



St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes



TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

11th October 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)

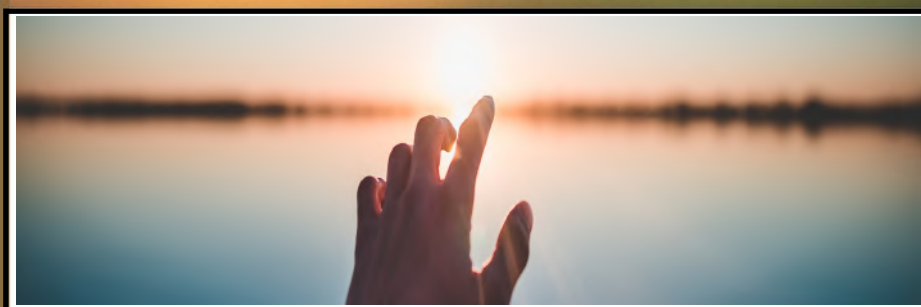
Reconciliation

Saturday: 9.30am & 4.45 pm

Baptisms

11am: 1st & 3rd Sundays

Weddings (by appointment)



Gospel Reflection

The Loving Gaze

The man in this story is described (at the end) as a man of great wealth, so that when Jesus says 'There is one thing you lack', it would have got his attention. But he learnt to his shock that what he lacked was the big-heartedness which would enable him to give up the security and status and power which came with his possessions.

Jesus was not satisfied with the wealthy man's minimalist agenda of keeping the commandments. He is just as dissatisfied with us. We each know what is holding us back from being a wholehearted follower of Jesus Christ. At some stage in our lives, we have known, or know now, or will know, what it is we are hanging onto: the one thing we cannot, will not, give up, the one thing that is so much part of our personality we cannot imagine what it would be like to get rid of it.

There is only one thing that can give you, give me, the courage and trust that is needed. In this Gospel story, and the only time in Mark, it says: 'Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him.' This is not the glare of the critical eye but similar to the gaze of a parent on a newborn child, envisaging and encouraging a beautiful future for that child.

We could take a moment to pray, 'Lord, I know there is something I must give up to enable me to follow you more nearly. Give me the courage which can only come from knowing that you gaze steadily at me and love me.'

Fr Michael Tate

Our quote for the day

*"Where there is greater happiness,
there is greater satisfaction."*

St Francis De Sales



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

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***If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.***

1st Reading

Wis 7:7-11

A reading from the book of Wisdom

I prayed, and understanding was given me;
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;
compared with her, I held riches as nothing.
I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,
for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,
and beside her silver ranks as mud.
I loved her more than health or beauty,
preferred her to the light,
since her radiance never sleeps.
In her company all good things came to me,
at her hands riches not to be numbered.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 89:12-17. R. v.14

***Fill us with your love, O Lord,
and we will sing for joy!***

2nd Reading

Heb 4:12-13

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Mt 5:3

***Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!***

Gospel

Mk 10:17-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth. Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.' Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

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



Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 33:11

***The rich suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.***



COVID UPDATE

- * Our **churches are still closed** and there will be **no public masses until the 80% vaccination threshold is reached.**
- * Churches may be opened for weddings and funerals, and for services restricted to those who are fully vaccinated. Whenever people gather in a place of worship, the **number permitted is according to the 4 sqm rule, and masks must be worn. Covid Check-in is also required** via the Service NSW App or a written record.
- * **If all those present are vaccinated**, the permitted number for weddings and funerals will be 100 (but subject to the 4 sqm rule).
- * **If some of those attending** a funeral or wedding are not vaccinated, then the ceremony must be “small” : maximum 5 at a wedding and 10 at a funeral.
- * More information is available on the Archdiocesan website below www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-frequently-asked-questions/.

Weekend livestream Mass. At 80% fully vaccinated, we will open our churches and ceremonies to everyone, regardless of vaccination status, with covid safe measures in place. The estimated date is 25 October 2021. Until then, please continue to 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 9 October)**

https://youtu.be/ooEkh_IHg1c



St Patrick's & St Christopher's



There will be a working bee to prepare the churches for reopening. It will be held on Saturday 16th Oct at 10.30am. Any volunteers would be much appreciated and they must be fully vaccinated and wear a mask

Happy 40th Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to Tony and Pauline O'Shea for completing wonderful 40 years of togetherness and bliss on 10 October 2021. May God shower you with joy and love for the rest of your life. Happy Anniversary



Annual Rosary Walk, Sat 16 October - CANCELLED

This year Rosary walk will be cancelled . However people all over Australia will be praying a Rosary for blessings our country and for Our Lady's intention. Let us join them in spirit at 2pm in our homes on this day to also pray for each other.

NOVEMBER ALL SOULS MASS

The parish is organising for those parishioners who passed over the last 12 month to contact the parish with details and photos. We intend to have a power point presentation at the Mass. Send information through our email below stcpanania@hotmail.com

AUDITOR REQUIRED

The parish is seeking a current qualified accountant to audit our year end Parish Finance Report. Further information, please contact John Tesoriero 0417224511.



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is upon us!! In light of the restrictions we are still facing (although there is some welcomed light at the end of the tunnel), we have revised the Confirmation Programme as follows -

There is no Parent Preparation Evening this year.

Enrolment - Online enrolments will be opened on the 15th October, 2021. at St Christopher's Church website (<https://www.stchristopherpanania.org.au>)

Zoom Lessons times:

Lesson 1 - Tues 26th / Wed 27th October

Lesson 2 - Tues 2nd / Wed 3rd November

Lesson 3 - Tues 9th / Wed 10th November

Information regarding the Sacrament Mass times will be provided during the lessons.

As further updates come to hand, information will be communicated via the email address you provide when enrolling online. If you have any questions please contact Anne Maree on 0409 034 746

Voice your opposition to euthanasia in NSW

NSW Parliament is set to resume on 12 October and Independent MP Alex Greenwich is likely to table his euthanasia bill that day.

It is critical for parishioners to act now and voice their opposition to the proposed bill.

The anti-euthanasia coalition, HOPE has developed an online tool that will allow you to send an email directly to your state MP and to all members of the NSW Upper House. here: https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/petition_2108_ocp_nsw

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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

11th Oct St John XXIII, pope
 12th Oct St Wilfrid
 13th Oct St Edward the Confessor
 14th Oct St Callistus I, pope
 15th Oct St Teresa of Jesus
 16th Oct Sts Margaret Mary, Hedwig and Gerard Magella



Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Mark Bogoni, Tom Saffioti, Tom Mullane, Therese Cesar, Lucille, Fr James Duck, Tony Boland, Jackie Loczi, Jacob Fraydon.

Anniversaries:

Margaret Nobbs, Clara Young, Tom Byron, Maree O'Neill, Clare Bradley, Anne Wheatley, Antonio & Grazia Mesiti & Baby Grace Mesiti, Henry Byers, Brian O'Shea, George Cure', Anthony Coorey

General Intention:

Jose Quintal, John, Julia, Terrance, Vincent & Jean Hoad, Terrence & Julia Thomas, Bette & Ted Beard, Jenny Lentholm, Jenny & John Kirby, Jim & Helen Tracey, Len Khoury, Tom Coorey & Nassar Bishara, Paul Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

Eric Ellem, Alacoque Welsh, 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

9th/10th Oct	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>Acolytes/Servers:</i>					
16th/17th Oct	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>Acolytes/Servers:</i>					

POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE - ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2021

	9th/10th Oct		16th/17th Oct	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>				
<i>Readers:</i>				
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>				