

Welcome to St. Patrick's Catholic Church Mortlake



ST PATRICK'S PARISH
MORTLAKE

**Easter Sunday
The Resurrection
of the Lord
Year C
17 April 2022**

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Sunday Mass Times

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

Weekday Services

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

FLING OPEN THE EASTER DOORS!

Dear Parishioners, Happy Easter 2022! Easter is the ultimate message of Hope and Joy. It is a heralding of Freedom from anxiety and concern. It's exactly what we need in our 2022 world.

The Easter message is wonderfully raw, rustic and beautiful. Catholicism, and our parishes, are at our best when we are rustic, when we have *'the smell of the sheep.'* Amidst what can be the quest for power, ego, greed and the selfishness and cruelty of humanity (all on full display in the Easter story), comes a message of Hope and the power of love and humility in service to the other. **We can all live a life of service, wherever we are, whatever our commitments. We live lives of service in in our families, with our aged parents, with supporting struggling friends, in outreach and engagement in our parish.**

Easter is a Revolutionary message. We should never be ashamed to acclaim the Revolution that is the message of Jesus Christ and his voice calling for service and love. ***Let us today fling open the doors of the tomb to emerge as live-giving individuals focused on the other.***

Fr Tom



Biggest Morning Tea
SAVE THE DATE

St Patrick's Parish
invites you to join us on
Friday 6th May 2022
Seated Morning Tea **9.30am - 11am**
Carnival Delight **3pm - 5pm**
33 Gale Street Mortlake

Volunteers Needed
After last years success, we know it comes down to our wonderful volunteers & this year we are anticipating needing 20+ for each event.
So please call now, to help on the day.
~ 0415 829 679 ~

BOOK NOW
trybooking.com/BQWSF

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Biggest Morning Tea – Friday 6 May

Volunteers are needed to ensure this year's ABMT is a success. Please contact 0415 829 679 or parish@stpatismortlake.org.au to volunteer.

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FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
Acts 10:34. 37-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - continued

3. The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. (R.)

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of
St Paul to the Colossians
Col 3:1-4

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand.

Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R. v.24

(R.) **This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.**

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.' (R.)
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds. (R.)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia!

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GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according
to John

**The teaching of scripture is that he must rise
from the dead.**

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in.

Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed.

Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord



OUR CHARITABLE WORKS FUND APPEAL

This special appeal for the Church's Charitable Works Fund is being conducted. **The appeal supports the church's charities throughout Sydney and enables important assistance** to be provided to homeless young people, people separated from their families, people living with disabilities, prisoners, the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, distressed and disadvantaged families, etc.

All donations over \$2 are 100% Tax Deductible and envelopes for making donations can be found in the Church and added to the weekend collection bags. Tax receipts will be issued separately.

Thank You.

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MUSIC WORKSHOP

WE ARE WELCOME ALL AGES TO
LEARN CLASSICAL MUSIC
INSTRUMENTS

PLEASE CONTACT 0460962705 TO
MORE INFORMATION



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Celebrating 125 Years 1895-2020

2020 marks 125 years since the beginning of St Patrick's Parish Mortlake. Since our earliest days, we have been blessed and enriched by priests, religious sisters and families who have made their home in Mortlake, and have made St Patrick's their parish. The faith, energy and commitment of the early Irish settlers has flourished, and successive generations of people from many different cultures and nationalities have contributed to the wonderfully diverse and vibrant parish community we share today.

Just as 2020 is a year we will never forget, 1895 is a focal point in the life of St Patrick's Parish. It is when we began, and the passing of time weaves the threads of our story across the years – the highs and lows, opportunities and challenges, joys and sorrows. These significant personal, spiritual and communal events in our history have been captured beautifully in Damian Gleeson's new book:

An Enduring Flame

St Patrick's Mortlake 1885-2020
An Irish-Australian working class community

A book celebrating the
125th anniversary of St
Patrick's, Mortlake.

Cost - \$25

A great read!

A wonderful gift idea!

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR: *Damian John Gleeson specialises in Irish-Australian historical research. Damian has written a number of parish histories including the 2017 award winning publication, The Rock of St George. Damian is a past president of the Australian Catholic Historical Society and an active member of the Silvermines Historical Journal, County Tipperary, Ireland.*

TO ORDER A COPY

Please contact the parish on

9743 1017 or email : parish@stpatismortlake.org.au

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PARISH REGISTRATION AND DATABASE UPDATE

Dear Parishioners, as a part of updating the parish records, I ask if parishioners could take the time to update their family records by completing the Parish Registration form.

Our records **need significant updating to ensure we are best able to meet the needs of our parishioners**. Forms are in the church and can be downloaded per the link below. They can be dropped off to the office, emailed, or left in the box at the back of the church.

Thank you. Fr Tom

<https://www.stpatsmortlake.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Parish-Welcome-Pack.pdf>

PLANS FOR PARISH HALL RENOVATION AND UPGRADE

Please feel free to review the proposed renovation plans and visual representation for the Parish Hall Upgrade at the back of the church.

All enquiries and comments can be directed to Fr Tom on 9743 1017 or thomas.stevens@sydneycatholic.org

WHERE DO YOUR WEEKLY DONATIONS GO?

THE FIRST COLLECTION: Money received from the first collection supports the need of the parish priest (Stipend, Household costs (food, utilities, etc), with excess funds sent to assist other Sydney parishes.

THE SECOND COLLECTION: Money received from the second collection supports our Parish directly, including pastoral programs, maintenance and provision of parish buildings, staffing, etc. The collection includes envelopes and cash on the second collection plate, Tap and Go and Credit Card donations.

For those who wish to make contributions by EFT transfer – details are:

Bank Transfer BSB: 062 784

Account Number: 100 000 520

Account Name: Mortlake Parish

Reference: < your name or PG Number>

Thank you for your continued support

BUY A BRICK ON PARISH GREEN

The signature bricks in the built area of the Parish Green are all installed. **There are other opportunities to continue the BUY A BRICK program if there is sufficient interest from Parishioners to expand the project.**

Bricks will now cost \$200 per brick. Funds raised will go directly to the costs of the Parish Hall upgrade and refurbishment.

If you are interested in purchasing a signature brick for your family at a cost of \$200 per brick, please mail margaret.mclennan@gmail.com with your expression of interest by 31 May 2022.

To those Parishioners who were not successful in securing a brick in the built area of the Parish Green, be assured your name and contact details are on our EOI list.

If there is a good level of interest another prominent space on the Parish Green will be identified to continue the BUY A BRICK PROJECT.



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RECENTLY DECEASED: Eileen Barry; Mary Tubman (Ire); Terry Liston; Luigi Calligaro (Italy); Bridget Morkan (Ire); Joyce Buxton; Agnese Grego; Frank Santucci; Rodolfo Hernandez; Emily Hrvatin; Neil Stackpool; Agnese Grego (Italy); Antonio Portinari; Denham Cathro; Michael Mahony; Michael Daly; Bruna Rettore; Giuseppina Traino; Anna Mandato; Joseph Tabone; Fina Rago; Eugene Malyshev; James O'Toole; Ted O'Connor; Francis Ng; 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: Guerino Bombardieri; Baby Rose; Josie Lopez; John Hughes; Michael John Veloso Patsy Boggs; Ania Krzanowski.

ANNIVERSARIES: Carmelo Puglisi; Campagna & Zappia Families; Emanuel Visiliadis; Paul Papadopolous; Holy Souls; Maurizia Xuereb; Grace Di Giglio (19 anniv); Francesca Lo Schiavo (11 anniv); Antonino Di Giglio; Angelo Lo Schiavo; Mary Galea (4 anniv); Sam Ferlauto; Michele & Giuseppa Goffredo; Nancy Buonaova; Sue Goffredo; Gussy Fausti; Anthony Zacca; Patricia Patton; Giuseppe Cataldi (35th anniv); Francesco D'Elia (17th anniv); Concetta Cardillo; Samira Hanna (2nd anniv); Rosemary Rumble; Aileen Gardiner (1st anniv); Veronica Rasmussen (3 anniv); Deriu & Cuccuru Families; Anthony Wright; Zappia & Surra Families; Sam Ferlauto (35th anniv); John Walker (2nd anniv); Peter Johansen (5th anniv); Maria Francesca Traino (41st anniv); Giuseppe De Meio; Jakob Anderson: George Cepak (2nd anniv); Audrey Vertannes (2nd anniv); Michael Geoghegan (2nd anniv); Simon Peter Khoury (3rd Anniv); Sonja Moore (8th anniv); John McAnelly; Concetta Cataldi (10th anniv); Natale Pelle.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY: Bill Cramsie; Margaret Attard; Sharon; Eileen Kenny (Ire); Margaret McMurray; Gladys Northey; Steph; Margaret Elias; Mick Breen; Patrick Carey (Ireland); Angelita Tolentino; 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.

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

TWILIGHT EVENING VOLUNTEERS

After the great success of the Fiesta and St Patrick's Day Twilight Evenings earlier this year, later in the year we will again be holding a series of fun community **Twilight 'festival' Evenings in the parish from 5-8pm** during daylight saving on the dates below:

Thursday 13 October 2022
Thursday 10 November 2022
Thursday 8 December 2022

If you would like to volunteer to assist, please contact Fr Tom in the parish on 9743 1017 or email: parish@stpatsmortlake.org.au

2022 St PAT's ALPHA PROGRAMME Re-Starts on Tuesday, 3 May at 2pm

Alpha is course that creates a space, where people are **excited to bring their friends for a conversation about meaning and happiness in life**, the story of who Jesus Christ is in that story.

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 Programme will run from **2.00pm until 2.50pm on Tuesday's** in the parish Hall and will be led by Fr Tom.

- **Tuesday, 3 May**
- **Tuesday, 10 May**
- **Tuesday, 17 May**
- **Tuesday, 24 May – FINAL**

I do hope you will join us and feel free to contact Fr Tom or register your interest at on 9743-1017 or email: thomas.stevens@sydneycatholic.org

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INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING? OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in outreach and volunteering, St Pat's has several groups and exciting new opportunities for engagement in 2022. Volunteering and outreach opportunities within the parish include:

- **Social Justice Group**, understanding the rich history of Catholic Social Teaching as the spiritual formation and basis of action.
- **St. Vincent de Paul Society**, attending to the needs of locals who have fallen on tough times.
- **Outreach Lunches**, assisting in outreach lunches, hosted by the parish for various local groups in our community.
- **Pastoral Care Group**, who take a hands-on role in supporting those in our community that need company, companionship and attending to their practical daily needs (i.e., shopping, home visits).
- **Social Committee**, assist with running weekly bingo on Mondays for our senior community members, help organise bus excursion trips and arrange celebratory functions for events such as children's reception of their first Sacraments.
- **Children's Liturgy** and engaging with the parish youth needs.
- **Liturgy**, including participating in Music, Reading, Altar Serving and being a Eucharistic Minister within the parish.
- **Faith Education**, includes teaching in our local public schools as a catechist; involved in preparation of students in the Sacraments; as well as Adult Faith formation opportunities.

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING? OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES (cont'd)

- **Assist with Communications and IT Support** requirements of the parish, including bulletins, newsletters, social media and the website.
- **Gardening Group in the Parish** - help in creating our blossoming parish garden and community vegetable garden.
- **Stewardship** - assist with governance requirements and obligations.

As you can see, there are many varied opportunities to engage with your parish and community.

Please contact the parish to find out more or visit our website below. Phone 9743 1017 or email parish@stpatmortlake.org.au



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Come Join Us!

St Pat's Playgroup

Starting Friday 29th April, our new playgroup for young babies and children 0-5 years will be run in the Parish Hall during the school terms.

Day/Time: Fridays 9.15am-10.15am.

Location: Parish Hall (33 Gale Street, Mortlake)

Everyone is welcome!
See you there!

For details, please reach out to Fr Tom:
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FAITH IN ACTION

Social Thought Discussion Series

St Pat's parish will be holding a series of monthly talks inviting discussion around on Social Thought and how it relates to us both as individuals and as a community, how it shapes our Identity and how it is different and deeper than Charity.

WHERE: St. Pat's Parish Hall, 33 Gale St, Mortlake

WHEN & TOPICS:

- **'Faith, Action & My Identity!'**
9.15-10.30am, Tuesday 24 May.
- **'Eco-Implications. Living in a World Worth Living In – A Practical Discussion about Environmental Sustainability.'**
6.30-8pm, Tuesday 28 June.
- **'Ethical Purchasing – How many slaves work for you?'**
9.15-10.30am, Tuesday 26 July.
- **'Shut Out, Shut In and Shut Up – Refugees and Asylum Seekers'**
6.30-8pm, Tuesday 30 August.

If interested in attending, please contact Fr Tom on 9743 1017 or thomas.stevens@sydneycatholic.org

All Welcome!

THANK YOU FOR THE EASTER CELEBRATIONS

Thank you to the many parishioners who all contributed to our wonderful Holy Week Celebrations.

Special thanks to the Acolytes, Servers, Extraordinary Ministers, Children's Liturgy organisers, Readers, Musicians, Altar Society Members, ladies that organise the display in the Church narthex, and so many people who all work so hard in bringing our celebrations about - **thank you**.

I encourage you to become involved in the many activities our parish offers as a means of engaging and growing in our faith community.

May we continue to grow as a Church community this year, knowing that the message of Hope that the Resurrection provides is open to each and every one of us throughout the year.

Peace and Joy! Fr. Tom

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES

Lenten Project Compassion Boxes can be left in the Narthex at the weekend Masses or dropped off at the parish office on Tuesday and Friday between 9-2pm

Thank You

CHILDREN'S SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

The Parish-based Sacramental programmes run for four weeks of instruction to prepare candidates for reception of the Sacraments. Children are accompanied by a parent or adult guardian who journey with the child during the classes.

2022 Sacramental Dates

- **First Holy Communion**, instruction classes commence 16 May for 4 weeks.
- **Confirmation**, instruction classes commence 15 August for 4 weeks.

To register your child, please contact Robert Mayor on 0418 228 689 or mayer2411@gmail.com

A SPIRIT OF SILENCE IN THE CHURCH

Silence is such an important aspect we need to foster in our lives. If we can please keep loud conversations to a minimum in the church.

Thank you for your understanding.