



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



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Parish Office

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📍 St Patrick's Catholic Church Revesby Heights

St Christopher's Primary School

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De La Salle College

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B - 9th MAY 2021



Gospel Reflection

Cornelius, Catholics and Love

A pagan Roman officer was so evidently graced by the Holy Spirit that St Peter realised that the followers of Jesus Christ need not be constrained within the confines of Judaism. This incident, together with St Paul's mission, has helped Christianity spread to every tribe and nation on the face of the earth.

'Catholic' simply means 'world wide', and the Church's universal mission is to preach the truth of Christ's victory over death and the true meaning of love: 'No greater love can a man have than to lay down his life for his friend.'

In our experience, this is best exemplified in the desire of a mother or father to substitute themselves for a dying infant or child. Our Lord practised what he preached with incredible intensity. He substituted himself for the whole of humanity dying because of a broken relationship with its Creator. He did so on behalf of us whom he calls friends, those with whom he wishes to share his victory over death.

This is the message entrusted to the members of the one, holy, catholic and apostolic church to be spread to the people of every tribe and nation.

We could take a moment to pray that we better express our undying gratitude for our status as friends of the Risen Lord, and better do our part as missionary disciples spreading the news of his great love embracing the whole of humanity.

Fr Michael Tate

Our quote for the day

"In speaking we are not concerned about quantity but quality."
St Francis De Sales

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Is 48:20

***O Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;
proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people , alleluia.***

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

Gospel Acclamation

Jn 14:23

1st Reading

Acts 10:25-26. 34-35. 44-48

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said, 'I am only a man after all!'

Then Peter addressed them: '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.'

While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 97:1-4. R. see v.2

***The Lord has revealed to the nations
his saving power.***

2nd Reading

1 Jn 4:7-10

A reading from the first letter of St John

My dear people,
let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.

Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

Alleluia, alleluia!

***All who love me will keep my words, and my
Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!***

Gospel

Jn 15:9-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you.

Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love.

I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete.

This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.

You are my friends, if you do what I command you, I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.

You did not choose me, no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name.

What I command you is to love one another.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



Communion Antiphon

Jn 14:15-16

***If you love me, keep my commandments, says the
Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send
you another Paraclete,
to abide with you for ever , alleluia.***



COVID UPDATE

- * Please note registration is still required for NSW government regulations
 - * Sign-in using the QR code or the sign-in sheet
 - * Please wait until the priest has left the altar before sanitising your area.
- Many thanks for your ongoing cooperation with this.

Urgent Reminder for Volunteers regarding Safeguarding of Children: (St Christopher's & St Patrick's)

Please make sure that you have returned your completed Volunteer Registration – Acceptance Form and the Code of Conduct for Working With Children to either the Parish Office or the Sacristy .

Please also ensure you have a current Working With Children Check (WWCC). This is easy to obtain and is free and is **mandatory for all volunteers**. To obtain or renew your WWCC go to the website:

<https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>

Please email your WWC number and Date of Birth to: safeguardingstcpanania@gmail.com

This email address has been set up to specifically deal with Safeguarding matters for our Parishes.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY



Blessings to all of the mothers in our parish communities as we celebrate Mother's Day this Sunday.

Today we honour that person who brought us into the world and helped us become who we are today.

O Mary Mother of God and our mother,

We offer ourselves to your loving care, Amen.

CWF May Parish Appeal

On behalf of this parish, we sincerely thank you for supporting the Charitable Works Fund (CWF) May Appeal. Through your generous gift, we are able to continue in our mission to provide care for the most vulnerable in our community through our CWF agencies and ministries. For more information, please visit www.ourfaithhourworks.org/cwf.

Planned Giving

If you are a Planned Giver and have not collected your envelopes from last year, Please advise the office if you wish to continue or discontinue.

If you would like to be a part of the Plan Giving, please complete the forms available in the Church foyer.

Thank you for your support and generosity.

Support your Archdiocese of Sydney newspaper The Catholic Weekly (On sale after Mass for \$2)

In this week's edition:

Rosary Marathon: Pope picks St Mary's Cathedral

Prayers for India in COVID pandemic

Movie Review: Son of the South



HELP REQUIRED

We are in need of wardens to assist with the collections at Mass each week. If you regularly attend a particular Mass and would be able to assist, please contact Anne Weeks or Van at the parish office.

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

12th 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.

A Fun competition for children:

The Safeguarding Office of the Archdiocese is wanting to develop an Activity Book for Children within the Archdiocese of Sydney. The Activity Book will provide Children with fun, educative and age appropriate information about recognising different emotions and keeping safe within the community

Children are being asked to participate in a competition to design emojis that reflect different emotions. The competition is open to children aged between 5 – 12 years. A panel will review the entries submitted by each Child and will choose the best illustrations to be featured throughout the Activity Book and in an article in the Catholic Weekly.

The Types of Emotions' activity sheet is available in the church foyer and needs to be submitted by Friday 21 May 2021 either via email or post, the details are on the activity sheet. Have fun and good luck with your creations.

CENSUS UPDATE

This weekend we are counting numbers attending at each Mass for the Archdiocesan Census. Next weekend we will be counting males & females separately as per requirements.

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

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

10th May St John of Avila
 11th May St Walter of L'Esterp
 12th May Sts Nereus and Achilleus & Pancras
 13th May Our Lady of Fatima
 14th May St Matthias, apostle
 15th May Sts Dymphna & Gerebernus



Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Therese Boukaram, Kathleen Latham, Maria Tran Minh Nhut, John Goodwin, Margaret Kennedy

Anniversaries:

Dorothy Bedson, Howard Berkley, Paul Rossington, Francis Shanley, Mick Smith & Ken Palmer, Dorothy Bedson, Howard Berkley, John Foley, Marie Fricot, Danny & Silvia Armour, Dominic Uyen Doan, Walter Scerai, Dave Young, Danny Bryce, Margaret Staines, Kevin Weeks, Noel Staines, Anthony Bova, Bob & Cath Davis, William Moulden, Thomas McLoughlin

General Intention:

Shyam Succar, Ruth Gardiner & Maria Stevens, Rosaria Lopez, Dulcie Southwell, Rosa Hoang & Maria Pham, Ruth Gardiner & Maria Stevens, Rosaria Lopez, Dulcie Southwell, Monica Christensen, Veronica Taylor & Stan Zemanck, Hanna, Mansour & Crowe families, Patrick O'connell, Bill & Mollie Purdy, Bill & Molly Lowe & Shirley Holland Bernard Togher, Brown & Togher families, John Bay Tran, Stephen Hill, Jose Joao Quintal, Deceased members of Carr & Davis Families, Paul Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

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 Rodriques, Suzanne Moig, Junior Zoran Stojanovski, Pat Tunnicliff, Pat Tindall, Val Edwards



ST. CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2021

8th/9th May	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 Josephine Jones	Bernadette Saleme Norma Verjoustinsky	Stephanie Siaoisi Maasina Tuala
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Alan Freeman	John Coates	Tony O'Shea	Cheryl Beaver
15th/16th May	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 Volunteer	Terese Jones Kathleen Healey	Margaret Yasbek Magdalene Vetter	Volunteer Nazira Hanna
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	John Tesoriero	Andrew Mills	Ruben Nool	Ryan Romero

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2021

	8th/9th May		15th/16th May	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Chris	Ray	Chris	Jason
<i>Readers:</i>	DLS Student DLS Student	Yvonne Toleafoa Camilla Toleafoa	Siobhan Nieuwhuizen Wanieta Young	Tess Hughes Madeleine Pizzuti
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Alison Simler Barbara Sherry	Madeleine Pizzuti Cathy Moussa	Sue Chant Elena Salgueira	May Coorey Joan Jones