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34TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR A

BULLETIN



Welcome to St Patrick's Mortlake Parish



Volunteers needed!!

Our events only run smoothly with the help of our volunteers. We are looking for volunteers to help with setup the night before, during the day, during the event and post event for as little or much time as you can give!

★ You don't need to be skilled, just eager to help!
If you would like to help out, please send an email to volunteers@stpatismortlake.org.au.

Thank you in advance!!

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

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

YOUTH MASS 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.

Children's Christmas Liturgy

THURSDAY 14TH DECEMBER 5.30PM
ON THE ST PAT'S PARISH GREEN

Our Annual Children's Christmas Liturgy is a special evening for all to celebrate the meaning of Christmas with our local community.

Enjoy a casual evening of the nativity story come-to-life performed by our parish children and singing of Christmas Carols followed by a parish BBQ.

If your child would like to participate in the event, please complete the form (<https://forms.gle/yCcWcWAK5fF4Co6m7>)
by COB Friday 24th November. Thank you!

Riddle: What question can you never answer yes to?

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 PROPHET EZEKIEL
34:11-12, 15-17

The Lord will rescue his sheep.

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.

As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

PS 22:1-3, 5-6, R. SEE V.1

***(R.) The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want***

1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose. (R.)

2. Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.
He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name. (R.)

3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. (R.)

4. Surely goodness and kindness shall
follow me all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. (R.)

Second Reading

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF ST
PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS

1 COR 15:20-26, 28

***He will hand over the kingdom to God
the Father, so that God may be all in all.***

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the
name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming kingdom of our
father David!

Alleluia!

THANK YOU HANA SMIT FOR THE SALVATION HISTORY TALKS

Thank you to Hana Smit for leading our Salvation History talks. These concluded on Thursday evening of this past week and were very well attended. Hana's tremendous research and study and engaging presentation skills were well received by all. Thank you Hana from an appreciative parish community.

Gospel

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL
ACCORDING TO MATTHEW 25:31-46

**He will take his seat on his throne of glory,
and he will separate men one from another.**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord



PLEASE WELCOME INTO OUR CHURCH FAMILY
THE NEWLY BAPTISED, CONFIRMED & 1ST HOLY
COMMUNICANTS: **ELSIE PODESTA; ROHAN**

**FOGARTY; LACHLAN PARKER;
CLAUDIA PARKER & SELENA VUONG**

KNOW THAT THE LOVE OF JESUS CHRIST
TRANSFORMS OUR LIVES AND THERE IS NOTHING
THAT CANNOT BE SOLVED SO LONG AS WE KEEP
CLOSE TO JESUS.



PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Please come along and join us on
**Wednesday 13th December at 12
Noon** at the Family Brasserie,
Massey Park Golf Club Ian Parade,
Concord for our end of year
celebration. **Tickets are \$50.00
each for a 3 course Meal with
Coffee and Tea.** All enquires to
Anne Manenti 0412 339 212 or
Frances Windon 0410 465 771.

PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Are having their Christmas gathering
1st Dec 12 noon at Breakfast Point
Country Golf Club. if you wish to
attend this function, please contact
Nanette Geoghegan 0411 217 766
ASAP.

AGEING WELL MASTERCLASSES

You are invited to
register for these
enlightening
sessions to help
improve your
wellbeing.



Tuesdays 28 Nov & 5, 12 Dec.

Begins with morning tea at **10.30am**
followed by a presentation at **11am**
in the Parish Hall.

**Please register on 9743 1017 or email
parish@stpatsmortlake.org.au**



**ST PATRICK'S IS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THIS WEEKS
YOUTH MASS.**

ALL THE YOUTH IN OUR PARISH ARE **INVITED TO CELEBRATE
AND JOIN IN PRAYER TOGETHER FOR 6PM MASS**
FOLLOWED BY **GATHERING IN THE
PARISH HALL** TO SHARE A QUICK **PIZZA,**
A **DRINK A CHAT AND TO GET TO KNOW ONE ANOTHER.**
OUR **AIM IS** TO HAVE REGULAR GROUPS OF PEOPLE ATTEND
THESE MASSES SO WE CAN START TO **CREATE A CASUAL**
'ST PATRICKS YOUTH GROUP'.

LOCK IN THE LAST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH AND **LET
OTHERS** WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED **KNOW! BRING ALONG
A FRIEND, A FAMILY MEMBER** - WHETHER THEY ARE OR
AREN'T REGULARS AT ST PATS **EVERYONE IS INVITED! HOPE
TO SEE YOU THERE!**
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Recently Deceased

Sylvia Violi; Maura Rossi; Eric Hufer; Fr David Halstead O.P;
John Demicoli; John Birrell; Mario Gallace; Colin Kerr; Grace
Dao; Eva Zin; Angelo Ninni; Lindsay Nicholl; Luca Biordi;
Maria Verna; Susan Evans; Ray Anthony; 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 Selkrig; Livia Falgiatori; Maria Palmenta ;
Brian Curtin; Pat Carey; Gaetano Natoli.

Anniversaries

Francey Bagala 2nd; Diana Falgiatori 1st; Ian Geoghegan 20th;
Patsy Boggs 2nd; Patricia Reilly 6th; Alvaro Bianchi 21st;
Vassall Family; Connie Piccin 6th; Aldo Guarino 10th; Sam
Ferlauto; Giuseppa & Michele Goffredo; Nancy Buonanova; Sue
Goffredo; Antonio Mandile 22nd; Silvana Criscione 4th; Joseph
Triganza 3rd; Maria & Frank Juranic; Luca Cindric 19th; Kevin
McGettigan; Peter Delahunty 2nd; Giovanna Caldaroni 5th;
Ellen (Nell) Peak 26th; Ron Peak 16; Michael Harfield 27th;
Francesco & Maria Cremona; John Roach 9th; Gaspare &
Assunta Favero 2nd; Antonio Caldaroni 16th; Paul Tosolini
10th; Des Delihunty 40th, Leopold Mytkowski, Ezio Epifania.

Please pray for

Nick Severino; Gillian; Cameron & Damian Sue; Colleen Gibson;
Bill Yeates; Tahira; Ted & Denise Cramsie; Katrina; Beth; Rosa
Andreacchio; Eugenio Alessio; Bianca & Matt; Leon Payne; Betty
Flynn; Margaret Barker; Domenic Lopreato; Greg Whitby; Marcia
Droguett; Maude Chin; Mary Lou Bolster; Emilia; Camilla &
William; Robyn; Marie Dulihanty; Dale; Brian; Tony & Vitoria C;
Nance Walker; Diane Shore; Renee; Rod Jeffrey.

To have your petition included, phone Carmel Moliterno 9736 1718



Christmas Craft Workshop
"Box of Hope"

SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER 10.00AM | PARISH HALL

Come join us for a fun Christmas Craft workshop to make your own Box of Hope filled with origami stars to keep for the season of Advent or to give to a friend or family member who might need a little bit of Hope this Christmas.

All materials will be provided at the workshop.

Hope to see you there!



Riddle Answer: Are you asleep yet?

THANKS TO VINNIES, CATHOLIC CEMETERIES & ALL

We concluded our 'Remembrance Series' of Masses on Wednesday night, hosting some 15 guests from the local Vinnies conference and David's Place in town for Mass on the theme of 'This is Your Home', followed by a meal in the Parish Hall.

It was a lovely evening with a great atmosphere and gave all an opportunity to reflect on those we have loved and are now with God.

Thank you to all who prepared and participated in the Remembrance Masses, especially Sinead Kent & Catholic Cemeteries, the Evangelista family for the music and other musicians, servers, the Social Committee and the Vinnies Conference for supplying the hospitality on the evenings.