11 FEBRUARY 2024 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

BULLETIN



Welcome to St Patrick's Mortlake Parish

(Early!) Shrove Tuesday

Come join us for an early celebration with pancakes after the 9am Mass on Sunday 11th February on the Parish Green. A coffee van will also be on site for the morning!

ASH WEDNESDAY, 14 FEBRUARY - MASS TIMES

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 14 February. **Mass times** for Ash Wednesday, with distribution of ashes, are:

- 8am morning Mass
- 7pm evening Mass.

SUPPORT PROJECT COMPASSION

CARITAS AUSTRALIA - LENT- BOXES AVAILABLE

Support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world. With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction. Project Compassion 2024 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and planned giving envelopes available at the church entrances.



FAMILY LITUGURY Sundays 9am

Learn and grow together with Jesus All welcome!

Riddle: I am not alive but seem so, because I dance and breathe with no legs or lungs of my own. What am I?

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.

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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 the month Mass is at 9.15am

First Reading

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF LEVITICUS LV 13:1-2. 44-46

Lepers shall be kept apart

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.'

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

PS 31:1-2. 5. 11. R. V.7

(R.) I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

 Happy the man whose offence is forgiven, whose sin is remitted.
Appy the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile. (R.)

2. But now I have acknowledged my sins; my guilt I did not hide. I said: 'I will confess my offence to the Lord.' And you, Lord, have forgiven the guilt of my sin. (R.)

3. Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord, exult, you just! O come, ring out your joy, all you upright of heart. (R.)

Second Reading

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF ST PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS 1 COR 10:31 – 11:1 Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved.

Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

Gospel

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK MK 1:40-45 The leprosy left him and he was cured.

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

The Gospel of the Lord

BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND

We congratulate and welcome into our community the children of the Marano, Gianetto, McGinn and Takataka - Lea'Aetoa families.

THE CATHOLIC GUY BRUCE DOWNES - LENT 2024

Lent is a time when we can grow closer to God and prepare our hearts for the true meaning of Easter.

Be inspired. Be refreshed. Be renewed!

For 40 days you will receive a short, practical, and inspiring video in your inbox every morning to help you make this Lenten journey more powerful and prayerful.

This program is FREE and you can sign up here: https://BruceDownes.org/Lent

Go to BruceDownes.org for more information.

HAPPY LUNAR NEW YEAR -YEAR OF THE DRAGON

We join in celebrating the Chinese Lunar New Year - Year of the Dragon. Through dance, colour, gifts, prayers for deceased loved ones and lots of good food - may we all have a great year ahead!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT

Stations of the Cross will be prayed every Friday after the 8am Mass during Lent, commencing on Friday 16 February 2024.

ST PATRICK'S MORTLAKE

FAMILY MASSES



We are inviting each house colour from St Patrick's school to attend a **9am** Parish Mass followed by a cuppa & bikkies in the Parish Hall.

USHER - 11 FEBRUARY CHARITY- 18 FEBRUARY WANGAL - 25 FEBRUARY PATRICK - 24 MARCH (PALM SUNDAY)



To volunteer to lead the Service, either as individuals or as a family, please contact Fr Tom on 9743 1017 or thomas.stevens@sydneycatholic.org

PARISH 'Spring Clean'

Saturday, 24th February

We will be having a parish 'Spring Clean' of the church & grounds from

8.30 to 10.30am.

Bring a bucket and some old cloths to help clean.

To offer your services please contact the office on 9743 1017 or email: parish@stpatsmortlake.org.au

YOUTH 6pm MASS - every 4th Sunday of the month

Join us for our monthly youth Mass followed by pizza and drinks in the Parish Hall. **Upcoming Masses: February 25**, March 24, April 28, May 26, June 23.

For more information contact Sinead Kent 0420 653 637 or E: skent00@gmail.com

Recently Deceased

Matilde Briseno; Mary Alice Broadfoot; Fr Kevin Bates; Matilde Briscno; Gino Baldacci; Vincent Wong; Br Charles Evans; Eva Vin; Tracey Apps; Maud Chin; Frank Bova; Brendan Corcoran; Elvira Alessio (Italy); Greg Smith; Anna Donato; Gillian Virginie; John Stevens; Albert Calleja; Kenneth Ooi; Severino Jugovac.

Anniversaries

Riccardo Sommero 23rd; Rory O'Kane 3rd; John Samuel 7th; Angelo & Ersilia Falgiatori, Liam Delahunty 6th; Connor Delahunty Ist; Michael Abdallah; Fiona Rita Garcea 12th; Kristie Gibson 1st; Tony Smith 1st; Maria Prampero 10th; Brad Bolster; John Costigan; Margaret Holahan; Natale Pelle; Charles Curran; Anna Caldariri; Michael Vogt 10th; Gerald Gleeson 6th; Sylvia Violi 1mth; Bjarne Johansen 30th: Anne Breen 5th; Maria Prampero (10yrs); Ezio Epifanio (1yr); Giuseppe, Carmela & Rosario Tuttocuore; Kay Jacobs, Pietro Archetti, Francesco D'ELia;

Please pray for

Marcia Droguett; Rosaria Patamia 89th Birthday & Gaetano Patamia; David & Gaetano Bagnato; Angela; Vicki Garcea; Emilio Garcia Ravize; Emaneul; Ness Wallace; Mary Lou Bolster; Cheryl Costigan; Damian Gleeson; Nick Severino; Cameron & Damian Sue: Colleen Gibson; Bill Yeates; Ted & Denise Cramsie; Katrina; Beth; Rosa Andreacchio: Eugenio Alessio; 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**

INVITATION - WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Friday 1 March - 10.30am at Uniting Church

The World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement, led by Christian women, who call the people of the world together, to meet and pray, at a common service.

The focus of this year's global prayer intentions for the people of Palestine. Our parish hosted this event last year.

The service will be at the Uniting Church, corner of Concord & Wunda Roads, Concord West, on Friday 1 March 2024 at 10am followed by light refreshments.

The 2024 Theme for the prayer gathering is: **"I Beg You -Bear With One Another in Love"** - praying for the welfare and dignity of every individual irrespective of religion, nationality or origin and praying for peace for all. **All welcome.**

Answer: A flame

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MONDAYS AT 10.00AM All enquires please contact Anne Manenti on 0412 339 212

All WELCOME



FRIDAY CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUP

Held on Fridays in the Parish Hall from 9.15-10.30am.

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**

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 MORTLAKE 'MAN WALK'

Every Wednesday morning. Meet at the church at 6.15am for an opportunity to walk and talk. Duration 45-60 minutes walk.