



# St. Christopher's & St. Patrick's Catholic Church



## St. Christopher's Mass Times

233 Tower Street, Panania NSW 2213

Website: <https://www.stchristopherpanania.org.au/>

Sat. Vigil: 5:30pm Sunday: 8am, 9:30am & 5pm

Weekdays: Tue: 7pm, Wed, Thurs, Fri: 9.15am Sat: 9am

Exposition & Benediction: Tues: 6-7pm, Thurs: 5-7pm  
Sat. after 9am Mass

Holy Hour: Fri: 6.15am - 7.15am (except school holidays)

Reconciliation: Sat. 9.30am & 4:30pm

Baptisms: 11am: 1st & 3rd Sundays Weddings: By Appointment

## St. Patrick's Mass Times

294 The River Road, Revesby Heights NSW 2212

Website: <https://www.stpatrickrevesbyheights.org.au/>

Sat. Vigil: 5:30pm Sunday: 9am

Weekdays: Tue, Wed, Thurs, Fri: 8am

Healing Mass: 1st Friday of the month: Mass starts at 7pm  
with Reconciliation (6pm) & Exposition, Benediction follows.

Reconciliation: Saturday: 5pm

Baptisms: 10.30am: 4th Sunday

Weddings: By Appointment

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — YEAR A

28th JUNE 2020

## Entrance Antiphon

*Ps 46:2*

**All peoples, clap your hands.  
Cry to God with shouts of joy!**



## 1st Reading

*2 Kgs 4:8-11. 14-16*

*A reading from the second book of the Kings*

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.'

One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The

servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

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

## Responsorial Psalm

*Ps 88:2-3. 16-19. R. v.2*

***R: Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.***

## 2nd Reading

*Rom 6:3-4. 8-11*

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the  
Romans*

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**Assistant Priest: Fr. Bhaskar Mendam MSFS**

Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales

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## St. Christopher's & St. Patrick's Parish Contacts:

Parish Pastoral Council: (St. Christopher)  
Chairperson: Anne Weeks

Parish Pastoral Council: (St. Patrick)  
Chairperson: Chris Russell

Parish Secretary: Van Doan

Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9.00am—3.00pm

Parish Manager: John Tesoriero

Sac. Co-ordinator: Anne Maree Morris

Pastoral Care

Norma Coorey

### Important Notice

**Restrictions eased on churches.** : Up to 50 people are now allowed to attend Mass or private prayer in a church with further restrictions eased from 1st July which will allow unlimited attendance providing there is a four square metre space around each person, with the exception of people from the same household.

- \* There is no booking required for the weekday masses, but one needs to book in through the office for the weekend masses (50 attendees per Mass)
- \* Private Prayer : Tuesday—Friday 10am—12pm
- \* **All need to be in the church at least 15 minutes before Mass starts**, and the church will be locked during service to comply with the restrictions.
- \* Please take the bulletin with you after using it or place it in the rubbish bin at the foyer, they are not to be reused
- \* Please contact office to register & for further information.

**Please note: all entering the Church must leave their name and contact details for COVID-safe purposes and social distancing and hygiene measures must be observed at all times.**

#### An Act of Spiritual Communion (to be said before Holy Communion)

My Jesus I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I decide to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already here and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

#### Pope Francis' prayer to Our Lady, Health of the Sick, to implore her protection during the Covid-19 pandemic. (to be said after Holy Communion)

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen. We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.



Pastoral Council

#### From your PPC

Greetings to all of you from the Parish Pastoral Council. It is great to see so many faces back at Mass in these

difficult circumstances as we slowly move to some kind of normal.

You may be aware that we are having a **WORKING BEE at the church on Saturday 4th of July**. There are lots of small jobs to do (and some slightly bigger ones) that we can get through if we have enough volunteers, no prior experience needed!

If you are able to come any time from 10.15am that will be much appreciated. Lunch will be provided.

**Please call the parish office and leave your name** with Van if you are able to attend so we create a plan based on the number of volunteers. 'For we are God's servants, working together' 1Cor 3:9

#### Donations to the Parish

Donation to the Parish can be made by using Bpoint service on our website (St Christopher's : <https://www.stchristopherpanania.org.au/>, St Patrick: <https://www.stpatrickrevesbyheights.org.au/> alternatively by scanning the QR code given below.

St Christopher's  
Parish Panania



St Patrick's  
Parish Revesby Heights



**Saints of the day**

29th June Sts Peter & Paul the Apostles  
 30th June The 1st martyrs of the Holy Roman Church  
 1st July St Oliver Plunkett  
 2nd July Sts Proculus & Martinianus  
 3rd July St Thomas the Apostle  
 4th July St Elizabeth of Portugal



**Michael Mulholland**

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Michael Mulholland. Michael was a full-time teacher at St Christopher's Primary school for 31 years until his retirement in 2016. Since his retirement Michael has worked casually at the school up until his passing. He will be sadly missed by all. Due to isolation restrictions the family has requested that only immediate family and friends that are contacted will be able to enter the Church. The family and school will contact those family and friends who are invited to attend the Mass in Church. All other friends who wish to attend will be able to go to the school hall for the live stream. Further details will be posted on the St Christopher's Church website closer to the time. **The funeral will be on Friday 3rd July at 10.30am.**

**Farewell Gloria & Henry Soster**

They are moving into a retirement village. We would like to thank them for their many years of services to our parish. Gloria looked after the flowers and she was a catechist, a welcomer as well as a number of other activities. May God bless them on their life's journey.

**Catechist & Helper Meeting:** 1pm Wednesday on 1st July in the Church meeting room

**Baptism**

Please contact Parish Office for booking and for more information.

**First Holy Communion** might be postponed until family members and parishioners can attend.



*Mass Intentions*

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community



**Recently Deceased**

Michael Mulholland  
 Ivosevic Ivan  
 Maureen Tickner  
 Edgar Quinones

**General Intention**

Len Khoury  
 Jose Joao Quintal  
 Prosper Frere Ba'  
 Mollie & Bill Purdy  
 Molly & Bill Low  
 Shirley Hollands  
 Bernard Togher  
 Brown & Togher families  
 Kevin Murray  
 Michael Crouch  
 Michael Laffy  
 Glen Moore  
 Gary Rossiter  
 Roseanne Mc Dermott  
 Canice Mc Dermott  
 Anna Nhieu  
 Anthony Bova  
 Holy souls  
 Paul Burke  
 Deceased members of  
 Legion of Mary  
 Holy Souls in Purgatory

**The Sick and Infirm**

Maryanne Dimech  
 Russell Petersen  
 Margaret Byron  
 Therese Boukaram  
 May Tran  
 Samuel Hekeik  
 Christina Apolinario  
 Remelo Ongkowidjaja  
 Marjorie Egliston  
 Pat Tuncliffe  
 Brian O'Shea  
 Sr. Kath Price  
 Stephen Sinclair  
 Donna Clarke  
 Frank Azzopardi  
 Norma Moudawar  
 Col & Irene Cross  
 Brett Pacey  
 Pat Tindall  
 Val Edwards  
 Francis Cudmore  
 Marie McLoughlin  
 Annette Baiado  
 Venny Villapando  
 Glen Clarke  
 Narelle Martin  
 David Sheppard

**Anniversaries**

Fr Conaghan  
 Keith Mison  
 Mary Harris  
 Mary Gapps  
 Noelene Byron  
 Paul Byron



Sr Anne Derwin  
 Ronald James O'Brien  
 Lillian Roberts  
 Marie O'Sullivan  
 Glad & Joseph Gapps  
 Dominick Mc Dermott  
 Shirley Helm

**Quote for the day:**

"We cannot feel alright when any member of the human family is left behind and in the shadows,"

*Pope Francis - the World Day of the Poor.*



**ST. CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2020**

27/28 June	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
<b>Readers:</b>	Louise Harvey Mary Young	Patricia Laidler John Coates	Sam Coorey Pauline O'Shea	Volunteers
<b>Acolytes/Servers:</b>	Alan Freeman	Andrew Mills	Tony O'Shea	Jon D'Astoli
4/5 July	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
<b>Readers:</b>	Trish McNamara Patrick McDermott	John Coates Stephanie Siaoisi	Yuti Diack Clayton Diack	Julie Nugent Tanya
<b>Acolytes/Servers:</b>	John Tesoriero	Jon D'Astoli	Richard Hurst	Dennis Lister

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

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

### Gospel Acclamation

*1 Pt 2:9*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people. Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light.**

**Alleluia!**

### Gospel

*Mt 10:37-42*

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew*

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward.

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a

disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



### Communion Antiphon

*Cf. Ps 102:1*

**Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and all within me, his holy name.**

### Next Week's Readings:

*5th July 2020*

*Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A.*

**1st Reading:** *Zec 9:9-10 - See how humbly your king comes to you!*

**2nd Reading:** *Rom 8:9.11-13 - If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body, you will live.*

**Gospel:** *Mt 11:25-30 - I am gentle and humble of heart.*

### **Christianity not a Cult - Sunday Reflection**

In the early Church, Christianity ripped families apart. Good Jewish families would have been appalled to see their sons and daughters go off to follow a crucified blasphemer. Good reason to keep apart in the synagogue, avoiding damnable pollution. This sectarianism contrasted with the Christians who fearlessly went out into the world.

St John Paul II personified what it is to be Catholic. But, he pressed a prayer into a crack in the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem and as an old man shuffled across the floor of a Mosque in Syria.

Of course, there was no compromise of belief and faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, denied by both Jews and Muslims. But his actions were not those of one with the siege mentality of the member of a cult. Rather, he was able to respond to the promptings of the Holy Spirit to take these steps recognising what was good amongst the adherents of those faiths.

We could pause for a moment to implore the Holy Spirit to break us out from any constricting cult-like tendencies so that we can go out into the world powerfully proclaiming the resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Fr Michael Tate*

