



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

School Principal:

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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 8 November -

Maximum 200 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 20/21 November			Next Week 27/28 November		
	5.30pm	8.00am	10.00am	5.30pm	8.00am	10.00am
Acolyte/ Senior Server	P Vella	M Maclou	J Rodrigues	F Le Clerc	C Chetcuti	AM
Commentator	M D'Souza	A Chacko	J Basco	Youth	H Menezes	C Pereira
Reader 1	V Adams	C Bugeja	G Touma	Youth	M Palmer	S Cullen
Reader 2	V Adams	C Bugeja	D Toma	Youth	M Palmer	G Cosio
Data Projectionist	N Britto	J Kennedy	L Touma	R Soballa	A Lette	M Brazell
Junior Server	B	D	E	A	C	E
Children's Liturgy						

SICK IN THE PARISH:

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Anith THURAIRATNAM

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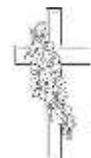
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Recently Deceased

Please Pray for all those who have
gone before us-



Bishop's Christmas Appeal

No mother or child should be homeless and without support at Christmas. CatholicCare's Houses to Homes provides hope for vulnerable women and children facing abuse and hardship. This year's Bishop's Appeal will be held on the 27/28 November with donations going towards Catholic Care's Houses to Homes. Your kind donation today will help change the lives of homeless young women, who like Mary, seek a safe haven to raise their newborn child. Please give generously via the Bishop's Christmas Appeal giving envelopes or online at yourcatholicfoundation.org.au/appeal Thank you for your heartfelt prayers and support.

HSC Prayer List

Please remember the HSC students as they continue with their exams, especially those students from our Parish and those students listed below:

Regan Soballa
Hannah Hamilton
Charlie Horner
Daniel Murphy
Kevin Kandiah
Maddy Ross
Gina Ivan
Tiann Petriana Peiris
Zac Palmer



Olivia Jones
Katerina Pegios
Calvin Kandiah
Hannah Berman
Louie Bazouni
Emma Dunbar

Congratulations

Congratulations to Terrance Peiris, who at the 8am Mass on Sunday 14th November was commissioned as an Acolyte in our Parish.



Vinnies are starting our Christmas Appeal this weekend.

Please take a ticket or two from the Christmas tree near the Altar and purchase the item on the ticket. We will be packing hampers on the 9th December, so we will need all items returned to the church by no later than Monday 6th December. We will be holding a collection at the church this weekend (20th and 21st November), but you will be able to contribute online at https://bit.ly/toonie_xmas2021 at any time. Thank you for your support at Christmas and throughout the year.



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.

Youth Music Ministry

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



Christmas Shopping at the Piety Shop.

The Piety Shop has a lovely range of Christmas Cards, Columban Calendars, Nativity Scenes and other ideas for Christmas. Drop in and browse our range.

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.

Parramatta for the Common Good Candidates Forum.

When: Wednesday 24 November, 6.30pm – 8.00pm

Where: On Zoom

RSVP: <https://events.humanitix.com/parramatta-city-council-candidates-forum-8p9fjc42>

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81239409755>

You are warmly invited to attend! The forum will be a great opportunity to meet the local councillors and council candidates and jointly ask them to commit to important social action in the next 5 years. A focus will be on their support for five key initiatives to promote affordable rental housing across Parramatta LGA. A strong presence from Catholic parishes at the forum will be important.

Synod of Bishops – Have your say

Catholics across Australia are invited to participate in a period of local consultation for the next international Synod of Bishops, which has the theme: “For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission”. Pope Francis has invited us to embark on this journey together, with the first step being to contribute our thoughts to the conversation. You can contribute to the conversation at bit.ly/listeningchurch and find out more at <http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

Positions Vacant:

Digital Content Creator – Diocese of Parramatta

More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

Campion College Summer Program

Registration for the Campion College Summer Program is now open! If you know a 16-20 year old with an interest in history, literature, philosophy and theology, encourage them to sign up for one of the immersive four-day programs in January 2022. Attendance is fully funded but spaces are limited! Find out more and register on the Campion College website: www.campion.edu.au/summer-program



Intercultural Christmas album to raise funds for House of Welcome

A new CD featuring classic Christmas songs in eight languages from the Asia Pacific – Samoan, Filipino, Fijian, Tamil, Tongan, Mandarin, Indonesian and Japanese is raising money for the House of Welcome in the Diocese of Parramatta. Find how to order at linktr.ee/SoundsChristmasAsiaPacific

Office for Safeguarding offering online training to keep our parishes safe

The Office for Safeguarding is providing an opportunity for all of us to develop our awareness and skills in ensuring our parishes are safe and welcoming places for all. The team are currently offering accompanied online training courses throughout November. If you are interested or have any questions about the Safeguarding Training, please email our Safeguarding office on safeguardingtraining@parracatholic.org or maria.kervin@parracatholic.org.

Glenbrook Parish Advent Reflection Day: 4 December 2021

You are invited to join the parish of St Finbar's, Glenbrook, for their Advent Retreat on Saturday 4 December from 10.30am to 4pm, followed by Vigil Mass at 5.30pm. The Retreat will reflect on the birth of Jesus, but also on being in touch with God through reflection on creation. Morning tea and lunch will be provided. The retreat will be \$5 per person. For catering purposes, please RSVP by 29 November to secretary@stfinbars.org.au.



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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year B 21st 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 are Christ, the universal king: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Christ Jesus, all will be brought to life in you: Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you rescue those who are lost: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.



Opening Prayer

Let us pray.

Almighty God, your son, Jesus, laid down his life and set us free so that we may share in his kingly glory. Help us to walk in his footsteps of compassion and love so that we may build his eternal kingdom of justice and peace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

First Reading

Dn 7:13-14

A reading from the prophet Daniel

His sovereignty is eternal.

I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man.

He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence. On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants. His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass away, nor will his empire be destroyed.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 92:1-2. 5. R.v.1

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed; the Lord has robed himself with might, he has girded himself with power.

R:

The world you made firm, not to be moved; your throne has stood firm from of old. From all eternity, O Lord, you are.

R:

Truly your decrees are to be trusted. Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord, until the end of time.

R:

Second Reading

Rv 1:5-8

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

The ruler of the kings of the earth ... made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God.

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to John

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jn 18:33-37

You say that I am a king.

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

REFLECTION

This week marks the end of the liturgical year. Next week, with the first week of Advent, we begin the new liturgical cycle. It is fitting that the Church concludes the liturgical year with the celebration of Christ the King. The conversation between Jesus and Pilate displays a lot of word play on the part of Jesus and quite a lot of confusion on the part of Pilate. The confusion stems from different perceptions of what it means to be a king. For Pilate, part of the most powerful political and military rule in the ancient world, the idea of a king was a threat. Claiming kingship was claiming authority and power that would inevitably lead to challenging the authority and power of Rome and, more directly, its representative in Palestine – Pilate. Jesus, of course, had a completely different idea about ushering in a kingdom. He does indeed declare that he is a king and that is what leads us to today's feast of Christ the King. However, his intention is not to claim a position of power and authority. When we think back to Jesus' teachings about the kingdom of God, we recall that he declares the people of highest status – the first – in the kingdom to be the lowliest of this world. It is the poor, the sick, the outcast, the children and the widows who will hold the highest places in the kingdom of God. In a kingdom like that, what does it mean to declare oneself king? The confusion about what it means to be a king that is captured in this interaction between Jesus and Pilate is the same confusion that we saw among the disciples as they came to terms with exactly what it means to be the Messiah.

Prayers of the Faithful

Celebrant: As disciples of Christ the humble king, we touch his suffering flesh in others and bring before God the needs of our Church and our world.

For the Pope and all those who lead our Church: as followers of Jesus the servant king, may they exemplify to the world his kingdom values of compassion and loving service.

We pray

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

For a world crying out for God's mercy: may we be open to encountering others in humility and loving kindness, seeing Jesus our brother in every aspect of their need.

We pray:

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

For all those who are poor and struggle for justice: may they be strengthened in their dedication and never tire of doing what is right.

We pray

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

For those who govern and who are in positions of power: may they use their gifts and opportunities for the good of all.

We pray:

Response: Lord hear our prayer.

For all who serve those who are poor and struggle for justice: may they be strengthened in their dedication and never tire of doing what is right.

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 all who are suffering and near death: may Jesus, who hung on the cross for their sake, bring them with him into paradise.

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: Loving Father, your Son Jesus conquered evil by shedding his blood on the cross. May we imitate him in his humility so that we may reign with him in glory. We make our prayers through the same 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, our Saviour and king, help us to see the truth. 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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