



St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes



THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

24th October 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



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Gospel Reflection

Jumped up Bartimaeus

Bartimaeus sat on the side of the way, having pilgrims throw coins onto his cloak spread out before him. But the presence of Jesus encouraged him to abandon his cloak, jump up from his ground level existence and ask to truly see the way from Jesus' perspective.

Jesus responded to this act of faith by curing the disease so that Bartimaeus could see ahead in the same way as Jesus and follow him on 'the Way' (the earliest name for Christianity).

You and I can remain with the security of a familiar existence, hoping to be tossed a few coins of consolation to satisfy our various hungers. But Jesus wants us to take courage, to jump up and to share his vision. This takes faith, but we are in a better situation than Bartimaeus. He knew only that Jesus was on the way from Jericho to Jerusalem. We believe that, in Jerusalem, Jesus was lifted well above ground level and then had the astounding victory over the worst that death could do.

We might pause for a moment to pray for the courage to abandon whatever is keeping us grounded, so that with Bishop Richard of Chichester we may see Christ more clearly, love him more dearly, and follow him more nearly.

Fr Michael Tate

Our quote for the day

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"The longing that goes before enjoyment sharpens and refines our feeling of it."

St. Francis De Sales

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 104:3-4 *The Word of the Lord*
Thanks be to God.

**Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.**

1st Reading

Jer 31:7-9

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The Lord says this:
Shout with joy for Jacob!
Hail the chief of nations!
Proclaim! Praise! Shout:
The Lord has saved his people,
the remnant of Israel!
See, I will bring them back
from the land of the North
and gather them from the far ends of earth;
all of them: the blind and the lame,
women with child, women in labour:
a great company returning here.
They had left in tears,
I will comfort them as I lead them back;
I will guide them to streams of water,
by a smooth path where they will not stumble.
For I am a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my first-born son.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 125. R. v.3

**The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.**

2nd Reading

Heb 5:1-6

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

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Gospel Acclamation

See 2 Tim 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death,
and brought us life through his gospel.**

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mk 10:46-52

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

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

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 19:6

**We will ring out our joy at your saving help
and exult in the name of our God.**

A Prayer for HSC Student preparing for Examination

Dear God, Father, Son and the Holy Spirit, source of all wisdom, help me to use my time and my intelligence wisely, as I prepare for exams. Help me to dispose myself to listen to your Holy Spirit, so that you, as my loving Father, place me in a state of prayer, and lead me to understand that the supreme wisdom is knowing that I am your child. Help me to remain serene, so that my work may truly reflect this profound truth. Mary, Mother of my spiritual life, guide me in the ways of your Son, so that my work may help to transform this world for His glory. Amen.

St Christopher. Pray for us

St Patrick. Pray for us

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Pray for us



COVID UPDATE

- * Churches across the Archdiocese of Sydney are now open . The number permitted is according to the 4 sqm rule, with the exception of people from the same household and masks must be worn.
- * Covid Check-in is also required via the Service NSW App or a written record.
- * **If those attending weddings and funerals are all vaccinated** no person limit.
- * **Those not vaccinated** that attend funeral or wedding , then the ceremony must be “small”: maximum 5 at a wedding and 10 at a funeral.
- * More information is available on the Archdiocesan website below www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-frequently-asked-questions/.

Update for Volunteers from the Safeguarding Office of the Archdiocese

Following our recent audit by the Safeguarding Office, we have been advised about a few changes to the list of volunteers who require a Working With Children Check (WWCC). The Safeguarding Office has made these changes after consultation with the Office of the Children’s Guardian.

Volunteers who **MUST** have a WWCC are Sacramental Coordinators, Sacramental Group Leaders, Catechists, Children’s Liturgy Coordinators, Children’s Choir Ministry Leaders, Acolytes and Senior Altar Servers, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Wardens/Collectors. Volunteers in these roles who do not have a WWCC or those whose WWCC have expired cannot be engaged in child related work.

Those volunteers who **no longer require** a WWCC are Cleaners, Choir members, Musicians, Piety Stall, Flower arrangers, Hospitality, Welcomers, Altar Linen, Legion of Mary. We thank everyone for their cooperation in going through the process of obtaining a WWCC and hopefully this updated information is helpful.

Volunteers who have a WWCC need to renew it before expiry date and you should receive an email reminder from the NSW Office of the Children’s Guardian. Some of you will have received an email notifying you of an extension to the expiry date due to the pandemic. Could you please notify us via email once you have renewed your WWCC. The email set up for Safeguarding matters for both St Christophers and St Patricks is safeguardingstcpanania@gmail.com

It is also a requirement of the Safeguarding Office that all volunteers who are required to have a WWCC also need to complete Safeguarding Induction Training. This training can be done online and is very quick and simple. The link for the training is: <https://forms.gle/9ebT3voEAtfP7P8R9>

In order to register for training, you will need to provide an email address. Volunteers who work in Sydney Catholic Schools will need to use their personal email address and not their work email to do this online training. Once you have completed the training, you will receive a Certificate to verify training is complete. If anyone is worried about completing this training online, we will offer a training session in the near future. Please let us know if you would prefer this.

Welcome Back !

Blessings to you all, it is wonderful to be back in the church together again, celebrating as a community of believers. We look forward to many celebrations in the coming weeks as life returns to normal.



Thank you:

A BIG thank you to everyone who came to our working bee on Saturday 16 October to prepare the churches for reopening, very much appreciated.



First Holy Communion Mass times

Please go to St Christopher’s website to register for the Mass time (<https://www.stchristopherpanania.org.au>)

Say NO to the Euthanasia Bill with Monica Doumit

NSW Independent MP Alex Greenwich tabled his euthanasia bill in parliament last week. It is more critical than ever for parishioners to act now and voice their opposition to the proposed bill.

The anti-euthanasia coalition, HOPE has developed an online tool that will allow you to send an email directly to your state MP and to all members of the NSW Upper House. The tool is available here:

https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/petition_2108_ocp_nsw

Lay Formation Course "Foundations of Missionary Leadership"

The Archdiocese of Sydney is offering a “Foundations of Missionary Leadership Course” with the Areté Centre of Missionary Leadership. This outstanding year-long course takes a whole-of-person approach to formation, offering theological, spiritual, human and practical formation in missionary leadership. It is undertaken principally online and on a part-time basis. For more about the course, please visit <https://aretecentre.org/courses>. The parish would like to nominate two parishioners for this course. Those of you who wish to take advantage of this opportunity and apply, if interest please contact the parish office ASAP on 9774 3662



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Zoom Lesson 1: Tues 26th / Wed 27th Oct

Information regarding the Sacrament Mass times will be provided during the lessons.

As further updates come to hand, information will be communicated via the email address you provide when enrolling online.

If you have any questions please contact Anne Maree on 0409 034 746

NOVEMBER ALL SOULS MASS

The parish is organising for those parishioners who passed over the last 12 month to contact the parish with details and photos. We intend to have a power point presentation at the Mass. Send information through our email stcpanania@hotmail.com

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St. Christopher's Church
Parish Pastoral Council

Chairperson: Anne Weeks
 Secretary: Dympna Paterson

Parish Finance Committee

Chairperson: John Tesoriero
 Parish Safeguarding Officer: Jeanette Carroll

St. Patrick's Church

Parish Pastoral Council:

Chairperson: Chris Russell
 Secretary: Pat Nolan

Parish Finance Committee

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 Parish Safeguarding Officer: Siobhan Van Den Nieuwenhuizen

Saint of the day

25th Oct Sts Chrysanthus & Daria
 26th Oct St Rusticus of Narbonne
 27th Oct St Frumentius
 28th Oct Sts Simon and Jude, apostles
 29th Oct St Eusebia
 30th Oct St Ethelnoth



Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Don Khoury, Thomas Mullane, Geoff Hardy, Laura Stace, Mark Bogoni, Tom Saffioti, Linda Yasbek, Frances Farrell & Peter Kennedy.

Anniversaries:

Sydney Israel, Rosa Hoang, Joseph Dao, Maria Pham, Dominic My & Fr Joseph Dao, Roger Brown, Margaret Nobbs, Anthony Coorey, Clara Young, Pam Quinn, Antonio Gaveran JR

General Intention:

Jose Quintal, Thanksgiving & All Souls, Rod Ellery, Gerald & Sybil Pereira and the deceased members of the Brown, Pereira, Rosario & Arango families, Rita Agustin, Crisogone Bartolo JR, Jose, Joselite and Josefino Andan, Colin Cross, Fr Colin Mason, Pat Together, Mick Samuels, Bett Pacey, Fr Brian Conaghan, Ella Moon Peggy Harris & Stephen Paine, Thelma McDermott, Sandra Young, Paul & Jason Wilson, Irene Feros, Mary McPherson, Sam & Evelyn Newton, Nellie & Bobby Hayes, Aussie Smith, George Gapps, Jim Ross Mark Mallia & Henry Ross, Paul Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

John Esther, Eric Ellem, Alacoque Welsh, Jo Grosvenor, Dawn Poole, Jim O'Neill, John Esther, 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

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2021

23rd/24th Oct	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
<i>Readers:</i>	Louise Harvey Mary Young	John Coates Natalie Salameh	Gabriela Bietresato Sam Coorey	Volunteer Volunteer	<i>Communion to the Sick</i> Magdalene Vetter, Norma Coorey, Josephine Jones <i>Counters:</i> Philip Weeks Arturo Alibrandi
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Frank O'Brien Di Hennessy	Magdalene Vetter Norma Coorey	Norma Verjoustinsky Stephanie Siaoisi	Trish Campedelli Anne Maree Morris	
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Alan Freeman	John Coates	Lisa Kerry	Cheryl Beaver	
30th/31st Oct	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
<i>Readers:</i>	Alan Tuohy Ron Woods	Natalie Salameh George Elias	Michael Dumlao Gabriela Bietresato	Volunteers	<i>Communion to the Sick</i> Magdalene Vetter Kathleen Healy <i>Counters:</i> John Tesoriero Brian Mack
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Barbara Tesoriero Jeanette Carroll	Magdalene Vetter Kathleen Healy	Norma Coorey Valasie Zimmerman	Stephanie Siaoisi Maasina Tuala	
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Alan Freeman	Jeff Giltinan	Ruben Nool	John Tesoriero	

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2021

	23rd/24th Oct		30th/31st Oct	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Chris Russell	Ray Dagher	Chris Russell	Jason Saputra
<i>Readers:</i>	Marie & Liam Carr	Yvonne & Camilla Toleafo	Siobhan Nieuwhuizen Wanieta Young	TBA
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Sue Chant Elena Salgueira	May Coorey Joan Jones	Alison Simler Barbara Sherry	Margaret Marriot Cathy Moussa



Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office (02)9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.