



St Christopher's & St Patrick's Catholic Parishes



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C

22nd May 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

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



Gospel Reflection

God's home is where the heart is

Some people have the idea that God is awfully remote, dwelling beyond the edge of the cosmos. We make contact by sending a prayer like a long range rocket, hoping it will find its target.

This is far distant from Our Lord's teaching in today's Gospel.

'If anyone loves me and keeps my word, my Father and I *will make our home* with that person.' It is not in outer space, but in *inner* space that Divine Love will make a home.

What turns a house into a home? It is in sitting around a table sharing a meal. So, Jesus created a sacred meal for us and invites us to share in the Heavenly Bread and Spiritual Drink.

When we do so, we find, in the words of St John Paul II, that we 'digest, as it were, the secret of the Resurrection'. We take into ourselves the Real Presence of the Risen Lord who makes his home with us.

Coming to Communion, even after a long time away, satisfies the yearning of the human heart because it is made to be the habitation of Divine Love. We could pause for a moment to reflect on the gracious fact that God chooses to dwell in our hearts. Let us respond wholeheartedly.

Fr Michael Tate

Quote of the day



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Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Is 48:20

**Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;
proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.**

1st Reading

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

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

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 66:2-3, 5-6, 8, R. v.4

O God, let all the nations praise you!

2nd Reading

Rv 21:10-14, 22-23

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious

jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

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Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Acclamation

Jn 14:23

**Alleluia, alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and
we will come to them.
Alleluia!**

Gospel

Jn 14:23-29

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own:

it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

Jn 14:15-16

**If you love me, keep my commandments, says the
Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you
another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.**





RCIA Candidates and Catechumens Course - starting in June 2022

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.

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 or Norma regarding this Program. May our parish community thrive in knowing and loving Christ anew!

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. Phone: 9774 3662

Email: stcpanania@hotmail.com

Scripture Teachers require

Happy Easter to all, hope you embrace the joys of the season.

As we return to Scripture there are some vacancies that need filling.

East Hills K-2, or 3-6, Tuesday 2.15 pm

Panania yr5 or yr6 Wednesday 9.25 am

If interest please contact parish office 9774 3662

Statue of Our Lady:

Would you like to take Our Lady home to pray and receive blessings with your friends and family? Please fill in the sheet near the Statue. Delivery of the statue can be arranged if needed. Contact Josephine 0418 405 402



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



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Children in Year 3 or above who have received the Sacrament of Baptism are invited to make their Reconciliation this year. Once completing Reconciliation they are able to make their Communion in the following term.

Commitment Weekend: 21st/22nd Weekend

Masses

Reconciliation Lessons: Lessons commence the week beginning the 24th May for four consecutive weeks - Zoom lessons: Tues & Wed evenings @ 6.30pm

Celebration of the Sacrament: to be celebrated at St. Christopher's Church. There are 2 sacrament times available: Tuesday 21st June - 5.00pm
Wednesday 22nd June - 7.00pm



St Christopher's school Acting REC

My name is Kim Barbagallo and I have been appointed as Acting REC this year at St Christopher's Primary School, Panania. REC stands for Religious Education Coordinator. As Acting REC,

my responsibility is to be a leader with an active practising commitment to the Catholic Church who models through their personal and professional life, a commitment to the evangelising and educational mission of the Church.

Alongside this very active role, is my deep commitment to the growth and development of the students in my Year 1 class. My background in Catholic Education spans over 20 years of service. I began my teaching career at John the Baptist, Bonnyrigg Heights and have had the good fortune to work across many Diocese in NSW, as well as honing my teaching skills abroad in England for a period of time.

I am a Teacher, a Mum of two young children and a Parishioner of St Christopher's, Panania. In my role as Acting REC, I look forward to further developing the vibrant Prayer, Liturgical and Sacramental life within the school and strengthen our relationship with the Parish and local community.

With Blessings,
Kim Barbagallo

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/>
Donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

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: Roza Bulic
 Secretary: Pat Nolan

Parish Finance Committee

Chairperson: John Tesoriero

Secretary: Pat Nolan

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Siobhan Van Den Nieuwenhuizen

COMING EVENTS

- * Sun 22nd May: 5pm St Christopher's school family Mass - Yr 2
- * 21st/22nd May: Reconciliation Commitment Weekend
- * Sun 24th July: St Christopher's 70th Anniversary Mass and Celebration



Mass Intentions

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

Recently Deceased:

Annie Willis, Sandra Bickle, Pamela Sprinks, Georgina Ashburn, Marie Deeb, Policarpio Caparas Jr, Kathleen Creighton.

Anniversaries:

Rosanna Byron & Toni Cuneo, Martin O'connor, Rosa Hoang & Maria Pham, Bev Pond, Betty Plumb & Dave Young, John Foley, Anthony Bova.

General Intention:

Clarissa Toleafoa & Mathias Toleafoa Pangan (Birthday), Dominico, Maria, Louis, Elizabeth & Toma, Julia, John, Terrnce, Bette & Edward Hoad, Jenny Quinn, Johana Weston, Mary Latham, Jenny Kirby, Jordon & Thomas families, Jose Quintal, Brian Poole, Dulcie Southwell, Paul Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

The Sick and Infirm:

McLoughlin & Gillfeathers families, Geordan Smith, Margaret O'Donnell, Kathleen Mulligan, Tom Bradley, Luke Brady, Owen McLoughlin, Tim Burke, Alma Tahan, Martin Hannagan, Sam Law, Therese Nasser, Denis Kovc, John Esther, Alacoque Welsh, Jim O'Neill, Giuseppe Iacono, Anne Coome, Sira Raveane, Bernadette Lawrance, Kerry & Russ, Stephen Sinclair, Chris Burke, Vincent Doan, Marie McLoughlin, Olive Gaynor, Mary Israel, Rudolf Rodrigues, Suzanne Moig, Junior Zoran Stojanovski, Pat Tunnicliff, Pat Tindall.

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2022

| 21st/22nd May | Sat Vigil: 5.30pm | Sun 8am | Sun 9.30am | Sun 5pm | Other Ministries |
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| <i>Readers:</i> | Louise Harvey Mary Young | George Elias Ron Woods | Gabriela Bietresato Sam Coorey | STC School Students | <i>Communion to the Sick</i> Magdalene Vetter Norma Coorey Josephine Jones |
| <i>Communion Ministers:</i> | Frank O'Brien Renee Taylor | Magdalene Vetter Norma Coorey | Louise Anderson Stephanie Siaso | Anne Maree Morris Volunteer | <i>Counters:</i> Jeanette Carroll Maureen Singleton |
| <i>Acolytes/Servers</i> | John Tesoriero | Geoff Giltinan | Lisa Kerry | Cheryl Beaver | |
| 28th/29th May | Sat Vigil: 5.30pm | Sun 8am | Sun 9.30am | Sun 5pm | Other Ministries |
| <i>Readers:</i> | Alan Tuohy Volunteer | Volunteer George Elias | Michael Dumlao Gabriela Bietresato | Tanya Nguyen Volunteer | <i>Communion to the Sick</i> Magdalene Vetter Norma Coorey |
| <i>Communion Ministers:</i> | Barbara Tesoriero Jeanette Carroll | Magdalene Vetter Norma Coorey | Volunteer Valasi Zimmerman | Volunteer Stephanie Siaso | <i>Counters:</i> George Elias Dennis Lister |
| <i>Acolytes/Servers</i> | John Tesoriero | Volunteer | Tony O'Shea | Ryan Romero | |

ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2022

| | 21st/22nd May | | 28th/29th May | |
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| | Sat Vigil: 5.30pm | Sun: 9am | Sat Vigil: 5.30pm | Sun: 9am |
| <i>Acolytes/Servers:</i> | Chris | Ray | Chris | Kevin |
| <i>Readers:</i> | Siobhan Van Den Nieuwenhuizen Wanieta Young | Lynda Cameron Mary Cameron | Sean McKenna Garry Solway | Cathy Moussa Roza Bulic |
| <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 Howard | | Bill Woods, 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.