

Welcome to
St. Patrick's Catholic
Church Mortlake



ST PATRICK'S PARISH
MORTLAKE

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C
23 January 2022

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Sunday Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 6pm


Sunday: 9am; 6pm

Please note there will be no 10.30am Mass
during the month of January 2022

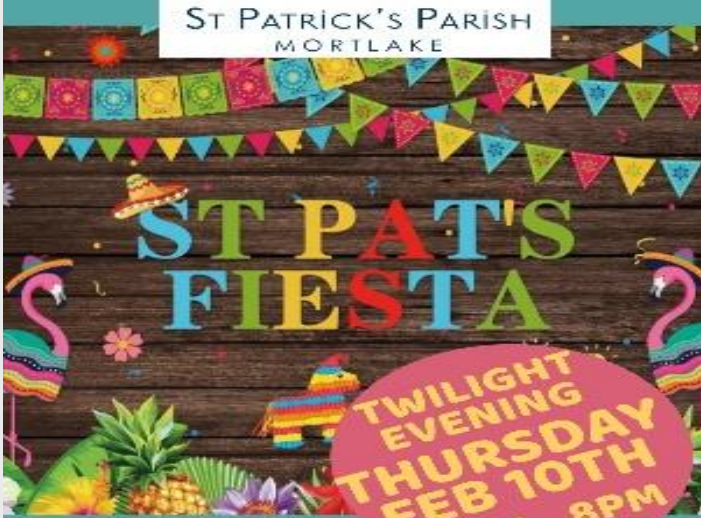
FACE MASKS MUST BE WORN INDOORS

Weekday Services

- **Communion Service:** Monday to Saturday 8am
- **Mass:** No Masses this week
- **Reconciliation:** Saturday 5.30pm
- **Baptisms:** 11.45am on 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sundays of month. Please call parish secretary with enquiries.



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ST PAT'S FIESTA

**TWILIGHT EVENING
THURSDAY
FEB 10TH
5PM - 8PM**

You are all welcome at our
fun filled St Pat's Fiesta
at the Parish grounds.
LIVE MUSIC & PERFORMANCES
MARKET STALLS - FOOD STALLS
KIDS ZONE - FUN FOR ALL!
Volunteers & Stall Holders welcome
contact parish@stpatsmortlake.org.au



MUSIC WORKSHOP

ALL AGES ARE WELCOME TO LEARN
CLASSICAL MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

PLEASE CONTACT 0460962705 FOR MORE INFORMATION



WALKERS NEEDED

We are having a letter drop of the local area. If you have capacity to assist in volunteering in dropping of flyers for the upcoming parish Twilight Evening, please contact Fr Tom on Email :thomas.stevens@sydneycatholic.org or 9743 1017

Thank You

BINGO – RECOMMENCES

Please come along on **Monday 24th January at 10.00am**. All COVID rules will be in place.

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FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Nehemiah
Neh 8:2-6. 8-10

They read from the book of Law and they understood what was read.

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women, and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he read from the book from early morning till noon; all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of all the people – since he stood higher than all the people – Ezra opened the book; and when he opened it all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered Amen! Amen!; then they bowed down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read.

Then Nehemiah – His Excellency – and Ezra, priest and scribe (and the Levites who were instructing the people) said to all the people, 'This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep'. For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law.

He then said, 'Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.'

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 18:8-10. 15. R. See Jn 6:63

(R.) Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

1. The law of the Lord is perfect,
it revives the soul.
the rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
It gives wisdom to the simple **(R.)**
2. The precepts of the Lord are right,
they gladden the heart.
The command of the Lord is clear,
it gives light to the eyes. **(R.)**
3. The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just. **(R.)**
4. May the spoken words of my mouth,
the thoughts of my heart,
win favour in your sight, O Lord,
my rescuer. my rock! **(R.)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the
Corinthians
1 Cor 12:12-30

Together you are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts. If the foot were to say, 'I am not a hand and so I do not belong to the body', would that mean that it stopped being part of the body? If the ear were to say, 'I am not an eye, and so I do not belong to the body,'

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SECOND READING – continued

would that mean that it is not a part of the body? If your whole body was just one eye, how would you hear anything? If it was just one ear, how would you smell anything?

Instead of that, God put all the separate parts into the body on purpose. If all the parts were the same, how could it be a body? As it is, the parts are many but the body is one. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I do not need you,' nor can the head say to the feet, 'I do not need you.'

What is more, it is precisely the parts of the body that seem to be the weakest which are the indispensable ones; and it is the least honourable parts of the body that we clothe with the greatest care. So our more improper parts get decorated in a way that our more proper parts do not need. God has arranged the body so that more dignity is given to the parts which are without it, and so that there may not be disagreements inside the body, but that each part may be equally concerned for all the others. If one part is hurt, all parts are hurt with it. If one part is given special honour, all parts enjoy it.

Now you together are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it.

The Word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia!

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday:	St Francis de Sales
Tuesday:	The Conversion of St Paul the Apostle
Wednesday:	Australia Day
Thursday	Sts Timothy & Titus
Friday:	St Thomas Aquinas

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
Lk 1:1-4. 4:14-21

The scriptures were fulfilled on this day.

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received.

Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised him.

He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read, and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written:

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me,
for he has anointed me.
He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor,
to proclaim liberty to captives
and to the blind new sight,
to set the downtrodden free,
to proclaim the Lord's year of favour.
He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.'

The Gospel of the Lord

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RECENTLY DECEASED: Salvatore di Bella; Emma Marsella; Michael Regan UK; June Noonan; John Punch; Adele Pavin; Giuseppe Velo; Sr. Patricia Smith; Br Emery Nash; Jennifer Henderson; Fr Jim Esler; Guerino Bombardieri; Baby Rose; Josie Lopez; Elsie Andreazza; Edna Rumore; Alan Butler; Francey Bagala; Assunta Favero; Teresa Cama; Sr Judy Quirk; John Hughes; Michael John Veloso Patsy Boggs; Ania Krzanowski; 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.

ANNIVERSARIES: Maria & Giuseppe Satti; Andrew Manenti; Rory O' Kane (1st anniv); Cynthia Fernandes; Brad Bolster; Sam Ferlauto; Michele & Giuseppa Goffredo; Nancy Buonanova; Sue Goffredo; Gussy Fausti; Anthony Zacca; Campagna & Zappia Families; Paul Papadopolous; Emanuel Visiliades; Gerry Gleeson (4th anniv); Giuseppe De Meio; Natalina & Antonino Di Giglio; Mary Galea & Deceased Members of the Di Giglio, Galea, Michallef, Lo Shiavo & Tesoriero Families; Maurizia Xuereb; Bjarne Johansen (28th anniv); Glenda Rutz (8th anniv); Jose Teran; Jacob Nabih; Ray Elias; Michael Saliba Patricia Reilly (4th anniv).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY: Rebecca & Ryan; Ethan Aflak; Archie Finn; Anthony Davis; Mary Beth; John O'Dea; Pam White; Helen Behan; Evelyn McVeigh (Ireland); Diane Shore; Renee; Michael Ratnie; Charbel; Irene; Nikko; Gina Cocco; Lillo Prevedello; Kevin Walker; Lyndall

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

PLEASE NOTE THAT FR TOM IS AWAY THIS WEEK 24 TO 28 JANUARY

Communion services will replace morning weekday masses during this time. My sincere thanks to all the acolytes for their valuable service during this time. **Fr Tom**

BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND

We welcome and congratulate **Penelope Grant** into the St Pat's community. May you grow in Faith and always feel at home here at St Pats's

Peace & Joy

AUSTRALIA DAY – 26th of January

A day set aside to mark our nationhood.

It is good to celebrate our identity as Australians. We have much to thank God for in this country. Such a day should evoke some deep sensitivities in:

- Acknowledging our first nation peoples;
- To those who are disadvantaged and who suffer;
- To refugees and those who seek to join us;
- To issues of peace, at home and abroad.

Happy Australia Day!

VOLUNTEERING IN THE PARISH – COMMUNICATIONS/ IT MINISTRY

The Communications Committee manage and update our social media sites; Facebook, Instagram and the Parish Website. This ministry is responsible for the publication of the quarterly newsletter and weekly bulletin.

If you are tech savvy or a wizz with words and would like to be involved in the Communications Committee and would like to know more about how to become involved, please contact **Barbara Bolster** on 0429 159 333 or email barbara.bolster@mercy.org.au