

23 JULY 2023  
16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
YEAR A

# BULLETIN



Welcome to St Patrick's Mortlake Parish



## WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS

Pope Francis established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly in 2021.

The World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be celebrated on **Sunday 23 July** – the Sunday closest to the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, Grandparents of Jesus.

The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year's celebration is:

**“His mercy is from age to age” (Luke 1:50).**

The Catholic Grandparents Association has been at the forefront in campaigning for a greater recognition of Grandparents for their role and vocation in passing on their faith to the next generation.

<https://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org/worlddayforgrandparentsandtheelderly/>

**COME AND JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF 50'S & 60'S  
MUSIC & DANCING AT ST PAT'S MORTLAKE NEXT  
FRIDAY NIGHT 28TH JULY FROM 6-9PM - ADULTS  
NIGHT ONLY**



*Riddle:* What can fill an entire room without taking up any space?

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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

**1st Friday of the month weekday  
morning Mass will be at 9.15am (not  
8am), commencing 4 August 2023**

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.30pm

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

Please call parish secretary with  
enquires.

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH ACKNOWLEDGES THE WANGAL PEOPLE OF THE  
EORA NATION, BEING THE TRADITIONAL OWNERS OF THE LAND ON  
WHICH WE GATHER AND WORSHIP.

## First Reading

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF WISDOM WISDOM 12:13. 16-19

***In the place of sin, you give repentance***

There is no god, other than you, who cares for everything,  
to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly.  
Your justice has its source in strength, your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all.  
You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned and you expose the insolence of those who know it;  
but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement,  
you govern us with great lenience, for you have only to will, and your power is there.  
By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people  
how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men,  
and you have given your sons the good hope  
that after sin you will grant repentance.

**The Word of the Lord**

## Responsorial Psalm

PS 85:5-6.9-10.15-16

***(R) Lord, you are good and forgiving***

O Lord, you are good and forgiving,  
full of love to all who call.  
Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer  
and attend to the sound of my voice. (R.)

## Responsorial Psalm cont

All the nations shall come to adore you  
and glorify your name, O Lord:  
for you are great and do marvellous deeds, you who alone are God. (R.)

But you, God of mercy and compassion,  
slow to anger, O Lord,  
abounding in love and truth,  
turn and take pity on me. (R.)

## Second Reading

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF ST PAUL TO THE ROMANS ROM 8: 26-27

***The Spirit himself pleads for us in a way that could never be put into words***

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

**The Word of the Lord**

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;  
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

**Alleluia!**

## Gospel

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL  
ACCORDING TO MATTHEW MT13:24-30

**Let them grow together until the harvest**

Jesus put a parable before the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered.

And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn."

### The Gospel of the Lord



YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR

## St Patrick's Parish Outreach Lunch

SUNDAY 20 AUGUST, 2023

Join us for a BBQ after Mass  
and meet new friends

10.30am: Mass  
11.30 am - 1.30 pm: Lunch in Parish Hall

To RSVP to the lunch, or if you would like to help  
with catering and hospitality on the day,  
contact Fr Tom on 9743 1017  
or [thomas.stevens@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:thomas.stevens@sydneycatholic.org)

Supported by:  


33 Gale St, Mortlake



## BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND.

We welcome Sofia Suhan, Nathan Costa, Vienna Mallon and James and Madison Farr.

May you grow in Faith and always feel at home here at St Patrick's

## FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH 9.15AM WEEKDAY MASS

The usual 8am Friday Mass, **on the first Friday of the month only, will now be held at 9.15am. This will commence from Friday, 4 August.**

This is to accommodate the parish school, to enable the children to attend the parish morning Mass.

All other weekday Masses during the month will remain at 8am unchanged.

## ST PATRICK'S SINGING GROUP

This group meets every Thursday in the parish hall from 10.15 to 12.00 just for FUN.

No need to book, just come along on the day and share a cuppa and some time to have a sing and enjoy each others company.  
**All Welcome**

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE

# ST PATRICK'S HALL RE-OPENING

Sunday, August 13th  
After 10.30am Mass

Join us for morning tea  
and blessing of the  
parish hall

**ALL WELCOME**

RSVP attendance to:  
[fpwstpats@gmail.com](mailto:fpwstpats@gmail.com)





## Recently Deceased

Peter Coyne (Funeral Tuesday 25/7 at 10.am); Gladys (Gladdie) Northy; Nicola Stivaletta; Otto Petrin; Elvira Grego; Nick Travia; Betty Mayo; Sarah Cuzzner; Tim Brown; Ray Selkrig; 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.

## Anniversaries

Peter Burnicle (3rd anniv); Michele Vezza (3rd anniv); Giuseppe de Meio; Gabriel & Raphael Traino (1st anniv); Bill Patterson (1st anniv); Gaetano Natoli (1 month); Barry Petterson (3rd anniv); Pina Bianca (5th anniv); Grazia Di Giglio (20th anniv); Antonino Di Giglio (33rd anniv); Angelo Lo Schiavo (20th anniv); Francesca Lo Schiavo (12th anniv); Mary Galea (5th anniv); Joe Galea (1st anniv); Antonino Tesoriero (15th anniv); Giuseppina Zappia; Michael Tannous; Teresa Manenti; Marie Louise Bamford (11th anniv); Yvone Hurrell (6th anniv); Giuseppe Di Cara; Angelo Piccin (16th anniv); Carmelo & Teresa Tindiglia; 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.

## Please pray for

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

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

*Riddle Answer: Light.*

## BINGO

MONDAYS  
AT 10.00AM

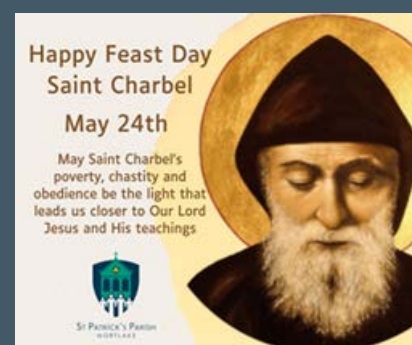
All enquires please  
contact Anne  
Manenti on  
0412 339 212

ALL WELCOME



## FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday:  
St Sharbel Makhlof



Tuesday:  
St James, Apostle

Wednesday:  
Sts Joachim & Anne

Saturday:  
Sts Martha, Mary &  
Lazarus