

Welcome to St. Patrick's Catholic Church Mortlake



**11th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year B**

13th June 2021

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

PLEASE NOTE: FACE MASKS ARE NOT MANDATORY TO WEAR AT MASS BUT RECOMMENDED.

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 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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION THANKS

A special thanks to Bob Mayor, Sinead Kent, Denise Normal, Pauline Cepak and Camilla Vozzo for your hard work in preparing our FHC candidates on behalf of the parish. Thanks also to the staff of St Pat's Primary.

Our FHC this year was a tremendous success with so many smiles to be seen and the prayerful manner in which the children and families celebrated the Sacrament was a testament not only to the children and their families, but to the Parish Sacramental team led by Bob.

Thank you.

If you would like to assist in future children's Sacramental preparation programs, please feel free to contact Bob on E: mayer2411@gmail.com or contact the parish on 9743 1017.

It's a tremendous way of passing on the richness of our faith to the next generation.

PARENTS DISCUSSION EVENING WEDNESDAY 30 JUNE 6.00 TO 7.30 PM

Calling ALL parents (in the many forms we come in): single, married, de facto, same sex attracted, grandparents involved in care - all welcome. Your children are welcome to come, with child minding being provided for in the parish hall.

So, if you are free on **Wednesday 30 June 2021** come along. **To register please contact Fr Tom on 9743 1017 or thomas.stevens@sydneycatholic.org**

BANKING VOLUNTEERS

Ongoing management of Collections and Banking is overseen by the Finance Committee. Banking occurs each week during Parish Office hours (**Tuesday or Friday**) or **by arrangement**. Volunteers need to allow approx. 1½ to 2 hours for the task of counting, recording and attending at the Bank to have the funds deposited. **Banking is always undertaken by two people.**

If you would like to assist and be added to the roster, please call Ron Vozzo 0451 990 231 or email stpatsmortlake@gmail.com

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FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel
Ez 17:22-24

I have made the small tree great

The Lord says this:

'From the top of the cedar,
from the highest branch I will take a shoot
and plant it myself on a very high mountain.
I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel.
It will sprout branches and bear fruit,
and become a noble cedar.
Every kind of bird will live beneath it,
every winged creature rest in the shade of its
branches.
And every tree of the field will learn that I, the
Lord, am the one
who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones
grow,
who withers green trees and makes the withered
green.
I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

The Word of the Lord

SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the
Corinthians
2 Cor 5:6-10

**Whether we are living in the body or exiled from
it, we are intent on pleasing the Lord**

We are always full of confidence when we
remember that to live in the body means to be
exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and
not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say,
and actually want to be exiled from the body and
make our home with the Lord. Whether we are
living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent
on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be
brought out in the law court of Christ, and each
of us will get what he deserves for the things he
did in the body, good or bad.

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R. see v.2

(R.) Lord, it is good to give thanks to you

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord
to make music to your name, O Most High,
to proclaim your love in the morning
and your truth in the watches of the night
(R.)
2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **(R.)**
3. Planted in the house of the Lord
they will flourish in the courts of our God,
still bearing fruit when they are old,
still full of sap, still green,
to proclaim that the Lord is just.
In him, my rock, there is no wrong. **(R.)**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower;
all who come to him will live for ever.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Mark
Mk 4:26-34

**The mustard seed, the smallest of all the seeds,
grows into the biggest shrub of all**

Jesus said to the crowds, 'This is what the
kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on
the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when
he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing;
how, he does not know.

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GOSPEL – continued

Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time; he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

The Gospel of the Lord

BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND

We welcome to our community **Elara Gay, Anton Capano, Chloe and Sebastien Hoayek.**

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

Peace & Joy

INVITATION TO REGISTER FOR PARISH EMAIL

If you would like to receive the parish bulletin weekly by email, you can register by contacting the parish on 9743 1017 or
E: parish@stpatismortlake.org.au

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Saturday: St Romuald

CHILDREN LITURGY

We have just celebrated three big Feast day in our Church, Pentecost, The Trinity and The Body and Blood of Christ. We are beginning another season today, the season of Ordinary Time, the liturgical colour is green – green is a 'growing' colour.

In today's story, Jesus uses an ordinary little seed and its potential to grow. Our faith is like a tiny mustard seed, and the more we work on it the bigger our faith grows. Let us listen to Fr Tom. <https://youtu.be/mwuDuwNLaPM>

Jesus says that the Kingdom of God is like a mustard seed. In our parish we have a dedicated volunteer gardener and she has a team of people who faithfully come and tend to the plants and the garden. They water and weed, they plant and the prune and they come back day after day doing small jobs regularly – the impact and outcome is beautiful flowering plants, well-kept and tidy flowerbeds and juicy vegetables – look out for the chilli plant!

What little deeds can you do for others to help grow God's Kingdom here at St Pat's? Think of ONE thing you can do to help grow God's kingdom here in Mortlake

Activities to do at Home:

- Plant or sprout a seed! Use a quick sprouting, easy growing seed like a nasturtium OR place dried beans between 2 moist sheets of paper to germinate sprouts, you will be amazed!

Faith as Small as a Mustard Seed Song:
<https://youtu.be/HPylxzfN-Oo>

EUCCHARIST MINISTERS AT MASSES

Could you please collect a copy of your rosters which are in the Narthex. If you would like to become a Eucharistic Minister, please feel free to contact the parish. **With Thanks Betty**

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St. Pat's Mortlake Australia's Biggest Morning Tea Friday, 28 May 2021



The St Pat's ABMT Organising Committee with Fr Tom

L to R: Fr Tom, Adam & Stephanie Noonan, Stephanie Tse, Amber Kelly-Ringrose & Daniel Pauline

On Friday, 28 May our parish held its first *Australia's Biggest Morning Tea* to support the Cancer Council and its vital research into finding a cure for cancer. So many of us have been touched by cancer at some stage in our lives, either through being a patient, survivor, friend or relative of a cancer patient. It was an important day for us to come together and seek to raise awareness and funds in the search for a cure, but also to remember those loved ones that we have walked with and may have lost to cancer over the years. There were two sessions of the fundraising day: a seated Morning Tea and an afternoon Carnival Delight. As a result of the activities we were delighted to have raised \$5,000 for the Cancer Council of Australia. It was a tremendous success and far exceeded our expectations.

THANK YOU. As you can imagine, much hard work and planning had gone into the day and I wish to especially thank the **organisers and parents from St Pat's Primary: Amber Kelly-Ringrose, Stephanie Tse, Stephanie Noonan, Daniel Pauline and Adam Noonan for their hard work and diligence.**

Many months of tireless planning (and a hectic WhatsApp chat group between them!!) ensured the success of the day. Thank you to this group and to volunteers Jackson Chow, Fiona Greenup, Jackie Balsamo, Nerina Briganti, Sonia Falgiatori, Rebecca True, Yvonne, Mira, Cathy Tran, Ana Raquel Marchese, Alex and Jamie Fitzgerald, parents and grandparents and parishioners on the day. To the individuals who baked cakes, set up and cleaned up, thank you for your hard work, good will and good cheer in providing this opportunity for engagement in our parish community.

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ST PAT's ABMT – MORNING SESSION. A MOST CIVILISED AFFAIR

Brisk winds weren't enough to curtail some 60 people gathering for the seated morning tea in the parish carpark outside the hall. A representative from the Cancer Council spoke of their important work as we were then entertained by the Mortlake UKULELE music group, and listened to the wonderful singing of the Mortlake Public School years 1 and 2 choir.

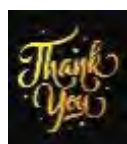
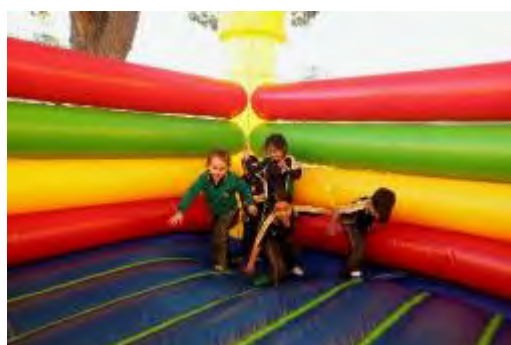
This was followed by a masterclass in Bollywood Dancing at both sessions, as we learnt some new dance moves from local Swati. Wonderful cakes and treats, coffees and teas flowed, with on-site coffee cart and many raffle prizes won.



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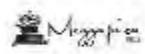
ST PAT's ABMT – AFTERNOON SESSION. 'CARNIVAL DELIGHTS' INDEED

The afternoon session ran from 2.30-5.30pm and saw many of the parents and children from the two local primary schools come by for: a myriad of cakes, drinks and ice-cream; face painting; a jumping castle; development of arts and crafts skills in the hall; dodgeball and more. It was a great atmosphere of fun as people mingled and enjoyed the carnival setting.



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A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE COMPANIES & BUSINESSES WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE ST PAT'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA AND MADE IT SUCH A WONDERFUL SUCCESS!



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RECENTLY DECEASED: Maria Louisa de Angelis; Mary Doran; Nick Munsie; Mary Doran; Mila Terkes; Santina Russo (Funeral here at St Pats Monday 31/5/2021 at 11.00am); Maria Secchiaroli; Thomas O'Sullivan; Patricia Patton; Turkan Demir; Lilly Schmitt; Sr Julianna Dwyer; Louis Petrin; Grace Palumbo; Helen Fogarty; Concetta Portinari; Sandra Riley; Trevor Lee; Barry Clark; Marie Lawson; John McEvoy; Michael Cramsie; Sr Loretta Maher RSM; Sr Hazel Baker RSM; St Janet Quade RSM;

ANNIVERSARIES: Patricia Cattle (11 anniv); John Bolster (2nd anniv); Alfred Smith (75th anniv); Domenico Paparo; Giuseppa Profilio; Michaelangelo Mascarello; Bill Young (1st anniv); Francesco Cannone; Vincenzo & Maria Cannone; Andrea, Angela & Loreta Ricchiuti; Maddalena Ciacciarelli (1st anniv); Teresa Alvaro (7 anniv); Dominic Alvaro (50 anniv); Frances Gleeson (5th anniv); Maria Luisa Segui (1st anniv); Carmelo Puglisi (15th anniv); Grazia Di Giglio, Giuseppina Tesoriero; Francesca Lo Schiavo; Mary Galea; Rosa Di Giglio; Maria Tesoriero; Maria Gioiello (20th anniv); Diana Sita (6th anniv); Vince Garcea (2nd anniv);

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY: Eileen Nicoll; Maria Rosa De Angelis; Carmel; Fr Michael Walsh; 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;; Frank Ng; Rene Schmitt; Magda Cassis; Nico Relton; Barbara Clark; Robert McAdam; (Ireland);; Jill; Edward Azjan.

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

ALTAR SERVERS FOR WEEKEND MASSES

If any child (girls and boys) 8 years old and over would like to assist with the serving at Mass, we will be holding an Altar Servers' Information session on **Saturday 19th June at 4.30pm here at St Patrick's**. If you are interested, you are invited to attend.

Nomination and Consent forms are in the foyer of the Church.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH IN JULY

Please come and join us on **Wednesday 14th July 2021 at 12 Noon** at Carmen's Restaurant, Barnwell Park Golf Club 551 Lyons Road Canada Bay. **\$50.00 per head for a 2 Course Lunch with Coffee or Tea.**

RSVP: Anne Manenti 0412 339 212 or Frances Windon 0410 465 771

SAVE Our CEMETERIES

The NSW Government has announced their intent to amalgamate the 4 Sydney Cemetery Trusts into a single state controlled trust.

To join an online petition against the amalgamation, you can go to: www.saveourgraves.com.au

NEW ACOLYTES NEEDED FOR WEEKEND MASSES

The duties of the Acolyte are to assist Fr Tom at the celebration of the Mass on the weekends.

Would you like to assist? Please contact Kevin Nelson- Smith on 0490 119 131. Full Training will be provided.

PLANNED GIVING

The 2021/2022 Planned Giving envelopes are now ready for collection at the back of the Church. If you are new to the parish and would like to support the parish by the envelope collection please contact the office 9743 1017 or email: parish@stpatsmortlake.org.au