



St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes



SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME , YEAR B

18th JULY 2021

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

Parish Office

St Christopher's Catholic Church Panania

St Patrick's Catholic Church Revesby Heights

St Christopher's Primary School

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Gospel Reflection

Dividing Walls of Enmity

In the Temple precinct in Jerusalem there was a stone barrier separating the inner area into which only Jewish people could enter. A non-Jew would cross the barrier under pain of death. This is the 'dividing wall of enmity' to which St Paul refers, and which has been torn down by Jesus Christ in whom a new humanity is being created where discrimination or segregation is to have no place.

It is to the great shame of the Catholic Church that it collaborated in putting the Jewish people behind dividing walls of enmity in the ghettos of Europe. It is to the great credit of St John Paul II that much of this enmity was overcome, symbolised when he pressed a prayer into a cleft between stones of the Wailing Wall of the Old Temple.

Every week we come to Mass in response to Our Lord's invitation in today's gospel: 'Come away and rest a while.' Our Lord is saying 'Come away by yourselves so that I can nourish you with Heavenly Bread and Spiritual Drink which is my Holy Communion with you.'

Yes, we do that as a moment celebrating our distinctive identity, but always as a prelude to the great task. We are to go out and break down the various 'dividing walls of enmity': racism, caste and class, historical grievances, sexist subjugation.

We could take a moment to pray that we imitate St John Paul II in pressing our prayers and actions into whatever opportunities present themselves so as to break down dividing walls of enmity within our families, local communities and even around the world.

Fr Michael Tate

Our quote for the day

"We all have a vocation... to fill a special need that no one else can accomplish."

St Thomas De Salas



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Entrance Antiphon

Ps 53:6,8

***See, I have God for my help.
The Lord sustains my soul.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart,
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.***

1st Reading

Jer 23:1-6

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

‘Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks!

‘See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land.

In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. And this is the name he will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.’

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

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 22. R. v.2

***The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.***

2nd Reading

Eph 2:13-18

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

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep

them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Jn 10:27

***Alleluia, alleluia!
My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.
Alleluia!***

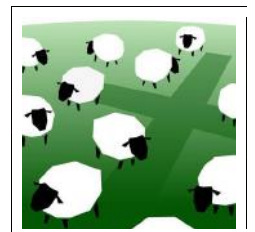
Gospel

Mk 6:30-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

The apostles re-joined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, ‘You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while’; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

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



Communion Antiphon

Ps 110:4-5

***The Lord, the gracious, the merciful,
has made a memorial of his wonders;
he gives food to those who fear him.***



COVID UPDATE

The NSW Government has announced a new COVID-19 restrictions on churches effective from 14/7/2021

* All churches across greater Sydney are closed until at least midnight on Friday, 30 July, under a NSW Government lockdown aimed at containing the spread of COVID-19.

* Funerals may proceed at this time, with a maximum of 10 people in in the congregation.

* More information is available on the Archdiocesan website below
www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-frequently-asked-questions/.

Audit to be conducted by the Safeguarding Office of the Archdiocese:

Many thanks to all those volunteers in both parishes who have completed the Code of Conduct and Volunteer Registration forms as well as providing their Working With Children Check (WWC) number.

As has been previously stated, it is mandatory for all volunteers, including Church Wardens, in order to comply with Archdiocesan guidelines. The WWC is a legal requirement of the Office of the Children's Guardian.

Both Parishes are going to be audited by the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Office in the next few weeks, so it is important that all volunteers are compliant.

To obtain or renew your WWCC go to the website:

<https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check> If you have any questions regarding these issues, please contact the Parish Safeguarding Support Officers (Jeanette & Siobhan) via email: safeguardingstcpanania@gmail.com

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

Funeral at St Christopher's Church

For the Late Patricia Mary Togher
11am on Thursday 22nd July 2021

RIP Rev Colin Mason

It is with sadness that the death of Fr Colin Mason, whose health had been in decline for some time.

He was appointed as Parish Priest at St Christopher's Panania in 1994 to 2002.

2021 Tax receipts & 2022 Envelopes

Tax receipts are available from the Parish office or phone 97743662 to advise of email address.

2022 envelopes are also available from the Parish office, due to the present situation and are unable to collect your envelope, you can either contribute via website under donation or contact the office to forward a form to contribute with your credit card. Your continued generosity is important to support the wellbeing and maintenance of all services and maintenance of our parishes. Thanking you for your continued support, Fr. Salas.

The Livestream Masses

The Archdiocese of Sydney would like to promote the availability of livestreamed Masses, to help the faithful maintain an important spiritual connection to their parish at this time. We have a dedicated webpage on the Archdiocesan website where we are promoting the livestreamed Masses, currently available through our parishes: <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/live-masses/>



Plenary Council Ambassadors Gathering Postponement

Owing to the COVID lockdown the gathering for the Parish Ambassadors Gathering scheduled for July 3 has been postponed until August 28. An excellent resource to pray and reflect in preparation for the Plenary Council is Fan the Flame on the Plenary Council website below

<https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheblade/>.

Catholic Mission: India COVID-19 Appeal

The aid agency, Catholic Mission, has launched an urgent appeal to provide immediate help for vulnerable communities devastated by COVID-19 in India. Through donating to Catholic Mission, you will be playing a key role in supporting the valuable work of mission hospitals in the country. Donate online via the Catholic Mission website here: <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/donate/your-donation?id=covid-19-india>.

Donations to the Parish

Donation to the Parish can be made by using Bpoint service on our website :

St Christopher's : www.stchristopherpanania.org.au/

St Patrick's: www.stpatrickrevesbyheights.org.au/

alternatively by scanning the QR code given below.

Thank you for your kind generosity.

**St Christopher's
Parish Panania**

**St Patrick's
Parish Revesby Heights**



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

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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

19th July St William John Plessington
 20th July St Apollinaris
 21st July St Lawrence of Brindisi
 22nd July St Mary Magdalene, Apostle to the Apostles
 23rd July St Bridget of Sweden
 24th July St Sharbel Makhlof



Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Fr Colin Mason, Patricia Togher, Anton Pham, Leonie Rowe, Bett Pacey, Maria Tran

Anniversaries:

Maria Thi Doan, William O. & Peter J Hanley, Dominick Mc Dermott, Mary Gapps, Mary Harris & Fr Brian Conaghan, Patricia Palmer, Paul Byron, Joseph Muttathukattil

General Intention:

John, Julia, Terrence, Vincent & Jean Hoad, Terrence, Julia, Michael & Jean Thomas, Ted & Bette Beard, Jim & Helen Tracey, Jenny Wentholm, Jenny Kinby, Mary Latham, Joanna Weston, Paul Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

Mick Samuel, John Foley, Jo Grosvenor, John Esther, Dawn Poole, Jim O'Neill, John Esther, Pat Togher, 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 Tunncliffe, Pat Tindall, Val Edwards



POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE - ST. CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2021

17th/18th July	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
<i>Readers:</i>					<i>Communion to the Sick</i>
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>					<i>Counters:</i>
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>					
24th/25th July	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
<i>Readers:</i>					<i>Communion to the Sick</i>
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>					<i>Counters:</i>
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POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE - ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2021

	17th/18th July		24th/25th July	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>				
<i>Readers:</i>				
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>				