

CHURCH GARDENS

At present the gardens are growing faster than can be maintained. The gardening group is desperately seeking more people to assist. We meet every 2nd & 4th Friday of each month from 8am to 11.30am.

If you can spare any time we would certainly appreciate the extra help.

Please bring a water bottle & gloves

All equipment supplied.

Contact Kevin Redman 0402856114 for more details

Today's Readings

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-1— *I saw an immense crowd, beyond hope of counting, of people from every nation race, tribe and language.*

1 John 3:1-3— *We shall see God as he really is.*

Matthew 11:28— *Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM— Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION— Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

UNIVERSAL PRAYER— Lord, hear our prayer.

ACOLYTE AND READER ROSTERS ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE SACRISTY.

COUNTING AND CLEANING IS STILL ON HOLD.

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



new Parish Website— www.stpatsutherland.org.au



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DUE TO COVID-19, LIMITED NUMBERS PERMITTED, PLEASE CHECK OUR 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.



ALL SAINTS DAY

Sunday November 1

All Saints' Day, also known as All Hallows' Day, Hallowmas, the Feast of All Saints, or Solemnity of All Saints, is a Christian solemnity celebrated in honour of all the saints, known and unknown. In Western Christianity, it is celebrated on November 1 by the Roman Catholic Church, the Anglican Communion, the Methodist Church, the Philippine Independent Church, the Church of the Nazarene, the Lutheran Church, the Reformed Church, and other Protestant churches. November 1 is also the day before All Souls' Day. The Eastern Orthodox Church and associated Eastern Catholic and Byzantine Lutheran churches celebrate it on the first Sunday after Pentecost. The Church of the East and associated Eastern Catholic churches celebrate All Saints' Day on the first Friday after Easter.

Dear Parishioners,

What a momentous week it has been! Last weekend we were able to welcome back Fr John as parish priest and the joy and warmth with which he was received was paramount to all. These last nineteen months have been challenging for us all but one of the biggest graces to come out of this period for me has been the privilege of getting to know Fr John. I have come to know a priest with a heart completely for his parish and its people. Even in the most difficult periods Fr John's prayers and concerns would always be for St Patrick's. I have found his wisdom, guidance and support a great help as I learnt to be a parish administrator. It is therefore a gift to me and to the parish that we will get to work side-by-side up until January next year. I am really looking forward to the gift of continuing as your pastor in 2021. The best gifts are often unexpected and my time at St Pat's, while unforeseen, has been something to treasure and to continue to be treasured. We will keep Fr John very much in our prayers in these remaining months and we pray for whatever new flock will be lucky enough to have him as their shepherd in the new year.

Our parish is also sadly bidding farewell to Jennie Myers, our sacramental coordinator. Many of you will know Jennie as the lovely voice on the end of the phone taking your bookings for Mass! She however has been much more than a Mass booker. Jennie has made a great contribution to the parish over the last two years, organising all the sacraments for both our Catholic and state school children and for doing much of the teaching as well. She has also been a big help to Kaylene our parish secretary and very importantly, lifts the mood of everyone in the office through her skills as a coffee maker and baker! Jennie is going to pursue some wonderful new life opportunities in country New South Wales. We are sad to be losing her but we cannot let her go without letting her know how grateful we are for all she has done.

May God bless you all in the coming week. Thank you so much for your prayers, concern and support during my illness. I have truly felt the love. THANK YOU!.

Fr Dan McCaughan

Cleaning after Masses—to be able to keep our beautiful church functioning and compliant with the current health restrictions the Church needs to be cleaned after each Mass. We are asking some of our younger parishioners to help out it can be done quickly and efficiently. Our more mature parishioners are doing a fantastic job but they shouldn't be doing it all the time when we have so many young families attending Mass. So please if you can spare ten minutes after the Mass you attend and give them a hand. Thank you Fr John, Fr Dan and the parish team.

The Parish Piety Stall

Re-Opening of the stall: 7 November 2020 5pm Sat Mass, 8am & 10am Mass until Christmas.

St Vincent de Paul Christmas cards have arrived \$10 for a pack of 10. Columban Calendars are \$10 each. These sales go directly to St Vincent de Paul Society.

Also the Piety Stall has some lovely Christmas gifts. Please support us as all monies raised go towards our Church Restoration Fund.

Hope to see everyone soon. Sylvia

Catechist update

We are preparing for the next scholastic year and we're hoping to find more volunteers to teach scripture.

Woronora Pub Sch needs 2 volunteers on Wednesdays 1150-1220am

Loftus Pub Sch needs 4 volunteers on Wednesdays 1050-1120am

Sutherland Pub Sch need a 1 volunteer on Thursdays 145-220pm
That is a total of 7 new volunteers in total.

Kindly spread the word. Not all of us are called to do this ministry but you never know who may have thought about it but has never come forward to answer the call.

Please do call me if you need to know more

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SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS:

Our Confirmation program is almost complete—we keep the children and their families in our prayers.

On a personal note—it is with some sadness that I let you know that I will be moving on this week. I never realised that I could have felt so welcomed, cared for and loved by a community—thank you. We have all travelled 2020 with difficulties, I am no different. I believe that God has given me a new opportunity in life which I am enthusiastically following. So for now, I say goodbye, I will definitely visit, so thank you for your support over the past 2 years. I will keep you all in my prayers

Jennie

Parish Mass Booking System

Under the new current government health advice it is recommended that all parishioners wear a mask during Mass. It is not compulsory but advisable.

Although Mass gatherings are now allowed to be 300 it is still the 4sqre metre rule. Our Church has been measured and under those guidelines we are able to have 155 attend Mass inside and 30 outside. You are still required to register and leave details for contract tracing.

Thank you for understanding. Fr John, Fr Dan, Kaylene and Jennie

Livestream can be accessed at bit.ly/saintpatslive or simply by searching Saint Pats Sutherland on YouTube. Become a subscriber to the parish channel to get updates of upcoming livestreams.

FOR THOSE WE ARE REMEMBERING IN NOVEMBER MASSES

Please note that only Anniversaries that fall in November and those who are recently deceased are named in the Bulletin.

Monday 2nd November

All Souls Day Masses

7.30am

9am

12 Midday

7pm

Directives for Churches and Liturgies for the Archdiocese of Sydney under current COVID Safe restrictions

from 1 July 2020

From Wednesday 1 July 2020:

- churches in the Archdiocese of Sydney shall be reopened and Sunday Masses will be resumed
- the maximum number of people allowed in the church shall be determined by 'the four square metre rule'; the maximum number allowed in is 155
- contact details of all those entering the church (name and phone number or email address of one adult in each family) must be recorded by marking your name on the register at the door.
- current spatial distancing directions (people are asked to keep least 1 1/2m from each other) and hygiene directions (including hand sanitizing and regularly disinfecting the church) must be observed; attendees are to sit only in marked places, to queue at a distance from others, and to take care when coughing or sneezing
- congregational singing is still suspended
- those who are unwell or at high risk must not attend (they might ask that Holy Communion be brought to them at home).

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE SICK: Catherine Grech, Adam Henson, Wendy Fell, Bernard Cassidy, Kristy Bugeja, Elaine Kelly, Elizabeth Pemberton, Gwen Power, Arnanoud Lemerie, Solange La Douce Jean Fabien, Steve Smith, Lloyd Handley, Bruce Kent, Anne Cassidy, Rafael Monserrat, Lena Mallet, Brendan Lynch, Martine Benoit, Norma Miller, Lucy Gault, Ron Monro, Lorraine Davies, Bill Burke, 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: FX JT Liang (Ya Yang), Anne Dawson, Lynda Greenwood, Anthony Barclay. David Stephenson

ANNIVERSARY: Patrick Sullivan, Margaret Gothard, Panfilo Antonio Mangkikis, Mary