

**ST PATRICK'S PARISH MORTLAKE**

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Parish Priest: Mons. John Usher

MASSSES: Saturday (Vigil) 6.00 pm Sunday 9.00 am and 6.00 pm

Monday: Communion Service

Tuesday to Friday 8.00 am

Rosary after Morning Mass on Fridays

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 5.30 pm to 5.45pm

Parish Administration: Tuesday and Friday 9.00am to 3.00pm – Brenda

**ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL**

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**NOTE:** Next Wednesday is the Feast of the **ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN**. This is a **HOLY** day. (A "Holy Day" is equivalent of a Sunday) Hence special Masses for the feast will be at 8.00am and 7.30pm next Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2018.

**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:** **Monday:** Saints Pontian and Hippolytus (235 – MARTYRS); **Tuesday:** St Maximilian Mary Kolbe (1941 – Patron of political prisoners); **Wednesday:** *The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day)*; **Thursday:** St Stephen of Hungary (1038 – Patron of Hungary); **Friday:** St Hyacinth (1257 – Patron against drowning); **Saturday:** St Helina (326 – Patron of people with marriage difficulties).

**MESSAGE FROM MONS JOHN:** This sixth Chapter of the Gospel of John, which we have been reading in recent weeks, is loaded with profound messages about the unity between Jesus and God the Father. Nevertheless, it seems when we read the passage that is opened up for us today, we hear that the Jewish people who were listening to Him could not accept what Jesus was revealing.

They began to say amongst themselves that this man called Jesus could not have a special unity with God the Father because, after all, he is simply a local lad. **“We know his father and mother” – “We watched him grown up” – “He is just an ordinary fellow”.**

Herein is the revelation that is worth thinking about. Jesus was fully human. He was an ordinary human being and yet he also embodied a unique oneness with God.

Today we are reminded to never ignore what often seems to be **“ordinary”** in other people. God rarely reveals what is divine in miracles. The divine is generally revealed in human encounters that we judge to be **“ordinary”**.

The simplicity and ordinariness of our everyday encounters with each other can be encounters with God. A **smile** a **wave** a simple **greeting** of good-will, is a revelation of God’s presence in our lives.

Today we are invited to encounter God in the ordinary friendliness of our family, friends and fellow citizens.

**CHARITABLE WORKS FUND APPEAL:** This week-end our local Church asks for special help to support the unique charitable activities of our church community. These activities often go on throughout Sydney in an unheralded manner. Hundreds of distressed families, homeless children and young people are supported. The generous work of our foster families who care for children with special needs and children separated from their own families is an unsung special work of our local Church. Then there is the special support given to people with disabilities and frail members of our community. Your support is urgently needed. There are special envelopes on the seats this week-end which you could use to make a donation. If you are able, you could give your gift in cash or by credit card. **Thank you for your kindness.**

**BUS TRIP TO BOWRAL:** Seats are now available for the 19<sup>th</sup> September to go to Corbett Tulip Gardens price is

**PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE BY PURCHASING A CATHOLIC WEEKLY TODAY FOR ONLY \$2.00 – MANY THANKS**

\$60.00pp which includes a buffet lunch. If you would like to go please make a booking with Anne Manenti 8765 8260.

**ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL – BADGES FOR BALES!:** Next Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> August after the 9.00am Mass the children in conjunction with SVDP Drought Appeal will have a stall selling **HAND MADE** badges and **HOME MADE** cakes. As Eftpos is unavailable, please come prepared with small denominations to purchase the goodies on offer. It's time to come together as one community in prayer and generous hearts, to show our support for all those affected by the drought. **We thank you in advance for your support.**

**LECTORS (READERS) ROSTER:** A new roster for the Lectors (Readers) at our Sunday Masses is now available. The rosters for the Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses **HAVE NOT CHANGED.** Only the roster for the Sunday evening Masses has changed to include some new Lectors. Copies of the new roster for the Sunday evening Lectors are available at the door of the church.

**DIARY DATES**

<b>Monday</b>	10.00am Bingo in the Parish Hall – <b>All Welcome just come along</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	11.00am Christian Meditation in the Lady Chapel – Everyone is welcome
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8.00am and 7.30pm – Special Masses for the Holy Day Feast of the Assumption</b>

**MESSAGE FROM CATHOLIC CARE:** Do you know any seniors in our local community who could use a little help at home? Catholic Care’s home care services help seniors to enjoy living independently in their own home with comfort and confidence. Call CCareline on 13 18 19 to find out more.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Fr George Connolly; Fr Paul Ryan; Pina Bianca; Kevin Burke; Norbert Matenaar; Giuseppe Fin.

**ANNIVERSARY AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS:** Angelo Falgiatori; Fr Frank Fafaro; Maria Rossi; Santina Manzo; Gaspare Favero (10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary); Antonio Mandile & Gaetano Lacava; Angelo Guastadisagni; Amelia & Carlo Mauro; Sergio Vendruscolo; Salazia Saad; Antonino Di Giglio & Giuseppe Di Giglio; Antonino Tesoriero; Angelino Lo Schiavo; Ellen Wood; June O’Connor; Elivira Weale; Cettina Camilleri; Bertram Walsh; James Parnell; Rita Parnell; Ermette Bacci; Henry Jones; Fredwick McKinley; John Cody; Kathleen Manners; Ellen Lawn; Catherine Gallaher; Phyllis Hefferman; Joseph Monaghan; Emily Draper; Fredwick Walmsley; Vincent Morrison; Timothy McCarthy; Oscar Metlikovec; Alexander Vapper; Patrick Cunningham; Nora Sullivan; Pauline Bedwany; William Foley.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY:** Join the Prayer Group after Sunday’s 9am Mass to say one decade of the Rosary and the Memorare for petitions received Deborah Bushell; Michael McGurk; Norman Clein, Bernadette; Neil & Joyce Masters; Michael; Nina McNamara; Rod; Gladys Northey; Josephine Oen; Kaitlyn Toohey; Kane Petersen; Raylene; Charles Xureb; Rosina Everett; Rosa; Brian; Robert Northey; Devon; Albert; John Coulson; Margaret Love; Domenica; Dannie; Diane. **To have your own petitions included, please see one of the group, or phone Carmel Moliterno 9736 1718.**

<b>NEXT WEEK 18 &amp; 19 AUGUST 2018 – WEEK THREE</b>			
	<b>Sat. 6.00 pm</b>	<b>Sun. 9.00 am</b>	<b>Sun. 6.00 pm</b>
<b>Readers</b>	Paul Dolan Anna Dickinson	Dianne Manning Margaret Dix	Marie Piccin Catherine Ryan
<b>Acolytes</b>	Kevin Nelson-Smith Julian McCarron	Eric Kent	Peter Scicluna Rocco Arce
<b>Communion at Mass</b>	Nerina Briganti Max Briganti	Betty Flynn Connie Lasorsa	Diane Carolan Rita Kolibac Michele Coudh
<b>Communion to the Sick</b>	Kevin Casey and Frank O’Young		
<b>Children’s Liturgy</b>	Leonie and Rebecca		
<b>Altar Society 3rd Saturday</b>	Marie Cramsie and Barbara Granger		
<b>Money Counters</b>	Sandra & Stephen Ryan, Philomena and Michelle Turley		
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Please see Mons John		