

2 JULY 2023  
13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
YEAR A

# BULLETIN

Welcome to St Patrick's Mortlake Parish



## CELEBRATING NAIDOC WEEK 2023

NAIDOC week is an annual celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, culture and achievements. Naidoc week runs from 2-9 July.

The 2023 theme '*For Our Elders*' supports and promotes the pivotal role our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander elders have across the generations, holding prominent roles in our communities and families. Our Elders are the cultural knowledge holders, trailblazers and advocates who guide our generations through advocacy, activism and everyday life.

The Sydney Archdiocese warmly encourage you to pay homage to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders in this year's NAIDOC week celebrations.

The Sydney Archdiocese Reconciliation Action Plan can be viewed online at <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/casys/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Archdiocese-of-Sydney-Reflect-Reconciliation-Action-Plan.pdf>



## BUILDING A WARM AND WELCOMING COMMUNITY - PASTORAL CARE GROUP

The Pastoral Care and Hospitality group plays a vital role in ensuring parishioners and visitors feel welcome. We visit people in their homes that are unable to join the community in person, send welcome letters to new members, take Communion to the sick and catch up for casual visits and cups of coffee with parishioners. Join us in building a caring and inclusive community. You can volunteer by contacting us on: [parish@stpatsmortlake.org.au](mailto:parish@stpatsmortlake.org.au) or 9743 1017

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

This annual appeal will be held here at St Patrick's next weekend 8 and 9 July 2023.

Your donation will provide immediate long term assistance to those facing homelessness.

*Riddle:* What is the longest word in the dictionary?



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## SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

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

## WEEKDAY MASSES & SERVICES:

Monday & Saturday  
8am Communion Service

Tuesday to Friday 8am Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.30pm

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

Please call parish secretary with enquires.

## First Reading

A READING FROM THE SECOND BOOK OF KINGS KGS 4:8-11. 14-16

***That is the holy man of God, let him remain there***

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.'

One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

**The Word of the Lord**

## Responsorial Psalm

PS 88:2-3 16-19

***(R) Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord***

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth.  
Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever,  
that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. (R.)

## Responsorial Psalm- cont

Happy the people who acclaim such a king, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face, who find their joy every day in your name, who make your justice the source of their bliss. (R.)

For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength;  
it is by your favour that our might is exalted:  
for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord;  
our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel. (R.)

## Second Reading

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF ST PAUL TO THE ROMANS

***Having been buried with him through baptism, we shall walk in a new life.***

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

**The Word of the Lord**

# Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**You are a chosen race, a royal  
priesthood, a holy people.  
Praise God who called you out of  
darkness and into his marvellous light**

Alleluia!

## Gospel

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL  
ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

**Anyone who does not accept his  
cross in not worthy of me. Anyone  
who welcomes you, welcomes me.**

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows:  
'Anyone who prefers father or mother to  
me is not worthy of me. Anyone who  
prefers son or daughter to me is not  
worthy of me. Anyone who does not take  
his cross and follow in my footsteps is not  
worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life  
will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my  
sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me;  
and those who welcome me welcome the  
one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because  
he is a prophet will have a prophet's  
reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy  
man because he is a holy man will have a  
holy man's reward.

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold  
water to one of these little ones because  
he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he  
will most certainly not lose his reward.'

**The Gospel of the Lord**

## PARISH PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES TO BE COLLECTED

The new financial year Parish Planned  
Giving Envelopes are available for  
collection at the back of the church.

Planned Giving is a valuable way to  
support the parish by giving on a monthly  
basis. Giving in this manner attracts a 30%  
tax deductible claim.

To sign up to the Planned Giving  
Program, forms are at the church  
entrances or online at  
<https://stpatsmortlake.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/Parish-Welcome-Pack.pdf>

Thank you for your continued support of  
the parish in these times. Every little bit  
helps. Peace and Joy.

## FRIDAY 28TH JULY 2023 - COME ALONG AND JOIN US





PARISH SOCIAL  
LUNCH – SAVE THE  
DATE

GO EAT YOUR FOOD WITH GLADNESS AND DRINK YOUR  
WINE WITH A JOYFUL HEART – ECCLESIASTES 9:7



date: Wednesday 12 July 2023

time: 12 noon

place: Massey Park Golf Course

All enquiries and bookings please contact  
Anne Manenti 0412339212 or Frances Windon 0410465771

## Recently Deceased

Livia Falgiatori; Maria Palmenta ; Brian Curtin; Pat Carey;  
Gaetano Natoli; Kevin Walker; Susan Price; Andrew & Lynan  
Scott; Jesus Lopez; Lorraine Clarke; Gaetano Natoli; Albert  
Alam; Debra Forrest; Bob Gray; Gwen O'Brien; Mario Rinaudo;  
Giosue Illuzzi; Mark Tibbles; Lyn Kennedy; John Tannous;  
Cedric Fernandes; Brian Walsh; Cheryl Menezes; Brian Hymers;  
Nora Lai; Claire Jenkins; Angelica Staszewska; Maria Fasulo;  
Nicola Shepis; Concetta Fede; Ronald Brayan; Sergio Grasso;  
Bertha Sanchez; Kristie Gibson; Patricia Smyth; Anne-Maree  
Neal; Fr Ruben Elago.

## Anniversaries

Angelo Piccin (16th anniv); Bernard Holahan; Des Bolster (2nd  
anniv); Alfred Smith; Carmelo Puglisi; Maria Parmenter; Mike  
Bailey; Romeo Dovico; Greco Family; Battaglia Family; Gaetano  
Patamia; John Bolster; Lam Sui Chan O'Young (3rd anniv);  
Maria Rosa De Angelis; Caterina Prato; Maria Grazia Pelle;  
Philip Chnn; Shing Kok; Cha Yuk Ching; Mandy Chan; Sheatak  
Fong; Edward Sin; Glorita Leung; Antonio Traino; Giuseppa  
Profilio (7th anniv); Bill Young (3rd anniv); Sam Ferlatuo;  
Michele and Giuseppa Goffredo; Sue Goffredo; Nancy  
Buonanova; Guss Fausti; Domenico Paparo; Maddalena  
Ciacciarelli (3rd anniv); Mary Vitelli (1st anniv); Paul Bolster.

## Please pray for

Baby Charlotte Dixon (born 18/6/23); Greg Whitby; Fr David  
Halstead O.P. ; Marcia Droguett; Maude Chin; Mary Lou  
Bolster; Emilia; Ilma Mansfield; Camilla & William; Gladys  
Northey; Robyn; Marie Dulihty; Dale; Brian; Frances; Ian  
Williams; Gaetano Bagnato; Gracie V; John Goode; Paolo  
Zappia; Rocco Zappia; Giuseppe Zappia; Margaret O'Neill; Ray  
O; Tony C; Emily Scanlan; Tina Colagiuri; Sr Jan; Pat Murray;  
Roger Lintern; Baby William; Peter Coyne; Nance Walker;  
Diane Shore; Renee.

To have your petition included, phone Carmel Moliterno 9736 1718

## SPECIAL THANKS

To our Social  
Committee and all the  
helpers involved who  
made our Morning Tea  
last Sunday such a  
success.

## WEDDING JOY

Congratulations to  
Angelica Miracola  
and Tomislav Skvorc  
who were married  
here at St Pat's on  
Saturday. Blessings  
for a joyful  
life together.

## BINGO

MONDAYS AT 10.00AM

All enquires please  
contact Anne Manenti  
on 0412 339 212

ALL WELCOME

## FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

**Monday:**

St Thomas, Apostle

**Tuesday:**

St Elizabeth of Portugal

**Wednesday:**

St Anthony Zaccaria

**Thursday:**

St Maria Goretti

**Friday:**

Blessed Peter To Rot

*Riddle: Smiles, because  
there is a mile between  
each 's'.*