Welcome to St. Patrick's Catholic Church Mortlake



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

14th November 2021

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

All Mass Bookings – Please register online

https://www.trybooking.com/641739 or Contact the Office on 9743-1017 Tuesday & Fridays

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.

WHAT HAPPENS IN OUR PARISH? <u>Volunteering at St Pat's</u>

FAITH EDUCATION MINISTRY

This a wonderfully active ministry in our parish which covers a variety of activities focussed on the growth and expansion of our faith.

It undertakes activities in the following areas: adult and children's education, catechesis in the local public school, Sunday children's liturgy. One of these areas, in adult education, is set out below.

ADULT EDUCATION

This ministry has been impacted by Covid and has been quite inactive over the past 18 months, but it will be revived in the first quarter of 2022. It involves presenting to parishioners' information on various aspects of our faith and history with carefully prepared presentations and guest speakers. The group will recommence meetings early next year to plan a schedule of presentations.

If you would like to be involved, please give Bob Mayor a call on 0418 228689 or email him at mayor2411@gmail.com.

HELP WITH <u>PARISH 'SPRING CLEAN'</u> SATURDAY, 27 NOVEMBER – 8-11am

We will be having a 'Spring Clean' of the Church and grounds on Saturday, 27 November from 8am until 11.00am, to dust and clean the church interior and a general 'spruce up' of the parish grounds. To offer your services on the day please contact Fr Tom on 9743 1017 or

thomas.stevens@sydneycatholic.org

Thank you.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH PLEASE COME ALONG

This will be held on the 8th of December 2021 at Carmen's Restaurant at Barnwell Park Golf Club at noon. \$50.00 for 2 course Lunch Coffee/Tea.

Numbers are limited so please contact Anne Manenti on 0412 339 212 to reserve your seat/s or you can drop your money and names into the office on Tuesday and Friday 9-3pm.

Many thanks

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FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Daniel Dn 12:1-3

When that time comes your own people will be spared.

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

The Word of the Lord

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews Heb 10:11-14, 18

By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 15:5. 8-11. R.v.1

(R.) Keep me safe, O God: you are my hope.

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;

it is you yourself who are my prize.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand
firm.
(R.)

 And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety.
 For you will not leave my soul among the dead,

nor let your beloved know decay. (R.)

3. You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness forever. (R.)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful, and pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark - Mk 13:24-32

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken

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GOSPEL - continued

And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.

The Gospel of the Lord

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The St Vincent de Paul Society is running their annual Christmas Appeal through November. It has been a particularly difficult year for many local families, and we are looking for your assistance to brighten up their Christmas season.

There are baskets for donations for children's toys and Christmas hampers in the Narthex. We are looking for toys and festive foods such as hams, cakes, puddings, and other staples that will allow the families have a lovely Christmas dinner which they otherwise could not afford. Donations for the hampers and toys will finish at the Sunday evening Mass of November 28th so they can be packed in early December for distribution.

Finally, we will be running an envelope and bucket collection at Masses on the weekend of 20-21 November for financial contributions that will allow us to support struggling families across Christmas and into 2021.

This is very important, especially this year, with additional families struggling from loss of jobs and income due to the impacts of COVID.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

In today's readings we need to focus on how we should be acting with love in order to get to heaven.

When we live our lives as Jesus asked and showed us to, through acts of kindness, love, generosity, fairness and in community caring for each other, we are well on our way to being our best selves and living the way Jesus wants us to behave.

Sometimes it's hard to imagine that there is a better world than this one. But we are told that heaven is so much better than our lives now. And this is part of what we believe as Christians. Let's listen to Fr Tom read today's Gospel: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ap QeiaaZRPA

Today's reading is hard for us to understand because it is about the end of the world. God promises us that we will all join him in heaven but before that time, we are asked to do the best we can every day and God will help us and take care of us. Our life is all about getting ready for the end. We get ready for lots of things in our life. We get ready for school each morning, for our sports games; we get ready to go to a party. What do we do to get ready for Jesus?

Jesus knows that we will make mistakes but if we try to follow His path and are sorry when we mess-up, He will forgive us us.

Family Activity and Conversation:

- As a family challenge each other to dream of the best place, they can think of on earth, and share where this is.
- Think of one thing you can do together this week to act out of love to others.

God Gave Us Heaven:

https://youtu.be/iVe1T2nmSLk

Dance-A-Long with Lyrics - Every Move I Make: https://youtu.be/MPvnZILn6EY

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RECENTLY DECEASED: Patsy Boggs; Mary Di Bernardo; Adele Abraham: Don Khoury; Luw Kan; Lorraine Grace; Les Boland; Sr Judith Clarke; Peter Delahunty: Anna Faraone; Robert Rago; Ralph Wadley; Ruth Lawlor (Ireland); Carmela Tomarchio: June Roebuck: Oliver Coleman; Margaret Hickey; Robert Gonano; Louise Massavia; Jose Rodrigues; Giovanni Cama; Giiseppina 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.

ANNIVERSARIES: Patricia Reilly (14th anniv): Anthony Geoghegan (18th anniv): Joseph Triganza (1st anniv); Domenico Ardillo (8th anniv); Jayden Clarke; Frank Arcella Snr; Frank Arcella Jnr; Rosa Arcella; Farone Family; Tony Neylan (6th anniv); John Roach (7th anniv); Adrian Moore; Carmelo Puglisi; Giovanni (John) Profilio (21st anniv); James & Alfred Smith; Thomas & Peter Delahunty; Jimmy Smyth (Ireland 1st anniv); Eilen Burk.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY: Mary Beth; John O'Dea; Pam White; Helen Behan; Evelyn McVeigh (Ireland); Diane Shore; Michael Ratinie; 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

BUY A BRICK PROGRAM

We would be pleased to receive orders for the remaining bricks. If we place an order for engraving within the next two weeks, the engraved bricks will be installed by the start of Term 1 of the 2022 School Year.

Orders can be handed to the Parish Secretary on Tuesdays or Fridays between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. or sent by email to parish@stpatsmortlake.org.au

Any enquiries please phone Margaret McLennan on 0419 732 014.

BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND

We Congratulate Maya Harichandran, Lewis McDonald, Emily Dartnell and Harriet Bugge into the St Patrick's community. May you all gown in Faith with us at St Pat's and always feel at home here.

Peace & Joy

PAINTING OF FRONT OF CHURCH – 17-19 NOV

The front exterior of the Church will be painted this week (17-19 November). Global Coatings of Mortlake have generously offered to paint the front exterior of the church for free. We are most grateful for their offer. This will result in some disruption to carparking during these days. Daily Masses, Confirmations and access to the church will remain open throughout (the ramp on the church hall side and ramp outside the Lady Chapel will remain open). Thank you Global Coatings.

SUICIDE/ SELF HARM MEMORIAL MASS

Wednesday 17 Nov at 6.30pm: Always mention my name Mass for families who have experienced the death of a loved one by suicide or self-harm. All welcome.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

In honour of St Francis of Assisi you are invited to the annual **Blessing of the Animals at all weekend Masses of** 27/28 November. Register for Masses online and bring your pets along to one of our outdoor masses during which they will receive a blessing from Fr Tom.

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