



St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes



SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

13th February 2022

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)

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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St Christopher's Primary School

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Gospel Reflection

Not a Celestial Joke!

Blessed are the poor? – the hungry? – those who mourn? What is Jesus doing in these Beatitudes?

Jesus was not a 'pie in the sky' dreamer saying: 'You are destitute, hungry now. Don't worry, you will be okay in paradise in the long distant future.' That would be a cruel celestial joke.

Rather, Jesus was setting about the task of creating a new sort of society, the Kingdom of God on earth, in which the destitute, the starving, the weeping, are *blessed* in the sense that they can expect their suffering to be alleviated, companions to be found in their distress.

The Divine imperative is that His followers break out of their comfort zone of plenty of money, full stomachs, much to laugh about. They must enter into the harsh reality of other people's destitute, starving, weeping lives. Woe to them if they do not.

Can Our Lord look into the heart of each one of us living in our comfortable world, and then with confidence turn to that other world and recite the Beatitudes?

We might pause for a moment, recognise that Jesus' credibility is on the line, and pray that His Father's will be done on *earth* as it is in Heaven.

Fr Michael Tate

Quote of the day

"All Prayers and meditations must lead to action."

St Francis De Sales

**Be my protector, O God,
a mighty stronghold to save me.
For you are my rock, my stronghold!
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.**

**Alleluia, alleluia!
Rejoice and be glad;
your reward is great in heaven.
Alleluia!**

1st Reading*Jer 17:5-8*

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The Lord says this:

'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man,
who relies on things of flesh,
whose heart turns from the Lord.
He is like dry scrub in the wastelands:
if good comes, he has no eyes for it,
he settles in the parched places of the wilderness,
a salt land, uninhabited.
'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord,
with the Lord for his hope.
He is like a tree by the waterside
that thrusts its roots to the stream:
when the heat comes it feels no alarm,
its foliage stays green;
it has no worries in a year of drought,
and never ceases to bear fruit.'

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

Responsorial Psalm*Ps 1:1-4. R. Ps 39:5*

Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

2nd Reading*1 Cor 15:12, 16-20*

*A reading from the first letter of St Paul to
the Corinthians*

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people. But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

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Thanks be to God.*

Gospel*Lk 6:17. 20-26*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:

'How happy are you who are poor: yours is the kingdom of God.

Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied.

Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

'Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry.

Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep.

'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Communion Antiphon***Cf. Ps 77:29-30*

**They ate and had their fill,
and what they craved the Lord gave them;
they were not disappointed in what they craved.**

COVID-19 Prayer resources

The Archdiocese of Sydney website has a dedicated page of prayer resources including links to popular podcasts in this time of pandemic. You'll find the webpage at this address:
www.sydneycatholic.org/coronavirus-updates/prayer-resources-for-the-coronavirus-pan



Mission Day

The Parish Renewal Team is hosting a 'Parishes for Mission' day at Revesby parish hall for parishes in the local area. The day includes time to consider the pastoral reality of each parish, the purpose of parishes, current priorities of the parish for living Christ's mission, and identifying steps to strengthen the mission of the parish according to the unique circumstances, gifts and challenges of each parish. Details are: Sat, 26 Feb 2022 Approximately 10 am – 4 pm. Revesby Parish Hall on Beaconsfield Street
If you are interested in attending, please contact the parish office 9774 3662 as soon as possible.

Training Courses

There will be some upcoming Liturgy training courses for Readers, Acolytes and Eucharistic Ministers. They will be held in March in our Parish. If you are interested in attending one of these courses please contact the Parish Office.

Ministry needs

We are in urgent need of extra readers and counters in our Parishes. If you are able to assist in any way, it would be a once a month commitment to the Mass Time you are available for. Please contact the Parish Office to add your name to the roster.

Burning of Palms

A box will be in the foyers of both Church to collect palms from last year to burn and create ashes for Ash Wednesday.

† RIP Rev Paulino Tui Kolio †

It is with sadness that I advise of the death of Fr Paulino Tui Kolio.

Fr Paulino passed away on Friday, 4th February, at Liverpool Hospital. He was 67 years of age.

He was Assistant Priest at both Holsworthy and Moorebank, alongside his ongoing role as Chaplain to the Samoan Community. He also assisted at St Christopher's and St Patrick's with masses on various occasions a few years ago.

Let's continue to pray for the repose of the soul of Fr Paulino and for all the faithful departed.

The Funeral will be at St Joseph's church, Moorebank
Address: 231 Newbridge Rd, Chipping Norton
Date: Wednesday 16/02/2022 at 12pm

Home Visitation

Those who cannot come to Church and wish to receive Holy Communion or a priest to visit, please contact the Parish Office 9774 3662

Archdiocesan Requirements for Volunteers:

In order to make it easier for Volunteers to complete their Safeguarding Induction training, we have arranged to do a presentation here in the Parish for any volunteers who would prefer this. It will be for volunteers at St Patricks and St Christophers and will be held on **Saturday 5th March at 10:00am** in the meeting room at the back of St Christophers church. It will only take about an hour of your time to complete the training. Could you please email: safeguardingstcpanania@gmail.com to notify us if you will be attending. It can also be done online and is very quick and simple. Volunteers have been emailed the link for the details. Or you can participate in a Zoom training session conducted by the Safeguarding Office of the Archdiocese.

Date	Time
Wednesday, 9 March 2022	3.00pm – 4.00pm
Monday, 21 March 2022	4.00pm – 5.00pm
Tuesday, 10 May 2022	9.00am – 10.00am
Monday, 30 May 2022	4.00pm – 5.00pm
Thursday, 9 June 2022	9.00am – 10.00am

Volunteers can simply register for the Zoom Induction Training by calling 9390 5811 or emailing below safeguardingtraining@sydneycatholic.org.

RCIA Team Members Wanted

As the past year has been very challenging, now is an opportune time to rediscover anew the blessed life that God desires for us. This requires us to come to know Him more deeply. Thus we are asking for members of our Parish Community to come and share your faith with others. Embrace all your gifts, no matter what they are and join our RCIA team. We meet every Sunday night after the 5.00pm Mass with our Candidates and Catechumens.

We also ask you to especially pray for our Candidates and Catechumens who will be Baptised this Easter Vigil. They have been doing the course for the last year and we pray that God opens their hearts and minds to His love. Please ring the Parish Office and leave your name and details or see Fr. Salas for more information regarding this Ministry.

RCIA Candidates and Catechumens Course - starting after Easter

Following a challenging 2021, now is a more opportune time than ever to call those outside the Church to discover anew the blessed life that God desires for each of us. We all have family members, friends and acquaintances in our lives who are seeking authentic happiness and a deeper meaning to life, and even we, too, need a renewal in our own hearts to receive those same blessings. Thus we encourage you to invite those you know outside the Church and yourself to this year's parish RCIA program. Please contact the Parish Office and speak to Fr. Salas regarding this Program. May our parish community thrive in knowing and loving Christ anew!

St. Christopher's & St. Patrick's Parish Contacts
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St. Christopher's Church

Parish Pastoral Council

Chairperson: Anne Weeks
 Secretary: Dymrna Paterson

Parish Finance Committee

Chairperson: John Tesoriero
 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

14th Feb Sts Cyril & Methodius
 17th Feb Seven Holy Founders of the Service Order
 18th Feb Blessed Fra Angelico



Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Kevin Byron, John George, Stanislaw Kramarzewski, Peter Tao Vu, Don Williams, Dallas Sterling, Fr Paulino Tui Kolio, Joyce Havard, Cheryl Smith, Connie Cachia, Joyce Sarah, Pierre Karam, Maria Doan, Joseph Doan, Craig Lusby, John Elias, Bernie Kadry, Iva Macan.

Anniversaries:

Allan Baragry, Bob & Oswald Mitchell, Len Khoury, Stephen Cummins, Bruce Lister, Mary Singleton, Angela Cardwell, Fr. Brian Byron, Warren Bruce, Richard Orton,

General Intention:

Simon Tan, Tess Peak, Frank Sherry, Jane Gibson, Fr Michael & Frank, Thomas Mullane, Anna Nhieu, Nora Tabares, Bree Keller, Sue Pascoe, Bev Pond, David Jones, Eddie Obeid, Karen Nix, Paul Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

Jane Zammit, Luke Brady, Owen McLoughlin, Tim Burke, Alma Tahan, Martin Hannagan, Sam Law, Therese Nasser, Denis Kovc, John Esther, Alacoque Welsh, Jo Grosvenor, Dawn Poole, Jim O'Neill, 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

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2022

	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
12th/13th Feb					
<i>Readers:</i>	Ron Woods Sue Bracken	Steve Darcy Carolyn Ford	Mary Chan Pauline O'shea	Rebecca Lee Bridget Weeks	<i>Communion to the Sick</i> Josephine Jones Ann-Maree Darcy Ellen Russell
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Jeanette Carroll Carla Tesoriero	Ann-Maree Darcy Josephine Jones	Norma Verjoustinsky Bernadette Saleme	Volunteer Stephanie Siaosi	
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Volunteer	John Coates	Tony O'Shea	Cheryl Beaver	
					<i>Counters:</i> John Tesoriero Brian Mack
19th/20th Feb					Other Ministries
<i>Readers:</i>	Gabrielle Innes Louse Anderson	Maureen Singleton Natalie Salameh	Lea De Angelis Andrew Mills	Anita & Josie Hanna	<i>Communion to the Sick</i> Terese Jones Gabi Bietresato Norma Coorey
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	David Raish Barbara Tesoriero	Terese Jones Gabi Bietresato	Margaret Yasbek Magdalene Vetter	Volunteer Nazira Hanna	
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	John Tesoriero	Andrew Mills	Ruben Nool	Ryan Romero	
					<i>Counters:</i> Stephanie Siaosi John Tesoriero

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2022

	12th/13th Feb		19th/20th Feb	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Chris	Ray	Chris	Jason
<i>Readers:</i>	Marie Carr Liam Carr	Pat Nolan Dawn Poole	Siobhan V D N Wanieta Young	Lynda Cameron Mary Cameron
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Alison Simler Barbara Sherry	Madeleine Pizzuti Cathy Moussa	Sue Chant Elena Salgueira	May Coorey Joan Jones
<i>Counters:</i>		Elena Salgueira, Charlie H		Maree Carr, Phillip Carr



Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office (02)9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.