

ST PATRICK'S PARISH MORTLAKE

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PARISH PRIEST: Mons. John Usher

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

Mon: 8.00 am Communion Service Tues to Fri: 8.00 am Mass

Rosary after Morning Mass on Fridays

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 5.30 pm to 5.45pm

PARISH ADMIN.: Tuesday and Friday 9.00am to 3.00pm – Brenda

ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL

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FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: **Monday:** St Josaphat (1623 – Bishop and martyr); **Tuesday:** St Frances Xavier Cabrini (1917 – Patron of immigrants); **Wednesday:** St Laurence O’Toole (1180 – Patron of Dublin); **Thursday:** St Albert the Great (1280 – Patron of scientists); **Friday:** St Margaret of Scotland (1093 – Queen, patron of families who have lost a child); **Saturday:** St Elizabeth of Hungary (1231 – Patron of Hungary).

MESSAGE FROM MONS JOHN: As this year draws to a close, we read from the final chapter of St Mark’s Gospel. In fact, next week-end we will read St Mark’s story for the last time in 2018. We will not read it at our Sunday Masses for another three years.

St Mark’s Gospel is the shortest of the Gospel stories. Nevertheless, it is commonly recognised as the earliest, and probably the most accurate, account of the life of Jesus. It is believed that St Mark’s story is based on the eyewitness account provided to him by St Peter. These eyewitness accounts of the life of Jesus are called the “Kerygma” (ie the “apostolic stories” about Jesus).

Hence, it is interesting to note that St Mark, towards the end of his story makes a contrast between the hypocrisy of so called religious leaders and the genuine kindness and integrity of an impoverished widow.

The religious leaders had access to power, wealth and learning. In particular they knew the revelations in the sacred books about the goodness, mercy and righteousness of God. The widow would have been powerless, extremely poor and would have been deprived of many intellectual and religious insights about God. Nevertheless, she, unlike the religious leaders, acted in a way that epitomised the goodness, mercy and righteousness of God. The religious leaders did not!

The lesson for us is simple. Give without counting the cost, be always merciful and forgiving and be a person of integrity. If we can do that, we are very, very close to God.

CHARITABLE WORKS FUND APPEAL – NOVEMBER: As a Parish we are always very generous to this Appeal which is held on 3 occasions each year. The November appeal is scheduled for this week-end and next week-end. Our generosity helps many homeless people, children isolated from their families, exploited seafarers, local aboriginal people, people with disabilities etc. Envelopes will be available next week-end – *Many thanks*

PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY: SAVE THE DATE: The next meeting for members of the Pastoral Care Ministry will be on Wednesday December 5th. This is our last gathering for 2018. We will meet at 12.30 at The Country Club, Village Drive Breakfast Point.

SINGERS & MUSICIANS WANTED: We are looking for one or two singers and musicians to join our Saturday 6pm music group. If you feel you can assist please call Bob Mayor on 0418 228689 or just say hello to Bob and Marg following the Mass.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS’ PLENARY COUNCIL 2019-2020: This Council is designed to establish a dialogue amongst Catholics across Australia. The questions we are invited to discuss are these:

- What do you think God is asking of Australian Catholics at this time?
- What questions do you have about the future of the Catholic Church for the Plenary Council to consider in 2020
- Do you have a story of your experience as a Catholic you would like to share

Here at St Patrick’s we will develop ways in which we might address these questions during the next few months.

SOCIAL JUSTICE: The next monthly meeting will be held on Thursday 15th at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

A CHRISTMAS LUNCH AT CARMEN’S AT BARNWELL PARK ON THURSDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2018: For those who are available during the day, our Parish Social Ministry extends an invitation to attend a Christmas Lunch at Carmen’s Restaurant, Barnwell Park Golf Club. The cost is \$45 for lunch, tea, coffee and entertainment commencing at 12 NOON. RSVP Anne Manenti on 87658260 by 21st November.

ST PATRICK’S PARISH MORTLAKE – 7PM FRIDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2018: Fr John extends an invitation to ALL parishioners (young & more senior) to join him for some Christmas hospitality in the presbytery on the evening of Friday 30th November from 7pm onwards. It will be an opportunity to greet each other socially and say thanks for a wonderful 2018 year – **SAVE THE DATE**

DIARY DATES	
Mon	10.00am Bingo in the Parish Hall – All Welcome just come along on the day
Wed	11.00am Christian Meditation in the Lady Chapel – Everyone is welcome!

RECENTLY DECEASED: Michael Bonello; Joan Antill; Luigino Mascarello; Vicki Sefton.

ANNIVERSARY AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Angelo & Concetta Piccin; Domenico Piccin; Patricia Reilly; Bruna Prevedello; Natale Pelle; Betty & Bill Owens; Tony Rafferty; Tony Clyne; William & Mary Samuel; William & Wyn Chamberlain; Bill Chamberlain; Dargue, Samuel & Chamberlain Families; Shore, Johansen, Moore, Cannon, McInerney, McCulloch & Foster Families; Rosario Nicastrì & Family; Rosario Epania & Family; Patricia Reilly; Maria, Laurina, Giovanna & Domenico Masi; Miria & Giuseppe Magri; Giuseppina & Vincenzo Costa; Antonia Costa; Rosina, Antonio, Carmine & Pia Montebello; Maria Cerruti; Francesco Cerra; Pasqualina Rapicano; Antoinette Tedesco; Knight Family; Fernandes Family; Joe Dennis; Conrad Nazareth; C & T Vernem; Steve, Laura, Lewis & Matthew, Ross & Families; Malcolm, Elizabeth & John Salmon; Angus &

Anne Gaul; Elizabeth Calvin; Sandra Sze; Michael & Greg Gaul; Vincenzo & Antonina Tizzone; Fernandes & Dennis Families: Laura & Louis D’Souza; Steve Beringa; Mathew Fernandes; Morrison & Concommon Families; Delia Griffin; King & Tarrey Families; Maria & Francesco Cremona & Family; Giacinto & Teresa Moliterno & Family; Rosa Cramer; Pasquale Moliterno; Pietro Cremona; Donato Carnevale; Ermina Reale; Domenico Ciampa; Domenica Alessio; P & L Castillegos; Natalia Sonza; B & D McManis; Bautista Family; Paul & Michael Griffin; John & Norma Colbourne; O’Young & Ferguson Families; Stefa & Agafia Kubyk; Josephine & William Sutcliffe; Clugston & Bailey Families: John, Herbert & Patricia Clugston; Mick & Fiona Bailey; Cynthia, Thomas, Letetia, Joe & Frances Fernandes; Rona, Giovanni & Santina Alice; Peter & Frances Martina; Cliff & Rita Wong; Wally Albrecht; Alfred & Regina Fiala; Edna Kong Hing; Irene, Elizabeth & Elanora Fiala; Sam Ferlauto; Michele & Giuseppa Goffredo; Nancy Buonanova; Gussy Fausti; Anthnoy Zacca; Wladyslaw Setkiewicz; Colin Williamson.

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 Margaret Dix; Queenie Menso; Zac; Fr Davino; Maria; Maria Pia Rampin; Nives Tessarolo; Ade Barton; Tony; Donald Tepeau; William Usher; Anthony; Tony Brezlin; Bernadette; Michael; Nina McNamara; Rod; Kaitlyn Toohey; Kane Petersen; Raylene; 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.

NEXT WEEK 17 & 18 NOVEMBER 2018 – WEEK THREE			
	Sat. 6.00 pm	Sun. 9.00 am	Sun. 6.00 pm
Readers	Kerry Harfield Greg Whitby	Maria McGrath Greg McGriskin	Susan Neylan Sinead Kent
Acolytes	Kevin Nelson- Smith J u l i a n McCarron	Eric Kent Gigi Pelizzari Neve Pelizzari	Peter Scicluna Rocco Arce
Communion at Mass	N e r i n a Briganti Max Briganti	Betty Flynn Connie Lasorsa	Diane Carolan Rita Kolibac Michele Couch
Communion to the Sick	Cathy Keevers and Dianne Chestney		
Children’s Liturgy	Rebecca		
Altar Society 3 rd Saturday	Marie Cramsie and Barbara Granger		
Money Counters	Sandra & Stephen Ryan, Philomena and Michael Turley		
Altar Servers	Please see Mons John		