



1 Pt 2:2

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

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

1st Reading

Acts 5:12-16

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

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Responsorial Psalm

Ps 117:2-4, 22-27, R. v.1

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

2nd Reading

Rv 1:9-13, 17-19

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

Gospel Acclamation

Jn 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

Gospel

Jn 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'
After saying this he breathed on them and said:
'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'
There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book.
These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

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

Communion Antiphon

Jn 20:27

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.



ANZAC Day (Monday 25/4/22) - Masses

St Christopher's: 9.15am

St Patrick's: 8am



RCIA - Congratulations

Easter Vigil saw our Parish witness 7 catechumens receive their Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation after a year-long process through

the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) program.

Congratulations and welcome to our parish Hunt Lee, VJ Charles, Brydee Coorey, Brandon Wiraatmadja, Jessica Wiraatmadja, Priscilla Wiraatmadja, Rui Zhang, Johnathon and Jayleen Zhang.

Big thanks to Norma Coorey, Stephanie Siaosi, Andrew Mills and all helpers, who has been assisted the RCIA program.

RCIA COURSE

Now more than ever, people are coming to realise the desire for God in their hearts, and we are all called by our baptism to Go Make Disciples.

I am excited to announce the Archdiocesan RCIA Certification Course and invite you to learn, live, and share your faith with others!

Please register for this free online course of six sessions beginning on the 10th of May via the QR code or the following link - https://fb.me/e/2bXsiglQs.

For more information, please get in touch with Simon at simon.yeak@sydneycatholic.org or 0427 536 356.

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

Applications close Tuesday, May 20th 2022.

Statue of Our Lady:

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. Contact Josephine 0418 405 402



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Children in Year 3 or above who have received the Sacrament of Baptism are invited to make their Reconciliation this year. Once completing Reconciliation they are

able to make their Communion in the following term.

Parent Preparation Evening: Wed 11th 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 14th/15th May.

Commitment Weekend: Candidates should attend Mass one weekend prior to making the Sacrament Reconciliation Lessons: Lessons commence the week beginning the 24th May for four consecutive weeks - Zoom lessons: Tues & Wed evenings @ 6.30pm

Celebration of the Sacrament: to be celebrated at St. Christopher's Church. There are 2 sacrament times available: Tuesday 21st June - 5.00pm

Mother's Day Celebrations (St Patrick's)

Celebrate Mother's Day in a special way this year and assist women in need. Why not bring a small something which can help others? Parishioners are invited to bring new toiletries, scarfs/beanies/gloves, underwear, blankets or whatever to Saturday evening or Sunday morning mass (weekend 7/8 May 2022). Before mass you are asked to bring them up and leave the items at the altar as a reminder of your mothers. After the weekend, these goods will then be given to a local support group to distribute to women living on the streets.

Support Caritas Ukraine Appeal

As millions of people are likely to be displaced due to Russia's invasion, your support is more important than ever for the people of Ukraine. Donate generously to the Caritas Ukraine Appeal: https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/ukraine-appeal/

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Online Training: The ACU Centre for Liturgy is offering a new online training program for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, supported by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference. Classes start April 27. For further information see our website http://www.acu.edu.au/centreforliturgy/pastoral-training or contact the Centre on (02)9701 4751 or CentreforLiturgy@acu.edu.au.

RIP - Valerie Edwards

Valerie passed away on 21/4/22. The funeral will be at St Patrick's church At 12pm– Monday 2nd May

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

St. Christopher's Church

Parish Pastoral Council

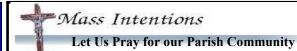
Chairperson: Anne Weeks Secretary: Dympna Paterson **Parish Finance Committee** Chairperson: John Tesoriero

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



Recently Deceased:

Valerie Edwards, Jane Zammit, Fr Raymond Weaver, Pauline Hunter, Paul Goodchild.

Therese Boukaram, Fr Pat McAucliffe, Kathleen Latham, Irene Nolan, Monalisa San Juan.

General Intention:

Pat Thomas, Hanna & Mansour families, Isaac & Julie Sandroussi and Sandroussi family, Leonard Guevara, Ray Parry, Paul Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirmed:

Margaret O'Donnell, Kathleen Mulligan, Tom Bradley, Luke Brady, Owen McLoughlin, Tim Burke, Alma Tahan, Martin Hannagan, Sam Law, Therese Nasser, Denis Kovc, John Esther, Alacoque Welsh, Dawn Poole, Jim O'Neill, Giuseppe Iacono, Anne Coome, Sira Raveane, Bernadette Lawrance, Helen Dawson, Kerry & Russ, Stephen Sinclair, Chris Burke, Vincent Doan, Marie McLoughlin, Olive Gaynor, Mary Israel, Rudolf Rodrigues, Suzanne Moig, Junior Zoran Stojanovski, Pat Tunnicliff, Pat Tindall.

23rd/24th Apr	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries	
Readers:	Louise Harvey Mary Young	George Elias Volunteer	Gabriela Bietresato Sam Coorey	Michelle Ryan Volunteer	Communion to the Sick Magdalene Vetter Norma Coorey	
Communion Ministers:	Frank O'Brien Renee Taylor	Megan Perez Margaret Yasbek	Norma Verjoustinsky Stephanie Siaosi	Volunteer Anne Maree Morris	Josephine Jones Counters: John Tesoriero Sam Coorey	
Acolytes/Servers	John Tesoriero	Jeff Giltinan	Lisa Kerry	Cheryl Beaver		
30th Apr/1st May	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries	
Readers:	Volunteer Chris Tran	Ron Woods Stephanie Siaosi	Sam Coorey Volunteer	Julie Nugent Tanya Nguyen	Communion to the Sick Megan Perez Norma Coorey	
Communion Ministers:	Di Hennessy Josephine Jones	Megan Perez Margaret Yasbek	Jacqueline Bull Terese Jones	Gabi Bietresato Rebecca Lee	Margaret Yasbek Counters:	
Acolytes/ Servers:	John Tesoriero	Jon D'astoli	Richard Hurst	Dennis Lister	Philip Weeks John Tesoriero	

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2022

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	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
Acolytes/Servers:	Chris	Jason	Chris	Kevin
Readers:	Siobhan V D N Wanieta Young	Lynda Cameron Mary Cameron	Sean McKenna Garry Solway	Cathy Moussa Volunteer
Communion Ministers:	Alison Simler Barbara Sherry	Madeleine Pizzuti Cathy Moussa	Sue Chant Elena Salgueira	May Coorey Joan Jones
Counters:		Bill Woods, Brian Quinn		Maree Carr, Phillip Carr



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.