

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 Paternus (550); Tuesday: St Bernadette Soubirous (1879 – Saint of Lourdes); Wednesday: St Stephen Harding (1134); Thursday: HOLY THURSDAY; Friday: GOOD FRIDAY; Saturday: HOLY SATURDAY.

MESSAGE FROM MONS JOHN: Today the Church invites us to begin a journey with Jesus. It starts on the outskirts of Jerusalem and we follow Jesus as he enters that ancient city and is hailed as a great prophet. We too wave branches to welcome the Messiah. Then on Thursday evening we share a last supper with Jesus; allow him to serve us and cleanse us; walk with him to the garden; and, if we can, stay awake with him, although like Peter, James and John we'll probably fall asleep and leave Jesus.

On Friday morning we will travel the way to Calvary with Jesus as we move through the Stations of the Cross. On Friday afternoon we stand at the foot of the Cross and experience the trauma of the suffering and death of the Lord.

On Saturday we wait expectantly – Our Church is closed – Jesus is dead. Then, in a blaze of light on Saturday night we suddenly understand the reality and implications of Resurrection. The implication is that we all have the gift of eternal life.

That is the journey we are about to embark upon. If we take the journey it will change our lives forever.

CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 19TH AT 10.00AM: If any children would like to read a Station of the Cross (12) in the Parish Garden, carry the cross (1) or carry a candle (2), please contact Sinead Kent on 0420653637.

PARISH ADULT EDUCATION PRESENTATION: Following last year's excellent and well received presentation on 'The Bible' by David Patterson we are pleased to announce a follow-up presentation from David on "The Three Questions to Depth the Spiritual Life." It's Jesus' questions:- what are you looking

for? - who do you say that I am? - do you love me? And a fourth, command, "Feed my sheep." The presentation is a one night talk scheduled for Tuesday 30th April in the parish hall at 7:30pm. We recommend that you diarise the date as these presentations are always very thought provoking and informative.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES FOR 2019/2020: These envelopes are in the Narthex for collection. If any Parishioner would like to join this giving program which enables our Parish to operate effectively and to maintain our church and parish facilities it would be greatly appreciated. Please just contact the office on 9743 1017.

RECONCILIATION 17TH APRIL AT 7.30PM AT ST MARY'S CONCORD: As is our tradition here at St Patrick's we will celebrate the Sacrament of Penance with our neighbours. **All Welcome.**

DIARY DATES THIS WEEK:

Monday 10.00am BINGO
Wednesday at 7.30pm Communal Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation at St Mary's Parish Concord
Thursday at 7.30pm Mass of the Lords Last Supper, washing of the feet, veneration at the Altar of repose until Midnight.
Friday at 10.00am Stations of the Cross for adults in the Church
Friday at 10.00am Stations of the Cross for children in the Parish Gardens
Friday at 3pm Good Friday Commemoration of the Lord's Passion with Holy Communion
Saturday 6pm Easter Vigil **(THE CHURCH IS CLOSED DURING THE DAY)**
Sunday 9 & 10.30 and 6pm Easter Masses

PROJECT COMPASSION: During Lent, one way to undertake a special charitable work is to put a little cash aside each week to support the overseas missions of Caritas Australia. Special boxes or envelopes are available at the church doors into which you may place a small gift each week. Caritas Australia does a great deal of work supporting less fortunate communities in overseas countries.

ROSEBANK COLLEGE FIVE DOCK: Rosebank College will be holding an "Open Day" on Sunday 5th May 2019 for interested parents and potential future students (11AM – 3PM).

| DIARY DATES | |
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| MON | 10.00AM BINGO IN THE PARISH HALL – EVERYONE IS WELCOME - PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO BINGO ON EASTER MONDAY |
| WED | MEDITATION WILL RESUME ON THE 1 ST MAY 2019 |

RECENTLY DECEASED: Lynette Herbert; Guido Paoloni (Italy); Marie Maguire; Christine Ng; June Murray; Beverly McGriskin; Joan Klein; Robert Grecca.

ANNIVERSARY AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS: Rev Vincent Francis Folkes; Teresa Alvaro; Francesco & Maria Cannone; Andrea & Angela & Loretta Ricchiuti; Grazia Di Giglio; Francesca Lo Schiavo; Antonino Di Giglio & Angelino Lo Schiavo; Deceased members of Di Giglio, Tesoriero, Galea & Michallef Families; Raymond Hemmy; Pauline Darragh; Gabrielle De Palo; Moya Ashton; Martin McNeeve; Malcolm Butcher; Beatrice Gatti; George Miles; Anthony Aquilina; Bridget Bellingham Ludimila Alvares.

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 Marie; Louise; Charlotte; Silvana C; Margaret; Patrick; David; Ray; Mario Falcone; Cameron Sue; Nadia Same; Bob Hawke; Maria; Lucy Shaw; Aurora; Mary Ridolfi; Luigi; Charmaine Suria; Tessarolo; Tony; Donald Tepeau; William Usher; Kaitlyn Toohey; Kane Petersen; John Coulson; Margaret Love; Domenica; Diane. To have your own petitions included, please see one of the group, or phone Carmel Moliterno 9736 1718.

| NEXT WEEK 20 & 21 APRIL 2019 – WEEK THREE – EASTER SUNDAY | | | | |
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| | Sat. 6.00pm | Sun. 9.00am | Sun 10.30am | Sun. 6.00pm |
| Readers | Amanda Gierek Barbara Bolster | Dianne Manning Margaret Dix | Annette Cooper Rod Cooper | Britta Crozier John Crozier |
| Acolytes | Peter Scicluna Margaret Dix Julian McCarron | Eric Kent Gigi Pelizzari Neve Pelizzari | Cristina Profilio | Peter Scicluna Rocco Arce |
| Communion at Mass | Nerina Briganti Max Briganti | Betty Flynn Connie Lasorsa | Michelle Sraih Lorraine McAuliffe | Diane Carolan Rita Kolibac Michele Couch |
| Communion to the Sick | Kevin Casey and Frank O'Young | | | |
| Children's Liturgy Week 3 | Rebecca | | | |
| Altar Society | Marie Cramsie and Barbara Granger | | | |
| Money Counters | Sandra & Stephen Ryan and Philomena and Michael Turley | | | |
| Altar Servers | Please see Mons John | | | |

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