



St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes


FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C
27th March 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)


Gospel Reflection

Truth and Reconciliation

For Jews, pigs are ritually unclean, so that living in a pig sty would make this young man unapproachable.

So, imagine the reaction of his Jewish audience when Jesus told the story of the father running to his son and embracing him still stinking of the pig sty, exclaiming, 'You were lost and now you are found.'

That is Jesus' portrayal of his heavenly Father's relationship with us.

Of course, sometimes we are the older brother, resentful that someone seems to have had too easy a time of God's forgiveness. Is this the attitude of many who challenge the emphasis by Pope Francis on Mercy as the core of God's relationship with us?

More often, we are like the younger brother who has strayed to a far off place, sometimes quite deliberately.

We could resolve to approach the Sacrament of Mercy during Lent, knowing that our heavenly Father will run towards us, embracing us, exclaiming, 'You were lost but now you are found.' That is worth a celebration!

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

 7:30 am - 8am, 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 Patrick's Catholic Church Revesby Heights

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Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Is 66:10-11

**Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.
Be joyful, all who were in mourning;
exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.**

1st Reading

Jos 5:9-12

A reading from the book of Joshua

The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you.'

The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morrow of the Passover they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.

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

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 33:2-7. R. v.9

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

2nd Reading

2 Cor 5:17-21

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

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on his reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appealing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Lk 15:18

**Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
I will rise and go to my Father and tell him:
Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.
Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

Gospel

Lk 15:1-3. 11-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father.

'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women – you kill the calf we had been fattening."

'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it is only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

Lk 15: 32

**You must rejoice, my son, for your brother was dead and
has come to life; he was lost and is found.**



St Christopher's & St Patrick's Parish Lenten Retreat Day

DATE: Saturday 2nd April 2022

1st Session begins with 9am Mass- 10.30am

Morning Tea: 10.30am

2nd Session 10.50am – 12.45pm

Lunch Break: 12.45

3rd Session 1.45pm – 3.00pm

LOCATION: St Christopher's Church,
233 Tower St, Panania

All are welcome!

Please note: for catering purposes, when register please indicate whether you will be attending Session 1 or Session 2 or the whole day.

For more information please contact parish office on 9774 3662 or email stcpanania@hotmail.com

HOLY WEEK ROSTER (EASTER) —HELP NEEDED! ST. CHRISTOPHER'S & ST. PATRICK'S

Please sign your name to assist at our Easter masses during Holy Week. See the Roster in the foyer (even if you are already rostered on). We need acolytes, readers, eucharistic ministers, altar servers, welcomers and wardens. This roster need to be finalised by Palm Sunday.

Position Vacant – Ministry/Liturgy Coordinator St Christopher's Panania & St Patrick's Revesby Heights.

The parish Ministry/ Liturgy Coordinator supports Fr Salas, the parish priest, in meeting the pastoral care needs of the parish. If you are a people person and enjoy networking and meeting new people and would like to be involved in the pastoral life of the parish then please contact the parish office for a copy of the position description.

This position is part time for 12 hours per week and the salary is negotiable. This position will involve working on weekends.

Email: stcpanania@hotmail.com

Phone: 9774 3662

Applications close Tuesday, May 10th 2022.

Request from Our Mother Mary



It is most urgent for us to pray the Rosary for our world, especially for the world peace. In all of our Lady's Apparitions she has pleaded with us to pray the Holy Rosary. Please consider taking the statue of our Lady home a week or two to pray with her for your family's intentions and for world peace. The Statue of Mary is available in the Parish Foyer to take home. Please fill in the sheet near the Statue. Delivery of the statue can be arranged if needed. Contact Josephine 0418 405 402

Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations Owen & Angela Waterhouse on their wedding anniversary on Friday 25th March. May God bring them more joy and many more blessings.



St Christopher's

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.

EASTER CEREMONIES

LENEN COMMUNITY RECONCILIATIONS:

St Christopher's: Wednesday 13th April 2022 at 7pm

HOLY THURSDAY MASS - 14th April

St. Christopher's: 7pm

St. Patrick's: 7pm

NO THURSDAY MORNING MASS

GOOD FRIDAY - 15th April

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. Christopher's: 10am (Confessions to follow)

St. Patrick's: 10am (Confessions to follow)

OUR LORD'S PASSION

St. Christopher's: 3pm

St. Patrick's: 3pm

NO SATURDAY MORNING MASS/BENEDICTION

EASTER VIGIL: SATURDAY— 16th April

St. Christopher's: 5.30pm

St. Patrick's: 5.30pm

EASTER: SUNDAY - 17th April

St. Christopher's: 8am, 9.30am & 5pm

St. Patrick's: 9am

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES 2022

Parent Preparation Evening: at St Christopher's church

Reconciliation: Wednesday 11th May at 7.00pm

Holy Communion: Wednesday 3rd August at 7.00pm

Confirmation: Wednesday 12th October at 7.00pm

Celebration of the Sacrament: to be celebrated at St. Christopher's Church.

Reconciliation: Tuesday 21st June - 5.00pm

Wednesday 22nd June - 6.30pm

Holy Communion: Saturday 10th Sept - 5.30pm

Sunday 11th Sept - 9.30am &

11.30am

(St Patrick's church - Sunday 11th Sept - 9.00am

Subject to enrolments)

Confirmation: Sunday 13th November at 11.30am & 2.00pm



Project Compassion

You can help people like Rosalie become leaders in their community by making a donation through Project Compassion boxes and envelopes, visiting lent.Caritas.org.au or phoning 1800024413.



Funeral at St Patrick's Church

For the Late Mrs Jean Porter

11am on Tuesday 29th March 2022

St. Christopher's & St. Patrick's Parish Contacts
Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9.00am-3.00pm
Address: 237 Tower Street, Panania
Phone: (02) 9774 3662

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: Dymrna Paterson

Parish Finance Committee

Chairperson: John Tesoriero
 Parish Safeguarding Officer: Jeanette Carroll

St. Patrick's Church

Parish Pastoral Council:

Chairperson: Roza Bulic
 Secretary: Pat Nolan

Parish Finance Committee

Chairperson: John Tesoriero
 Secretary: Pat Nolan
 Parish Safeguarding Officer: Siobhan Van Den Nieuwenhuizen

BAPTISM

St Christopher's & St Patrick's Parishes welcome Lachlan James who will be baptised this weekend
 Let us keep Lachlan and his family in our prayers



Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Christine Fleming, Debe Assad, Daad Harb, Anthony Hoang, Dominic Doan, Brian Pegrum, Mary Anderson, Jean Porter, Emanuel Dimech, Jennifer Quinn, Moya Berkley (Campbell), Vera Winter, Ray Reynolds, Shirley Burns, Emily Nader, Silvano Stocco, Teresinha Gnomes da Silva, Marie Moylan & Mick Le Breton.

Anniversaries:

Gary O'Shea, Colin Mills, Joseph & Veronica Ritchie and Alf Pandoleon, John Poole, Frank Sherry, Bruce Bradley, Richard Gonsalves.

General Intention:

Dominico, Phero & Phaolo, Jose Quintal, Maria Stevens, Louis & Elizabeth, Mickalina Azzopardi, Paul Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

Kathleen Mulligan, Pat Thomas, Tom Bradley, 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 Rodrigues, Suzanne Moig, Junior Zoran Stojanovski, Pat Tunnickliff, Pat Tindall, Val Edwards

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2022

26th/27th Mar	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
<i>Readers:</i>	Louise Harvey Mary Young	Volunteer George Elias	Volunteer Natalie Salameh	Michelle Ryan Volunteer	<i>Communion to the Sick</i> Magdalene Vetter Anne Maree Darcy Josephine Jones
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Frank O'Brien Renee Taylor	Magdalene Vetter Anne Maree Darcy	Louise Anderson Stephanie Siaoisi	Volunteer Anne Maree Morris	
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Volunteer	Geoff Giltinan	Lisa Kerry	Cheryl Beaver	<i>Counters:</i> Volunteer Brian Mack
2nd/3rd Apr	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	Other Ministries
<i>Readers:</i>	Volunteer Chris Tran	John Coates Stephanie Siaoisi	Natalie Salameh 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 Jeff Giltinan	Jacqueline Bull Terese Jones	Gabi Bietresato Rebecca Lee	
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Volunteer	Jon D'astoli	Richard Hurst	Dennis Lister	<i>Counters:</i> Stephanie Siaoisi George Elias

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2022

	26th/27th Mar		2nd/3rd Apr	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Chris	Ray	Chris	Jason
<i>Readers:</i>	Sean McKenna Garry Solway	Cathy Moussa Roza Bulic	Marge Salone Barbara Sherry	DLS Students
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Alison Simler Barbara Sherry	Madeleine Pizzuti Cathy Moussa	Sue Chant Elena Salgueira	May Coorey Joan Jones
<i>Counters:</i>		Maree Carr, Phillip Carr		Maureen Sherry, Brian Quinn



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.