



ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

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

16 June 2024 - Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (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

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

6:10am Morning Prayer
6:30am Mass
11:15am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
11:15am Reconciliation (till 12:15pm)
Rosary after Angelus at 12:00 noon
12:30pm Mass

SATURDAY

7:30am Morning Prayer
8:00am Mass
8:30am Reconciliation (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

Tuesday 9:30am - Christian Meditation
Tuesday 6:30pm - Legion of Mary
Tuesday 7:30pm - RCIA (September - April)
Friday 1:00pm - Cenacle Prayers

MONTHLY PRAYER

First Friday Devotions: 6:30pm

OTHER GROUPS

Playgroup: Wednesdays 10:00am - 12:00pm
Facebook: Parramatta St Pat's Playgroup

Credo Youth Ministries

Contact the office or find information on
Facebook: credo.stpats
Email: credo@stpatscathedral.com.au

We all have Gifts...

SPECIFIC TASKS are given to each of us in order that we might contribute to the building up of the Kingdom of God. Not everyone is given to preaching or teaching, that more visible work of evangelisation. Many times, the contribution that is given to us to make is something small or ordinary. Perhaps it's the responsibilities we have to our family or our work. Each of our stories are different and require of us something different with respect to the actual contribution we are called to make. But it is important to recognise, and to live with the intent that in every aspect of our life, we are called to this work of building up God's kingdom.



The readings for this Sunday raise the question, how does it work? How exactly does the Kingdom of God emerge and grow and come to completion? Firstly, the Psalmist cries out in our entrance antiphon, "O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help," and in the collect we pray, "O God...since without you mortal frailty can do nothing, grant us always the help of your grace." Prayer is the essential foundation. Without prayer, all our efforts to do good and to fulfil our vocation come to nought. In prayer, we put down our tools, we lay aside the contribution we're asked to make, and we humble ourselves before the Giver of every good gift, recognising that it is his work in which we have a share. God doesn't want to redeem the world without us, but if we don't prioritise prayer, then the temptation emerges to make the work that I have been given, mine, my own. But as the reading from Ezekiel makes quite clear, the work is God's, not ours. "I will take a shoot and plant it myself...I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel...I the Lord have spoken, and I will do it." Even though we are obedient to his call and actually do the thing that we're asked, it is his work, and he works through us. I am merely the brush in the hand of the painter.

In the parable that Jesus speaks, the sower of the seed doesn't know how the growth of the seed happens, but that, "of its own accord the land produces." And so secondly, we can see that God's Kingdom grows and takes effect in the world because the grace that is given is given for the world. The world is primed and ready, as it were, for what God wants to give it. Our human nature wants what God has, and so whenever grace enters into our life, we grow seemingly "of our own accord." This gives us confidence, that when we make our little contribution, when we scatter the seeds that we are given to scatter, that God will do the rest, that what is being scattered will have the desired effect, somehow, at some point, because it's the right ingredient.

So my brothers and sisters, the Lord encourages us this week to realise that in everything, we are called to be his instruments, and that we can be faithful with confidence, knowing that God's grace is given to a world which needs it, which thirsts for it, and which will take to it, should we be faithful.

Wishing you a blessed week ahead,

Fr Tom



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THE BULLETIN

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SACRAMENTS

Baptisms are celebrated in the Cathedral on most Sundays. Contact the parish office to book or fill out the form on the website.

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 Parish Secretary.

Hiring of Rooms

For hire of Cloister Function rooms, call the office on 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 too!



First Holy Communion Celebration

Last weekend, we joyfully celebrated with the remaining 13 children from our parish who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion at the 9:30 AM Mass. These children are part of the group of 40 who have been diligently preparing for this special sacrament.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the children and their families for their dedication to attending formation sessions and spiritually preparing for this significant day. Congratulations to all of you!

May this Holy Communion be the beginning of a lifelong relationship with Christ. We encourage you to continue attending Mass regularly, allowing yourselves to be continually nourished by the Holy Eucharist.

Let us all keep these children in our prayers as they take this important step in their faith journey.

The next step...

Sacraments of Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation is a significant milestone in the Catholic faith, marking the strengthening of the Holy Spirit received at Baptism. It deepens the grace of Baptism, binds the recipient more closely to the Church, and endows them with the courage and strength to spread and defend their faith.

Children aged 10 years or older who have made their Reconciliation and First Eucharist are invited to prepare for this important sacrament. There is no maximum age for children baptised as infants to complete their initiation into our Faith Community.

Registration for the preparation program will open on our website on 17 June.

Formation sessions will begin on 23 July and continue through 31 August.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Saturday, 7 September 2024.

Attendance at all sessions is compulsory.

We look forward to journeying with you and your children as they take this significant step in their faith.



PARISH NOTICES

A note from the Hospitality Coordinator

Morning tea will resume TODAY.

We appreciate your understanding over the closure for the last couple of weeks but now look forward to catching up and sharing fellowship with you again.

Make sure you stop by.

Thank you for your continued support and participation in our parish community.

Memorial Mass for Tom Scicluna

We will be holding a Memorial Mass for Tom Scicluna on Monday, 17 June at 10:00 am, to honor and celebrate his life. Tom, a beloved member of our community, was a regular at the 9:30 am Sunday Mass, where he often assisted with the collections. His friendly presence and habitual seat will be missed by all who knew him.

Tom was cremated two weeks ago in a simple graveside ceremony arranged by the hospital staff. We would like to now accord him a proper Catholic Memorial Mass.

Please join us in bidding farewell to Tom and offering our prayers for his eternal rest.

Seeking Submissions for St Pat's Matters

The next issue is due out in late July/early August
Editor's wish list of contributions:

Ministry: If you serve in any of St Pat's many ministries consider sharing how, when and why you took on the role.
Parishioners: whether longstanding or new, why not submit a brief profile and photo to 'introduce' yourselves to the wider parish family.

Faith Matters: God's presence in the lives of you and family.

RCIA: Always keen to receive stories from anyone who is journeying to the Catholic Faith.

First Eucharist: (2nd & 9th June) is an important sacramental milestone in every Catholic's life. Children and parents we invite you to write about your experience in our parish magazine

Archival Matters: Articles/photos pertaining to the history of the priests, people and events of our remarkable parish welcomed.

Email submissions to M. Polizzi - balmap5@bigpond.com or leave at the parish office marked for St Pat's Matters.

Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal - Thank You

Last weekend we held the appeal for Project Elizabeth.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt thanks for the support you have shown this cause.

The journey of motherhood is not easy: made even more difficult by the demands of providing for a family amidst rising costs of living. These challenges can leave our mothers and children increasingly vulnerable and at risk of not achieving their full potential.

Your tax-deductible donation will help Catholic Care's Project Elizabeth support mums in need of pregnancy and parenting support and provide practical assistance and emotional comfort. If you still wish to donate you may use the envelopes in church or use the QR code.

All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

Mass with Cardinal Giorgio Marengo & Bishop Vincent

followed by a meet and greet.

Date: Saturday 22 June 2024

Time: 6 PM

Where: St. Patrick's Cathedral, Parramatta

Catholic Mission and the Diocese of Parramatta are pleased to announce that Cardinal Marengo IMC will be celebrating Mass with Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv followed by the opportunity to meet the Cardinal over some light refreshments, where you can hear more about his mission in Mongolia.

A second collection will be taken up at the 6pm Mass for Catholic Mission.

The event in the hall is free to attend, however registration is essential. Please register here via <https://parracatholic.org/cardinalmarengo>

Friends of St Patrick's Cemetery

You are all invited to attend our next meeting to be held at: St Patrick's Cloister Cafe @ 7pm on Tuesday 18th June. Here you can choose to remain an observer or maybe try your hand at becoming an integral part of the team. No pressure, we would just love to have you join us.
Paul Carson, Secretary Friends of St Patrick's Cemetery

Parramatta Men's Rosary 2024

Witness and pray with us on the first Saturday of each month.

Time: 10:30am

Venue: Prince Alfred Square, Parramatta
(opposite the Cathedral on Marist Place)

Next rosary date: 6 July

Gift Shop - End of Year Sale

Sunday, 9 June to Sunday, 30 June

Take advantage of our End of Year Sale at the gift shop! Enjoy discounts of up to 50% on clearance items. Additionally, all full-priced items, including Bibles, missals, rosaries, medals, and more, are available at a 10% discount.

Hurry in before it's too late to grab the best deals while they last!



St. Patrick's Cathedral Parish
Bishop's Good Samaritan Appeal

<https://www.parracatholic.org/2024/06/09/>

PARISH & DIOCESAN NOTICES

ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL PARISH APP

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CATHEDRAL APP

TOWARDS LAUNCH DATE - SUNDAY 30 JUNE

Did You Receive the Bulletin via Email This Weekend?

As mentioned previously, we are now distributing the bulletin and liturgy guide via ParishStaq to your email. These emails are sent to all parishioners who have provided their email addresses and are recorded in our database. If you received the bulletin by email and prefer not to receive it in the future, you can easily **unsubscribe**.

We appreciate your patience as we navigate any initial challenges during this transition. Rest assured, we are committed to resolving any issues promptly.

If you are registered as a family in our parish database, you might have received the email more than once, or multiple family members may have received it. If you wish to avoid duplicate emails or prefer that only one family member receives the bulletin, please use the unsubscribe link in the email.

Didn't receive the bulletin? Contact the parish office to subscribe.

App Walkthrough

Join us for walkthrough sessions to get familiarised with what the App can do. All training sessions will be held in the Cloister Cafe at the following times:

- Monday, June 17: 9.45am - 10:00am (Mass Volunteers)
- Monday, June 17: 7:00pm - 8:30pm (Mass volunteers)
- Wednesday, June 26: 2:00pm - 3.30pm
- Wednesday, June 26: 7pm - 8:30pm
- Monday, July 1: 10:00am - 11:00am

We prefer to have smaller groups for these sessions to ensure that everyone receives personalised attention and can have their questions answered effectively.

Please register with the parish office if you plan to attend. If possible, bring a laptop, or tablet to the session to follow along with the training.

Diocesan Memorial Service for the Homeless

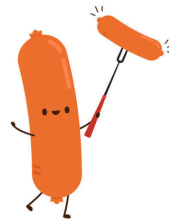
We invite you to join us for a special Diocesan Memorial Service to honor and remember the homeless members of our community who have passed away.

The service will take place on Friday, 21st June, from 5:30 pm to 6:00 pm in the forecourt of St. Patrick's Cathedral.

We encourage all parishioners and community members to attend and show their support.

Young Adult Gathering

After the 6pm Mass this Sunday in the Hall
Come join Fr Tom and meet other young adults from the parish.



Barbeque Sunday 30 June

To celebrate launch of the new App, we will be holding a barbeque after the 9.30 and 11.00am Masses.

Hope you can join us on this day.

ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL
SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP PRESENTS A

TRIVIA NIGHT

Join us for a fun evening as we test our wits and tease our brains to see who will triumph as St Patrick's Trivia Champion for 2024!

**SATURDAY
27 JULY 2024**

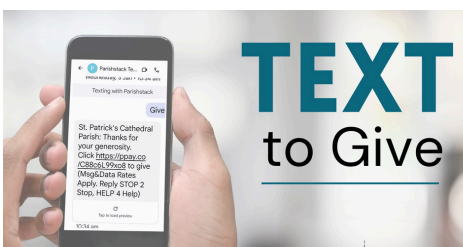
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Our Social Justice group are raising funds to provide lunch for refugees supported by the Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS).



Text to Donate!

Simply text the word **'GIVE'** to **0488 202 202**, and you will receive a link to contribute directly to the Cathedral. Choose your donation amount and complete your gift in a few taps.

Note: There is only one collection taken up at the Cathedral each Sunday.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

We pray for our beloved dead...

Recently Deceased: Foo Siew Moi, Tom Scicluna, Sr Enda Ryan, Janet Cotter, Brian McCarthy, Nelly Estay, Dynes Woodrow, James McKee, Marie K El-Kazzi, Frederick Fisher, John Burrow, Yolanda Roxas, Annette Van Tilburg, Maria Davino, Kevin Smith

Deceased: Teodulo Sarreal, Lucy D'Mello, YT & Deanna Hsu, Christine Vas, Lewis & Nassar Nissan, Ennas, Mrs Annanas, Philip Vas

Anniversaries: Benny & Alban Fonseca, Paul Mahoney, Mr & Mrs Baxter, Joseph Manubay, Maria & Moses Villaldegado, Engr Maximo Caneda Sr., Mriyanayam, Josephine & Edward, Rexis, Joseph Teuma, Lucy D'Mello, Pelcy D'Souza, Dems Morreiro, Waldmar Drankowski

Perpetuals: Louisa & Arthur Baxter, Nat Fedyk, Robert Dearie, 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, Mark Fletcher, Royan & Andrews families, Don & Pat Andrews, Juliet Noronha, Dr Joseph Malouf, Abel Moses, Jimmy, Anna & Frank Grainda, Frank Agostino, Bernadette Melhen & 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 Gurgeon, McInherny, White, McWilliam & McGuckin families, Mary Abela, Robert Andrews, Sylvester family, Rogan family, Adcock & McMillan families, Love family, Gabrielle Baker, Paula Cowling, McDermott & Starr families, Repose of the Souls in Purgatory and all deceased parishioners of St Patrick's and St Monica's

We also pray for...

Sick: Rohan Rodricks, Martina Galea, Joey S Bugo, Baldo Polizzi, Melissa, Fred & Odette Harb, Nasr Nasr, John Ryan, Anne-Maraie Douaihy, Colleen Johnston, Melissa Carter, Kathleen, Mary Tito, Fr Bob Bossini, Fatima Rodricks, Azar Al-Ters, Melissa Carter, Terry Pumati, Leonora, Shana, Fr Peter Henry, Athony Tran, Leonardo Close, Michael Perez, Franz Tito, Soane Kikanoi, Sharon Melville, Orvil Noe M Villalobos, Olivia Harb, Maria, Samira, Maria & Tony Obeid, Stephen Borg, Sharon Webb

Special Intentions: Naleen, Andrew, Kelly Berg, Joey Bugo, Cenacle Group, Ping Hsu, Tian, Raveen, Sarah Khalil, Kiesie, EJ, Hoang Minh Nguyen, Fr Peter Henry, Peter Newman, YT Hsu & Deanna Hsu, Michael Perez, Sarah Ferguson, Kate Middleton, Agnes Patacsil, Patrick N, Madeleine Suttie, Fancesca Ryan, Helen Perrottet, Paul & Mouzel Carson, Stephen Senjak, Peter Newman, Felicitas Appathurai, Santiago Tito, Antonio Tito, Dianne Mary Tito, Elizabeth Perez, Dynes Woodrow, Nikola, Ankica, Mara & Stephen Senjak, Vera, Rita & family, Allwyn & Jasmine, Chris Dias, Liam D'Souza, Tian, Arthur Lopez, Rebecca & Alex Mann, Zayne Bumactau, Myrna R Santos, Roser North

BAPTISMS



We welcome into our Catholic Christian family the following children who were recently baptised here...

Francesca Kane

WEDDINGS



We also pray for the following couple recently married here...

Elise Pham and Reno Cheong

POPE FRANCIS' Prayer Intention for June



For migrants fleeing their homes

"We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them."

From Pope Francis...

*From a tweet
dated 25 May*

"Dear boys and girls, God has loved us from all eternity. He looks upon us with the eyes of the most loving father and the gentlest mother. God never forgets us. He accompanies us every day and renews us with His Spirit."

Saints of the Week

21 June - St Aloysius Gonzaga (1568 - 1591)

St Aloysius was the eldest son of a Mantuan nobleman, and was intended by his father to be a soldier. Aloysius, on the other hand, had determined to be a missionary, and even to die for his faith. He renounced his birthright in favour of his brother and at the age of 16 became a Jesuit novice in Rome, living the same life of severe austerity and penance that he had followed even when serving in the courts of dukes and princes. In 1591 an epidemic of plague broke out in Rome, and the Jesuits opened a hospital to care for the sick. Aloysius, still a novice, worked hard in the hospital until he himself caught the plague. He did not recover; but, his determination to die for the faith having been fulfilled, died at midnight on the 20th of June with the name of Jesus on his lips.



Information: *Universali*

“Quote of the Week”

“Faith is to believe what you do not see; the reward of this faith is to see what you believe.”

Saint Augustine of Hippo
(354–430)



Did You Know...?

...that the Catholic Church is the largest Christian denomination and the largest religious body within Christianity

With 1.3 billion members worldwide, the Catholic Church is the largest Christian denomination and the largest religious body within Christianity.

In Australia, the 2021 Census recorded a Catholic population of 5,075,907, making up about 19.9% of the overall population. This marks a decline from 2016, when there were 5,291,817 Catholics, representing 22.6% of the total Australian population.

Information: *Pastoral Research, catholic.au*



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