

Welcome to St. Patrick's Catholic Church Mortlake



ST PATRICK'S PARISH
MORTLAKE

**3rd Sunday of Easter
Year B
18 April 2021**

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Sunday Mass Times: Saturday Vigil: 6pm
Sunday: 9am; 10.30am; 6pm.

Sunday Mass Bookings: Register online for Mass at <https://www.trybooking.com/641739> or contact the office on 9743 1017 on Tuesday and Fridays (9am-2pm).

Weekday Services:

- Communion Service: Monday 8am and Saturday 8am
- Mass: Tuesday to Friday 8.00am
- Reconciliation: Saturday 5.30pm
- Baptisms: 11.45am on 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sundays of month.
Please call parish secretary with enquiries.

Facebook:  www.facebook.com/stpatsmortlake

MAY - FR TOM WILL BE ON LEAVE

I advise that I will be taking my annual leave during the month of May. During this time Frs Brian Egan and John Usher will be celebrating the Saturday night 6pm, Sunday 9am and 6pm Masses, and will be conducting the parish baptisms.

Please note there will be NO 10.30am Sunday Masses during the month of May.

The system for Booking Masses remains unchanged.

There will be **NO WEEKDAY Masses** held at St. Pat's for the month of May.

Weekday Communion Services will replace the weekday Masses and will continue at the usual times of 8am each day - Monday to Saturday.

Thank you to the parishioners taking on additional work during my time away.

Peace and Joy - Fr Tom

VINNIES FLOOD APPEAL THIS WEEKEND

Vinnies flood appeal to help those affected by the heavy rains and flooding across NSW will be held this weekend in the parish. All donations will go towards assisting people and communities directly impacted by the floods via the Vinnies network of members living in flood-impacted communities across the state.

Donations **can be made via the bucket collection this weekend** or by calling 13 18 12, or online at www.vinnies.org.au/NSWFloodAppeal

All donations made via the two TAP & GO electronic machines this weekend will go towards the Vinnies Appeal.

THANK YOU PETER COFFEY

We thank **Peter Coffey** who has recently stepped down after many years of loyal service from the St Pat's counting & banking team. **Thank you** Peter for your remarkable service to our parish.

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FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
Acts 3:13-15. 17-19

You have killed the prince of life; God, however, raised him from the dead.

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9. R. v.7

(R.) Lord, let your face shine on us.

1 When I call, answer me, O God of justice; from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! **(R.)**

2 It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves; the Lord hears me whenever I call him. **(R.)**

3. 'What can bring us happiness?' many say. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. **(R.)**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - continued

4. I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St John
1 Jn 2:1-5

Jesus Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and those of the whole world.

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

The Word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia!

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GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
Lk 24:35-48

It was written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

The Gospel of the Lord

SATURDAY MORNING COMMUNION SERVICE CHANGE OF TIME

Please note that the time of this Communion Service for Saturdays is now **8.00am** in place of 9.00am.

PARISH FINANCES

THE FIRST COLLECTION: Money received from the first collection supports the need of the parish priest (Stipend, Household costs (food, utilities, etc)).

THE SECOND COLLECTION: Money received from the second collection supports parish pastoral programs, maintenance and provision of parish buildings, staffing, priest's car expense. The collection includes envelopes and cash on the second collection plate, Tap and Go and Card.

For those who wish to make contributions by EFT transfer – details are:

Bank Transfer BSB: 062 784

Account Number: 100 000 520

Account Name: Mortlake Parish

Reference: < your name or PG Number>

Thank you for your continued support

THANK YOU - CARERS MASS & LUNCHEON

On Wednesday we held a Thank You Mass and Luncheon in the presbytery for the Carers in our parish. It was lovely to simply allow our many carers to have a simple lunch and an opportunity to let them know that the tireless, and largely unseen, work they do for our loved ones is truly appreciated.

Thank you to the parishioners who organised the catering and serving on the day.

BAPTISMS & WEDDING THIS WEEKEND

Baptisms: We welcome to our community Hudson Byrnes, Mateo Pintabona & Zayden Veera. **Wedding:** Congratulations to Angela Papalexandris & Cosimo Torrieri

May you grow in Faith with us at St Pat's and always feel at home here.

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RECENTLY DECEASED: Louis Petrin; Helen Fogarty; Concetta Portinari; Trevor Lee; Barry Clark; Marie Lawson; John McEvoy; Michael Cramsie; Sr Loretta Maher RSM; Sr Hazel Baker RSM; St Janet Quade RSM; Jorge (Coco) Zegarra (Peru); Bishop Bede Heather; Yolanda Annechini; Rory O'Kane; Willem Vandebeld; Nonie Squardrito; Angelo Calzetta (Italy); Niall Power; Cira Iodice; Curtis Alfonso De Lisser (UK); Santo Piccin (Italy); Marshal McMahon; Brian Norman; Lan Franco Matteucci; Matina Geraketeys; Frank Lloyd.

ANNIVERSARIES: Joseph Triganza; Giuseppe Cataldi (34th anniv); Peter Gordon; Samira Hanna - (1st anniv); Audrey Vertannes UK (1st anniv); Antonino & Grazia Di Giglio; Mary Galea; Deceased members of Di Giglio, Tesoriero, Lo Schiavo, Galea & Michallef Families; Joe & Iris Moloney; Sam Ferlauto; George Cepak (1st anniv); Mary Walker; Harold Walker; Marie Maguire (2nd anniv); John Walker (1st anniv).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY: Gregorio Gutierrez Margaret Coulson; Sergio Reginato; Cristina Libro; Kevin Walker; Marcus Lorenzito; Giuseppina Romanogli; Jon Kramar; Marcus Lorenzato; Caterina Cardillo; Desire Peters; Nicholas Jackson; Elizabeth Jackson; Jim Allen; Jean; Antonio Prevedello; Ted Cramsie; Elizabeth Leacy; Howard Brown; Frank Ng; Rene Schmitt; Magda Cassis; Nico Relton; Barbara Clark; Billy Brandt; Sandra Riley; Robert McAdam; Felicia Bugeja; Cecilia Kramar; Patrick Carey (Ireland); Sr Judith Clark; Jill; Edward Azjan; Marie; Liz.

To have your petition included, please phone Carmel Moliterno 9736 1718

PARENTS DISCUSSION EVENING CHAT AND MEAL IN THE PRESBYTERY WEDNESDAY 28 APRIL 6-7.30PM

Psychologist Emily Scanlan and Fr Tom will be leading our discussion on 'BURNOUT in our family, work & spiritual lives.'

Calling ALL parents (in the many forms we come in): single; married; de facto; same sex attracted; grandparents heavily involved in care- all parents are welcome to come, have a chat and casual meal in the presbytery. Your children are welcome to come, with child minding being provided for here in the parish

So, if you're free on Wednesday, 28 April and keen for a casual evening to chat about parenting – you're most welcome.

To register please contact Fr Tom on 9743 1017 or thomas.stevens@sydneycatholic.org

ST PATRICK'S GREEN SPACE

Thank you to Parishioners who have participated in the Donation and **BUY A BRICK** offers for the Parish Green Space. The Granite Table, all sandstone logs and timber pillars are now fully subscribed. Engraved bricks remain available. A sample brick is on the white stand at the back of the Church.

If you are interested in donating for a Sandstone Log or BUY A BRICK please drop your form/s into either the Parish Office on Tuesdays or Fridays from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. or leave in the Presbytery Mail Box (which has a lock) or by scanning to email parish@stpatsmortlake.org.au.

<https://www.stpatsmortlake.org.au/buy-a-brick/>

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES

Project Compassion Boxes can be dropped off at the parish office on Tuesday and Friday's or left in the box in the Narthex (Church foyer) at weekend Masses. Thank you

PARISH KEYS and SECURITY

All parish (Church, sacristy, hall, office) locks are being upgraded on Tuesday May 4th. New keys will be issued from this date. Parishioners will be required to return currently issued keys and sign for new keys. More details next week.