

**ST PATRICK'S PARISH MORTLAKE**

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PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Fr. Tom Stevens

MASSES: Saturday 9:00 am Communion Service and Vigil 6.00 pm  
Sunday 9.00 am and 6.00 pm Monday: 8.00 am Communion Service

Tuesday to Friday: 8.00 am Mass

Rosary after Morning Mass - Tuesday to Saturday

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 DAY THIS WEEK:** Wednesday: St Fabian and St Sebastian; Thursday: St Agnes; Friday: St Vincent

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL ONLY BE  
A COMMUNION SERVICE ON TUESDAY 22<sup>ND</sup>  
JANUARY

**CHRISTMAS AT ST. PAT'S, MORTLAKE in  
1895**

At Christmas in 1895 there was discussion in the media about the merits of Christmas - many young people wrote letters to the *Sunday Times*.

*Among the contributors was a girl from a St Patrick's Mortlake family, published in the Sunday Times, 22 December 1895, page 15. Her letter is indicative of the poverty of the district at that time and the 1890s economic depression.*

"I think everyone ought to keep up Christmas because it is Christ's birthday. All children like their birthday kept up, so we ought to keep Christ's, because it is the greatest birthday of all. I am 9 years old. I

do not remember any Christmas, only last Christmas. My brother, my two little sisters, and myself hung our Blockings up, but Santa Claus did not put anything in them, because mother was sick in bed and father had no work. We got no Christmas boxes, only a little baby brother, and no Christmas pudding, because mother had nothing to make it with. I hope we will have a better Christmas this year. Father has gone away to the goldfields. He may find some gold, and send mother some to buy us good things for this Christmas. — Maud Mosley, Major Bay-road, Concord. (St. Patrick's School, Mortlake).

\* Thanks to Damian Gleeson for providing this information.

**CATHOLIC MISSIONS:** Catholic Missions would like to pass on their sincere thanks to all the parishioners of St Patrick's who so kindly donated to their 2019 Appeal. The amount raised was \$824.00.

**BAPTISMS THIS WEEK:** Baby Patrick Quinn; Baby Noah Saroufim and Baby Logan Barrett.

**2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

DIARY DATES	
MON	BINGO WILL RESUME ON MONDAY 3 <sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY 2020
MON - SAT	The Rosary after morning mass
WED	CHRISTIAN MEDIATION WILL RESUME WEDNESDAY 29 <sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2020
SUN	After 9am Mass, prayer group in front of statue of Mary

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Denis Klein; David Roberts; Assunta Cerra; Duolio Favero; Nancy Urch.

**ANNIVERSARY AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS:** Vincenzo Verna; Beatriz Cubol; Salvation San Juan; Harold McGuire; Mary Smith; Ellen McMahan; James Pogmore; Maria Prampero; Allan Keen; Giuseppina Goffredo; Matthew Tracey; Daniel Moloney; Pietro Casagrande; Anne Chalker; Cavel McDonald; Bradley Bolster (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary); Pierdro & Nuncita Biviavo; Cathy Biviano; Palumbo & Saliba Families.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY:** Please join the Prayer Group after Sunday's 9am Mass to say one decade of the Rosary and the Memorare for petitions received; Ken & Nora Lai; John McEnally; Patrizia Facchin; Roberto Galorielli; Marco & Annalisa; Jill; Edward Azjan; Maryellen Partlin; Tony P; Marie; Nancy Walker; Loretta; Antonietta; Connie Calvisi; Theresa Tan; Peter Allen; George; Michael; George Cepak; Bill Young; Don Khoury. To have your own petitions included, please see one of the group, or phone Carmel Moliterno 9736 1718.

