## Welcome to St. Patrick's Catholic **Church Mortlake**



## 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in **Ordinary Time** Year C

4 September 2022

MORTIAKE

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## **Sunday Mass Times**

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

#### **Weekday Services**

• Communion Service: Monday and Saturday 8am

Weekday Mass: Tuesday to Friday 8am

• Reconciliation: Saturday 5.30pm

• Baptisms: 11.45am on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of

the month.

Please call the parish secretary with all enquiries.



To all our fathers and those in fatherly roles, we wish you Blessings, Prayers and Peace this Father's Day 2022.

You play a vital role of leadership and support not only in your immediate family, but in our wider community. To those that have lost their fathers, we recall the role of our fathers in our lives and thank God for their example.

For fathers too that are struggling in with fatherhood—be it separation, tense or difficult relationships, difficulty in forgiveness – may we know that God gives us the strength to re-engage in our roles in our families.

## **FATHER'S DAY (continued)**

Life is full of challenges, and we pray that in your role and responsibilities of fatherhood you know that you are supported.

Pope Francis has previously spoken beautifully of fathers when saving:

"I ask that you have the grace to be very close to your children, letting them grow, but being by their side. They need you, your presence, to be there, your love!"

To all fathers and those in fatherly roles, may you know that we as a community are here to support and encourage you.

Thank you to our Dads and together with the parish community, may we continue to build a community of inclusiveness and hope at all times.

This Sunday, let us all as a family pray the **OUR FATHER** in our households, ever mindful that we remember our God and Father in Heaven, every father amongst us, as well as our deceased fathers.

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#### **FIRST READING**

A reading from the book of Wisdom Wis 9:13-18

## Who can comprehend the will of God?

What man can know the intentions of God? Who can divine the will of the Lord? The reasonings of mortals are unsure and our intentions unstable; for a perishable body presses down the soul, and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind.

It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth,

laborious to know what lies within our reach; who, then, can discover what is in the heavens?

As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had you not granted Wisdom and sent your holy spirit from above? Thus have the paths of those on earth been straightened and men been taught what pleases you, and saved, by Wisdom.

The Word of the Lord

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Ps 89:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. v.1

- (R.) In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.
- You turn men back into dust and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
   To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night. (R.)
- You sweep men away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning. In the morning it springs up and flowers: by evening it withers and fades. (R.)

- Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart.
  Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
  Show pity to your servants. (R.)
- In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

#### **SECOND READING**

Paul 9-10, 12-17

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Philemon

Receive him, not as a slave anymore, but as a very dear brother.

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him – I could say – a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave anymore, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me.

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## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws.

Alleluia

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#### **GOSPEL**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke Lk 14:25-33

All who do not renounce their possessions cannot be my disciples.

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

The Gospel of the Lord

# CONGRATULATIONS & BLESSINGS TO MONS JOHN USHER

Mons John celebrated 50 years as a Sydney Archdiocesan Priest last Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August.

#### **FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK**

**Thursday:** The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin

Mary

Friday: St Peter Claver



## ST PATRICK'S CHURCH MORTLAKE



# **TERM 3**FAMILY MASSES

We are inviting all families in our community to attend our Family Masses for Term 3.

UPCOMING MASSES

WANGAL - 4 SEPTEMBER - 10:30AM PATRICK - 18 SEPTEMBER - 10:30AM

If you or your children are interested in reading, doing the offertory or helping to set up the morning tea please email ashleigh.townsend@syd.catholic.edu.au



### **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**

Invite you to their annual "Mention My Name Prayer Service" for those who have lost their lives through suicide as well as their grieving family and friends and communities this Wednesday 7/9/22 at 7pm at St Mary's Cathedral with Bishop Brady.

## **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Is held every Wednesday in the Church during the School term only from 8.25 to 8.50am

All Welcome

#### **BUY A BRICK IS BACK!**

Brick order forms and a brick example are in the Narthex or just email Heidi on admin@stpatsmortlake.org.au for all enquires.

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**RECENTLY DECEASED**: Marcia Bendeich; Joseph Galea; Rev Tony Ward UK; John O'Dea; William (Bill) Patterson; Marjorie Findlay; Ted Sulkowicz; Argenide (Jenny) Salata; Antonietta Scavo; Sr Veronica O'Neill RSM; Mary Relton; Norah Gallagher; Beverley Smith; Edna Lavery; Brent Courtney; Zig Inge; Cosmo Lasorsa; Antonio Zappia; Anna Maria Miccinati; 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.

ANNIVERSARIES: Oliver Coleman (1st anniv); Angelo Falgiatori; Carmelo Puglisi; Robert Rago; Assunta Favero: Joseph Bezzina (2nd anniv); Concetta Severino; Damian King (2nd anniv); Antonietta Scavo; Sam Ferlatuo; Michele & Giuseppa Goffredo; Nancy Buonanova; Sue Goffredo; Guss Fausti; Anthony Zacca; Antonino Di Giglio (32 anniv); Antonino Tesoriero (14th anniv); Angelo Lo Schiavo (19th anniv); Grazia Di Giglio; Francesca Lo Schiavo; Mary Galea; Giuseppina & Govanni Tesoriero; Rosa & Giuseppe Di Giglio; Bob, Francesco, Maria & Giuseppe Tesoriero; Jennie Paul; Antonio Mandile; Matteo Di Pasquantonio (3rd anniv); Elizabeth Johansen (21st anniv); Caterina Palumbo (8th anniv); Michele Vezza (2nd anniv): Tony Vertannes (1st anniv): Barry Peterson (2nd anniv): Luis Munoz (19th anniv); Peter Coorey; Angelo Piccin (15th anniv).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY: Miron, Robert Garritano; Baby Anthony; Antonio Mammoliti; Felicia Bugeja; Om Shrivastav: Marie Dulihanty; Arcella Family, Bella; Martin Maguire; Margaret Attard; Sharon; Eileen Kenny (Ire); Margaret McMurray; Steph; Margaret Elias; Mick Breen; Philomena Delahunty; Nance Walker; Diane Shore; Renee; Kevin Walker; Nico Relton.

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



#### PARISH HALL RENOVATION APPEAL

I am pleased to provide details of the Parish Hall Renovation and Appeal, with booklets available at the entrances to the church and via the link below.

I am ever mindful that this is a difficult time financially for many families and this appeal is being conducted in a way that acknowledges those challenges. This Appeal seeks to raise \$150,000 as a contribution to the costs of the works.

The works seek to modernise the Parish Hall facilities and will enable fit for purpose meeting spaces for parish, school and community groups.

Please direct any enquiries to the parish at <a href="mailto:admin@stpatsmortlake.org.au">admin@stpatsmortlake.org.au</a> or if you wish to be sent a Parish Hall Giving Form.

Thank you, Fr Tom

https://www.stpatsmortlake.org.au/parish-hall-renovation-and-appeal/