



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, 4th Sunday of the month

Weddings (by appointment)

Parish Priest

Fr Salas Muttathukattil MSFS

Assistant Priest

Fr Bhaskar Mendam MSFS



CONTACT US

Parish Office ☎ 02 9774-3662

☎ 0402 494 246 (Emergency)

✉ stcpanania@hotmail.com

📍 St Christopher's Catholic Church Panania

📍 St Patrick's Catholic Church Revesby Heights

St Christopher's Primary School

☎ 02 9771-5492

De La Salle College

☎ 02 9773-7196

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD YEAR B - 10th JANUARY 2021



REFLECTION

A Whisper echoing Heaven

Unlike Jesus was immersed in the Waters of the River Jordan as though he were a repentant sinner. Why? Jesus wanted to be identified with the mass of sinful humanity. During this great act of solidarity, Jesus clearly had a mystical experience as He emerged from the waters: the Heavens opening, the Spirit descending like a dove, and hearing a bat qol, a whisper echoing Heaven.

Each of us has been incorporated into Our Lord's Baptism. At whatever age we received Baptism, the Heavens were opened and Divine love and power streamed from Heaven to earth. The Holy Spirit, Divine Lover of humanity, hovered gently. Deep down, at the intimate wellspring of life, the Divine Voice was heard: 'You are my beloved daughter' or 'You are my beloved son, my favour rests on you.'

We could pause for a moment to pray that we might wake up each morning with that Divine Voice ringing in our ears, and then re-echoing it in our lives.

Fr Michael Tate

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Mt 3:16-17

**After the Lord was baptized, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered:
This is my beloved Son,
with whom I am well pleased.**

Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil.'

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

1st Reading

Is 42:1-4. 6-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord: Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom my soul delights. I have endowed him with my spirit that he may bring true justice to the nations.

He does not cry out or shout aloud, or make his voice heard in the streets. He does not break the crushed reed, nor quench the wavering flame.

Faithfully he brings true justice; he will neither waver, nor be crushed until true justice is established on earth for the islands are awaiting his law.

I, the Lord, have called you to serve the cause of right; I have taken you by the hand and formed you; I have appointed you as covenant of the people and light of the nations, to open the eyes of the blind, to free captives from prison, and those who live in darkness from the dungeon.

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

Gospel Acclamation

See Mt 9:8

**Alleluia, alleluia!
The heavens were opened and the Father's voice was heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.
Alleluia!**

Gospel

Mk 1:7-11

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

In the course of his preaching John the Baptist said, 'Someone is following me, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to kneel down and undo the strap of his sandals. I have baptised you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.'

It was at this time that Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptised in the Jordan by John. No sooner had he come up out of the water than he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit, like a dove, descending on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 28:1-4. 9-10. R. v.11

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

2nd Reading

Acts 10:34-38

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.

'It is true, God sent his word to the people of Israel, and it was to them that the good news of peace was brought by Jesus Christ - but Jesus Christ is Lord of all men. You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the

Communion Antiphon

Jn 1:32,34

**We Behold the One of whom John said:
I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.**

Prayer Resources during time of Pandemic

The Archdiocese of Sydney has a dedicated webpage with prayers and scriptural reflections to help nurture your faith during these difficult times. You'll find the webpage here-

<https://www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirusupdates/>



Important Notice

COVID-19 update

NSW Health has announced that from Sunday 20 December, churches will be able to have 100 people at all religious services, as long as a four square metre rule is observed.

You'll find more information in : <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-frequently-asked-questions>

- * Masks are compulsory for all people over 12 years of age when in the church.
- * **There is no booking required for all masses.** (Church will be closed when the limit is reached)
- * **Please be in the church foyer at least 20 minutes before Mass starts.** This is to enable sufficient time to sign in prior to the commencement of Masses (Please note: all entering the Church must sign-in for COVID-safe purposes and social distancing and hygiene measures must be observed at all times).
- * **Please sign-in using the QR code or the sign-in sheet**
You can also download the QR reader APP or the NSW service APP if you are have trouble using the codes.
- * Please take the bulletin with you after using it or place it in the Rubbish bin in the foyer, they are not to be reused
- * Please contact Parish Office 9774 3662 for further information.

Novena to St Francis De Sales

Friday 15/1 - Saturday 23/1

There will be a Novena prayer for nine days in preparation for the feast of St Francis De Sales on January 25th. St Francis is patron of the order our priests Fr Salas and Fr Bhaskar. Please pray for our priests on the occasion of this important celebration for their order.

"All profitable correction comes from a calm and peaceful mind."
St Francis De Sales

We, the Missionaries of St Francis De Sales,
invite you to a Eucharistic Celebration for the
Feast Day of Our Patron **St Francis De Sales**

Main Celebrant: **Most Rev Terry Brady**
(Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney)

Date & Time	Venue
10:30am on Monday 25th January 2021	St Christopher's Church 233 Tower Street Panania

Light Lunch after the Mass
RSVP: (Email preferred) 18 January 2021
stcpanania@hotmail.com or 02 9774 3662

with regards
Fr Mani Malana MSFS
Fr Salas Muttathukattil MSFS
Fr Bhaskar Mendam MSFS

"Do not wish to be anything but what you are,
and try to be that perfectly."
St Francis De Sales



Condolence

Please keep our PPC Secretary Dympna Paterson in your prayers following the passing of her mother, Claire Monica Paterson (known as Mona) in Dublin, Ireland on 3.01.21, aged 101 years. After a long and fulfilling life of devotion to her family, may she rest in peace, Amen.

Sick list names

We are currently updating the names of the sick and infirmed in our parish bulletin. If you wish to have a name on the list please advise the parish office via email stcpanania@hotmail.com or phone Van on 9774 3662.

Home Visitation

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

Thank you

Many Thanks to all who recently bough Picnic Point honey - \$500 has been forwarded to Right to Life NSW.
Anne & Bob

Living Life to the Full at Home

CatholicCare's Home Care Services for seniors can support you or a loved one to live at home independently with comfort and confidence and to remain connected to your parish community. To learn more call **Home Care Team 13 18 19** or connect@catholiccare.org



Mass marking the Centenary of the Death of Eileen O'Connor

Auxiliary Bishop Terry Brady will celebrate a special Mass on Sunday 10 January, marking the centenary of the death of Servant of God, Eileen O'Connor. The Mass will be held at 11am at St Brigid's church in Coogee. It will be livestreamed on the new Eileen O'Connor website: www.eileenconnor.com.au

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

Parish Secretary: Van Doan
Parish Manager: John Tesoriero
Sac. Co-ordinator: Anne Maree Morris
Pastoral Care: Norma Coorey
Volunteers: Valasi Zimmerman

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

- 9th Jan St Julian
- 10th Jan The Baptism of the Lord
- 11th Jan St Salvius
- 12th Jan St Aelred of Rievaulx
- 13th Jan St Hilary of Poitiers
- 14th Jan Macrina the elder
- 15th Jan Birthday of St Mary of the Cross - 1842



Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Mona Paterson, Margaret Cudmore

Anniversaries:

Dolores Sebido, Maria Tesoriero, Mary Hagerty, Ian McRae, Bert Eyles, John Adams, Sr Maur Woodbury, Dot & Irene Gapps, Stephen, Hilda Khoury, Dominic & Maria Phan, Joe, Clare, Ron Fletcher and Lorna Foharty, Rose, John O'Sullivan, John Bradshaw, Billy Taylor & Margaret Vidler

General Intention:

Ted & Bette Beard, Julia, John, Terrence Hoad, Joan Weston, Jean Magher, Jenny Lentholm, Mary Latham, Lane Williamson, Shirley McCrohan & Roseanne McDermott, Lou Hanna, Rev. Dao, Joseph & Maria Dao, George Sultana & Stella Britta, Alf Pandoleon, Joseph & Veronica Ritchie, George Hanna, Mansour, Crowe & Hanna families, Mollie & Bill Purdy, Shirley Holland, Molly & Bill Lowe, Bernard Togher, The Brown & Togher families, Dulcie Southwell, Souls in Purgatory, Paul Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

Phyllis McCormick, John Foxe, Dante Maningas, Marie McLoughlin, Olive Gaynor, Mary Israel, Rudolf Rodriques, Suzanne Moig, Segundino Ariola, Junior Zoran Stojanovski, Therese Boukaram, Samuel Hekeik, Christina Apolinario, Remelo Ongkowiedjaja, Marjorie Egliston, Stephen Sinclair, Donna Clarke, Frank Azzopardi, Col & Irene Cross, Bett Pacey, Pat Tindall, Val Edwards, Frances Cudmore, Annette Baiado, Venny Villapando, Glen Clarke, Narelle Martin, David Sheppard

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2021

9th/10th January	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
<i>Readers:</i>	Ron Woods Sue Bracken	Steve Darcy Carolyn Ford	George Elias Pauline O'shea	Rebecca Lee Bridget Weeks
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Jeanette Carroll Carla Tesoriero	Ann-Maree Darcy	Norma Verjoustinsky Bernadette Saleme	Stephanie Siaoisi Litara Machee
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Alan Freeman	John Coates	Tony O'Shea	Cheryl Beaver
16th/17th January	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
<i>Readers:</i>	Gabrielle Innes Volunteer	Maureen Singleton Natalie Salameh	Lea De Angelis Andrew Mills	Anita & Josie Hanna
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	David Raish Barbara Tesoriero	Terese Jones Norma Coorey	Margaret Yasbek Volunteer	Nazira Hanna Volunteer
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	John Tesoriero	Andrew Mills	Ruben Nool	Ryan Romero

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2021

	9th/10th January		16th/17th January	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Chris	Jason	Chris	Kevin
<i>Readers:</i>	Marge Salone Barbara Sherry	Tess Hughes Madeleine Pizzuti	Marie Carr Liam Carr	Pat Nolan Dawn Poole
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Sue Chant Elena Salgueira	May Coorey Joan Jones	Alison Simler Barbara Sherry	Madeleine Pizzuti Cathy Moussa