



# St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes


**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C**
**6th March 2022**
**St Christopher's Catholic Church**

233 Tower Street Panania NSW 2213

[www.stchristopherpanania.org.au](http://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: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays

**Weddings** (by appointment)

**St. Patrick's Catholic Church**

294 The River Road Revesby Heights NSW 2212

[www.stpatrickrevesbyheights.org.au](http://www.stpatrickrevesbyheights.org.au)
**Mass Times**
**Saturday Vigil:** 5:30pm

**Sunday:** 9am

**Tuesday- Friday:** 8am,

**Healing Mass**

 7 pm, 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month

**Exposition & Benediction**

 7:30 am - 8am, 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month

**Reconciliation**
**Saturday:** 4.45 pm-5:15 pm

**Baptisms**

 10:30am, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month

**Weddings** (by appointment)

**Parish Priest**

Fr Salas Muttathukattil MSFS

**Assistant Priest**

Fr Bhaskar Mendam MSFS



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## Gospel Reflection

### Temptations

After his baptism Jesus was driven by the Holy Spirit into the wilderness where the devil put him to the test. Jesus was offered three shortcuts to his living in harmony with the will of his Heavenly Father.

First, when he was hungry there would be bread out of stones.

Second, when he wanted to change the world he could have absolute political power.

Third, when he needed to take risks, angels would keep him safe.

Our baptism does not insulate us from the same threefold pattern of temptation. Do you find yourself saying:

I want the whole world to change to satisfy me, or

I want to exercise power over others, or

I want to take stupid risks and come out unharmed, or all three!

What must we do when such temptations assail us?

Realise that such temptations are much less powerful than they seem – the last gasp of the vanquished devil. Imitate Jesus in going to the Scriptures, preferably the Gospels, in order to have the words to hurl back at the devil as you are tested.

We could pause to make a Lenten resolution to read a Gospel, and to do so confident of our Baptismal identity as beloved daughters and sons of God.

*Fr Michael Tate*



## Entrance Antiphon

*Cf. Ps 90:15-16* *The Word of the Lord*  
*Thanks be to God.*

***When he calls on me, I will answer him;  
I will deliver him and give him glory,  
I will grant him length of days.***

## 1st Reading

*Dt 26:4-10*

*A reading from the book of Deuteronomy*

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the panner from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement:

"My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord, have given me." You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

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



## Responsorial Psalm

*Ps 90:1-2. 10-15. R. v.15*

***Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.***

## 2nd Reading

*Rom 10:8-13*

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

Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask for his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

## Gospel Acclamation

*Mt 4:4*

***Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!  
No one lives on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes  
from the mouth of God.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!***

## Gospel

*Lk 4:1-13*

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke*

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'

Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says:

You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God', he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says: He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you, and again:

They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.' But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.' Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

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

## Communion Antiphon

*Mt 4:4*

***One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes forth from  
the mouth of God.***





## Training Courses

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

## RCIA NEWS - 6TH MARCH

This weekend we pray for:-

**Hunt Lee, Priscilla Wiraatmadja, Jessica Wiraatmadja, Brandon Wiraatmadja, Vjay Charles, Brydee Coorey and Rui (Ray) Zhang**, who will be presented to the Archbishop of Sydney at St. Mary's Cathedral in the Rite of Election Ceremony. During the Lenten period, they will continue to prepare for their Baptism into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil.

## St Patrick's Day event - Saturday 19th March

All parishioners are cordially invited to our annual St Patrick's Day party. It will be held Saturday 19th March 2022, following the 5.30 pm vigil Mass at the former Education Offices next to the Church. Hot & cold food and drinks will be provided along with music, games, prizes and entertainment. Everything comes free of charge.



So come along and have a great time. And remember be keen and wear **GREEN**.

## HELP REQUIRED—St Patrick's

We are in need of volunteers to clean the church. It usually only takes one hour when convenient for yourself. If Interested please contact parish office 9774 3662.

## Pastoral Parish Council Meeting

**St Patrick's:** 7.30pm Tuesday 8th March in the church meeting room

**St Christopher's:** 7pm Wednesday 9th March in the church meeting room

## Lenten Penance

The Archbishop of Sydney has written his annual Lenten Penance letter. Copies are available in the both churches foyer

### St Christopher's

**Lenten Program :** Each Wednesday during Lent at **7.30pm** in the church meeting room  
**Stations of the Cross:** Every Friday during Lent at **7pm**

### St Patrick's

**Lenten Program :** Each Wednesday during Lent at **9am** in the church meeting room  
**7.30pm** at the Sherry residence ( Barbara 9773 6263)  
**Stations of the Cross :** Every Friday during Lent **after 8am** Mass.

## Congratulations:

Last year the Safeguarding Office of the Archdiocese ran a competition for children inviting them to design emojis to represent different emotions. Congratulations to Lily Boldizar, Lilia Mason-Johnson and Sybella from St Christophers Parish who participated in this competition. You have been awarded a Certificate of Participation which you can collect from the Parish Office.

The Safeguarding Office has created an activity book for young children and has used the winning designs in the booklet. These activity books are available in the Church foyer. There is also a resource book available for Young People to better understand wellbeing. Please feel free to take one.

## Sign an ePetition against Euthanasia Laws in NSW

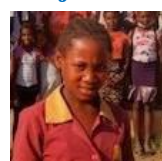
Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP has asked Catholics to support an e-petition launched by Upper House MLC Greg Donnelly opposing proposed euthanasia laws in NSW. A parliamentary committee has recommended that the Legislative Council proceed with consideration of the bill. The unwillingness of the Committee to take a position on the bill means we need to fight even harder to demonstrate your opposition to the proposed laws, sign the e-petition <https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/lc/pages/epetition-details.aspx?apWMtQo6WVdu1NOOVqOtYA>

## Support Caritas Ukraine Appeal

As millions of people are likely to be displaced due to Russia's invasion, your support is more important than ever for the people of Ukraine.

Donate generously to the Caritas Ukraine Appeal: <https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/ukraine-appeal/>  
Or call 1800024413 toll free.  
Donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

## Project Compassion



You can help to improve the lives of children like Anatercia by making a donation through Project Compassion boxes & envelopes, or visiting lent. Caritas.org.au or phoning 1800024413.

## St Vincent de Paul Society NSW - Flood Appeal

Vinnies has launched an appeal to assist flood victims in northern NSW. Due to restricted access to the affected areas Vinnies is unable to take in-kind relief (food, clothing, etc) yet. Persons wishing to help can do so most effectively by donating to the flood relief fund at:

**St Vincent de Paul Society NSW - Flood Appeal** ([vinnies.org.au](http://vinnies.org.au))

## BAPTISM

St Christopher's & St Patrick's Parishes welcome Ava Large who will be baptised this weekend  
Let us keep Ava and her family in our prayers



**St. Christopher's & St. Patrick's Parish Contacts**  
**Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9.00am-3.00pm**  
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**Parish Secretary:** Van Doan  
**Parish Manager:** John Tesoriero  
**Sac. Co-ordinator:** Anne Maree Morris  
**Pastoral Care:** Norma Coorey

**St. Christopher's Church**  
**Parish Pastoral Council**

Chairperson: Anne Weeks  
 Secretary: Dympna 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**

7th Mar Sts Perpetua and Felicity  
 8th Mar St John of God  
 9th Mar St Francis of Rome



*Mass Intentions*

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

**Recently Deceased:**

Emily Nader, Joseph Tran, Silvano Stocco, Teresinha Gnomes da silva, Marie Moylan & Mick Le Breton, Mary Di Bernardo, Barbara Keep, Nancy Biviano, Paul O'Shea, Carol Ellison, James Innis, Stanislaw Kramarzewski, Peter Tao Vu.

**Anniversaries:**

Kathleen & Colin Cross, Dominick & Thelma McDermott, Eric Moon, Yolanda Woods & Anne Sutton, Margaret McLeish, John Moro, Athol Hughes, Baby Lucas Pullinger, Nell Dunstan, Michael, Dominick & Thelma McDermott

**General Intention:**

Martin Hannegan, Mary Grech, Mickalina Azzopardi, Isaac Sandroussi, Sandroussi & Chouaifaity families, Hanna & Mansour families, Paula Bolan, George BuiDang, Jose Quintal, Simon Tan, Thomas Mullane, Paul Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

**The Sick and Infirm:**

Moya Berkley-Campbell, 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**

5th/6th Mar	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
<i>Readers:</i>	Volunteer Chris Tran	John Coates Stephanie Siaoosi	Sam Coorey Volunteer	Julie Nugent Tanya Nguyen	<i>Communion to the Sick</i> Megan Perez Norma Coorey Margaret Yasbek
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Di Hennessy Josephine Jones	Megan Perez Margaret Yasbek	Jacqueline Bull Terese Jones	Gabi Bietresato Rebecca Lee	
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	John Tesoriero	Jon D'astoli	Richard Hurst	Dennis Lister	
					<i>Counters:</i> George Elias Dennis Lister
12th/13th Mar	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
<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> Anne Maree Darcy Josephine Jones Ellen Russell
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Jeanette Carroll Barbara Tesoriero	Ann-Maree Darcy Josephine Jones	Norma Verjoustinsky Bernadette Saleme	Volunteer Stephanie Siaoosi	
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Volunteer	John Coates	Tony O'Shea	Cheryl Beaver	
					<i>Counters:</i> Sylvia Sahyoun Anatasia Sahyoun

**ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2022**

	5th/6th Mar		12th/13th Mar	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Chris	Ray	Chris	Jason
<i>Readers:</i>	Marge Salone Barbara Sherry	Tess Hughes Madeleine Pizzuti	Marie Carr Liam Carr	Pat Nolan Dawn Poole
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Sue Chant Elena Salgueira	May Coorey Joan Jones	Alison Simler Barbara Sherry	Madeleine Pizzuti Cathy Moussa
<i>Counters:</i>		Sue-Ann Burton, Peter Volk		Elena Salgueira, Charlie Howard



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](mailto: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.