

Welcome to St. Patrick's Catholic Church Mortlake



ST PATRICK'S PARISH
MORTLAKE

**28th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year B
10 October 2021**

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Mass Times: Saturday Vigil: 6pm
Sunday: 9am; 10.30am; 6pm.
MASS RECOMMENCING TUESDAY 26 OCTOBER
Sunday Mass Bookings:
<https://www.trybooking.com/641739>
or Contact the Office on 9743-1017 Fridays (9am-2pm)
FACE MASKS MUST BE WORN INDOORS
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.

CHURCH RE-OPENING

Anticipated Date: Tuesday 26 October

At 80% fully vaccinated we will open our church and ceremonies to "mixed" congregations, including fully vaccinated, partially vaccinated and, as yet, unvaccinated. The 4 sqm rule will apply and masks must be worn indoors.

We will not be required to check a person's vaccination status. We will do all that is reasonably possible to keep everyone safe who comes to church: **there will continue to be social distancing, hand sanitising, no singing, etc.**

Weekday and weekend Masses will return at the usual times as listed above and bookings can be made via the trybooking link:

<https://www.trybooking.com/641739>

Peace and Joy. Fr Tom

A MESSAGE FROM AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED AUSTRALIA

That Catholic Shop is an exciting development of Aid to the Church in Need Australia.

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The purchases you make at the online store go to support the work of Aid to the Church in Need to keep the faith alive in those places in our world where the faith is most under threat.

To browse the full range online, please visit:

www.thatcatholicshop.com

ST PAT'S HISTORY BOOK – A GREAT GIFT IDEA

Looking for a unique gift for Christmas or an upcoming birthday for someone special?

An Enduring Flame – St Patrick's Mortlake 1885 – 2020: An Irish-Australian working-class community

Available from the Parish Office for only \$25.00. Free delivery locally.

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FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Wisdom
Wis 7:7-11

In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.

I prayed, and understanding was given me;
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;
compared with her, I held riches as nothing.
I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,
for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,
and beside her silver ranks as mud.
I loved her more than health or beauty,
preferred her to the light,
since her radiance never sleeps.
In her company all good things came to me,
at her hands riches not to be numbered.

The Word of the Lord

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews
Heb 4:12-13

The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 89:12-17. R. v.14

**(R.) Fill us with your love, O Lord,
and we will sing for joy!**

1. Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger forever?
Show pity to your servants. **(R.)**
2. In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Give us joy to balance our affliction
for the years when we knew misfortune. **(R.)**
3. Show forth your work to your servants;
let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. **(R.)**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of
heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Mark
Mk 10:17-27

**Go and sell whatever you have and come
follow me.**

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill;

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GOSPEL - continued

You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

The Gospel of the Lord

PARISH FINANCES UPDATE

I am pleased to report that the Parish applied for and has now received a **COVID payment of \$15,000** from the NSW Government. This amount has been offset against **weekly shortfall** between fixed costs per month of approx. \$9000 and income of \$5000. **This month we have paid the annual insurance premium for the Parish at \$20,450.00. Public Masses will resume in the parish from Tuesday 26 October.**

Thank you to those Parishioners who participate in the Planned Giving Program.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday:	St John XXIII
Thursday:	St Callistus
Friday:	St Teresa of Jesus
Saturday:	St Hedwig & St Margaret Mary Alacoque

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

This week Jesus speaks of treasure. He asks where we find the treasure in our lives.

The first image that comes into our minds when we think of treasure is often a pirate and his treasure map marked with an 'X', where the treasure can be found!

Jesus really wants us to remember that people - our families and our relationships are the real treasure of the world.

To appreciate our treasures, we must remember to make time for them, spend time with each other and to help everyone.

Let us listen to Fr Tom reading the Gospel:

<https://youtu.be/98RvhK7y4Xs>

Jesus's message is that he wants us to give up the things that come between Him and us. We want everything both ways! Often, we say, "I want to follow Jesus but I want to do it my way". The man in the gospel is asked to 'SUPER size' his efforts by giving away everything that comes between him and God!

When we "SUPER-size" our hearts with love and believe that all things are possible for us with God's help – we will truly understand the true meaning of the people who are the treasure in our lives.

Activities to do at home

- If you created a Family Heart last week maybe you could add, what each person's treasure and gift is to you and your family.
- As a family, think about some things you do that you spend a lot of time on, things that might get in the way of your time with Jesus.

Prayer to share

Dear Jesus,
Fill our hearts with your love so we can always be willing to have 'SUPER-sized' hearts! Help us to do 'one more thing' this week, which will show our love for you! Amen.

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RECENTLY DECEASED: Peter Delahunty; Robert Rago; Ralph Wadley; Ruth Lawlor (Ireland); Carmela Tomarchio; June Roebuck; Oliver Coleman; Margaret Hickey; Robert Gonano; Louise Massavia; Jose Rodrigues; Giovanni Cama; Giuseppina Stagno; Nikola & Mila Terkes; Richard Marciales; Mary Cleary; Giuseppe Alvaro; Francesco Giacomobono; Judith Brogden; Des Bolster; Mike Bailey; Baby Carter; Mark Camillo; Jan Rostirolla; Margaret Hunt; Margaret Coulson; Judy Deehan; Maria Louisa de Angelis; Mary Doran; Nick Munsie; Mila Terkes; Santina Russo 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; Marie Lawson; John McEvoy; Michael Cramsie; Sr Loretta Maher RSM; Sr Hazel Baker RSM; St Janet Quade RSM.

ANNIVERSARIES: Joseph Triganza (1st anniv); Adrian Moore; Carmelo Puglisi; Giovanni (John) Profilio (21st anniv); James & Alfred Smith; Thomas & Peter Delahunty ; Jimmy Smyth (Ireland 1st anniv); Eilen Burk (UK 1st anniv); Giuseppe De Meio; Angelo Falgiatori; Guido Falgiatori; Domenico Masi; Carmelo Puglisi; Concetta Severino; Joseph Bezzina 1st anniv); Antoinette Watfa (4th anniv); Margaret Dix (2nd anniv); Santa Scarcella (10th anniv); Giuseppe & Antonino & Grazia Di Giglio; Antonino Tesoriero; Angelino & Francesca Lo Schiavo; Mary Galea; Matteo Di Pasquantonio (2nd anniv); Barry Henry Peterson (1st anniv); Elizabeth Johansen (20th anniv); Michele Vezza (1st anniv); Peter Burnicle (1st anniv); Marilena Valtellini; Maura Ruzic; Maddalena Ciacciarelli (1st anniv); Lam O'Young (1st anniv); Santina Russo; Romualo Dalla Camina (5th anniv); Alexis Goh (16th anniv); Walter Goh (18th anniv); Leonardo Proia 10th anniv); Genserico & Maria Cocciolone;

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY: Pam White; Helen Behan; Evelyn McVeigh (Ireland); Diane Shore; Michael Ratnie; Charbel; Irene; Nikko; Gina Cocco; Lillo Prevedello; Patrick Carey (Ireland); Eileen Nicoll; Maria Rosa De Angelis; Carmel; Fr Michael Walsh; Gregorio Gutierrez; Sergio Reginato; Cristina Profilio; Kevin Walker; Marcus Lorenzito; Giuseppina Romanogli; Jon Kramar; Caterina Cardillo; Desire Peters; Nicholas Jackson; Elizabeth Jackson; Jim Allen; Jean; Antonio Prevedello; Elizabeth Leacy; Jill; Edward Azjan.

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

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Spring parish community connection through
prayer and the Sunday Gospel.

Sessions commence via zoom on Tuesday evening
the **28th September for six weeks.**

You are invited and encouraged to join in these
weekly sessions of listening prayerfully and
reflecting on the Sunday Gospel.

It will be for 1 hour and 15 minutes on Tuesday
nights at **7pm to 8:15**, on Zoom.

The session notes will be emailed to you each
week on the day before the session with some
clear directions on joining the zoom group.

Please contact Susan Neylan on E:
smneylan@gmail.com or 0400 195 350

FAREWELL AND GOD'S PEACE BE WITH YOU CAROLYN AND JACK

After some 32 years living in Anderson Road, Concord, **we farewell parishioners Carolyn and Jack Kennedy.** Having been loyal parishioners and raised their children, Greta and Declan, in the area, the time has come for a change, with a move to a mountain side property at Jamberoo. As well as being active and supportive in the parish, over the years Carolyn also played Mary in at least two parish Christmas nativity scenes and the children as newborn babies played the feature role of the baby Jesus! Big Roles indeed!! **We pray the transition is a smooth one Carolyn and Jack** and we remember too the recent loss of Zoe, the family dog.

Thank you and God always bless you. Fr Tom