28 APRIL 2024 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B

BULLETIN



Welcome to St Patrick's Mortlake Parish

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS 10.30AM SUNDAY, 5TH MAY

The bi-annual Parish Sacramental Anointing of the Sick will be held during the 10.30am Mass on Sunday, 5 May. The Sacrament is for anyone who is suffering a serious illness: physical, emotional, mental or spiritual. The Sacrament reminds us of our call to wholeness, for wherever there is brokenness, we are to be instruments of Christ's healing touch. **All are welcome, and you are invited to bring family members to pray and support your loved ones who are to receive the anointing.**

SCHOOL BUILDING WORKS

You will note that St Pat's Primary School building works are now underway. This stage will include 4 learning spaces/classrooms that will complete the learning spaces for the school. These classrooms will be built on the top floor, complete with a large open space, similar to the current build, and will join onto the building. It is scheduled for completion in mid August 2025.

A large multi-purpose room which we will use as a beautiful library will be situated at the very ground level. There will be an auditorium and some practice rooms. The "ground level", which for us is the "main playground" will be extended with that space being left empty and creating an undercroft, producing more space on the original site.

It will be a wonderful addition to our beautiful parish school.





BAPTISMS

We welcome into the Church our newly Baptised: Aiden and Leo Arcuri, Lennox Byrnes, Mila, Riley and Roman Cipriani, Aila Romeo, Mack Lahood, Harvey Cambey, Elora Johnston-Palacios, Ilaria Barbieri and Gabriela Tudehope. You are always welcome at St Pats!

Riddle: If a rooster laid a brown egg and a white egg, what kind of chicks would hatch?

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

Reconciliation: Sat. 5.30pm

First Reading

A READING FROM ACTS OF THE APOSTLES ACTS 9:26-31

He explained how the Lord appeared to Saul and spoke to him on his journey.

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

PS 21:26-28. 30-32. R. V.26

(R.) Alleluia!

- 1. My vows I will pay before those who fear him. The poor shall eat and shall have their fill. They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him. May their hearts live for ever and ever! (R.)
- 2. All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord.

all families of the nations worship before him. They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth;

before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. (R.)

3. And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him.

They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to

declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn: 'These things the Lord has done.' (R.)

Second Reading

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF ST JOHN JN 3:18-24

His commandments are these: that we believe and that we love one another.

My children,

our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are the children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence.

whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything.

My dear people,

if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience,

we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him,

we shall receive,

because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants.

His commandments are these:

that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ

and that we love one another as he told us to.

Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;

my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN JN 15:1-8

All who live in me, and I in them, bear much fruit.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I am the true vine,

and my Father is the vinedresser.

Every branch in me that bears no fruit

he cuts away,

and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more.

You are pruned already,

by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.

As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself,

but must remain part of the vine,

neither can you unless you remain in me.

I am the vine.

you are the branches.

Whoever remains in me, with me in him,

bears fruit in plenty;

for cut off from me you can do nothing.

Anyone who does not remain in me

is like a branch that has been thrown away

- he withers:

these branches are collected and thrown on the fire.

and they are burnt.

If you remain in me

and my words remain in you,

you may ask what you will

and you shall get it.

It is to the glory of my Father that you should

bear much fruit,

and then you will be my disciples.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Book now

(strictly limited numbers)

Community Circles together with St Patrick's Parish Baking Mortlake Demonstration

Have you ever wanted to impress family & friends with a homemade baked treat but don't know how to get started? Well this baking demonstration is for you!

Local baking talent Ruth, from Concord Cupcakes, will be sharing her baking tips and recipes with our aspiring bakers on Tuesday 7th May at 10.30am.

The free event has been organised by Community Circles City of Canada Bay and hosted by St Patrick's Parish, Mortlake.

Reservations are limited. Secure your place by contacting:

anna.richardson@touchedbyolivia.com.au

Following the demonstration you will get the chance to enjoy the baked creation with a cuppa! All participants will receive their own recipe card with instructions to bake at home.





Recently Deceased

Sue Stones; Anne Bevan; Benito Amore; Dawn Singleton; Sr Christine Austen; Rodney Rayner; Gregory Scarf; Peter Moloney; Patrick Johnston; Carol McCabe; May Noonan; Stefano Cherchi; Elsa Bressan; Geraldine Conlan; James O'Mahoney; Ava Grace; Maria Rabic; Leila Griffen; Helen Giannetto; Gladys Connor; Tony Napoli; Kathleen Davidson; Rino Da Franco; Rosina Valentino; Bob Rose; Matilde Briseno; Mary Broadfoot; Fr Kevin Bates; Fr Michael Kelly.

Anniversaries

Heather & Declan Hughes; Ante Cindric 10th; Micky Mascarello 3rd; Matthew Speers 4th; Vincenzo Garcea 5th; Bob Gray 1st; Antonio Torino; Sonja Moore; Simon-Peter Kolibac 18th; Patricia Patton; Antonino DiGiglio 21st; Grazia DiGiglio 21st; Angelo LoSchiavo 13th; Francesca LoSchiavo 13th; Joseph Galea 6th; Mary Galea 6th; Giuseppe Cataldi; Sam Ferlauto 37th; Rodolfo Hernandez 2nd; Audrey Vertannes 4th; John Dulihanty; Peter Johansen 7th.

Please pray for

Jenny Barlow; Margaret Cullen; Juan Latour; Ernesta Sculli; John Cullen; Marie Delihanty; Dom; Anne Young; Marcia Droguett; David & Gaetano Bagnato; Angela; Vicki Garcea; Emilio Garcia Ravize; Emaneul; Ness Wallace; Mary Lou Bolster; Cheryl Costigan; Damian Gleeson; Nick Severino; Cameron & Damian Sue; Eugenio Alessio; Nance Walker; Rod Jeffrey; Gordon Albany.

To have your petition included, phone Carmel Moliterno 9736 1718

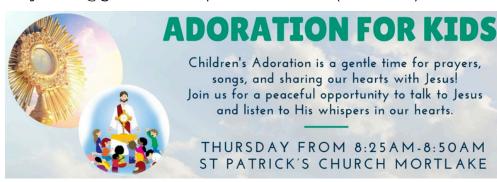
ARE YOU ABLE TO ASSIST AS AN ACOLYTE?

Calling all women and men 16 years and over, to assist as acolytes in the parish. Acolytes assist the priest at the weekend Masses, they prepare the altar and sacred vessels before Mass, assist the priest during the service and assist with the clean up afterwards, and help lead the younger altar servers in their duties.

Training is provided and once trained you can join the roster of acolytes at weekend Masses, choosing the times and Masses which suit you. If interested, please email Kevin Nelson-Smith on kevin.nelson.smith@gmail.com

First Holy Communion Enrolments

There will be **2 Communion dates, Sundays 2 June @ 10.30am** (fully booked) & 9 June @ 10.30am. Families will be contacted prior to sessions commencing in May. To enrol your child or volunteer to lead sessions, contact Bob Mayor mayor2411@gmail.com or phone 9743 1017 (Tues & Fri).



Answer: Roosters don't lay eggs

BINGO

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

All WELCOME



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.

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.

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**