

CHURCH GARDENS

The gardening group meets on the second & fourth Fridays of each month between 8am & 10.30am
At present the gardens are growing faster than can be maintained.
The gardening group is desperately seeking more people who can assist with either mowing, watering, sweeping or weeding for any amount of time when we meet, If you can spare any time to assist in maintaining the church gardens we would certainly appreciate the extra help.
Please bring a water bottle & gloves
All equipment supplied
Pls contact Kevin Redman 0402856114 for more details

TODAYS READING

Isaiah 8:23, 9:3– In the Galilean country, the people have seen a great light.
Corinthians 1:10-13,17– I appeal to you, my brothers and sisters, make up the differences between you.
Matthew 4:12-23– He went on to Capernaum, that the prophecy of Isaiah be fulfilled.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM– The Lord is my light and salvation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION– Alleluia! Alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia


UNIVERSAL PRAYER–
Christ, be our light.

Counting Roster –2022

22/1/23– Hunt Team
29/1/23– Cowles Team
5/2/23– Barclay Team

Altar Society– 2022

22/1/23– Fsadni Team
29/1/23– Gaynor Team
5/2/23– McAuliffe Team

 **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

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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.



**Third Sunday
Year A
21 January,
2023**

The public ministry of Jesus begins in a humble way beside the lake of Galilee. He chooses fishermen who leave their nets to follow him. A light that will continue to shine in all who come to know Jesus. We too can bring this light into the lives of those we meet, by proclaiming the Good News & help those suffering & in pain.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel describes the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. In the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke (called the Synoptic Gospels), Jesus' public ministry begins after his baptism by John the Baptist and after his retreat to the desert where he was tempted by the devil. When Jesus returns from the desert, he hears that John has been arrested.

The first part of today's Gospel places Jesus' ministry in the context of the writings of the prophet, Isaiah. Matthew wants to show that Jesus is the fulfillment of the prophecies given to the people of Israel, and he refers to Isaiah to do so. Isaiah says that the Messiah will begin his ministry in Galilee, the land of the Gentiles. When Jesus begins to preach in Galilee, Matthew points to his ministry as a fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy, proof that Jesus is the Messiah.

When Jesus called his first disciples, the Gospel tells us that the fishermen (Peter and Andrew, James and John) dropped everything to follow Jesus immediately. Yet this Gospel tells us little about the prior experience that the fishermen had of Jesus. Did they know him? Had they heard him preach? What kind of person must Jesus have been to invoke such a response? We can imagine that Jesus was a powerful presence to elicit a response as immediate and complete as these first disciples gave.

The Gospel concludes with a description of the ministry that Jesus begins in Galilee. Jesus inaugurates the Kingdom of God with his work. He teaches in the synagogue and preaches the kingdom. His ability to cure people's diseases and illness is a sign of the kingdom. In Jesus' ministry, we already begin to see the Kingdom of God among us.

Bible Study
We will resume in 2023 on 12/01/2023.

*The Word of God is living and active;
it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.*
Please come and join us in looking at the Gospel of
Luke; currently discussing Chapter 20
6pm Thursday evening for an hour at the Presbytery.

'Lumen Gentium Group'
Wednesdays, 9.45am at the presbytery.
All welcome!

Dear Parishioners, please note the Parish
office will be closed for the next 2 weeks.

Fr Dan will be on leave from 6/1/23– 14/1/23.

Kaylene will be on leave from the 9/1/23-
20/1/23.

Happy Birthday Kathy Laarakkers !
Wishing you all the best your many friends at
St Patrick's.

A Pontifical Requiem Mass for Cardinal George Pell will be held at St Mary's Cathedral in Sydney on Thursday 2 February at 11am, following his death in Rome on 10 January. Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP will be the Principal Celebrant at the Mass, which will be open to all and also livestreamed on the [St Mary's Cathedral You Tube Channel](#), prior to the Cardinal's burial in a private ceremony in the cathedral crypt. Screens will be erected in the St Mary's Cathedral forecourt to accommodate the large numbers of mourners expected to attend and pay their respects to the deceased cardinal who served as Archbishop of Sydney from 2001-2014. Cathedral Dean Fr Don Richardson said thousands of mourners from Australia and overseas are expected to attend the Mass. "Cardinal Pell left a remarkable legacy for the Catholic Church in Australia and this will undoubtedly be one of the most significant funerals ever held at the Cathedral", Fr Richardson said. "Cardinal Pell was also known and highly respected by many overseas due to his numerous roles in the Vatican over many decades. Cardinal Pell will lie in state at St Mary's Cathedral from 9.30am on Wednesday 1 February. For mourners unable to attend the Requiem Mass on 2 February, there will also be a Mass for the Dead at St Mary's Cathedral on Wednesday 1 February at 1.10pm and 8pm. There will also be an Evening Prayer and Vigil on Wednesday 1 February at 5:30pm

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE SICK: Catherine Bishop, Judith Fraser, Maria Kramer, Fr Lawrie Beath, Sue Cassidy, Clifford Atkinson, Linda Dalton, Thiago Mazza Almeida, Terry & Pam Neenan, Graham Lamberti, Elizabeth Kinsella, Eileen Kenny, Ted Cramsie, Joanne Dideta, Eileen Talbot, Adam Henson, Wendy Fell, Kristy Bugeja, Elizabeth Pemberton, Arnanoud Lemerie, Solange La Douce Jean Fabien, Steve Smith, Lloyd Handley, Bruce Kent, Anne Cassidy, Lena Mallet, Martine Benoit, Norma Miller, Ron Monro, Lorraine Davies, Bill Burke, John Bonadio, Marie Cameron, Patricia Holbrook, Maria & Luigi Altavilla, Maureen Fraser, Carol Drew, Ron Strauss, Patti Gore. All the residents in Nagle Apartments. All the residents in Bupa. All residents in Lark Ellen. All residents in the Palms.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Cardinal George Pell, Joseph Camilleri, Luc Rosette, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

ANNIVERSARY: Warren Jeckelin, Jamie Stephen Wood

DECEASED MEMBERS & FRIENDS: Biber Family, Roger Minshull, Gwen Power, Molly McFarlane, Kevin Gore, Bill Morris, Joan Quinn, Frank Townsend, David Hoffmann, Menezes & Minshull Families, Mona McGovern, Veri Laarakkers, Helen Warham, David Dee, Dorothy Lynch, Reg Benson, Pat Bathurst, Gabrielle Scarra, All 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, 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



The Parish Piety Stall will close after the 10am
Mass this Sunday December 18 and will re-
open on Saturday and Sunday 21 & 22 January
2023.

Many thanks for your continued support in 2022.



Parish volunteers

As we gather here over this
wonderful season of Christmas
and enjoy our beautiful Church
take a moment to think of all the
work that goes into making it
such a special place. We are

very fortunate to have a few special parishioners
that clean, garden and keep
up the general maintenance of
the Church. They would love
some help so please if you
can spare an hour a month
please call Kaylene in the of-
fice 9521 2356 after the New
Year to offer your help.

