



St. Patrick's Parish Blacktown

We acknowledge the Darug people, the traditional custodians on whose land we worship.

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17th January 2010

2nd Sunday in Ordinary time

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Catechists: Mrs Colleen McCunnie
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Archives: Mrs M. Geraghty
Choir Rehearsal: 7.00 pm Thursday

Weekly Mass Times:

Mon - Sat 9.00am
First Friday Devotion:
9.00am Mass, 7.00pm Mass
Blacktown Hospital Mass Times:
Thursday 10am, Friday 9.30am
Saturday Vigil Mass 7pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturdays 9.30am - 10am

Weekend Mass Times:

Saturday: Vigil 5.30pm
Sunday: 7am, 8.30am, 10am,
5.30pm (Youth Mass)
Mass for the Sick: 9.00am
2nd Saturday of the month

Baptisms, Marriages, Funerals

by appointment.
Please contact office for details

Office Closure

Mon - Fri: 1- 2pm (**Lunch**)
Thursday: 11.15am - 12.15pm (**Team meeting**)

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A GREEN POPE!

Bishop Philip Wilson, the president of the Australian Bishop's Conference, shared some reflections on Pope Benedict's World Peace day Message. Below is an extract but there are full copies available for those who are interested to read further.

This year in his World Day of Peace Message, Pope Benedict XVI has made an impassioned plea to all people, particularly those living in affluent nations, to care for the earth, and to be good stewards of creation. In less religious terms, the Pope is asking us, as human beings of good will to consider how our lifestyles might affect those in poorer nations.

The World Day of Peace, celebrated on January 1, is an observance launched by the Catholic Church under Pope Paul VI in 1967. This year's message contains pertinent remarks for people of all or even no faith. Pope Benedict has chosen this year to appeal to all people to care for the environment in his letter "if you want to cultivate peace, protect creation."

Pope Benedict has earned his reputation as the "Green Pope" by installing solar panels atop a Vatican audience hall and signing an agreement to make the Vatican Europe's first carbon-neutral state.

Benedict's 2010 World Peace Day message builds upon what many experts already regard as a most striking element of his social teaching. It is hoped that all people, Catholic or not, may hear this message, and start to understand the impact of excessive consumption and lack of regard for our environment.

The imminent threat to island nations such as Tuvalu and Kiribati requires a genuine and serious commitment. Sadly, Copenhagen's outcomes will not be enough, but perhaps the Pope's words may change some hearts.

As we battle to find ways for the international community to address Global Warming, Pope Benedict challenges us to take personal steps towards achieving peace through a care of the environment.

Fr Peter

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: May all the earth give you worship and praise, and break into song to your name, O God, Most High.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:1-5

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 95:1-3. 7-10

Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord, bless his name. R.

Proclaim his help day by day,
tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. R.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name. R.

Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'

He will judge the peoples in fairness. R

SECOND READING: Corinthians 12:4-11

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Thessalonians 2:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel
to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus
Christ. **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' Jesus said, 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews: each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water,' and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now,' he told them, 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from - only the servants who had drawn the water knew - the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the guests have had plenty to drink; but you have kept the best wine till now.'

This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

The Lord has prepared a feast for me: given wine in plenty for me to drink.

Mass for the soul of the following: Stanley Stokes, Carl Bartley, The Schembri family, P. Camilleri, the abandoned souls and all souls in purgatory.

Prayer for the sick: Kerry Bush, Peggy Giddey, Kim Baker, Naomi Petrie, Mary Toohey, Coral McLean, Frank Vella.

Recently Deceased: Jesus Boy Bernido

Special Intention: Nello Bradizza

Daily Readings

18th Jan: Mk 2:18-22; 19th Jan: Mk 2:23-28, 20th Jan: Mk 3:1-6, 21st Jan: Mk 3:7-12, 22nd Jan: Mk 3:13-19, 23rd Jan: Lk 10:1-9

LITURGY ROSTER

Attention senior servers, readers, acolytes and junior servers, Colleen McCunnie is about to prepare the Liturgy Roster for the next 3 months. Could you let her know if you are not available during that time, either by calling the office on 9622 1125 or by email at admin@stppatricksparish.org.au. Thank you for your corporation.

BETTY AND JEAN'S BUS TRIP



1. On Tuesday 9th February a day at **The Entrance**. Departing St Pat's at 9am and returning approx 4.30pm. Morning tea on the way and lunch at own expense. Cost \$25 pp.

2. **7 Days to Geelong** departing on 21st March 2010. You will visit Great Ocean Road, Ballarat, Mornington Peninsula and of course Geelong. Overnight stay at Albury on the way down and Eden on the way back. Cost is \$920 pp, all inclusive except for lunche. For more information please ring Jean on 9920 3405 or mobile 0425 251 754.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY FORMATION 2010

Parramatta Institute for Mission is offering the following courses during 2010:

Ministers of the Word (22nd Feb and 1st Mar)

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion (8 Mar and 15 Mar)

Communion to the Sick (22 Mar and 29 Mar)

Senior Servers (3 May and 10 May)

Acolytes (17 May and 24 May)

For more information, please call Claudette at the office on 9622 1125



AUSTRALIA DAY MORNING TEA



There will be a Morning Tea after the 9.00am mass on Monday 26th January. Tea and coffee will be provided. Could you please bring a plate to share, something Australian (lamington, Anzac Biscuits, Damper etc.).