

**ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE, SUTHERLAND  
ENROLMENT YEAR 7, 2022**

**OPEN AFTERNOON Tuesday, 10 March 2020**

Information Session 4.00pm Guided Tours 4.30pm - 6.00pm  
Enrolment packs available from the College Office from 10 March,  
2020

*Applications for 2022 close Friday, 3 April, 2020*

**Todays Readings**

**Ezekiel 37:12-14** I shall put my spirit in you and you shall live.

**Romans 8:8-11** If the spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he will give life to your own mortal bodies.

**John 11:1-45** I am the resurrection of life.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON— Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM— With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION—Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will not die for ever. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

UNIVERSAL PRAYER— Spirit of Jesus, be with us.

There will be no Masses at this time due to Covid-19.

The church shall remain close at this time.

We thank those who are in the Altar Society, counter, readers and acolytes for all your continued hard work.

We look forward to everyone returning soon.

**HARD OF HEARING?** Our Church has been equipped with a Powered Audio Induction Loop system for hearing aid wearers (T-Loop) - To obtain effective use of the loop sit in the main body of the church avoiding the very edge seats, turn hearing aid to T & adjust the volume to suit



**W.A.W.W. new Parish Website— [www.stpatsutherland.org.au](http://www.stpatsutherland.org.au)**



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**DUE TO COVID-19, NO GATHERINGS AT THIS TIME, PLEASE CHECKOUT WEBSITE FOR FURTHER DETAILS.**



*St Patrick's Parish acknowledges and honours the Gweagal People of the Dharawal Nation as the original custodians of this land*



St Patrick's Sutherland is a Parish that strives to safeguard children at all times.



**FIFTH SUNDAY OF  
LENT YEAR A  
30 March, 2020**

Lazarus, dead for days and bound in cloth, is called forth from the tomb. This miracle foreshadows Jesus' own resurrection, and is a sign for us that God's life within us is indestructible. Jesus can help us to turn our lives around when we believe in him. This miracle assures us that one day our bonds will fall away and we will be set free.

From Fr Dan....

As we arrive at the fifth Sunday of Lent, we find ourselves in the extraordinary situation of not being able to gather as the church and offer Mass. The Corona virus has ensured that society will be greatly different at the end of 2020 to what it was at the beginning.

In this new world of illness, restrictions and shut-downs we need to find ways to help us live our faith. It will be the active effort of keeping our prayer and contact with God alive that will ensure that while we are tested, we are not overwhelmed by the trials of these times.

In a beautiful piece of timing, the Gospel we are given for this Sunday is from John, chapter 11; the raising of Lazarus from the dead. The account begins with Martha and Mary, the sisters of Lazarus, approaching Jesus and making this heartfelt plea, "*Lord, the man whom you love is ill.*" The cry of the sisters is a model for our own prayer. It reminds Jesus that we are the objects of his love and it is this trust and confidence in that love that we go to him and tell him what is troubling us. We may have to make this prayer our own in the future if any of our loved ones should become sick.

Jesus' response to Martha and Mary is even more extraordinary. "*This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.*"

Yet, Lazarus does die because Jesus delays his journey to Judaea. It leads Martha to remonstrate with Jesus that if he had been there her brother would have lived but even now God would grant whatever His Son asked of Him.

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From Fr Dan cont'd...

Jesus then gives his dramatic and emphatic proclamation, "I am the resurrection and the life." When Martha confesses that she believes Jesus' words, Our Lord goes to the tomb and upon seeing it, weeps. These tears are not for show, but they come from the depth of Jesus' soul. What grieves Our Lord is that it is our sins that are responsible for why we have to suffer and die in the first place. The pain brought about by our fallen condition wounds the perfect heart of Christ. With great emotion Jesus cries, "Lazarus, here! Come out!" The dead man emerges, and Jesus says, "unbind him, let him go free." The unbinding from the burial shroud as Lazarus walks from the tomb acts as a symbol of the deeper setting free from sin that gives us the freedom of eternal life, a freedom bought by the death of Jesus.

The Passion, Death and Resurrection turns all evil on its head and draws good even from what appears terrible. As Christians, we are able to see these present difficulties through the prism of Easter. There will be many sacrifices we may have to make. Physical restrictions, inability to see loved ones, job losses and illnesses to name a few. Whatever setbacks we receive our first reaction must be to hand them straight to Our Lord, saying "the one whom you love has this problem." When we give the frustrations that come with our difficulties to Our Lord it brings down graces to cope, not only for ourselves but on anyone we so choose. Let us be generous with crosses we've all been given. God never allows great suffering without great grace.

*Looking for that extra special Easter gift..... We have chocolate Paschal Lambs available for the very special price of \$8. Contact the parish office for more details.*

**Due to Covid-19 many of our groups in our parish have temporarily postponed meetings/prayer groups. We ask that you continue to keep a watch on our parish website for updates.**

**CHURCH GARDENS**— meets every 2nd & 4th Friday between 8am & 12 noon. Anytime that can be given will be greatly appreciated. Contact Kevin Redman 0402856114 for more details.

**COFFEE & TEA SET MEETING**—Postponed until further notice.

**EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT** Postponed until further notice.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE**— St Vincent de Paul Conference needs volunteers for assistance in distribution of much needed aid. Contact Chris Watson 0411 408 261 to assist. Meetings are currently postponed.

**TRUE DEVOTION TO MARY**

Postponed until further notice.

**WRAP WITH LOVE**— Postponed until further notice.

## Sacramental Programs 2020

In line with the directions of the Archdiocese are Sydney, our Sacramental Programs have been postponed indefinitely. Keep an eye on our parish website for updated information as it happens.

During this time, may we all continue to pray for one another, check on one another and keep in our hearts all those who are working through the Pandemic - keeping us supplied with everyday items and those in the health system.

May you all continue to keep well.

Jennie

## St Patrick's Catholic Primary School 2021 Enrolments are open.

Enrolment packs are available from the school office Monday to Friday between 8.30am and 3.45pm. Enrolments close Friday, 8 May 2020.

If you have any queries please contact the school office on 9521 2163.

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE SICK:** Josh Denton, Elaine Kelly, Karl Paszkiewicz, Elizabeth Pemberton, Gwen Power, Arnanoud Lemerie, Solange La Douce Jean Fabien, Steve Smith, Lloyd Handley, Bruce Kent, Marie Owen, Bernard Cassidy, Anne Cassidy, Grace & Rafael Monserrat, Lena Mallet, Brendan Lynch, Martine Benoit, Norma Miller, Pat Bathurst, Lucy Gault, Ron Monro, Lorraine Davies, Robert Bishop, Bill Burke, Barry Bradburn, John Bonadio, Marie Cameron, Patricia Holbrook, Maria & Luigi Altavilla, Marlene Visage, Anne Cook, Valerie O'Brien, Leonie Coleman, Bill Nicholls, Maureen Fraser, Carol Drew, Bill Morris, Ron Strauss, Patti & Kevin Gore. All the residents in Nagle Apartments. All the residents in Bupa.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Edward Redman, Diane Carey, Mary Anderson, Sinead Bleeker, Ken Dibley

**ANNIVERSARY:** Peter Rendell, Natale and Maria Ferraiolo Ann Allen, Leonie Gilbert, Emma Moses

**DECEASED MEMBERS & FRIENDS:** Camara & Gomes Families, Joan Quinn, Frank Townsend, David Hoffffman, Mona McGovern, Veri Laarakkers, Helen Warham, David Dee, Dorothy Lynch, Reg Benson, Gabrielle Scarra, Dec'd PBVM Sisters, Robertson Family, Claude Press, John Press, Peter Rendell, Barry Scott, Margaret Stokes, Paul Fraser, Karen Westnidge, McMullen & Brown Families, Philip Struthers, Jim Walsh, Shirley Dent, Thomas O'Brien, Menezes & Minshull Families, Tyran Sharman, Gregory & Eileen Dodd, Sr Mary Julian, Larkin Family, Mullins Family, Fr. L. Cruikshank, members of McNamara, Torrington, Preston, Dent, Barrett, Mahoney, Lollback, Mason & O'Leary families, Terry McNamara, Griggs, Nunan, Farrell families, Jack Ethers, Mrs Hills, Mr & Mrs English, Aunt Nora and Aunt Thelma, Irene Mason, Monica & John Robinson, Don Barrett. Miller family & friends, Holy Souls in Purgatory