



St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B

14th April 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 Christopher's Primary School

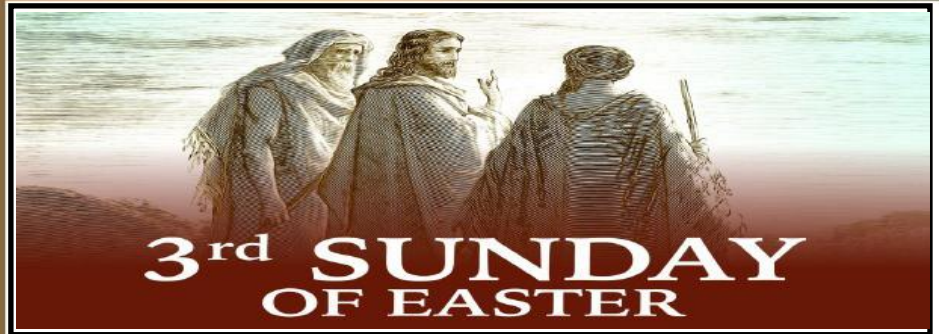
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Gospel Reflection

Ghosts, meals and humanity

When Jesus appeared to them, the disciples thought they were seeing a ghost, a sort of projection of a human image on the screen of the world but with no human depth and vitality. In fact, ghosts seem to drain life and warmth from those they encounter.

The disciples became convinced that they were in the presence of the Risen Lord Jesus Christ when he assumed a characteristic way of acting – sharing a companionable meal (of fish).

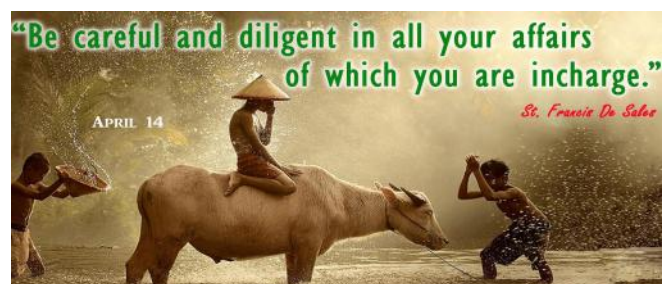
His bodily presence of that sort is now withdrawn from us. But we are now encountered by him in the Mass which has many dimensions, one of which is that of a sacred meal. When we share in the sacramental signs of his Real Presence in the Heavenly Bread and Spiritual Drink of Holy Communion, he brings us the life and warmth of the Risen Son.

In fact, he shares his very life with us, and because his life is gloriously fully human, we become less ghost-like as he heals those parts of our personality which drain goodness and vitality from the world.

We could take a moment to pray to take greater opportunities to share in the Real Presence of Our Risen Lord under the appearance of bread and wine. This will move us from the illusion of being alive to that vitality which is nourished by his glorified humanity.

Fr Michael Tate

Quote of the Day



Entrance Antiphon

Cf Ps 65:1-2 God's love comes to perfection in him.

***Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.***

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

Gospel Acclamation

See Luke 24:32

1st Reading

Acts 3:13-15. 17-19

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

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

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9. R. v.7

Lord, let your face shine on us.

2nd Reading

1 John 2:1-5

A reading from the first letter of St John

I am writing this, my children,
to stop you sinning;
but if anyone should sin,
we have our advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ, who is just;
he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away,
and not only ours,
but the whole world's.
We can be sure that we know God
only by keeping his commandments.
Anyone who says, 'I know him',
and does not keep his commandments,
is a liar,
refusing to admit the truth.
But when anyone does obey what he has said,

***Alleluia, alleluia!
Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.
Alleluia!***

Gospel

Luke 24:35-48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'



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

Communion Antiphon

Luke 24:46-47

***The Christ had to suffer and on the third day rise
from the dead;
in his name repentance and remission of sins
must be preached to all the nations, alleluia.***

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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.

Fr Vijay is on leave

Fr Vijay will be away in India officiating at his brother's wedding from Wednesday 17th April, returning Friday 17th May 2024. Our congratulations to Karunakar & Yamuna.

Project Compassion

Thank you to those who have returned their Project Compassion boxes.

If you haven't returned your box yet, please do so at one of the weekend Masses or at the Parish Office.



St Patrick's Church Morning Tea Sunday 21st April



Join us for a cuppa and a chat after 9am Mass. Everyone is welcome!

Eucharist retreat Day - Saturday 11th May 2024



The Liturgy Office for the Archdiocese of Sydney is running a retreat day for liturgical ministers. All liturgical ministers are invited to attend eg - Ushers, Greeters,

Collectors, AV Operators, in addition to Readers, Acolytes, Musicians, Sacritans, Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, ect. Morning tea and lunch are provided. Retreat fee is \$ \$15, parking available on site.

Location: St Martha's - Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney. 38 Renwick St, Leighart NSW 2024

Doors open at 9am for a 10am start. The retreat concludes at 4pm

Participants wishing to attend can register at <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1162316?>

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 3362

Divine Mercy Prayer Group



Every Monday, St Patricks 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



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 15th 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 Thur 16th may and will be closed Sun 19th May at both parishes website.

Commitment Weekend: Presentation of candidates for Reconciliation on the weekend of 25th/26th May - Sat. 5.30pm Mass or any Sunday Mass at both parishes. **This is a compulsory part of the Reconciliation Programme.**

Reconciliation Lessons: Lessons commence Tuesday 28th or Wednesday 29th May @ 6.30pm for four consecutive weeks at 300 The River Rd, Revesby Heights (**Attendance at all lessons is compulsory**)

Celebration of the Sacrament:

St. Christopher's Church.

Wednesday 26th June - 5pm OR 6.30pm



Oremus: Living the Year of Prayer 2024

Our Holy Father has asked the entire Church to dedicate 2024 as a Year of Prayer in preparation for the 2025 Jubilee, 'in order to foster a renewed

ardour for evangelisation'. Join us online for a 3-week short course in which we will consider practical approaches to prayer as the font of renewal and mission in our parishes.

DATES: Thursdays 18 April, 2 May, 2024

TIMES: 7.30—8.45pm

For more information and to register, go to gomake-disciples.org.au/cas-events

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS ARE HERE AGAIN!

Last day of Term 1 is Friday, 12th April and the kids come back on Monday, 29th April. Have a great holiday, stay safe, relax and refresh!



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

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Parish Safeguarding Officer: Siobhan Van Den Nieuwenhuizen



Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Peter Harrison, Ron King, Jim O'Neill, Anna Le, Antoinette Galea, Melanie Fialho, John Carbone, Rikki Doumit, John O'Connor, Joan Jones.

Anniversaries:

Renato Valencia Jr, Monalisa San Juan, Margaret Sheehan, Marie & June Zoefel, John Poole.

General Intention:

Shirley & Georges Melanie, Bob & Cath Davis, Deceased members of Davis & Carr families, Nehmallah Chovaifaity and family, Shirley Melanie & Souls in Purgatory, Anthony Bova, Hanna & Mansour Families, Crisogono Bartolo Jr, Anton Kovic, Emily Burns, Joseph & Veronica Ritchie, Alf Pandoleon, Dominic Doan, Paul & Tim Burke, Deceased members of the Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

Joly Sammut & Georgia Alsent, Shaun Ivor, Jordan Smith, Jake Stevenson, Tracey Gillfeather, Bronwyn Pearson, Alma Tahhan, May Tran, Margaret Maloney, Mario Bosquet, Igor Mileusnic, Owen & Marie McLoughlin, Micky Long, Pat Coates, Di Mason, Martin Hannagan, Mary Israel, Stephen Sinclair, Pat Tindall, Sick members of the Legion of Mary.



ST CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2024

13th/14th Apr	Sat. 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
Readers:	Volunteers Sue Bracken	Tanya Nguyen Carolyn Ford	Mary Chan Pauline O'Shea	Charbel Tabet Tanya Nguyen
Communion Ministers:	Jeanette Carroll Barbara Tesoriero	Terese Jones Gabi Bietresato	Norma Verjoustinsky Bernadette Saleme	Volunteer Stephanie Siaosi
Acolytes/ Servers	John Tesoriero	Aldrae Cruz	Tony O'Shea	Cheryl Beaver
Altar Servers	Sybella & Milla C, Mary I, Thomas L, Alyssa S	Volunteers	Liam D, Chloe J, Oliver & Gabriel Z	Charlotte K, Eleanor M Illijana L, Mackenzie H Duran M
20th/21st Apr	Sat. 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
Readers:	Gabrielle Innes Louise Anderson	Volunteer Ron Woods	Volunteer Andrew Mills	Nazira Hanna Tanya Nguyen
Communion Ministers:	David Raish Volunteer	Ann Marie Darcy Van Doan	Margaret Yasbek Magdalene Vetter	Volunteer Nazira Hanna
Acolytes/ Servers	Jonathan Tran	Andrew Mills	Rennie Velarde	Ruben Nool
Altar Servers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers

Other Ministries

Communion to the Sick
Josephine Jones
Terese Jones
Gabi Bietresato

Counters:
Jeanette Carroll
Philip Weeks

Other Ministries

Communion to the Sick
Ann Marie Darcy
Van Doan
Ellen Russell

Counters:
George Elias
Denis Lister

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2024

	13th/14th Apr		20th/21st Apr	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
Acolytes/Servers:	Chris	Ray	Kevin	Jason
Readers:	Roza Bulic Pat Nolan	Steve Iacono Dawn Poole	Siobhan Van Den Nieuwenhuizen Lynda Cameron	Wanieta Young Mary Cameron
Communion Ministers:	Elena Salgueira May Coorey	Barbara Sherry Jacqueline Bull	Elena Salgueira May Coorey	Steve Iacono Cathy Moussa
Counters:		Sue-Ann Burton Peter Volk		Elena Salgueira Charlie Howard



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.