



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



**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 24th July 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: 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

### 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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### Parish Office

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### De La Salle College

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## Platinum Jubilee

Congratulations to St. Christopher's Catholic Parish, on 70 years service to the community of Panania.



## Gospel Reflection

### Heaven and Earth can coincide

People often imagine huge distance between Earth and a Heaven beyond the horizon of the universe. But Jesus Christ taught us to pray 'Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven.'

How can this come about? Jesus identified two areas on which we need to focus to help make Heaven and Earth share the same space.

'Give us this day our daily bread.' This petition is very real for most inhabitants of the world – a plea for the necessities of life to stave off real hunger. If we respond to this plea, we can change a Hellish situation to a place where Heaven and Earth coincide.

'Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.' But, first to Shakespeare: 'The quality of Mercy is not strained. It falleth as the gentle rain of Heaven on to the place beneath.'

If we develop a hardness of heart which refuses to show forgiveness, then we are like earth concreted over and are unable to absorb God's forgiveness into our own lives. When we forgive someone, we become more able to absorb the gentle rain of heavenly mercy and forgiveness. So, Heaven and Earth need not be as distant as supposed. Our Lord has shown us how we can help make these dimensions of existence coincide.

We could take a moment to resolve to pray the 'Our Father' by our lives, helping to provide evidence for our acclamation:

'Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Hosts,  
Heaven and Earth are full of your Glory'

Fr Michael Tate

## Entrance Antiphon

*Cf. Ps 67:6-7,36*

***God is in his holy place,  
God who unites those who dwell in his house;  
he himself gives might and strength to his people.***

## 1st Reading

*Gen 18:20-32*

*A reading from the book of Genesis*

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No', he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

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



## Responsorial Psalm

*Ps 137:1-3. 6-8. R. v.3*

***Lord, on the day I called for help,  
you answered me.***

## 2nd Reading

*Col 2:12-14*

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

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him

through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins.

He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

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

## Gospel Acclamation

*Rom 8:15*

***Alleluia, alleluia!***

***You have received the Spirit which makes us God's  
children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father.  
Alleluia!***

## Gospel

*Lk 11:1-13*

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke*

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

"Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come; give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test."

He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!

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

## Communion Antiphon

*Ps 102:2*

***Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and never forget all his benefits.***



## PARISH 70TH JUBILEE - ST CHRISTOPHER'S



This weekend, we celebrate the 70th anniversary of the formation of St. Christopher's Parish. We thank all who have contributed to our Parish community over the last 70 years and we pray and look forward to the next 70 years. We welcome Archbishop Anthony Fisher to our Parish this Sunday as he celebrates our Jubilee Mass at 9:30am on Sunday. All are welcome to join us for the Mass followed by morning tea in the school hall.

## NEW & EXISTING ACOLYTES, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READERS - August 2022

Fr. Salas has arranged for a representative from the Archdiocese to provide training here at St Christopher's/St Patrick's. This opportunity will allow existing Ministers to update their knowledge and training and it will be an excellent opportunity for new people to join us in providing these Ministries for the Parish.

If interested please ring the Parish Office

**Eucharistic Ministers:** 6pm-9pm Wed 3rd & 10th August

**Readers:** 10am – 12pm Saturday 13th & 20th August

**Acolytes:** 6pm - 9pm Wed 17th & 24th August

**Venue:** 300 The River Road, Revesby Heights

## RCIA Candidates and Catechumens Program

We pray for our candidates and catechumens who have now started the program. Please ring the Parish Office 9774 3662 and speak to Fr Salas or Norma if you are interested in joining the program.

## Youth Committee

We are looking for volunteers who would be interested in getting involved in youth ministry within the St. Patrick's and St. Christopher's Parish Communities. If you are interested in being part of our new Youth Committee which will centre around helping to organise youth events within the parish communities and eventually establishing a youth group, please contact Ben via [stcpministry@gmail.com](mailto:stcpministry@gmail.com) or Parish Office: 9774 3662

## Care And Concern

We are looking to revive a Care and Concern team within the St. Christopher's and St. Patrick's Parish communities. This ministry will involve phone calls and visits to those in our community who may be unwell or homebound. Sometimes, all a person needs is a nice phone call, someone to have a cup of tea with or simply to be prayed for and our 'Care and Concern' team will be there to provide this. If you would be interested in joining this ministry, please contact Ben via [stcpministry@gmail.com](mailto:stcpministry@gmail.com) or Parish Office: 9774 3662

If you, or someone you know, is in need of a call, visit or prayer, please complete a Visitation and Prayer Request Form which you will find on the table in the Church foyer and place it in the box provided and the Parish will be in contact.



## SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

**Parent Preparation Evening:  
Thursday 4th August at 7.00pm in  
St. Christopher's Church.** All

parents wishing to have their child to receive the first Holy Communion must attend this evening. Important information regarding the programme will be provided at this meeting.

**Enrolment:** the online enrolment form will be available on the weekend 6th/7th August.

## DEMPSEY MEDAL AWARD 2022

Special congratulations to William Woods, long time parishioner of St. Patrick's Parish who was awarded the Dempsey Medal by Archbishop Anthony Fisher at St. Mary's Cathedral during the 10.30am Mass last Sunday 17th July. We thank William for his continuous service to the Parish.



## CHILDREN CAN HAVE A SAY:

We would love to hear from children and young people in the Parish about what you think the parish could do to make children feel safe. Parents can help children have their say by using the link to complete a questionnaire [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScoMSArxPWohSqacnXcGkGJ3jB2ht-OdDnXMQ6rpYtzOAWsNA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScoMSArxPWohSqacnXcGkGJ3jB2ht-OdDnXMQ6rpYtzOAWsNA/viewform?usp=sf_link)

## THE YOUTH ARE COMING!

We are exploring ways to connect the youth to our parish communities and we want your help! We would like to hear from all children and young people from Year 5 all the way to university on what they want to happen in our community. Please complete this questionnaire: <https://forms.gle/tux6n5ixXLi2SGPy7>. We look forward to hearing your ideas. Any questions or concerns, please contact Ben via [stcpministry@gmail.com](mailto:stcpministry@gmail.com) or Parish Office: 9774 3662

## St Christopher's Panania Playgroup Starting Monday 25th July 2022

Playgroup is open to all families of St Christopher's school and Parish community and provides a great opportunity for playtime, craft and storytelling.



**When** - Monday Mornings 9.30am-10.45am

**Where** -St Christopher's Panania School Hall  
(enter Hall via Eddie Avenue)

**Cost**- Gold coin donation- to cover sandwiches and equipment.

**Contact**- Any questions, please contact  
[marianne.bishara@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:marianne.bishara@syd.catholic.edu.au)



**St. Christopher's & St. Patrick's Parish Contacts**  
**Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 9.00am-3.00pm**  
**Address: 237 Tower Street, Panania**

**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**

Weekend 6th/7th Aug : CWF Appeal



*Mass Intentions*

Let Us Pray for our Parish Community

**Recently Deceased:**

Maureen Kelly, Sr Geraldine Kiss & Gail Higgins, Frances Nugent, Allen Bonning, Louise Peake, Mary Hall.

**Anniversaries:**

John Byron, Michael Samuel, Ted Nash, Shelah Wormleaton, Thelma McDermott, Wences Laus Anthony, Akash Anthony, Maria Doan, Patricia Togher, Phillip Elias, John & Joseph Field, Valerie Donoghue, Rosa Hoang & Joseph Dao, Rosina Bonanno, Cecilia Abela, Bill Hanley

**General Intention:**

Vilma Boruta, Victor Azzopardi, Jose Quintal, Roger Brown, Rob Ellery, Deceased members of Brown, Pereira, D'Souza, Aranjo & Rosario families, Rusty Lopez, Paul Burke, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of Legion of Mary.

**The Sick and Infirm:**

Rosanne Sukkar, Marlene Ronan, Bill & Dina Papadopoulos Alana Boruta, McLoughlin & Gillfeathers families, Geordan Smith, Margaret O'Donnell, Kathleen Mulligan, Tom Bradley, Luke Brady, Marie & 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, Olive Gaynor, Mary Israel, Rudolf Rodrigues, Suzanne Moig, Junior Zoran Stojanovski, Pat Tunnicliff, Pat Tindall.

**ST CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKEND ROSTERS 2022**

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23rd/24th Jul	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	
<i>Readers:</i>	Louise Harvey Mary Young	George Elias Ron Woods	Gabriela Bietresato Sam Coorey	Michelle Ryan Tanya Nguyen	<i>Communion to the Sick</i> Magdalene Vetter Norma Coorey
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Frank O'Brien Renee Taylor	Magdalene Vetter Norma Coorey	Louise Anderson Stephanie Siaoisi	Anne Maree Morris Volunteer	<i>Counters:</i> John Tesoriero Philip Weeks
<i>Acolytes/Servers</i>	John Tesoriero	Geoff Giltinan	Ryan Romero	Cheryl Beaver	<b>Other Ministries</b>
30th/ 31st Jul	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun 8am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 5pm	
<i>Readers:</i>	Alan Tuohy Volunteer	Volunteer George Elias	Michael Dumlao Gabriela Bietresato	Tanya Nguyen Volunteer	<i>Communion to the Sick</i> Magdalene Vetter Ellen Russell Magdalene Vetter
<i>Communion Ministers:</i>	Barbara Tesoriero Jeanette Carroll	Magdalene Vetter Ellen Russell	Volunteer Valasi Zimmerman	Volunteer Stephanie Siaoisi	<i>Counters:</i> John Tesoriero
<i>Acolytes/Servers</i>	John Tesoriero	Jon D'Astoli	Tony O'Shea	Ryan Romero	Brian Mack

**ST PATRICK'S ROSTERS 2022**

	23rd/24th Jul		30th/ 31st Jul	
	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am	Sat Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun: 9am
<i>Acolytes/Servers:</i>	Chris	Kevin	Chris	Ray
<i>Readers:</i>	Sean McKenna Volunteers	Cathy Moussa Roza Bulic	Marge Salone Barbara Sherry	Tess Hughes Madeleine Pizzuti
<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.