



St Anthony of Padua Parish Toongabbie



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Mission Statement *We, the Church of St Anthony of Padua, are called to a greater realisation of the Kingdom of God and to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ*

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Office Hours

Monday 9.00am to 3.00pm

Tuesday 9.00am to 4.00pm

Wednesday 9.00am to 3.00pm

Thursday, Friday 9.00am to 4.00pm

Legion of Mary - Weekly Meetings:

Monday 6.45pm Marian Room (Ben 9863 1723)

Tuesday 10am St Enda's room (Peter: 0417 613 737)

St Anthony's School:

Phone: 8843 4600

School Principal: Linda Ducksbury

Mass Times:

Saturday 5:30pm Vigil

4th Saturday of month: 5.30pm Youth

Sunday 8.00am, 10.00am

4th Sun of month Malayalam Latin 5.00pm

Tuesday 7.00pm

Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat 9.30am

Communion Service: Mon, Tues 9.30am

Anointing of the Sick: 1st Friday of the month, 9.30am Mass or by arrangement

Children's Liturgy: Sunday 10.00 am during school terms

Baptisms & Weddings: By arrangement.

Ring parish office for more information

Reconciliation: Saturday 4.45pm to 5.15pm or by arrangement

Rosary:

Week days 9.10am

Exposition:

Friday 10am to 10.30am
 (special intention for Vocations)

Novena:

Tuesday - after 7pm Mass to St Anthony

Friday - 7.30pm to God the Father in the Marian room

Prayer Groups:

Charismatic

Every Tues evening after 7pm Mass

Christ the King

Tamil - Friday, 7.30pm in the Marian room

Photos will be taken at various liturgies and events in our parish. These photos may be used on the parish website and on social media promoting St Anthony of Padua. If you do not wish your image to be used, please contact the parish office.

Mass Roster

	Next Week 7/8 December			Next Week 14/15 December		
	5.30pm	8.00am	10.00am	5.30pm	8.00am	10.00am
Acolyte/ Senior Server	F Le Clerc	T Dalmati	K Steele	C Bourne		F Rodriguez
Commentator	M D'Souza	C Molloy	P Comia	E Opena	H Menezes	C Felice
Reader 1	D Bourne	V Delany	B Ryan	C Laurie	C Worthington	J Basco
Reader 2	D Bourne		F Rodrigues	C Laurie	J John	J Thomas
Data Projectionist	R Soballa	K Taufa	M Brazell	L Soballa		M Brazell
Junior Server	C	E	H	A	D	F
Children's Liturgy			Trish/Sofie			Rochelle/ Stella

SICK IN THE PARISH:

Malia NIKO	Cecilia FERRER	Kate MORTIMER
Lylette MATHIEU	Denise PRICE	Gabby ABBOUD
Carmel FERGUSON	Adrian NOCEVSKI	Sheila ASHBY
Ranjit CHELLAPPA	Mary PULIS	Lorraine IAQUINTO
Mary CAUCHI	Simon SHURVILE	Shanji ANTHONY
Aidon ALEXANDER	Greg WALSH	Joseph McDERMID
Leina MARCUS	Joan WRIGHT	Gail GREENHILL
Malia Eka	Maria VELLA	Fay ROBERTS
James BROWN	Carole O'HARA	Mark WORTHINGTON
Emily HELOU	Frank BARTOLO	Margaret MCEACHEN
Sarah MARLIN	Anthony AL-HADDAD	Tony AZZOPARDI
	Aninth THURAIRATNAM	Gerald O'CONNOR

ROSARY IN THE HOME

8 Dec: P & L Bartolo , 57 Cornelia Rd
 15 Dec: M Iaquinto , 55 Constitution Rd

CWLA

The Catholic Women's League meet on the 2nd Monday of the month in the hall at 10am. The next meeting is on 10th February

BULLETIN FOLDING

12 Dec : E Bisuna

ALTAR PREPARATION:

GROUP 1: P Gardner, J Harriss

COUNTERS:

DEC 15: GROUP D- J Grima, B & B McGrillen



First Tuesday of the month:

7th January , 2020

Mass at 7.00pm followed by Novena to St Anthony of Padua and a candle light procession with the relic of St Anthony of Padua along with the statue of St Anthony

Bishop's Christmas Appeal

Thank you so much for your generous support last weekend of our Bishop's Christmas Appeal, supporting vulnerable people and families in crisis in our Diocese. For those of you who may not have had a chance to support this vital Diocesan ministry, please fill out a giving envelope on the pew and place your gift in one of today's collections. All gifts of \$2 or more are tax-deductible and will be receipted according to your details provided. Thank you for sharing God's blessings this Christmas with our sisters and brothers in need.



Christmas Clean up Day 14th December



Our next Church working bee is on the 14th December and it would be a great opportunity to give the Church and its grounds a good clean up in readiness for Christmas. We need help with gardening, painting , putting

Christmas lights up and general cleaning. It would be wonderful to get as many people as possible to assist and give a special lift to our regular work space. We will start at 8am and hopefully finish no later than mid-day. Any time you can spare will be greatly appreciated.

Christmas Reconciliation and Mass Times

2nd Rite of Reconciliation

Wednesday 18th December 7.30pm

Masses for the Feast of the Nativity are as follows:

6:00pm Tuesday 24th December Children's Mass

8:00pm Tuesday 24th December Youth Mass

Midnight Tuesday 24th December

9:30am Wednesday 25th December



Volunteer Appreciation Mass

Saturday 21st December at 5.30pm we will be having our Volunteer Appreciation Mass to say thank you to the wonderful people of our parish who do so much for this Church.



Parish Christmas Party and Carols

You are invited to attend a special Parish gathering after the 5.30pm Mass on the 21st December. Please join us as we celebrate Christmas together and if possible please bring a plate of food to share.

The Way-Advent & Christmas Daily Reflections



The Way is now available at the Piety Shop for \$5. It is a book of Daily Reflections for Advent and Christmas and a wonderful way to prepare for this special time of year.

St Vincent de Paul-One in the Basket

Thank you for your continued support for our Vinnies Basket appeal. This week we need sugar, noodles, tin of spaghetti and tuna please.



Marriage Blessings

There will be marriage blessings at all Masses on the weekend of the 14/15th December. If your wedding anniversary falls in December and you would like to have a blessing please contact Luisa in the office.



A loop system is installed in the two blocks of pews directly facing the altar to assist those with hearing

Positions Vacant:

Facilities Maintenance Officer - Diocese of Parramatta – Applications close 16 December

Volunteers – Mamre Creche - CatholicCare

More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

Faith Formation Team Leader-St Agatha's, Pennant Hills (Diocese of Broken Bay) For more details, please visit <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/people/positions-vacant>

Education Officer – Early Years Literacy at Catholic Education Office, Darwin, NT For more details, please visit www.ceont.catholic.edu.au/employment/current-vacancies/

St Anthony's Piety Shop

The Piety shop has a lovely range of gift items for all occasions. Our Christmas stock is in now. Come in, browse around and shop locally.

Greystanes Maltese Seniors Group

Join us for our Christmas Celebration WITH LOTS OF FOOD, FUN & FRIENDSHIP

Monday 9 Dec @ 10:00am in the George Preca Centre. (Cost: Members \$5 Non Members: \$10) New Members are welcome. Contact: Frances Montesin mb: 0404 257 495

Plenary Council 2020

The Plenary Council invites people to continue to participate in the journey towards the Council sessions in 2020. There are many opportunities to engage in the “Listening and Discernment” phase by participating in small group sessions within the Diocese. Ask you priests or Deanery Representatives for session dates in parishes and deaneries or contact the Pastoral Planning Office on 8838 3441.

Kellyville Parish Mass of the Holy Innocents: 28 December

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kellyville, is holding their annual Mass of the Holy Innocents on 28 December at 11am. Fr David Blowey OFM Conv will celebrate Mass, followed by a Rosary procession to the Shrine of the Holy Innocents. Lunch will be available and please bring a plate to share. For enquiries, please contact the parish office on (02) 9629 2595.

St Bernadette's Lalor Park Wednesday Evening Devotions

St Bernadette's Parish, Lalor Park, is hosting weekly devotions to Mary Immaculate and St Bernadette and Adoration of the Blessed Sacraments every Wednesday evening at 7pm, followed by Mass at 7.30pm. All are welcome. For more information, contact the parish office on 02 9672 4037 or admin@stbernadetteslalorpark.org.au

NEW PARISHIONERS

Would you like a
visit from a priest or parishioner?

name

phone

SICK OR HOUSEBOUND

Do you know someone who would like
Holy Communion or a visit ?

name

phone

PLANNED GIVING

Would you like
to support our parish?

name

phone

PLEASE PLACE ON COLLECTION PLATE AND YOU WILL BE CONTACTED

The Epiphany Pilgrimage

The Epiphany Pilgrimage, through the Blue Mountains, is a not-for-profit event of the Diocese of Parramatta and outreach of the Blue Mountains Deanery. Beginning at Emu Plains on 2 January and finishing 7 days later at Bell, pilgrims walk 110km through the beautiful Blue Mountains bushland, celebrating the Christmas season with each parish along the way. Registration and details at epiphanypilgrimage.org and facebook.com/epiphanypilgrimage

Office for Worship Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses

The Office for Worship's Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses will be held again next year, commencing early February 2020. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Office for Worship on 8838 3456 or anne.alimangoan@parracatholic.org.

Country Care Link Volunteers Needed

Open Support, a not-for profit, community service organisation is in need of volunteer drivers for their Country Care Link program, which is a transport service for regional NSW families, couples and individuals when in Sydney for medical appointments and hospital stays. For more information or to receive a volunteer information pack, please email volunteer@opensupport.org.au, call 02 8382 6437 or visit www.opensupport.org.au

**JOHN THE BAPTIST
PREACHING ...**



1. John said "I _____ with water".

2. He went to _____ in the desert.

3. He said, " _____ ", for Jesus is coming.

4. "Jesus will baptise you with the Holy _____".

5. John baptised people in the River _____.

6. He said, "Make his paths _____".

7. Many people _____ their sins.

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KID'S CORNER

**Today is the
2nd SUNDAY
of ADVENT**

A black and white line drawing of four lit candles of varying heights. They are arranged in a row and surrounded by a wreath of holly leaves and berries.

CHILDREN'S Liturgy

4 - 12 YEARS OF AGE
Sunday's in School Terms
During the 10am Mass

Sing songs, read from the Children's Lectionary and colour in worksheets based on the Gospel of the week.

Advent



Youth Night

UPDATE: There will be **NO** Youth Night after youth mass on December 21. Instead the parish will be having a Christmas carol event in the hall after mass. All welcome.



We are looking for people to help with youth group. If you would like to volunteer your time to help organise and supervise a youth group of about 20 children in year 5, 6 & 7 please let us know.
For more information and enquiries: prayerforce1pf1@hotmail.com

YOUTH MASS

Next Youth mass:
Sat, 21st December
5:30pm

Christmas Eve Youth Mass
Tue, 24th December
8pm

We are looking people to do ministries for these celebrations. We are need volunteers who can read the scriptures, commentate and bring the gifts during the offertory.

Any youth who wish to participate, in ministries for mass, please contact John to get involved!

SUMMER PROGRAM



5-9 JAN OR 13-17 JAN 2020

FREE for any youth aged 16-20. Local and interstate students welcome.
Find out more and register at: www.campion.edu.au/summer-program

YOUTH MUSIC MINISTRY

Share your talents and join the youth music ministry. Come to a practice.

Sunday Practice, 3:30pm-5pm
Dec: 8, 15 in the Church.

Thursday practice 6pm-8pm
Dec: 12, 19 in the Church.

Youth Mass (4pm set/warm up)
5:30pm Vigil, 21st December

Christmas Eve (7pm set/warm up)
8pm, 24th December

SACRAMENTS

The Calendar for 2020 will be advertised in the coming weeks.

For further enquiries, contact:
Kris Borg: 0404 820 625
thesacraments@stanthonyschurch.org.au



Week 1
Purple Candle
HOPE

Reminds us...
Jesus is coming

Bible verse
Romans 15:12-13

Bible verse
Luke 2:10

Reminds us...
The joy at the coming birth of Jesus



Week 3
Pink Candle
JOY

Week 2
Purple Candle
FAITH

Reminds us...
To prepare the way of the Lord

Bible verse
Luke 3:4-6

Bible verse
Luke 2:14

Reminds us...
"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace for those he favours"



Week 4
Purple Candle
PEACE



What do we remember each week of Advent?



Zachsafe Driving School
Call Dominic on Ph 0412945264.



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