

St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta

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31 October 2021 - Thirty-first Sunday (Year B)

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

- ◆ 6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass
- ◆ 7:30am Morning Prayer
- ◆ 8:00am Mass
- ◆ 9:30am Mass
- ◆ 11:00am Solemn Mass *with Cathedral Choir*
- ◆ 6:00pm Mass
- ◆ 6:00pm Youth-led Mass (3rd Sunday)
- ◆ 7:15pm Mass in Arabic

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

- ◆ 6:10am Morning Prayer
- ◆ 6:30am Mass
- ◆ 11:15am Exposition
- ◆ 11:15am Sacrament of Penance (till 12:15pm)
- ◆ Rosary after Angelus at midday
- ◆ 12:30pm Mass

SATURDAY

- ◆ 7:30am Morning Prayer
- ◆ 8:00am Mass
- ◆ 8:30am Sacrament of Penance (till 9:00am)
- ◆ 9:30am Mass in Extraordinary Form
- ◆ 5:00pm Sacrament of Penance (till 5:30pm)

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Mass at 8:00am (No Adoration or Confession)

WEEKLY PRAYER GROUPS

- ◆ Monday 6:30pm—Legion of Mary
- ◆ Tuesday 9:30am—Christian Meditation
- ◆ Tuesday 7:30pm—RCIA
- ◆ Friday 1:00pm—Cenacle Prayers

MONTHLY PRAYER GROUPS

- ◆ Last Tuesday of the month - Novena to Mary, Full of Grace
- ◆ First Friday Devotions: 6:30pm

OTHER CONNECT GROUPS

Playgroup: Wednesdays 9:30am - 11:00am

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'...you must love the Lord your God...'

TO DESCRIBE THE relationship between Jesus and the Scribes and Pharisees as rocky is, quite simply, an understatement. Throughout the course of Christ's ministry, the reader notices their exchanges becoming more and more hostile, eventually leading to Christ's Passion and Death. As such, it is quite strange that the Scribe who converses with Jesus in today's Gospel appears quite positive.

The question posed to Jesus identifies the first principles of discipleship: 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' At this point Jesus has already endured several 'tests' from the Pharisees, all aimed at denouncing the reality of Jesus as the Messiah. Christ answers the Pharisee's question with the 'Shema Israel.' The Shema was, in essence, the mantra of the devout Jew. It was a prayer derived from the sixth chapter of Deuteronomy where Moses reminds the people of their relationship with God: 'The Lord our God is one.' He is the very origin of all that is good. He is the very essence of creation. This reality gives rise to the respect and reverence the Lord is owed: 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your might.' This reality wasn't to remain an idea but implemented throughout the course of a devout Jew's day and instructed to their children. In Jesus's use of the Shema Israel, he makes it clear that first principle of discipleship begins with complete devotion to the Lord. From this springs forth the second commandment: 'You must love your neighbour as yourself.'

Dear friends, what is the significance of Christ's response to the Scribe in our Gospel? At an early age we are taught the very basics of human interaction - treat others with dignity and respect. Whilst this tenet is very important it must be considered within the framework of the first and greatest commandment to love the Lord our God. Why? Without the first the second loses its character. Rather than a desire to treat all with dignity and respect, one chooses whom to treat well. God's call to love is radical; we are called to love our enemies and those who wish us harm. Without a resolute desire to fall in love with God one may never fully live out Christian discipleship. May we seek the intercession of our Blessed Mother, our model and guide, to delve deeper in our relationship with the Lord. In doing so we not only grow closer to the Lord, our hearts expand to love our neighbour with the love of God.

Wishing you a blessed week ahead,

Fr Chris



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SACRAMENTS

Baptisms are celebrated in the Cathedral on most Sundays. Check for exceptions. Family members and guests are requested to be present at the Cathedral at least fifteen minutes before the usual commencement time of 12:30pm.

Weddings are by appointment only.
Contact the Parish Secretary.

First Eucharist and Confirmation

Please contact the Sacramental Coordinator.

HIRING of ROOMS

For hire of Cloister Function rooms, call 8839 8400 or enquiry@stpatscathedral.com.au

Material for Bulletin

If you have something that you would like published in the bulletin, please ensure that it is conveyed to our Parish Secretary, Pat, by **12:00noon on Thursday**. Please note that material must relate to the parish and its mission.

Don't forget that businesses can advertise on the rear page of the bulletin. For further details, please contact Pat Preca by phone on 8839 8412 or email her at secretary@stpatscathedral.com.au

ALL SOULS' DAY

NOVEMBER 2

Join us in praying for
ALL the FAITHFUL DEPARTED

MASS TIMES

6:30AM, 12:30PM,
6:00PM (ST PATRICK'S CEMETERY)
7:30PM



Twitter

Don't forget that St Patrick's Cathedral has a Twitter account. Each day there is a small quote from one of the Mass readings followed by a short reflection tweet - no more than 280 characters! There is also a short biography on saints' feast days and, at present, there are quotes on the Social Justice Statement being tweeted each day. Our Twitter handle is **@StParramatta** or just search for St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta.

Material for distribution and display

Please note that any material intended for display or distribution on the premises, religious or otherwise, must first have the approval of the Dean. Unauthorised material will go to recycling! Thank you.

Assistance in a Time of Need

Seeking assistance: St Vincent De Paul (Vinnies) is taking phone calls regarding assistance requests, the Harris Park Vinnies number is 8861 9757. The Harris Park Hub is closed until further notice due to the current lockdown. **OzHarvest** has a hamper hub in Granville, open Thursdays 11:00am - 2:00pm, located at 3-5 Bridge St, Granville. **Karabi Community Services** have a food bank running Mondays plus Wednesdays (1st/2nd/3rd each month). Karabi is on Darcy Rd, Wentworthville (corner Fyall Avenue), open 9:00am to 4:00pm weekdays. Their phone number is 9631 5428. Please ring prior to attending to confirm food bank opening hours.

Offering assistance: Karabi Community Services at Wentworthville are accepting donations of non-perishable food stuffs plus toiletries and sanitary items, please see above for phone and address details.

Please remember compliance with the NSW COVID public health orders when out in the community at this time.



Euthanasia Legislation

You may have heard that a vote on the euthanasia bill has been postponed till 2022 whilst the legislation goes before a committee. Nonetheless, please contact our State member, Dr Geoff Lee, at parramatta@parliament.nsw.gov.au or phone on 9891 4722 to make your opposition to this bill heard.

Calling for Livestream Volunteers

The Cathedral is seeking volunteers who are IT and social media savvy to assist, at least once a month, in livestreaming the 11:00am Solemn Mass on Sundays. Volunteers will undergo training for a few weeks before being rostered. If this sounds like something you could assist the Cathedral team with, please call the Cathedral Office on 8839 8411.

St Pat's Matters - submissions, please!

Please consider contributing to the next issue of St Pat's Matters. It is hoped we can publish issue 109 in December, so think Christmas-themed articles, for a start. Email your submissions to either Fr Robert or M Polizzi at balmap5@bigpond.com



All Saints' and All Souls' Days

Masses for **All Saints' Day** (Monday 01 November) will be celebrated at the usual weekday Mass times of **6:30am** and **12:30pm**. Masses for **All Souls' Day** (Tuesday 02 November) will be celebrated at **6:30am, 12:30pm, 6:00pm (cemetery)** and **7:30pm** (Solemn Mass with Bishop Vincent). Please note that we will only be livestreaming the 7:30pm Mass on All Souls' Day. Also, the 6:30am Mass on both days will be celebrated in the body of the cathedral, not the chapel.

Gathering before and after 11:00am Mass

The 11:00am Solemn Mass will continue to be livestreamed on Facebook and Youtube, even after Covid restrictions are lifted. Parishioners are respectfully asked to avoid gathering at the conclusion of Mass in the area near the bottom of the aisle between the organ and the choir platform and refrain from engaging in conversation or chat, as this is picked up by the livestream microphones. Thank you.

Return of the St Patrick's Cathedral Choir

Due to a number of continuing Covid restrictions surrounding singing and spacing issues, St Patrick's Cathedral Choir will remain in recess until these are lifted, which is currently scheduled by the NSW Government for 01 December. At that stage (or if restrictions are lifted earlier), the choir will be re-constituted and return to singing at the 11:00am Mass on the Sunday following. For the next couple of weeks, singing at the 11:00am Mass will continue to be led by a cantor.

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) for the parish is scheduled to take place on **Sunday 14 November** after the **11:00am** Mass. The Annual General Report is now available on the parish website and hard copies will be available soon. This ought to give everyone who wishes to come to the AGM sufficient time to digest its contents. **Please note that you need to register to attend the AGM.** Sign-on sheets are available near the doors.

Get vaccinated for the common good

Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Some COVID-19 vaccines are associated with ethically questionable production and research practices, but Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available. More information available online at the following address:

<https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus>



November Masses

As is customary in the Church, throughout the month of November, Masses will be offered for the repose of the souls of deceased members of the parish, relatives and friends. You are able to ask for names to be included in the parish's Book of Remembrance which will be on display throughout November. Please drop an envelope onto the collection plate at Mass, into the parish office, or the postbox outside, **clearly marked** with the name(s) of those you wish to be prayed for. The customary offering is \$20, but this is by no means obligatory.



All Souls Day

Deacon Rod Pirotta - Farewell!

Our farewell for Deacon Rod will take place on **Sunday 14 November** following the Annual General Meeting which is itself to follow the 11:00am Solemn Mass. More details about the event over the next couple of weeks. A sad loss for us!

Parish Picnic

The parish team felt that it would be nice for us to gather as a community for a simple social event sometime soon. To that end, we are asking parishioners to bring a picnic lunch so that we can gather in the cloister after the **11:00am Mass on the Feast of Christ the King, 21 November**. Of course, you don't have to be at that Mass to come to the lunch!

Sacramental Program

The revised sacramental program for 2022 has been drawn up. Registration for the sacrament of Penance will happen this December. More details shortly.



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We pray for our beloved dead....

***Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them...***

Recently Deceased: Henry Lewis, Josephine Fernandes, Manvail & Mary Fernandes, John Fernandes, Orlando Mascarenhas, Lourdes Javier, Edward Olivera, Kathleen McFadden, Mariana Sleiman Harb

Deceased: Maximo Sr Caneda, Lobo D'Souza family, Joan Fonseca, Bill Fleming, Perla Yulo, Justin Palad

Anniversaries: Michael Tran, Maria Nguyen, Maria Tran, Paul Bui, Pedro Sulem-Hauyon, Librado Javier

Perpetuals: Norm Hector, Bokeyar family, David family, Japour family, Paula Loto'aniu, Peter Van Tilburg, Margaret Angela Roberts, Sally & Frank Martlew, Sherwood family, Pat & Jim Hartman, Royan & Andrews families, Don Andrews, Juliet Noronha, Dr Joseph Malouf, Abel Moses, Jimmy, Anna & Frank Grainda, Frank Agostino, Bernadette Melhen and Sally Boujandy, Jack & June Barrett, Ann O'Brien, Watson Lee, Ian & Pat Sanders, Bill & Alice Kendall, Allan Kendall, Maria Patterson & Ellen Bancan, Hooper family, Giuseppina & Giovanni Rechichi, Mary Coady, Mary & Jack White, Vincent & Rebecca Vella, Walter Townsend, Ferris Grugeon, McInherny, White, McWilliam & McGuckin families, Mary Abela, Robert Andrews, Sylvester family, Rogan family, Adcock and McMillan families, Love family, Gabrielle Baker, Paula Cowling, McDermott & Starr families, Repose of the Souls in Purgatory, Deceased Parishioners of St Patrick's and St Monica's

*In
Loving
Memory*



We also pray for...

Sick: Nisaka Goonawardana, Merle Furtado, Baby Fernandes, George Malouf, Sharon Webb, Paul Peters, Rosie Rezek, G Noonan, J Stapleton, Fayma, Fr Kevin Walsh, Ansbert & Maria Fernandez, Lorelei & Gary Sellado

Special Intentions: All Saints, Sidney & Fatima Rodricks, Merle Furtado, Bernard Rodricks, Patrick Newman, Yi Jiek Wong, Sien Yu Phua, Sr Alice Cooke, Sr Helen Cooke, Thomas Mooney, Dulcesima Empuerto, Sien H Phua, Teodulo Sarreal, Juan Cabezas, Jee C Phua, Anne Togado, Josie Dadic, Ajay & Jennifer Furtado, Bernard & Gracie Rodricks, Bernard & Alban Fonseca, David J Sampey, Fatima, Sidney, Rohan, Den Senjak, Francis Rocha, Anthony Brocone, Chad Booc, Nell Gomes, Emerlinda Sarreal, Khush Jilla

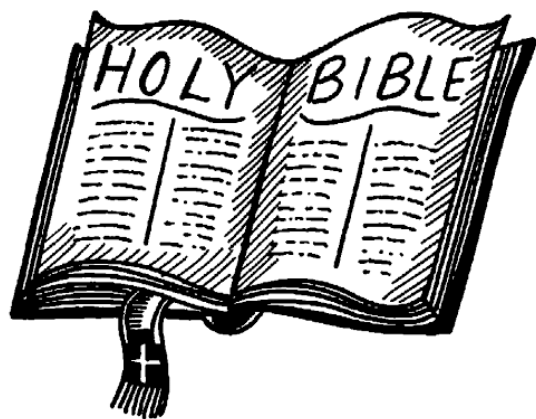


Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November

People Who Suffer from Depression

"We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life."





This Sunday's Readings

Thirty-first Sunday

Deut 6:2-6; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28-34



Next Sunday's Readings

Thirty-second Sunday

1Kg 17:10-16; Heb 9: 24-28; Mk 12:38-44

Saint of the Week

3rd November - St Martin de Porres (1579-1639)

Martin was born in Lima in Peru, the illegitimate son of a Spanish nobleman and a black ex-slave. His mother gave him a Christian education and he became a pharmacist and a nurse. Despite his father's opposition he entered the Dominican Order as a lay brother in 1603 and spent his life working for the sick and the poor. Many people of all ranks would come to him for advice. He had a great devotion to the Holy Eucharist,. He has been named as a patron saint of those of mixed race.



(Information taken from [Universalis](#))

"Quote of the Week"

"If we are rushed for time. Sow time and we will reap time. Go to church and spend a quiet hour in prayer. You will have more time than ever and your work will get done. Sow time with the poor. Sit and listen to them, give them your time lavishly."

Dorothy Day (1897-1980)
Journalist and Social Activist



NEWS FROM ROME



Pope Francis on 27 October: "Today, there are many who still seek religious security rather than the living and true God, focusing on rituals and precepts instead of embracing God's love with their whole being. And this is the temptation of the new fundamentalists, isn't it? Of those who seem to be afraid to make progress, and who regress because they feel more secure: they seek the security of

God and not the God of our security.... This is why Paul asks the Galatians to return to what is essential – to return to God, to the essential, not to the securities of God: to the essential – to the God who gives us life in Christ crucified. He testifies to this in the first person: "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me" (*Gal 2:20*). And towards the end of the Letter, he affirms: "Far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ" (*6:14*).

"If we lose the thread of the spiritual life, if a thousand problems and thoughts assail us, let us heed Paul's advice: let us place ourselves in front of Christ Crucified, let us begin again from Him. Let us take the Crucifix in our hands, holding it close to our heart. Or we can even take some time in adoration before the Eucharist, where Jesus is Bread broken for us, Crucified, Risen, the power of God who pours out his love into our hearts."

~The Wisdom of the Fathers ~

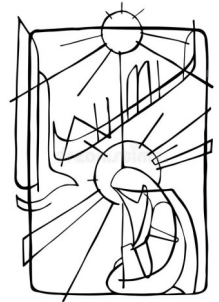
A reading from the treatise of St Athanasius (c.296–373)

“On the Incarnation of the Word”

“The Word himself assumed a body so that he could offer a sacrifice for bodies like his own, and scripture speaks of this in the words: ‘Since the children share in the flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same nature, that through death he might destroy him who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong bondage.’ By the sacrifice of his own body he brought to an end the law directed against us and made a new beginning of life for us, giving us the hope of the resurrection.

“It was through man that death gained power over man; so too I was through the incarnation of God the Word that death was destroyed and life restored...No longer do we die as men condemned, but as men who rise from the dead we wait for the general resurrection of all, which God, whose work and gift it is, will make manifest in his own good time.”

Athanasius was born in Alexandria, Egypt. He fought hard against Arianism, a heresy which taught that Jesus was created by the Father and so subordinate, not equal, with him. Athanasius became Bishop of Alexandria but spent many years in exile because of those opposed to his orthodoxy. He wrote many outstanding works of theology.



BAPTISMS

At this time, we pray for all those families who are seeking to have their children baptised but cannot do so because of the current Covid restrictions.



Please uphold these children and their families in prayer.

WEDDINGS

Let us pray for those who are preparing for marriage...



Claire Martin & Jason Price

Alyssa Onorato & Max Vernon

Rebecca Dadich & Andrew Ferrarelli

DID YOU KNOW...

...that Pope Francis has convoked a Synod for the universal Church?

Pope Francis has made it clear from the outset of his leadership of the Church, that he believes it is in need of reform, both structural and spiritual.

Currently beginning its consultation phase, the Synod will conclude in 2023. A quote from the website reads:

“By walking together, and together reflecting on the journey made, the Church will be able to learn from what it will experience, which processes can help it to live communion, to achieve participation, to open itself to mission.” (www.synod.va)



The Kids' Bulletin

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 31st, 2021

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In today's Gospel reading, one of the scribes asks Jesus what the greatest commandment is. What does Jesus say? Use every second letter to fill in the blanks to find out!

THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT

In today's Gospel reading, one of the scribes asked Jesus what was the most important commandment of God. Jesus told him that the most important rule was to love God with everything- our heart, our soul, our mind and all our strength. The next most important rule is to love others as much as we love ourselves.



God made us to love Him. We will never be really happy unless we do. But if we keep God first in our lives then everything else will happen the way God wants it to. If we love God first, then we can love others the way God asks.

What can you do to keep God first in your life? How about saying a prayer as soon as you wake up in the morning, and last thing before you go to bed at night?



Answer to front page puzzle: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, mind, and strength.
Answer to Greatest Commandment Puzzle: GOD, OTHERS
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The Greatest Commandment Puzzle

Use the words from the list to fill in the blanks and use the letters in boxes to fill in the blanks at the end.

One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked him, "Which is the first of all the commandments?"

Jesus replied, "The first is this:

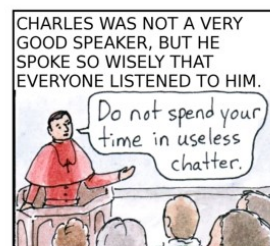
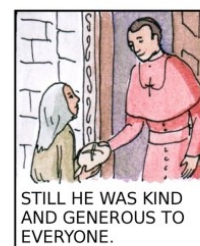
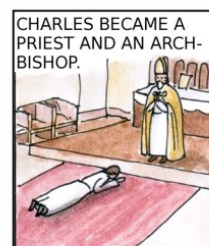
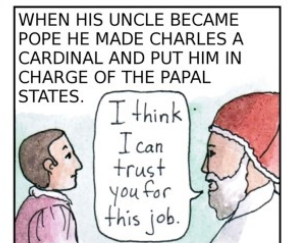
Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is 2 alone! You shall 4 the Lord your God with all your 6, 5 all your soul, with all your 3, and with all your 1. The 9 is this: You shall love 8 neighbor as 7.

**LORD
HEART
YOUR
SECOND
LOVE
YOURSELF
WITH
STRENGTH
MIND**

What is the order of importance of those we must love?



Saint Charles Borromeo November 4



ST. CHARLES WAS AN EXAMPLE TO PEOPLE OF HIS TIME OF HOW EVEN RICH AND IMPORTANT PEOPLE CAN LOVE GOD AND BECOME SAINTS. HE KNEW THAT THE TRUTH AND BEAUTY OF GOD SHOULD COME TO PEOPLE THROUGH THE CHURCH. HOW CAN YOU SHARE THE TRUTH AND BEAUTY OF GOD WITH OTHERS?

Ten things you should know about the NSW Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021

1 Mental illness no barrier

The bill (the "**Greenwich Bill**"), makes it clear that mental illness does not make a person ineligible to access euthanasia or assisted suicide. Treatable mental health conditions such as depression, which are known contributors to the decision to suicide, do not prevent lethal drugs being prescribed or administered.

2 No requirement for psychological or psychiatric referral

There is no requirement for a doctor to refer a patient for psychiatric or psychological assessment or treatment before prescribing them lethal drugs. The last time a bill to legalise euthanasia and assisted suicide was debated in NSW was 2017. That bill (the "2017 Bill") required a qualified psychologist or psychiatrist to examine a patient before the patient was able to be given the means to kill themselves. This has been removed in the Greenwich Bill.

3 No obligation to offer palliative care before deadly drugs

The Greenwich Bill does not require that palliative care first be offered and made available to a patient with a terminal illness. That 2017 Bill required doctors to offer a referral for palliative care that they could accept or decline. Alex Greenwich MP has removed this requirement, meaning a patient seeking end-of-life 'choices' is not given the real choice of palliative care.

4 Doctors can suggest patients should take their own lives

Doctors are allowed to suggest euthanasia and assisted suicide to their patients, something that is prohibited under the Victorian law. Doctors have enormous influence over a patient's end-of-life decisions, and allowing them to suggest a patient end their life puts vulnerable patients at risk of undue influence from inexperienced, incompetent, exhausted or even unscrupulous doctors.

5 Doctors do not need to specialise in a patient's illness

The doctors who certify that a patient is suffering from a terminal illness and is likely to die within six months and who are supposed to provide them with details about potential treatments do not need to be a specialist in the patient's condition. This is another one of the key safeguards that was in the 2017 Bill that has now been removed. The doctors do not need to have any experience in treating a particular condition, but still be permitted to prescribe deadly drugs to someone suffering from that disease.

6 Doctors do not need to meet or physically examine the patient

The doctors approving a patient's request for euthanasia or assisted suicide never have to meet the patient or examine them in person. A doctor can use telehealth to sign off on a request for death.

7 Death can be approved in as little as 5 days

The time between a patient's first and final request for death can be as short as 5 days. This condensed timeframe means that there is no time for serious reflection, for family to be notified, or for palliative care or mental health specialists to have time to step in and consult. In some circumstances (where the patient is expected to die or lose mental capacity within 5 days), the time period can be even shorter.

8 Conscience rights of doctors is not protected

The Greenwich Bill removes conscientious objection rights for doctors, requiring all doctors to provide information to a patient about where they can access euthanasia. It also requires doctors to inform the Voluntary Assisted Dying Review Board every time they conscientiously object to providing euthanasia or assisted suicide. For many doctors who know the scrutiny of health regulators when it comes to those who wish to follow their consciences, this requirement to announce their objection will amount to an implicit threat to their careers.

9 Faith-based institutions must participate

Faith-based aged care facilities cannot opt-out of euthanasia and assisted suicide. Even if staff members do not want to be involved, the facility is required to allow doctors and nurses on to the premises for every stage of the euthanasia process, including allowing them to enter and kill a patient on site. Faith-based hospitals can object to having euthanasia occur on the premises, but must still allow Voluntary Assisted Dying Navigators to consult with patients on site.

10 Offenders protected against prosecution

Under NSW law, crimes like murder or manslaughter can be prosecuted at any time. In the Greenwich Bill, there is a 2-year statute of limitations, which means that once evidence comes to light of foul play, prosecutors only have two years to bring charges. If they don't, then a person can go unpunished for a wrongful euthanasia death.

Please contact your local MP, and ask him to vote against this Bill.

Stuart Ayres

Liberal Party, Member for Penrith

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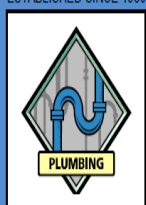
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