



St Anthony of Padua Parish Toongabbie

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Parish 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 and Wednesday 9am-3pm

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9am-4pm

St Anthony's School

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Mass Times

Saturday

5:30pm Vigil

Sunday

8.00am, 10.00am

Tuesday

7.00pm

Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat

9.30am

As of 18 October-

Maximum 100 Worshippers per Mass

Bookings no longer necessary for weekend

Masses but you must give contact details

before entering and adhere to social dis-

tancing rules. Masks are mandatory

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

Prayer Groups:

Christ the King

Tamil - Friday, 7.30pm in the Marian room

Legion of Mary - Weekly Meetings:

Monday 6.45pm Marian Room

(Ben 9863 1723)

Tuesday 10am St Enda's room

(Peter: 0417 613 737)

Mass Roster

	This Week 6/7 November			Next Week 13/14 November		
	5.30pm	8.00am	10.00am	5.30pm	8.00am	10.00am
Acolyte/ Senior Server	C Bourne	T Dalmati	K Steele	C Aitken	TBA	Sofie
Commentator	N Nakhoul	C Molloy	G Cosio	M Nakhoul	E Pasikale	F Rodrigues
Reader 1	E Opena	S Benjamin	S Cullen	J Buttigieg	K Wilson	P Comia
Reader 2	E Opena	S Benjamin	B Ryan	J Buttigieg	K Wilson	J Thomas
Data Projectionist	K Soballa	A Lette	M Brazell	C Aitken	TBA	Sofie
Junior Server	B	D	F	A	C	G
Children's Liturgy						

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Malia NIKO
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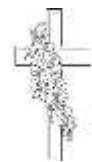
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Recently Deceased

Please Pray for all those who have
gone before us-

Jeanne Curmi



HSC Prayer List

The HSC exams begin on the 9th November. Please remember the students as they sit these exams, especially those students from our Parish and those students listed below:

Regan Soballa

Hannah Hamilton

Charlie Horner

Maddy Ross

Gina Ivan

Tiann Petriana Peiris

Zac Palmer

Calvin Kandiah

Katerina Pegios

Emma Dunbar

Daniel Murphy

Hannah Berman

Olivia Jones

Louie Bazouni

Kevin Kandiah



CYP HSC Livestream: 7 November

Year 12 students, their families and supporters across the Diocese are invited to share in a LIFTED experience on Sunday 7 November at 8pm with Bishop Vincent. It will include a blessing, music and numerous messages of support from other students, parish priests and Catholic Youth Parramatta. Tune in at <https://www.facebook.com/catholicyouthparra>

Vale Jeanne Curmi

Please remember in your prayers Jeanne Curmi who recently passed away. Jeanne and Roger had been long time parishioners of our Parish. We offer condolences to Roger and the Curmi family

Working Bee

The monthly working bee will be on the 13th of November from 8am to 9.30am. If you can spare some time, please come down with your gardening tools, brooms and gloves and help to keep our Church looking lovely.



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You: never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Youth Music Ministry



Can you sing or play an instrument? The Youth Music ministry will be practising at 3pm on Sunday 14th and 21st November 3:30-4:30pm in the Church.

November Mass Intentions



November is the month dedicated to all our deceased. Each year we compile a book of deceased loved ones who we pray for during the month of November. If you would like to add your loved ones names to the book of Remembrance there are envelopes available on the offertory table. Please place envelopes in the box provided. Alternatively, you can email secretary@stanthonyschurch.org.au.

Rosters

Hard copies of the Reader, Acolyte, Junior server and projectionist rosters are now available in the work sacristy.

Vinnies—One in the Basket

Now that we are out of Lockdown we need to restock our food cupboard. At the moment we are short of everything, so all donations of non-perishable food are welcome.

Marriage Blessing

There will be marriage blessings at all Masses on the weekend of the 20th/21st November. If your wedding anniversary falls in November and you would like a blessing please contact Luisa in the Office.



The Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill

The Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021 (NSW), will begin to be debated in NSW Parliament as early as 12 November 2021. The Diocese of Parramatta and Bishop Vincent have issues a flyer addressing the concerns in regards to this bill. Copies of the flyer are available at the doors of the Church. Please take one.

Cumberland for the Common Good.

Together with numerous church and community groups, organized by Sydney Alliance, we invite you to a re-scheduled "Cumberland for the Common Good" community forum:

When: Wednesday 10th November, 6.50pm – 8.30pm

Where: On Zoom

Please register to receive a zoom link:
<https://events.humanitix.com/cumberland-for-the-common-good-dfxvo7f6>

In the lead-up to council elections, Sydney Alliance (morally and financially supported by Bishop Vincent Van Long Nguyen OFM Conv, Bishop of Parramatta) is hosting several such meetings across a number of Sydney councils. We want to encourage Cumberland Council to be aware, care for and implement programmes for the following issues:

- To restore community grant funding;
- To increase the supply of affordable housing;
- To provide support and facilities for families affected by domestic violence;
- To enhance employment opportunities, especially for people on temporary visas.

We encourage you to consider attending this most important local event

Invitations are open to join the Diocesan Pastoral Council

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv is inviting parishioners across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains to apply for membership to the Diocesan Pastoral Council. If you feel called to serve in this way or know someone in your parish that would be a wonderful candidate, apply today by visiting parracatholic.org/diocesan-pastoral-council/. Applications close Monday 15 November.

Positions Vacant:

Digital Content Creator – Diocese of Parramatta
Human Resources Partner – Catholic Diocese of Parramatta Services Limited, Diocese of Parramatta

More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

'The Well

Need some inspiration and spiritual encouragement during lockdown? Why not check out The Well? The Diocese's 'on demand' streaming site has a tonne of video and prayer resources for you to explore and engage with during this difficult time. Visit www.thewell.org.au today



Peace, Justice and Ecology

BLACKTOWN LOCAL CANDIDATES FORUM

HOSTED BY THE VOICES FOR POWER NORTHWEST CAUCUS (VFP NW) & PEOPLE SEEKING ASYLUM TEAM (PSAT), DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA

DATE: THURSDAY, 11TH OF NOVEMBER, 2021

TIME: 6:50PM FOR A 7:00PM START - 8:15PM FINISH

JOIN VIA ZOOM LINK: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89659261288>

RSVP: bit.ly/BlacktownForum

Future Dreaming During Lockdown



Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year 7th November 2021

(Extracted from Liturgy help.com)

Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Penitential Act

Lord Jesus, you show us the way to the Father: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Christ Jesus, you gave your life for our salvation: Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you feed us with your body and blood: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Opening Prayer

Let us pray.

God of light you ask us to listen to your voice and stand ready to meet Jesus when he comes again. Help us to keep our lamps lit and stay awake so that we are ready to answer your call. We ask this through Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

First Reading

1 Kgs 17:10-16

A reading from the first Book of the Kings

The widow made a little scone from her flour meal and brought it to Elijah.

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said, 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives', she replied, 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent,
jug of oil shall not be emptied,
before the day when the Lord sends
rain on the face of the earth."

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 145:7-10. R.v.2

Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith forever who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord who sets prisoners free.

R:

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord who protects the stranger.

R:

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age.

R:

Second Reading

Heb 9:24-28

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Christ offered himself only once to take the faults of many on himself

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Mark

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Mk 12:38-44

This poor widow has put more in than all who contributed.

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called to his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who

have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

REFLECTION

We would normally hear or read the second half of this week’s gospel as a stand alone example of generosity and faith – often without the section that immediately precedes it. Whilst the actions of the widow are certainly worthy of comment, when we read it in the context of the condemnation that immediately precedes it, the widow’s offering is placed in a different light. Jesus condemns the scribes who parade their wealth and seek trappings of earthly power and glory: being recognised and greeted as they walk the streets; taking the front seats in synagogue; and expecting to be seated in the place of honour at banquets. Whilst parading their wealth and feasting at banquets, they are also swallowing up the property of widows – taking advantage of those in need. We often hear widows and orphans named in the scriptures as those in need. Widows and orphans (and strangers in the land) are marked out for special attention in the Torah. They are named as deserving of special care – the lost and broken of society. So despite holding a special place in Jewish Law and tradition, the widows are being taken advantage of by the scribes, who are taking over their property for their own gain. One of the duties of the scribes was to administer the proper payment of Temple taxes. The treasury referred to in the passage is the Temple treasury. Rather than a great act of generosity, we can now see the widow’s payment of Temple tax as a burdensome, heart-wrenching obligation to pay the very last coins she had to a corrupt, uncaring system. We usually read praise into Jesus’ comments about the widow’s offering, but it can also be read as moral outrage at the system that demands this woman pay all that she possesses to the Temple.

Prayers of the Faithful

Celebrant: Acknowledging our needs, we humbly bring our petitions before our generous God.

For our Pope, for the bishops and priests, and for all who minister to God’s people: that in the giving of themselves they will be richly blessed.

We pray

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

For government officials, especially those entrusted with public finances: that they may always serve the public good and never give way to self interest.

We pray:

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

For charities who work tirelessly to support the most vulnerable people: that they may receive all the donations and volunteer they need.

We pray

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

For families who are in debt, or who are struggling financially: that they will meet with understanding and find a way out of their difficulties.

We pray:

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

For all who are impoverished spiritually or morally: that we may be generous in sharing our faith with others and have courage to speak out against exploitation and injustice.

We pray:

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

For those preparing for their HSC Exams. May they see this time as a stepping stone to lead them to where they want to go in life.

We pray.

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

For those who have died: that they may experience the fullness of life in the risen Christ for all eternity.

We pray.

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

For the prayers we now make in the silence of our hearts.

We pray

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Let us pray together the Prayer to Saint Joseph, the Patron of the Universal Church:

Prayer to St Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil.

Celebrant: Merciful Father, whose loving gaze is drawn to all who turn to you, we ask you to accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever.

All: Amen.

Closing Prayer

Lord Jesus, may our hearts be filled with compassion and love as we reach out to others in need. In your name we pray.

All: Amen.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.



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