



# St Anthony of Padua Parish Toongabbie

Established 1951

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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***

### **Parish Staff:**

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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

	This Week 14/15 December			Next Week 21/22 December		
	5.30pm	8.00am	10.00am	5.30pm	8.00am	10.00am
<b>Acolyte/ Senior Server</b>	C Bourne		F Rodriguez	J Ivan	C Chetcuti	J Rodrigues
<b>Commentator</b>	E Opena	H Menezes	C Felice	Youth	M Palmer	C Pereira
<b>Reader 1</b>	C Laurie	C Worthington	J Basco	Youth	C Bugeja	S Cullen
<b>Reader 2</b>	C Laurie	J John	J Thomas	Youth	C Molloy	T Jose
<b>Data Projectionist</b>	L Soballa		M Brazell	N Britto	A Lette	Jocelyn
<b>Junior Server</b>	A	D	F	B	E	G
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>			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 BAROLO	Margaret MCEACHEN
Sarah MARLIN	Anthony AL-HADDAD	Tony AZZOPARDI
	Aninth THURAIRATNAM	Gerald O'CONNOR

### **ROSARY IN THE HOME**

15 Dec: M Iaquinto, 55 Constitution Rd  
 22 Dec: B McGrillen, 20 Bryson St

### **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**

19 Dec : Ignacio Family

### **ALTAR PREPARATION:**

**GROUP 2:** B McGrillen, B McKenzie, M Avila, Mary

### **COUNTERS:**

**DEC 22: GROUP E-** P & J Reid, K Steele.



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

Christmas Reconciliation and Mass Times



**2nd Rite of Reconciliation**

We will hold a 2nd Rite of Reconciliation on Wednesday 18th December 7.30pm. This is a great opportunity to gather as a faith community asking God for forgiveness for our faults. Please join us.

**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

Christmas Mass Volunteers



If you currently help out with weekend Masses and would like to volunteer for Christmas Masses, please add your name to the Christmas Roster on the

wall in the Sacristy.

Christmas 2019 Mass Times

Christmas Mass and Reconciliation times across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains can be found by visiting [parracatholic.org](http://parracatholic.org).

Vale Antoinette Vedanayagam

Please remember in your prayers Mrs Antoinette Vedanayagam who passed away recently. Her funeral was held here on Thursday, 12 December. We offer our condolences to her family.

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.



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](http://parracatholic.org/employment)

**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.

**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.

**Glenbrook Parish Christmas concert: 22 December**

St Finbar's Parish, Glenbrook's traditional Christmas concert will be held on Sunday 22 December at 7.30pm. Join the great organ in singing carols with the choir and congregation and rejoice in the Hallelujah Chorus with trumpets and timpani. Suggestion Donations – families \$35 and individuals \$15. Bring family, friends and neighbours. For enquiries, please contact (02) 4754 1780.

**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](mailto: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

**Active Aging Program Karabi Seven Hills Cottage**

Karabi are introducing a gentle exercise program commencing on the 5th February

When: Wednesdays, 9.30am-11.30am

Where: Karabi Seven Hills Cottage

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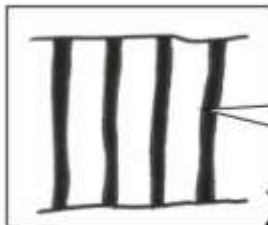
**Office for Worship Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses**

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](mailto: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](mailto:volunteer@opensupport.org.au), call 02 8382 6437 or visit [www.opensupport.org.au](http://www.opensupport.org.au)

# JOHN AND JESUS



From the prison, John sent some friends to Jesus:

ARE YOU THE ONE WHO IS  
TO COME?  
THE M \_ S \_ I \_ H ?

Draw John the Baptist behind the prison bars.

Then Jesus said:

JOHN IS A SPECIAL MAN.  
HE IS THE GREATEST  
P \_ O \_ H \_ T.  
HE IS GOD'S  
M \_ S \_ E \_ G \_ R.

They found Jesus making miracles.



Draw Jesus making a miracle.

**KID'S CORNER**

Today is the  
**3rd SUNDAY**  
of **ADVENT**





# Advent



## 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.

## YOUTH MASS

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

Christmas Eve  
Tue, 24th December  
8pm

We are looking people to do ministries for these celebrations. We 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

We encourage anyone aged 16-20 to sign-up for this immersive 5 day program. It is **FREE** thanks to the generous sponsors.

Local and interstate students welcome.  
Find out more and register at:  
[www.campion.edu.au/summer-program](http://www.campion.edu.au/summer-program)

## 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.



## Prayer Force One

St Anthony's Youth Group

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](mailto:prayerforce1pf1@hotmail.com)

## YOUTH MUSIC MINISTRY

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

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

**Thursday practice 6pm-8pm**  
Dec: 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](mailto:thesacraments@stanthonyschurch.org.au)

## Christmas List

1. ~~Buy~~ <sup>Be</sup> a present
2. Wrap ~~my presents~~ <sup>the ones I love with a hug</sup>
3. Send ~~postcards~~ <sup>peace and good wishes</sup>
4. ~~Buy~~ <sup>Give away</sup> food to the poor
5. ~~Get new~~ <sup>Donate</sup> clothes
6. ~~See~~ <sup>Be</sup> the Christmas ~~lights~~ <sup>light</sup>

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