

17 SEPTEMBER  
24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
YEAR A

# BULLETIN



Welcome to St Patrick's Mortlake Parish



## CLASSICAL CONCERT - BOOK NOW

### *Classical Concert*

**ELLA LASKOVA SYDNEY WOMEN  
VIOLIN ENSEMBLE AND ST PATRICK'S  
PARISH, MORTLAKE PRESENT**

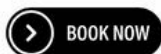
an evening with an all female  
ensemble performing classical,  
modern and jazz music styles.

*Friday*  
**22 September 2023**

**7pm with Welcoming Drinks from 6pm**

\$20 a ticket.  
Limited tickets available and bookings  
are essential.

To book tickets and for more information visit:  
<https://www.trybooking.com/CKJLF>



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## SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

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

## WEEKDAY MASSES & SERVICES:

Monday & Saturday  
8am Communion Service

Tues to Friday 8am Mass  
Please note: The First Friday of  
each month Mass time will be  
9.15am

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.30pm

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

Please call parish secretary with  
enquires.

## THANK YOU - ST PATS BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Thank you to all that were involved in the organisation of  
the **Australian Biggest Morning Tea here at Patrick's  
Mortlake on Friday 15th September 2023.**

To the organisers who have worked for many weeks  
behind the scenes and all the volunteers, Thank You.  
**Well done to everyone !!**

## JESUIT SOCIAL SERVICES - DONATIONS

Once more the generosity of the St Patrick's Parish  
outshines itself. The return of the grocery's bags full to  
the brim and in many cases overflowing is exceptional.  
**This drive finishes on Friday 22nd September** when all  
the donations will be collected so please ensure you  
donation is here by then. **SINCERE THANKS TO ALL**

*Riddle: Why did the farmers not want to use AI to help run the Farm?*

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  
ECCLESIASTICUS SIRACH 27:30-28.7

***Forgive your neighbour's faults  
and when you pray, you sins will  
be forgiven***

Resentment and anger, these are foul  
things,  
and both are found with the sinner.  
He who exacts vengeance will experience  
the vengeance of the Lord,  
who keeps strict account of sin.  
Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does  
you,  
and when you pray, your sins will be  
forgiven.

If a man nurses anger against another,  
can he then demand compassion from  
the Lord?

Showing no pity for a man like himself,  
can he then plead for his own sins?

Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes  
resentment;

who will forgive him his sins?

Remember the last things, and stop  
hating,

remember dissolution and death, and live  
by the commandments.

Remember the commandments, and do  
not bear your neighbour ill-will;

remember the covenant of the Most  
High, and overlook the offence.

**The Word of the Lord**

## Responsorial Psalm

PS 102:1-4. 9-12. R. V.8

***(R) The Lord is kind and merciful;  
slow to anger and rich in  
compassion***

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,  
all my being, bless his holy name.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all his blessings. **(R.)**

## Responsorial Psalm

It is he who forgives all your guilt,  
who heals every one of your ills,  
who redeems your life from the grave,  
who crowns you with love and compassion. **(R.)**

His wrath will come to an end;  
he will not be angry for ever.  
He does not treat us according to our sins  
nor repay us according to our faults **(R.)**

For as the heavens are high above the earth  
so strong is his love for those who fear him.  
As far as the east is from the west  
so far does he remove our sins. **(R.)**

## Second Reading

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF ST  
PAUL TO THE ROMANS 14: 7-9

***Whether alive or dead, we belong to  
the Lord***

The life and death of each of us has its  
influence on others; if we live, we live for the  
Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so  
that alive or dead we belong to the Lord.  
This explains why Christ both died and came  
to life, it was so that he might be Lord both  
of the dead and of the living.

**The Word of the Lord**

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

I give you a new commandment: love  
one another as I have loved you

**Alleluia!**

## Gospel

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL  
ACCORDING TO MATTHEW 18:21-35

***I tell you that you forgive not seven times but seventy times seven***

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.'

'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time," he said "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me", he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said. "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

**The Gospel of the Lord**

## BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND

We congratulate and welcome into our community Ivy Gray, Leo Bringolf-Counter and Kate Bennett

May you grown in Faith with us at St Pat's and always feel at home here.

**Peace & Joy**

## FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

**Tuesday:** St Januarius

**Wednesday:** Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang

**Thursday:** St Matthew Apostle

**Saturday:** St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

## COMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY

The environment in which Christian faith formation will operate requires new thinking and new communication models, processes, resources and technologies to address the spiritual needs of all generations. Our Communication Ministry volunteers work to ensure our parish is reaching as many people as possible in our area. To learn more or assist, you can contact Sr Barbara through the parish office on 9743 1017 or [barbara.bolster@mercy.org.au](mailto:barbara.bolster@mercy.org.au)

## FLOWERS - THANK YOU

Special thanks for the donation of home grown flowers to our Altar Society from Marija Krslovic's garden.

Thank you for sharing your Orange Clivia's from your beautiful garden with us here at St Patrick's.

These defiantly indicate that Spring is here.



## MATHS TUTORING WITH A PARISHIONER

Making math easy for students in years 5-10. If you think tutoring will help your child improve in math, contact parishioner Marco Nagode on 0402 962 159 or marconagode@icloud.com

Marco was awarded First in Math Advanced 2022 at Trinity Grammar School.

## Recently Deceased

Matthew Bentley; Max Quirk; Rosellina Ryan; Susan Evans; Leona Picone; Baby Rose; Merv Cross; Adrian Zulian; Annie Gock; Paul Ardill; Eddie Delahunty; Winnie Chan; Bridget Kennedy; Peter Coyne; Gladys (Gladdie) Northy; Nicola Stivaletta; Otto Petrin; Elvira Grego; Nick Travia; Betty Mayo; Sarah Cuzzner; Tim Brown; Ray Selkirk; Livia Falgiatori; Maria Palmenta ; Brian Curtin; Pat Carey; Gaetano Natoli; Kevin Walker; Susan Price; Andrew & Lynan Scott; Jesus Lopez.

## Anniversaries

Francis Ng; Thomas Guan; Teresa Tan; Swee Bee; Felice Minutilo (1st anniv); Mary Bolster; Peter Bolster; Giovanni Profilio (23rd anniv); Amelia Duggan (9th anniv); Nata Ferraro; Kevin McGettigan 40th anniv); Concetto Raiti (32nd anniv); Oliver Coleman (2nd anniv); Marcia Bendeich (1st anniv); Maureen, John & Mary Xuereb; Joseph Galea; Gianni Michallef; Antonino, Giuseppe & Angelo Di Giglio; Giovanni Tesoriero & Antonino Tesoriero; Angelino Lo Schiavo; Guido Natale (14th anniv); Elivia Grego (1 month anniv); ; Joseph Bezzina (3rd anniv); Doris Casey (33rd anniv); Antonio Mandile.

## Please pray for

Ted & Denise Cramsie; Katrina; Beth; Rosa Andreacchio; Eugenio Alessio; Bianca & Matt; Leon Payne; Betty Flynn; Margaret Barker; Domenic Lopreato; Angelo Ninni; Baby Charlotte Dickson (born 18/6/23); Greg Whitby; Fr David Halstead O.P. ; Marcia Droguett; Maude Chin; Mary Lou Bolster; Emilia; Camilla & William; Robyn; Marie Dulihanty; Dale; Brian; Tony & Vitoria C; Nance Walker; Diane Shore; Renee.

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

*Riddle Answer:* They preferred to stick to EIEIO.

## BINGO

MONDAYS  
AT 10.00AM

ALL WELCOME



## ST PAT'S SINGING GROUP

This group meets every Thursday in the parish hall from 10.15 to 12.00 just for FUN. Just come along on the day.

## THE MAN WALK

Every Wednesday at 6.15am Meet at St Pats Church Mortlake.  
Duration 45-60 minutes

## FRIDAY CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUP

Held on **Fridays in the Parish Hall from 9.15-10.30am** (during school term time). An opportunity for young babies and children aged 0-5 years to play and parents/ guardians to mix and make new contacts.

No booking or donation required. **All welcome**