



St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME , YEAR B

1st August 2021

St Christopher's Catholic Church

233 Tower Street Panania NSW 2213

www.stchristopherpanania.org.au

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8am, 9:30am & 5pm

Tuesday: 7pm,

Wednesday-Friday: 9:15am

Saturday: 9am

Exposition & Benediction

Tues: 6-7pm, **Thur:** 5-7pm **Sat:** after 9am Mass

Holy Hour

Friday: 6.15am-7.15 (except school holidays)

Reconciliation

Saturday: 9.30am & 4.45 pm

Baptisms

11am: 1st & 3rd Sundays

Weddings (by appointment)



Gospel Reflection

Who can satisfy human appetites?

Some religions, and even strands of Catholicism, try to suppress appetites in order to achieve some 'out-of-this-world' liberation. But appetites are good things, telling us what we humans need as bodily, social, spiritual beings. They provide a reality check against our tendency to think that salvation is exclusively about the soul.

Our appetites for food and drink, for affection and companionship, for the truth about the Big Picture of our life journey, need to be satisfied or we disintegrate in various ways.

Our Lord Jesus Christ proclaims in today's Gospel that He is the total satisfaction of our deepest human appetites: 'I am the Bread from Heaven which gives life to the world.'

That 'Life' is nothing less than participation in Divine Life, existing in the Big Picture in the way God intended. That is the nourishment offered not to a particular tribe or ethnic group, but to the whole of humanity, indeed to the whole of creation.

We could take a moment to pray for faith to recognise that the bread brought up at the Offertory is truly transformed: no longer short term food like manna in the desert, but 'the Bread of Life', the Real Presence of the One who nourishes our humanity, indeed who gives Life to the world.

Fr Michael Tate

St. Patrick's Catholic Church

294 The River Road Revesby Heights NSW 2212

www.stpatrickrevesbyheights.org.au

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 9am

Tuesday- Friday: 8am,

Healing Mass

7 pm, 1st Friday of the month

Exposition & Benediction

8:30 am - 9am, 1st Friday of the month

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4.45 pm-5:15 pm

Baptisms

10:30am, 4th Sunday of the month

Weddings (by appointment)

Parish Priest

Fr Salas Muttathukattil MSFS

Assistant Priest

Fr Bhaskar Mendam MSFS



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Our quote for the day



Entrance Antiphon

Ps 69:2,6

and holiness of the truth.

***O God, come to my assistance;
O Lord, make haste to help me!***

You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.

*The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Acclamation

Mt 4:4

1st Reading

Ex 16:2-4. 12-15

A reading from the book of Exodus

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our hearts content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.'

'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your hearts content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God.'" And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

*The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.*

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 77:3-4. 23-25. 54. R. v.24*

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

2nd Reading

ph 4:17, 20-24

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to
the Ephesians*

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness

Alleluia, alleluia!

***No one lives on bread alone, but on every word
that comes from the mouth of God.***

Alleluia!

Gospel

Jn 6:1-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat.

Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.'

Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.'

'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered: 'I am the bread of life.

He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.'

*The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*



Communion Antiphon

Wis 16:20

***You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,
endowed with all delights and sweetness in
every taste.***



COVID UPDATE

The NSW Government has announced a new COVID-19 restrictions on churches effective from 27/7/2021

- * All churches across greater Sydney are closed until at least midnight on Friday, 28 August, under a NSW Government lockdown aimed at containing the spread of COVID-19.
- * Funerals may proceed at this time, with a maximum of 10 people in in the congregation.
- * More information is available on the Archdiocesan website below www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-frequently-asked-questions/.

Message from Fr Salas

Dear Parishioners,

I hope that you are all keeping safe and well during this challenging time of lockdown due to the coronavirus pandemic. I know that it must be difficult for many of you as there has not been the opportunity for us to gather as a community to worship the Lord or for you to receive the sacraments. However, know that Fr Bhaskar and I are keeping you in our prayers and are here for you whenever you need. Please do not hesitate to contact the parish at any time if you need assistance. This is a strange period for all of us and there is no harm in reaching out if you may be struggling.

As for the parish, there are few things of which I would like to inform you:

- * **Weekly livestream Mass.** This will be the only livestream to cover all masses over the weekend so please join us virtually to offer your prayers and intentions in unity with the parish. If you cannot join us live at 5:30pm on Saturday, feel free to access the recording any time over the weekend. The link will be made available on our YouTube channel and parish Facebook page of both St Christopher's & St Patrick's). **Please click on the link below to watch the livestream of the mass from St Christopher's (available to access from 5.30pm, Saturday 31 July) - <https://youtu.be/4HuLTJ8kXg4>**
- * **Eucharistic Adoration:** There will be livestreamed eucharistic adoration every Friday at 7pm beginning 30 July 2021 during this lockdown. It will be available on the parish YouTube channel and Facebook page. Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SEdMkuxRst8>. Please join us in praying together for our parish.

Fr Salas - Parish Priest : St Christopher's Panania & St Patrick's Revesby Heights



"MICK" Michael Samuel - RIP

St Christopher's/St Patrick's Parish lost another of its beloved parishioners, Mick Samuel, who died on the 24th July. Mick has been a constant presence at weekday and weekend Masses at both St Christopher's and St Patricks for the last 13 years. He was a beautiful witness of faith, greeted everyone with a smile, and was full of energy up until recent ill health began to take its toll. Mick has been lovingly cared for by his family during his illness which was a great blessing to him. Our love and prayers go out to all of his family and friends at this sad time. He will be greatly missed.



His funeral Mass (held at St Christopher's on Monday August 2nd) is available to watch at this link.

[Mass of Thanksgiving for the Life of "Mick" Michael Samuel](#)

Catholic Weekly

If you would like to continue purchasing a hard copy of the Catholic Weekly during lockdown, you can purchase five issues for \$20 and they will be posted to your house. To arrange purchase please call Rita at the Catholic Weekly on 0405 600 322. Alternatively, you can subscribe to the Catholic Weekly online and access it for free while the lockdown lasts and churches are closed.

Here is the link:

<https://www.catholicweekly.com.au/catholic-weekly-newspaper-online/>

2021 Tax receipts & 2022 Envelopes

Tax receipts are available from the Parish office or phone 97743662 to advise of email address.

2022 envelopes are also available from the Parish office, due to the present situation and are unable to collect your envelope, you can either contribute via website under donation or contact the office to forward a form to contribute with your credit card. Your continued generosity is important to support the wellbeing and maintenance of all services and maintenance of our parishes. Thanking you for your continued support, Fr. Salas.

Donations to the Parish

Donation to the Parish can be made by using Bpoint service on our website :

St Christopher's : www.stchristopherpanania.org.au/

St Patrick's: www.stpatrickrevesbyheights.org.au/

alternatively by scanning the QR code given below.

Thank you for your kind generosity.

**St Christopher's
Parish Panania**

**St Patrick's
Parish Revesby Heights**



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St. Christopher's Church

Parish Pastoral Council

Chairperson: Anne Weeks
 Secretary: Dympna Paterson

Parish Finance Committee

Chairperson: John Tesoriero
 Secretary:

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Jeanette Carroll

St. Patrick's Church

Parish Pastoral Council:

Chairperson: Chris Russell
 Secretary: Pat Nolan

Parish Finance Committee

Chairperson: John Tesoriero
 Secretary: Pat Nolan

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Siobhan Van Den Nieuwenhuizen

Saint of the day

2nd Aug Sts Eusebius of Vercilli & Peter Julian Eymard
 3rd Aug St Dominic
 4th Aug St John Vianney
 5th Aug Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major
 6th Aug The Transfiguration of the Lord
 7th Aug Sts Sixtus II and Companions & St Cajetan



Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Barry Thomas, Anna Nguyen, Mick Samuel, Shaun Smith, Fr Colin Mason, Patricia Togher, Anton Pham, Leonie Rowe

Anniversaries:

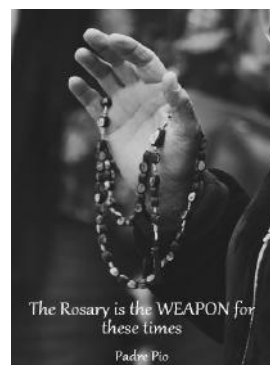
Phillip Elias, John Byron, Maria Thi Doan, William O. & Peter J Hanley

General Intention:

Paul Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

John Foley, Jo Grosvenor, John Esther, Dawn Poole, Jim O'Neill, John Esther, Giuseppe Iacono, Anne Coome, Sira Raveane, Bernadette Lawrance, Helen Dawson, Kerry & Russ, Stephen Sinclair, Chris Burke, Vincent Doan, Marie McLoughlin, Olive Gaynor, Mary Israel, Rudolf Rodriques, Suzanne Moig, Junior Zoran Stojanovski, Pat Tunnicliff, Pat Tindall, Val Edwards



POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE - ST. CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2021

31st Jul/1st Aug	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
<i>Readers:</i>					<i>Communion to the Sick</i>
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>					<i>Counters:</i>
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>					
7th/8th Aug	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
<i>Readers:</i>					<i>Communion to the Sick</i>
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>					<i>Counters:</i>
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>					

POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE - ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2021

	31st Jul/1st Aug		7th/8th Aug	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>				
<i>Readers:</i>				
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>				