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Welcome to St Patrick's Mortlake Parish



Christmas Craft Workshop

"Box of Hope"



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!



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SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

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

WEEKDAY MASSES & SERVICES:

Monday & Saturday 8am Communion Service

Tues to Friday 8am Mass

Please note: The First Friday of the month Mass is at 9.15am

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 PROPHET ISAIAH IS 63:16-17: 64:1. 3-8

Oh that you would tear the heavens apart and come down

You, Lord, yourself are our Father, Our Redeemer is your ancient name. Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways and harden our hearts against fearing you? Return, for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your inheritance. Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down - at your Presence the mountains would melt. No ear has heard, no eye has seen any god but you act like this for those who trust him. You guide those who act with integrity and keep your ways in mind. You were angry when we were sinners; we had long been rebels against you. We were all like men unclean, all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing. We have all withered like leaves and our sins blew us away like the wind. No one invoked your name or roused himself to catch hold of you. For you hid your face from us and gave us up to the power of our sins. And yet, Lord, you are our Father; we the clay, you the potter, we The Word of the Lord are all the work of your hand.

Second Reading

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF ST PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS 1 COR 1:3-9

The revelation we looked for, Christ Jesus our Lord

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace. I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by calling you has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

PS 79:2-3. 15-16. 18-19 R. V.4

(R.) Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be

- 1. O shepherd of Israel, hear us, shine forth from your cherubim throne.
- O Lord, rouse up your might,
- O Lord, come to our help. (R.)
- 2. God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted. (R.)
- 3. May your hand be on the man you have chosen, the man you have given your strength.

And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name. (R.)

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia!

Gospel

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK MK 13:33-37

Stay awake! You never know when the Lord will come.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come.

It is like a man travelling abroad:

he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake.

So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn;

if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep.

And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!'

The Gospel of the Lord



PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Please come along and join us:

Wednesday 13th December 12 Noon

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

AGEING WELL MASTERCLASSES

You are invited to register and to join the last two classes.



Tuesday of 5th & 12th 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



CHRISTMAS LITURGIES & MASSES AT ST PATRICK'S MORTLAKE

Children's Christmas Carols and Nativity Play

(Communion Service) Thursday 14th December at 5.30pm BYO chairs



Christmas Eve Masses

Sunday 24th December: 6.30pm, 8.30pm and Midnight
Weather permitting 6.30pm and 8.30pm celebrated outdoors
BYO chairs



Christmas Day Masses

Monday 25th December: 7.30am, 9am, 10.30am



Recently Deceased

Tony Wilson; Eileen Boland; James Pinterics; 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.

Anniversaries

Bill Posavec 24th; Glenda Rutz 10th; 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

Albert Calleja; 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

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!

THANK YOU TO QBE FOR COMMUNITY DAY

A special thank you to Stephanie Parker and her QBE Workers Compensation Insurance team for their hard work in the parish gardens last Friday as part of their corporate social engagement day. Despite the rain, the team worked away, and our gardens are now looking better than ever with some bright Christmas cheer of colour.

Thank you one and all.

