



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

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☎ 0402 494 246 (Emergency)

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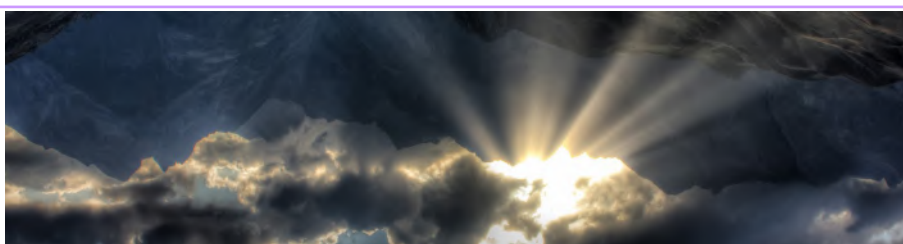
St Christopher's Primary School

☎ 02 9771-5492

De La Salle College

☎ 02 9773-7196

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B - 28th FEBRUARY 2021



Gospel Reflection

Transfigured Bodysouls

St Thomas Aquinas famously said: 'If only my soul is saved, I am not saved.' And yet many Christians do think that our ultimate goal is, by the grace of God, to end up as souls in Heaven.

No, I am a human being, bodysoul. If I am to be saved, then this stardust, this fraction of material creation, this earthling, needs to be immersed into Divine energy and light.

The Transfiguration of Jesus Christ, especially as recounted in the other gospels, shows what happens when human nature is in total communion with God. Every molecule of his body was evidently pulsing with Divine energy and light. The amazing truth is that God ardently desires that each one of us should share in the transfigured life of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

For this to occur, we must play our part, accepting that Jesus of Nazareth is indeed the Beloved Son of God, listen to him, and put into practice what we hear.

We could take a moment to pray that after the "repose of the soul" after death, we may participate as bodysouls in the transfigured humanity of the Risen Lord.

Fr Michael Tate



Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 26:8-9

Of you my heart has spoken, Seek his face.

***It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face from me.***

1st Reading

Gen 22:1-2. 9-13. 15-18

A reading from the book of Genesis

God put Abraham to the test. 'Abraham, Abraham,' he called.' Here I am' he replied. 'Take your son,' God said 'your only child Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering, on a mountain I will point out to you.' When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there, and arranged the wood. Then he bound his son Isaac and put him on the altar on top of the wood. Abraham stretched out his hand and seized the knife to kill his son.

But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. 'Abraham, Abraham' he said. 'I am here' he replied. 'Do not raise your hand against the boy' the angel said. 'Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son.' Then looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Abraham took the ram and offered it as a burnt offering in place of his son.

The angel of the Lord called Abraham a second time from heaven. 'I swear by my own self – it is the Lord who speaks – because you have done this, because you have not refused me your son, your only son, I will shower blessings on you, I will make your descendants as many as the stars of heaven and the grains of sand on the seashore. Your descendants shall gain possession of the gates of your enemies. All the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by your descendants, as a reward for your obedience.'

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

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 115:10. 15-19. R. 114:9*

***I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living.***

2nd Reading

Rom 8:31-34

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us – he rose from the dead, and there at God's right hand he stands and pleads for us.

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



See Mt 17:5

Gospel Acclamation

***Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
From the shining cloud, the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!***

Gospel

Mk 9:2-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Rabbi,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Then suddenly, when they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain he warned them to tell no one what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They observed the warning faithfully, though among themselves they discussed what 'rising from the dead' could mean.

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

Communion Antiphon

Mt 17:5

***This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well
pleased; listen to him.***



Important Notice

COVID-19 update

From February 12th, an unlimited number of people can attend Mass, provided that the one person per 2m2 rule is observed. Now that the 2m2 rule has been reinstated, Archbishop Anthony has lifted the dispensation from our Sunday Mass obligation. The Catholic faithful are once again obliged to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation when this is reasonably possible.

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

* Masks are no longer compulsory.

* **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 have trouble using the codes.

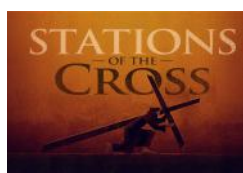
* Please take the bulletin with you or place it in the Rubbish bin in the foyer, they are not to be reused

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent

St. Christopher's: **7pm**

St. Patrick's: **after 8am** Mass.



The program will commence on 24th Feb 2021 on each Wednesday during Lent.

* **St Christopher's:** 7.30pm in the church meeting room

* **St Patrick's:** 9am in the Church
7.30pm at the Sherry residence



SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS and Blessings to our Parish Priest Fr Salas who has been appointed as the Dean of the South Western

Deanery. He will continue his role as Parish priest here at St Christopher's as well as taking on this additional responsibility. We pray that God continues to bless you with the energy and drive to fulfil all these duties and we offer our prayers and support to you Father at this time.

CONGRATULATIONS to Brooke Watson who has been appointed Assistant Principal of St Christophers Panania. She has been acting in the role and will continue to be a wonderful support to Mr Wahab and the whole St Christopher's Community.

Kindergarten 2022

*Tours of St Christopher's Panania with the Principal

*Dates between

1st - 19th March

*Please contact the school office (9771 5492) to book a tour (max 20 per group)



Project Compassion

Margret is a teacher at a vocational school for deaf students in the Solomon Islands that suffered long-term water shortages and damage from Tropical Cyclone Harold. With Caritas Australia's support, Margret's school installed water tanks, repaired cyclone damage and implement COVID-19 prevention measures, and is now planning to boots foods security.

Boxes & envelopes are available at the church foyer



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

Catechist or helpers needed

We urgently need more volunteers to assist in teaching scripture at our state schools. If interested please contact parish office 9774 3662

Book Launch in Panania

Madeleine Pizzuti, a parishioner of St Patrick's, is a local author and has just released a children's book entitled 'BEAR'. The story is about a much-loved teddy-bear and his young companion and is set within a loving Catholic family. Madeleine will be having a book launch on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th March at the KaDeli Café in Tower Street, Panania from 8 am to 2 pm. Come along and meet Madeleine and BEAR! There will be BEAR activity bags for children and a free coffee with every book purchase.

BAPTISM

St Christopher's & St Patrick's Parishes welcome the family of Luca Pinna who is being baptised this weekend

Let us keep Luca and his family in our prayers



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

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

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 Secretary: Pat Nolan

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 Secretary: Pat Nolan

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Siobhan Van Den Nieuwenhuizen

Pious Good Stall - St Christopher's

The Pious Goods Stall is in urgent need of volunteers for the following Masses:

Saturday 5.30 pm 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month
 5th Saturday (usually 4 per year)

Sunday 8.00 am Any date

Sunday 9.30 am 2nd Sunday of the month
 5th Sunday (usually 4 per year)

Sunday 5 pm Any date

If you can help please contact: Pat Coates 0402077142 or 97743947
 or Jo Grosvenor 97722544



Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Ken Petersen, Patricia Chamley, Sr Jelka Predragovic, Fr Bob Barber S.M, Betty Tracey, Valerie, Fran Cudmore, Elaine Thompson

Anniversaries:

Eric Moon, Arthur Smith, Dominick McDermott & Souls in Purgatory, Margaret Ellem, Baby Lucas Pollinger, Mary Singleton, Angela Cardwell,

General Intention:

Anthony Bova, Noelene Byron, Jose Joao Quintal, Agatha & Paul, Mollie & Bill Purdy, Molly & Bill Lowe, Shirley Holland, Bernard Togher, Brown & Togher families, Ray Parry, Syd Israel, Guisepppe & Arelia (Maria) Tesoreiro, Marie O'Neill, Giuseppe Lopez, Souls in Purgatory, Paul Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirmed:

Loreta Tavita, Kerry & Russ, Stephen Sinclair, Chris Burke, Vincent Doan, Marie McLoughlin, Olive Gaynor, Mary Israel, Rudolf Rodriques, Suzanne Moig, Junior Zoran Stojanovski, Therese Boukaram, Pat Tunnickliff, Pat Tindall, Val Edwards

Saint of the day

1st Mar St David
 2nd Mar St Chad
 3rd Mar St Katharine Drexel
 4th Mar St Casimir
 5th Mar St Kieran of Saighir
 6th Mar St Fridolin

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2021

27th/28th February	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
Readers:	Louise Harvey Mary Young	John Coates Patricia Laidler	Yuti Diack Clayton Diack	Natalie Salameh Volunteer
Communion Ministers:	Josephine Jones Renee Taylor	Norma Coorey Magdalene Vetter	Norma Verjoustinsky Volunteer	Trish Campedelli Anne Maree Morris
Acolytes/Servers:	Alan Freeman	Geoff Giltinan	Lisa Kerry	Cheryl Beaver
6th/7th March	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm
Readers:	Trish McNamara Patrick McDermott	John Coates Stephanie Siasosi	Sam Coorey Anne Weeks	Julie Nugent Tanya
Communion Ministers:	Di Hennessy Josephine Jones	Megan Perez Norma Coorey	Jacqueline Bull Terese Jones	Rebecca Lee Lauren Smith
Acolytes/Servers:	Alan Freeman	Jon D'asoli	John Tesoriero	Dennis Lister

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	27th/28th February		6th/7th March	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
Acolytes/Servers:	Chris	Kevin	Chris	Ray
Readers:	Yvonne Mills Garry Solway	Pat Nolan Dawn Poole	Marge Salone Barbara Sherry	Yvonne Toleafoa Camilla Toleafoa
Communion Ministers:	Alison Simler Barbara Sherry	Madeleine Pizzuti Cathy Moussa	Sue Chant Elena Salgueira	May Coorey Joan Jones