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



1st Sunday of Advent Year A

27th November 2022

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Sunday Mass Times

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

Please note there will be a Communion Service On Tuesday 29th November at 8.00am

Weekday Services

• Communion Service: Monday and Saturday 8am Weekday Mass: Tuesday to Friday 8am

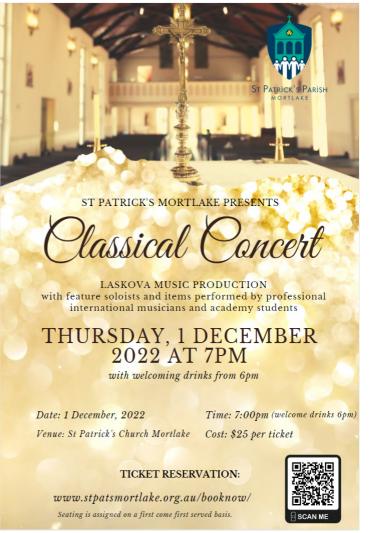
• Reconciliation: Saturday 5.30pm

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

month.

Please call the parish secretary with all enquiries.





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FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Isaiah Is 2:1-5

The Lord will gather all nations in eternal peace in the kingdom of God.

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In the days to come the mountain of the Temple of the Lord shall tower above the mountains and be lifted higher than the hills. All the nations will stream to it, peoples without number will come to it; and they will say:

'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the

to the Temple of the God of Jacob that he may teach us his ways so that we may walk in his paths; since the Law will go out from Zion, and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.'

He will wield authority over the nations and adjudicate between many peoples; these will hammer their swords into ploughshares, their spears into sickles. Nation will not lift sword against nation, there will be no more training for war. O House of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 121:1-2. 4-5. 6-9. R. see v.1

- (R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the
- 1. I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. (R.)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - continued

- 2. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord. For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name. There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David. (R.)
- 3. For the peace of Jerusalem pray: 'Peace be to your homes! May peace reign in your walls, in your palaces, peace!' (R.)
- 4. For love of my brethren and friends I say: 'Peace upon you!' For love of the house of the Lord I will ask for your good. (R.)

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans Rom 13:11-14

The time has come, our salvation is near.

You know 'the time' has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon – let us give up all the things we prefer to do under the cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia!

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GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Matthew
Mt 24:37-44

Stay awake, you must be ready.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As it was in Noah's day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left.

'So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

The Gospel of the Lord

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Wednesday: St Andrew

Saturday: St Francis Xavier

BAPTISMS

We welcome to our community Roman Donato, Noah Thompson-Gilder, Ever J Marshall, Zac Shaw and Valentina Sepulveda Pafumi.

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

Peace & Joy

ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The St Vincent de Paul Society is running the annual Christmas Appeal across the weekends of 27-29 November and 3-4 December to assist local families and individuals enjoy some Christmas spirit.

We are looking for supermarket vouchers, toys and festive foods such as hams, cakes, puddings, and other staples that will allow the families have a lovely Christmas which they otherwise could not afford.

This year, several our clients were impacted by a building explosion in Concord and have been moved out of their units and into single rooms within the district. They have very little space and shared cooking facilities so their ability to cook and store food has been severely reduced. For this reason, we would truly appreciate donations of supermarket gift cards so they can pick up food as they need it.

We will put out baskets for donations Narthex. Donations for the hampers and toys will finish at the Sunday evening Mass December 4th so they can be packed for distribution.

Also, we will be running an envelope and bucket collection at Masses on the weekend of 3-4 December for financial contributions that will allow us to support struggling families across Christmas and into 2023.

This is very important since many families are struggling with cost-of-living pressures and rising utilities bills.

St Patrick's Parish at Mortlake have a wonderful history of generous support for the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeals and we are extremely grateful for your ongoing assistance which allows us to help those in the local community that are most in need.

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RECENTLY DECEASED: Bev Cathro; Diana Falgiatori; Archer Gray; Antonio Prevedello; Tony Clarke; Bob Ings; Madge Sinclair; Henry Gatt; Bill Muldoon; Peter Gohery; Sr Bernice Bugler; Mary Patricia Jack; Tom O'Connor; Om Shrivastav; Marcia Bendeich; Antonio Mammoliti; 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.

ANNIVERSARIES: Assunta Favero (1st anniv); Frank Giacomobono, Paulo: Francey Bagala (1st anniv); Ian Geoghegan (19 anniv): Patricia Reilly (5th anniv); Patsy Boggs; Anna Krzanowski; Elizabeth Smith; Alvaro Bianchi (20th anniv); Don Khoury; Antonio Palmenta (1 month); Vincenza Calabrese (2nd anniv); Francesco and Maria Cremona; Antonio Mammiti; Giuseppe Libro (15th anniv); Sam Ferlauto; Nancy Buonanova; Guss Fausti; Michele & Giuseppa Goffredo; Sue Goffredo; Anthony Zacca; Luca Cindric (18th anniv); John Roach (8th anniv); Joseph Triganza; Peter Ronald Cremona; Charles Xuereb (4th anniv); Peter Delahunty (1st anniv); Michael Harfield (26th anniv); Jean Doyle (24th anniv); Deceased members of the Vassall Family; Adrian Moore (8th anniv).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY: Tony Smith; Peter Coyne; Nando Musolino; Sue Wheelahan; Andrew Spiewerka; Katrina Hillard; Robert Garritano; Baby Anthony; Felicia Bugeja; Marie Dulihanty; Arcella Family, Bella; Martin Maguire; Margaret Attard; 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, phone Carmel Moliterno 9736 1718

ADVENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

You are invited to join in prayer and reflection throughout Advent. We will use 'Heartbeat' sessions contemplating on the Gospel for each Sunday during Advent and then during the week before Christmas.

There are two opportunities. Tuesdays at 4:00 – 5:00 in the church or on zoom. There will be a repeat session on Tuesdays at 7pm - 8pm if there is expression of interest.

Dates are 29th Nov, 6th.Dec, 13th Dec and 20th Dec. The silent times, the stillness and listening are a vital part of the heartbeat sessions. Let us prepare for Christmas, a.... 'silent night, holy night'

Please register your interest. If you would like to attend, please contact Susan Neylan: 0400195350 or smneylan@gmail.com

PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Everyone is welcome please come along. The Luncheon will be held on the 14th December 2022 at Noon at the Massey Park Golf Club.

All enquiries Anne Manenti 0412 339 212 or Frances Windon 0410 465 771.

