

St Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta

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Bishop of Parramatta: Most Rev. Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv DD

13 February 2022 - Sixth Sunday (Year C)

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)

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 12:00 noon
- ◆ 12:30pm Mass

SATURDAY

- ◆ 7:30am Morning Prayer
- ◆ 8:00am Mass
- ◆ 8:30am Sacrament of Penance (till 9:00am)
- ◆ 9:30am Mass (Old Rite)
- ◆ 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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Hello, St Pat's!



MY NAME IS MATTHEW and I have just been appointed as deacon assisting here at St Patrick's Cathedral. I am very grateful to be with you. I hope to get to know you all face-to-face, but for now, here is a little about me.

I was ordained a deacon only one week ago. I come to you fresh out of the oven. I am a transitional deacon, which means that my ordination and my appointment at this parish are part of my training to be a priest. I have spent the last eight years at Holy Spirit Seminary in formation for the priesthood. Serving as a deacon is the latest step in my vocational journey, and, God willing, the next step is ordination to the priesthood.

I have had plenty of contact with the cathedral during my time in the seminary. The seminarians are often called upon to serve here for various important occasions. Over the years, I have had the privilege of meeting many of you already. So, I already feel quite at home at St Pat's!

Some fun facts about myself: I was born in Australia but my family background is Egyptian. I have wanted to be a priest since I was 4-5 years old. I know Fr Chris (the assistant priest) pretty well. Besides spending five years in the seminary with Fr Chris, he and I were at school together: we were in the same grade from Year 2 to Year 12. I love getting into deep discussions about philosophy and theology; I enjoy playing soccer and basketball (though I am not very good at them); and I also enjoy watching movies.

I appreciate the chance to gain personal experience at such a great parish, but my time here is not about me. My main task is service of the community in the name of Christ (under the direction and guidance of the Dean of the Cathedral). So I will be doing all the usual deacon things: assisting at the altar, preaching from the ambo, and visiting those in need. Please feel free to let me know how else I can be of service.

I am looking forward to being with you and I am sure I will learn a lot while I am here. Please keep me in your prayers and, of course, know of my prayers for you.

God bless you,

Deacon Matthew Dimian

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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.

At least six months' notice is necessary.

Contact the Parish Secretary on 8839 8412

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

Sacraments of Initiation

Reconciliation and Eucharist 2022

Please note the dates for sessions of preparation for the sacrament of Reconciliation are as follows. All sessions are a **maximum** of 1½ hours.

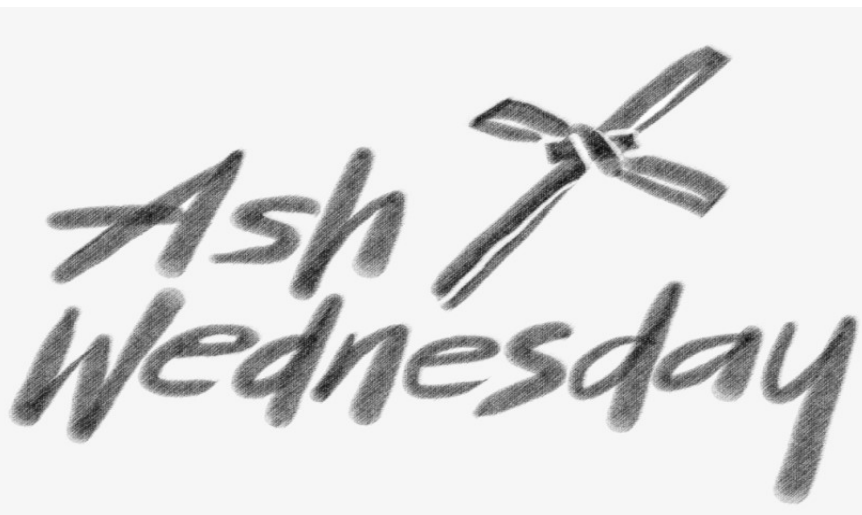
Enrolment Mass: Sunday 06 February within the 9:30am Mass

Sacrament of Penance 1: Tuesday 15 February, 7:30 pm - Parent Session

Sacrament of Penance 2: Saturday 26 February, 4:30 pm - Parent and Children Session

Sacrament of Penance 3: Saturday 12 March, 4:30 pm - Parent and Children Session

Reception of the Sacrament of Penance: Tuesday 15 March, 7:00pm in St Patrick's Cathedral



2ND MARCH

MASSSES AT:

6:30AM, 12:30PM, 7:30PM

National Church Life Survey

Each census year, the National Church Life Survey is conducted in Australia across all Christian churches to ascertain changes in practice and so on. The surveys are anonymous and there are 61 questions, all with tick-a-box responses and so shouldn't take more than 10 minutes or so to complete. The areas covered include many of those examined in the Australian census such as education level, language, country of origin, but also, naturally, areas such as what is valued in the parish, how comfortable you are about speaking of your faith, and so on. Hard copies are available for collection at Mass **this weekend and next weekend**. Please return them **before the end of February**. Boxes will be available for you to return the surveys next weekend. More details on the nature of the survey next weekend.

Lenten Courses

Though Lent begins a little later than usual this year (Ash Wednesday being on 02 March), it will soon be upon us, and so will the opportunity to deepen our faith. More details next week about Lenten groups and the material on offer. If you are interested in leading a group, please contact the parish office.

Face Masks

A polite reminder that face masks are **mandatory** during Mass at this time, at least until the end of February. Unless you have a medical exemption, **you are legally obliged to wear a face mask**. Don't put others' health at risk, nor our ability to remain open, by not doing the right thing. No one enjoys wearing a mask but it is a small sacrifice to make! Thank you.



Cloister Café has reopened

The Cloister Café is now open once again after the 9:30am and 11:00am Masses. However, be prepared! Expect operational procedures to still be affected due to COVID-19 regulations. Tea, coffee etc will be served inside at the counter, but then parishioners are asked to move outside into the Cloister area to enjoy their refreshments. The Hospitality Team look forward to when the café's normal routine can return, but meanwhile hope parishioners will understand the need for caution.

Seminarians at Mass next weekend

The seminarians of our diocese will be at the 11:00am Solemn Mass next Sunday as they prepare for the beginning of the academic year. Please welcome them and continue to pray for them as they journey towards being priests, seeking to serve the faithful in western Sydney and the Blue Mountains.



Counters Needed

We are in need of a few people to volunteer to assist with counting our collections on Monday morning, after the 6:30am Mass. We are hoping to form a new team so that counters will count only every third week. Please contact Fr Robert or the Parish Office if you can help or would like more information.



Synod 2023: Sharing Responsibility

Our Church is all about participation and shared responsibility. How well do we do we balance authority with teamwork and responsibility? How do we encourage lay participation, involvement and leadership?

Have a prayerful conversation with your family, friends or colleagues, and tell Bishop Vincent and Pope Francis what you find!

Online submissions close February 26. Find out more at bit.ly/synod2023.

Call Wendy on 0427 863 149 or email MET@parracatholic.org if you need assistance.

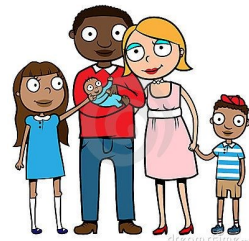
Material for distribution and display

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 straight to recycling, regardless of quantity. Thank you for your cooperation on this matter. *Fr Robert*

World Meeting of Families: 22 – 26 June 2022

Every three years since 1994, the Church has celebrated the World Meeting of Families in a different city of the world. In 2022 the event will be hosted by the

Diocese of Rome with Pope Francis leading special celebrations. However, the Holy Father has also asked that the World Meeting of Families be celebrated concurrently in every diocese of the world in 2022. The idea is for families to gather locally in Parishes and/or Deaneries and explore and celebrate the theme of "Family love: a vocation and a path to holiness". Stay tuned for exciting opportunities to participate with the Diocese of Parramatta in 2022.



Support "Mass for You at Home"

Many people who are isolated, in prison, in hospital or don't have internet rely on Mass for You at Home. The Catholic Mass is broadcast free-to-air each Sunday morning on Channel 10 and WIN at 6:00am. Find out more at www.massforyou.com.au

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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: Chris Kemp, Gloria Fisher, Sammy Falzon, Jaye, Robert Dearie, Elita De Leon, Luisito Bautista, Socorro Angeles, Vijaya Mohan Sawant

Deceased: Y T Hsu, Deanna Hsu, Patrick Burke, Renee Cortera, Josie Mauricio, Josie Mauricio, Florentino Antonio, Marie Alger, Vilna Celesnio, Juan Montesco, Basilisa Mangalit, Marcela Montero, Michael Yacoub

Anniversaries: Bernard & Gracie Rodricks, Watson Lee, Mariyakutty Thayyik, Agapito Antonio, Jean Ladrids, Judy Gallagher, Filomena Borrelli, Antonio Borrelli, Jaime Fajardo, Maximillian Mangalit, Philomena Chanel, Dulcesima Caneda

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



We also pray for...



Sick: Lynette de Kauwe, Sharon Webb, Jela Senjak, Nicole Slatter, Liz Koh, Francisca Olay, Sr Genny Walsh rsc, Flor Ocampo, Ezekiel Fernandes, John McDermott, Sebastian Bugo, Pedro Romulo, Marina Esguerra, Radhika Lal, Nisaka Goonawardana, Merle Furtado

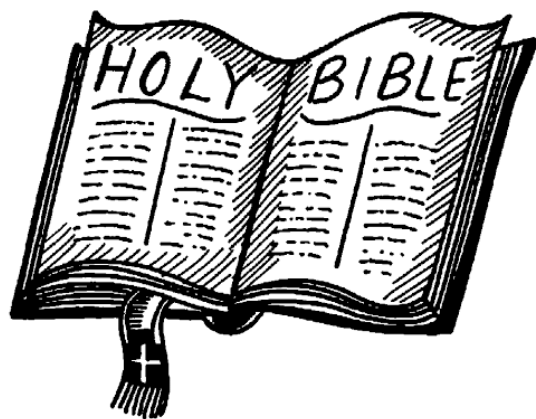
Special Intentions: Bernard Kirkpatrick, Jacob Gonzales, Pedro & Sheila Romulo, Bradley & Stefani, Merle Furtado, Tian, Naleen & Raveen, BVM thanks, Stacey Grant, Senjak (mult. int), Flavia D'Souza, Tian Priyamanna, Sidney & Fatima Rodricks, Merle Furtado, Bernard Rodricks, Yi Jiek Wong, Sien Yu Phua, 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, Fatima, Sidney, Rohan, Khush Jilla

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February

Religious Sisters and Consecrated Women

"We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times."





This Sunday's Readings

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 17:5-8; 1 Cor 15:12,16-20; Lk 6:17,20-26

Next Sunday's Readings

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sam 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

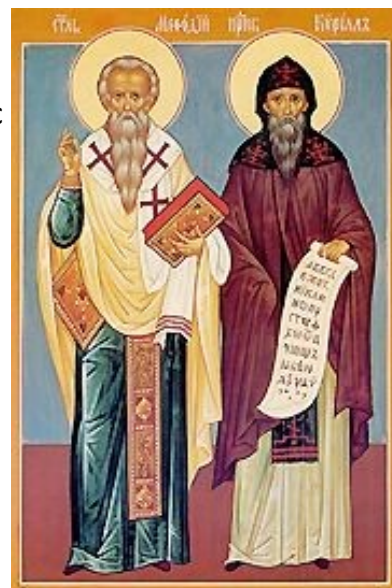
Saints of the Week

14th February - Sts Cyril (826-885), Monk, and Methodius (827-869), Bishop

Methodius was born in Thessalonica in about 826. With his brother Cyril he went to Moravia to preach the faith. They translated liturgical texts into the Slavonic language and invented the Glagolitic and possible also the Cyrillic alphabet. After his brother's death in Rome in 869 Methodius went to Pannonia (present-day western Hungary), where he was assiduous in the work of evangelisation. In the complicated international politics of the time he suffered much from attacks by his enemies, but he was always supported by the Popes. He died on 06 April 885.

Cyril was born in Thessalonica in about 827 and was educated in Constantinople. He and Methodius were called back to Rome, where Cyril died on 14 February 869.

(Information taken from [Universalis](#))



"Quote of the Week"

"If through one man's life there is a little more love and kindness, a little more light and truth in the world, then he will not have lived in vain."



Fr Alfred Delp

(1907-1945)

German Jesuit priest

Final message to his friends before his execution by the Nazis.

NEWS FROM...ROME



Extract from the message of Pope Francis on the occasion of the 8th International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking: 'Saint Bakhita shows us the way of transformation. Her life tells us that change is possible when one lets oneself be transformed by God's care for each one of us. It is the care of mercy – it is the care of love that changes us deeply and makes us able to welcome others as brothers and sisters. Recognizing the dignity of each person is the first act of care, it is the first act of care! Recognizing dignity. And taking care of others is good for all, for those who give and those who receive, because it is not a unidirectional action, but rather it generates reciprocity. God took care of Josephine Bakhita; he accompanied her in the process of healing the wounds caused by slavery, until her heart, mind and inner self became capable of reconciliation, freedom and tenderness.'

Visits to the Sick...

One of the many ministries we are called to is to visit the sick. This is an important ministry as it helps those who are unwell and unable to receive the sacraments in church to know that they are not forgotten by the parish or by God. If you know of someone who is unable to get to Mass, and would like a visit to receive the sacraments or even just a chat, please let one of the clergy know or contact the parish office.



BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Catholic Christian family, the Body of Christ, these children who have been recently baptised...



Mila del Rosario
Zachary Yuen
Tyler Alonzo

Please uphold these children and their families in prayer.

WEDDINGS

Let us pray for those who are preparing for marriage, will shortly be married or have just married...



Luke Rinn & Katia Rossi
Samer Habibeh & Jessica Bucca
Hayden Sammut & Megan Sutton
Lachlan Fleming & Natalie Takchi

DID YOU KNOW...

...that Catholics are obliged to receive holy communion only once a year?

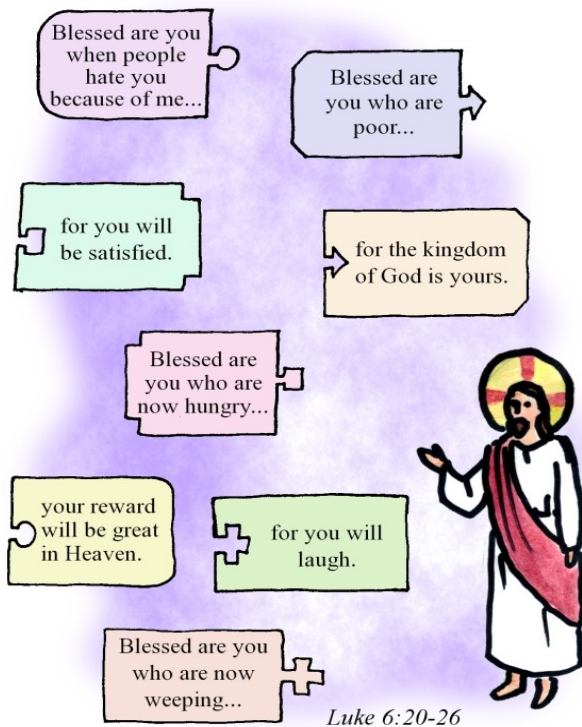
Of course, more frequent reception of communion is highly encouraged, but though Catholics have an obligation to attend Mass every Sunday (unless they are exempt because of illness or caring for someone who is ill etc.) they are not obliged to receive communion each week. In Australia and New Zealand, Catholics are obliged to receive communion once per year, between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday, which falls on the Sunday after Pentecost Sunday.



The Kids' Bulletin

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 13th, 2022

Can you match up the pieces in this puzzle?



Hidden Blessings

AAA!
I'M SO
HUNGRY!



In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells us that people who are poor, hungry, or sad are blessed! Do they sound blessed to you?

Bad things that happen to us have hidden blessings in them. If you are poor then your family and friends are more important to you than money and things. If you are hungry then you appreciate food more. If you are sad then sometimes it's easier to remember to pray.

But things that seem bad have another hidden blessing in them- when you are suffering, you can give your sadness or hurt to Jesus. Tell Him you are offering it up along with Him on the cross. He will give you grace to make your soul stronger. You can offer things up for other people too, and God will use your gift to help them!

Next time you feel unhappy about something, try to find the hidden blessing!

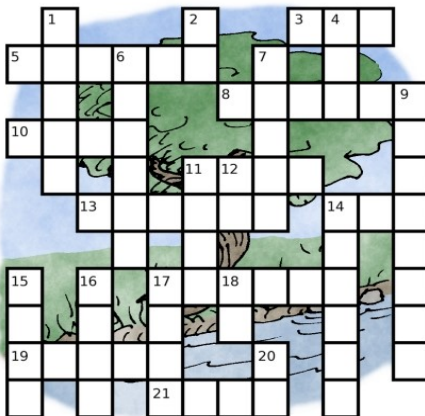
JESUS,
I OFFER
THIS UP
TO
YOU!



Answers to Cross-Word puzzle:
Across: 3 who 5 trusts 8 cursed 10 year 11 that 13 barren 14 but 17 beings 19 roots 21 heat
Down: 1 green 2 is 4 his 6 stream 7 human 9 distress 11 tree 12 he 14 beside 15 Lord 16 from 17 bush 18 in 20 at

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Trust in the Lord Cross-Word



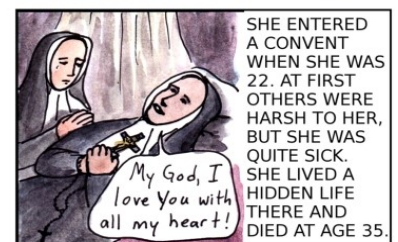
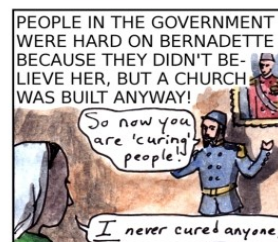
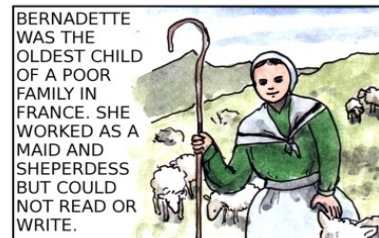
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Here is today's first reading, from Jeremiah.
Fill in the blanks using the words from the list and fit them into the puzzle.

Thus says the Lord:

8a is the one who trusts in 7d 17a,
3a seeks 4d strength 18d flesh,
whose heart turns away 16d the Lord.
12d is like a 13a 17d in the desert
11a enjoys no change of season,
14a stands in a lava waste, a salt and empty earth.
Blessed is the one who 5a in the Lord,
whose hope is the 15d.
He 2d like a 11d planted 14d the waters that
stretches out its 19a to the 6d:
it fears not the 21a when 20d comes; its leaves stay 1d;
in the 10a of drought it shows no 9d,
but still bears fruit.

Saint Bernadette Soubirous February 18



BECAUSE BERNADETTE WAS HONEST, SHE WAS ABLE TO BRING OUR LADY'S MESSAGES TO THE WORLD. THROUGH HER OUR BLESSED MOTHER TOLD THE WORLD THAT SHE WAS THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION-THAT SHE NEVER HAD ORIGINAL SIN. ARE YOU HONEST ENOUGH TO SHARE THE TRUTH ABOUT GOD?

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