

## 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 ect.

If you can spare 2 hours per fortnight or any time when we meet to assist in maintaining the church gardens this would make a difference to the appearance of the Church gardens & surrounds. As always, any assistance is appreciated. Please bring a water bottle & glove. All equipment supplied Pls contact Kevin Redman 0402856114 for more details

## Today's Readings

**Isaiah 55:10-11** *The rain makes the earth fruitful.*

**Romans 8:18-23** *All creation is waiting for the revelation of the children of God.*

**Matthew 13:1-23** *A sower went out to sow*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** –The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** – Alleluia, alleluia! The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live forever. Alleluia!

**UNIVERSAL PRAYER** – Freeing God, hear us.

### Counting Roster –2023

16.7.23– Can any teams cover please

23.7.23–Hunt Team

30.7.23– Cowles Team

### Altar Society– 2023

16.7.23–Elliott Team

23.7.23–Fsadni 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



**WWW.** new Parish Website– [www.stpatssutherland.org.au](http://www.stpatssutherland.org.au)



## ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

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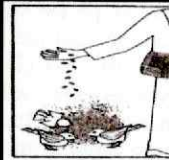
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St Patrick's Parish acknowledges and honours the Gweagal People of the Dharawal Nation as the original custodians of this land



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



**Fifteenth  
Sunday Year  
A  
16 July, 2023**

Perhaps during our life's journey the word of God has fallen in all the places mentioned in the parable of the sower. By being attentive to Jesus in our daily lives, we will gradually find that his words will sink deep into our hearts.

We will then become people who have heard the word and allowed the seed to grow and yield fruit.

This week I have had time to reflect upon the incredible celebration we shared to mark my 10 years of ordination as a priest. Your overwhelming support, heartfelt messages and generous gifts have truly touched my heart and made this milestone even more special.

First and foremost, I want to thank each and every one of you who attended the parish gathering. Your presence filled the room with an uplifting and loving energy that I will cherish forever. It was an absolute joy to see familiar faces, as well as meet new members of our parish community, some of whom live out of the area and livestream our weekend Masses. Your warmth and genuine happiness made me feel incredibly blessed and valued.

I am also deeply grateful for the kind generous gifts, messages and cards I received. Reading your kind words of encouragement, appreciation and prayers has been incredibly inspiring. Your thoughtfulness and love have reaffirmed my commitment to serving as your humble shepherd, guiding you on your spiritual journeys.

I am filled with gratitude for the loving and supportive community that surrounds me at St Patrick's. It is because of your faith, passion, and dedication that our parish thrives and flourishes. Together, we have created a place of warmth, acceptance, and spiritual growth. Thank you for making me feel so welcome and for being an integral part of my ministry for the past ten years.

May God continue to bless each and every one of you abundantly, and may our parish community continue to grow in love and faith.

With heartfelt gratitude and warmest regards,

Fr Dan

**WEEKDAY PROGRAM: Mon 9am-Communion Service**  
**Mass: Tues-Sat- 9.00am**  
**SUNDAY MASS TIMES: Sat Vigil 5pm Sun 8am & 10am**  
**CONFESSIONS:** Saturdays 4pm - 4.45pm or by appointment  
**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Mon Closed.  
Tues-Friday 9.00am - 3.00pm

### PIETY STALL

The Parish Piety Stall is open every Saturday at the 5.00 pm Mass and on Sundays for both the 8.00am and 10.00 am Masses. Lovely gifts available.

### WRAP WITH LOVE- 2023-

We meet at the Presbytery on the first Thursday of the month from 11.30am to 1.30pm. Please join us for knitting squares. Bring a sandwich for lunch. All welcome.

17 July 2023 - Lunch at Peshurst RSL Club (Change of Venue). 11.19am train from Sutherland and 11.21am from Jannali.  
Bookings essential by Friday 14 July. Please contact Pam 9545 3132 or 0410 213 836

### Bible Study Currently Chapter 13

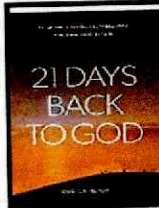
*My word will not return to me unfulfilled,  
it will accomplish my purpose. (Is 55:11)*

Come join us as we discuss **The Acts of the Apostles**, currently Chapter 12  
6 pm Thursday evening for an hour at the Presbytery.

**Permanent new parish phone number**  
Please note our new parish number is  
**9524-0590**

A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney: Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes are the police. If you, or anyone you know, have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or [safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org). You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police.

2022/2023 Tax receipts are now available from the back of the Church.



Journalist Bob Cameron has written a deeply personal account of his return to the Church. Titled *21 Days Back to God - After 40 Years of Running Away*, his book is an inspiring step-by-step spiritual guide for others considering the pilgrimage of return. It is \$18.95 per copy at [coventrypress.com.au/index.php?route=common/home](http://coventrypress.com.au/index.php?route=common/home) Or ordered from Catholic bookstores such as:

[orders@paulinebooks.com.au](mailto:orders@paulinebooks.com.au) and [bookshop@mustardseed.org.au](http://bookshop@mustardseed.org.au)

Dear Heavenly Father,  
We lift up Fr Dan and the students from St Patrick's High School as they prepare for World Youth Day. Fill them with Your love, wisdom and strength. Guide their preparations, protect their travel and surround them with Your angels. Open their hearts to the graces and blessings You have in store for them during this pilgrimage. May they encounter You in profound ways, grow in their faith and be inspired to be witnesses of Your love in the world. Bless their time together, forming enduring friendships and deepening their relationship with you.  
In Jesus name we pray,  
Amen

### LUMEN GENTIUM (Light of the Nations)

Following a very productive meeting with Fr Dan this week to discuss the outcomes of our study of Lumen Gentium we will be in a position to share some very exciting news about the proposed implementation of a Parish Pastoral Council when he returns from World Youth Day

Lets keep it in our prayers.

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE SICK:** Mila Laverick, Neville Evans, John Woodward, Patrick Lynch, Dale Butler, Stuart Gordon, Catherine Bishop, Judith Fraser, Maria Kramer, Fr Lawrie Beath, Sue Cassidy, Clifford Atkinson, Linda Dalton, Thiago Mazza Almeida, Graham Lambert, Elizabeth Kinsella, Eileen Kenny, Ted Cramsie, Joanne Dideta, Eileen Talbot, Solange La Douce Jean Fabien, Steve Smith, Lloyd Handley, Bruce Kent, Anne Cassidy, Lena Mallet, Martine Benoit, Norma Miller, Bill Burke, John Bonadio, Marie Cameron, Maria & Luigi Altavilla, Maureen Fraser, Carol Drew, Ron Strauss, Patti Gore, Lorenzo Perugini. All the residents in Nagle Apartments. All the residents in Bupa. All residents in Lark Ellen. All residents in the Palms.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Imelda Logue & Fr Noel Malloy

**ANNIVERSARY:** David Dee, Brian Scrymgeour, Teresa & Luigi Paoletti, Vincenzo & Maria Ferraivolo, Elio Filipetto, Robert Hoffman, Helen Warham & Sylvia Cassidy

**DECEASED MEMBERS & FRIENDS:** Maria Dodd, Biber Family, Roger Minshull, Gwen Power, Molly McFarlane, Kevin Gore, Bill Morris, Joan Quinn, Frank Townsend, David Hoffman, 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, Julio Gomes & Family, Manuel Fernandes Camara & Family