

Welcome to St. Patrick's Catholic Church Mortlake



ST PATRICK'S PARISH
MORTLAKE

**8th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C**
27 February 2022

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Sunday Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 6pm
Sunday: 9am; **10.30am**; 6pm

Weekday Services this Week

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

1 MARCH - St PAT's ALPHA COURSE BEGINS

Commencing this **Tuesday, 1 March at 2pm** It is open to **everyone**.

People wanting to learn about Christianity and Catholicism for the first time, people perhaps returning to the Church, and for many of us who are Catholic but would like to renew our understanding and ask questions. **Old and young welcome**.

The Program will run from **2.00pm until 2.50pm on Tuesday's in the parish Hall**. To register please contact Fr Tom on **9743-1017** or email thomas.stevens@sydneycatholic.org

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES Wednesday, 2 March 2022

We commence our Lenten journey on Wednesday, 2 March 2022.

Ash Wednesday services will be held at the following times:

- **Wednesday, 8am Mass;**
- **Wednesday, 6.30pm Mass.**

All are welcome to attend the Ash Wednesday services as we prepare for Lent and the journey to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ – and the importance of that message to my identity as a Christian.

Project Compassion boxes are also available at the church entry points. We are called to use this Lenten period as a time of reflection and contemplation. To give of ourselves in charity and love, in order to grow into Christ like individuals.

THE HEARTBEAT LENTEN SERIES

There will be a group gathering over zoom **each week of Lent** to pray and contemplate the Sunday Gospel and to ponder over the season of Lent. The sessions are very reflective and calm. You are invited and encouraged to join in. It will be from **4pm to 5pm Wednesday** afternoon, commencing on **Ash Wednesday the 2nd March**. The sessions will be emailed to you each week and some clear directions on zooming in. Please contact by phone 0400195350 or email smneylan@gmail.com

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FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus
Sir 27:4-7

Do not praise someone before they have spoken.

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind,
so too the defects of a man appear in his talk.

The kiln tests the work of the potter,
the test of a man is in his conversation.

The orchard where the tree grows is judged on
the quality of its fruit,
similarly a man's words betray what he feels.

Do not praise a man before he has spoken,
since this is the test of men.

The Word of the Lord

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the
Corinthians
1 Cor 15:54-58

Victory has been given to us through Jesus Christ.

When this perishable nature has put on
imperishability, and when this mortal nature
has put on immortality, then the words of
scripture will come true:

Death is swallowed up in victory.
Death, where is your victory?
Death, where is your sting?

Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its
power from the Law. So let us thank God for
giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus
Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never
admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's
work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you
cannot be labouring in vain.

The Word of the Lord

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

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!

FEASTS DAY THIS WEEK

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday

Friday: St Casmir

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GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
Lk 6:39-45

A person speaks from what is in his heart.

Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'

The Gospel of the Lord

BAPTISMS

We congratulate and welcome into our community Chloe Sawdy, Xavier O'Brien and Ellanor Walkes.

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

Peace & Joy

FIRST RECONCILIATION ENROLMENT

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation will be celebrated in St Patrick's Church in Gale Street Mortlake this year on **Friday 25th March at 7pm**. Candidates will need to have been Baptised.

Ideally the children will be in years 2 or 3 to participate. There will be four weeks of compulsory instruction to prepare the candidates which will commence on Monday 28th February in the parish hall commencing at 4.15pm.

If you wish to include your child as a candidate, please register by contacting Robert Mayor via email mayor2411@gmail.com or Phone 0418 228 689.

LITURGY COMMITTEE – can you help?

The liturgy committee ensures that the various ministers (Acolytes, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Musicians, Altar Servers) are prepared to assist at the celebration of the Eucharist on weekends and special days.

The committee also coordinates Communion to parishioners in their homes, Communion Services and on other occasions. The preparation of Holy Week and Easter liturgies and the involvement of parishioners in these liturgies as well as at Christmas is a privileged responsibility for the committee.

The committee meets every two months and would **love to welcome new members**. If you would like to become involved, please contact **Kevin Nelson-Smith** on **0490 119 131** or email kevin.nelson.smith@gmail.com

We also invite parishioners to volunteer as Acolytes, Readers, Musicians, Altar Servers. These ministries ensure that our liturgical celebrations truly are community celebrations.

To volunteer contact Brenda on 9743 1017 or Email: parish@stpatmortlake.org.au

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RECENTLY DECEASED: Jennifer Blair; Salvatore Di Bella; Eva Sutton; Joanna Knight; Frank Aquilina; Giuseppe Palmenta; Tony Hillyer; 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 Andreadza; 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: John McAnelly; Concetta Cataldi (10th anniv); Natale Pelle; John Samuel (5th anniv); Fiona Garcia; Rory O' Kane (1st anniv); Joe Modigliani (25 anniv); Riccardo Sommaro; Frank Mautteuci; Willem Vandebeld (1st anniv); Domenico Severino; Angelo Falgiatori; Maria & Giuseppe Satti; Andrew Manenti; 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 Xue reb; Bjarne Johansen (28th anniv); Glenda Rutz (8th anniv); Jose Teran.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY: John Henry; Tony Elias; Philomena Delahunty; Engenio Alessio; Nance Walker; Rebecca & Ryan; Ethan Aflak; Archie Finn; Anthony Davis; Mary Beth; John O'Dea; Helen Behan; Evelyn McVeigh (Ireland); Diane Shore; Renee; Michael Ratnie; Charbel; Irene; Nikko; Gina Cocco; Kevin Walker; Lyndall; Katrina.

TWILIGHT EVENING

St Patrick's Day

17 March

Call for Volunteers to assist

Following the successful Fiesta, our next Twilight Evening will be on St Patrick's Day from 5-8pm.

If you would like to volunteer or interested in setting up a stall on one of the future evenings, please contact Fr Tom on 9743 1017 or Email: parish@stpatsmortlake.org.au

HELP WITH THE PARISH OUTREACH

LUNCH – Sunday, 13 March 2022

The parish will be **hosting a luncheon for the Vinnies clients of the area** in the parish grounds.

To assist with catering and serving at the luncheon, please contact Fr Tom on 9743 1017 or parish@stpatsmortlake.org.au

THANK YOU – BREAKFAST POINT MEN'S SHED

A big Thank You to the Breakfast Point Men's Shed for generously making for the parish a new outdoor stage area, which will be used for our Twilight Evenings and other outdoor gatherings we host on the Parish Green.

The Men's Shed skillfully made the stage from scratch and generously donated their time and material costs gratis to the parish. A formidable task carried out in no time. Thanks for your generosity and community spirit.

