## ST PATRICK' S PARISH PAKENHAM



ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY: St Patrick's Catholic Parish acknowledges the Bunurong and Wurundjeri people, the Traditional Owners of this land, who have walked upon and cared for it for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES Saturdav 6.00pm Sunday 9:00am & 10:30am WEEKDAY LITURGY TIMES 9.30 Liturgy of the Word & Monday 13/11 Communion in the church Tuesday 14/11 9.30 Mass in the church 9.30 Mass in the church 15/11 Wednesday 11am Mass Shanagolden Thursday 16/11 9.30 Mass in the church 9.30 Mass at St Clare's school Friday 17/11

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.30-10am or any time by appointment with Father

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: 9.30-10.30am Saturday

## MARY'S INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Saturday 10:00-10.30am

SHANAGOLDEN ROSARY GROUP: If you have any special prayer request please feel free to email jane.parsons@vmch.com.au or leave a message at parish office

ST PATRICK'S GIFT SHOP: Open before and after all three weekend masses or by appointment. Please contact Jessev at 0406901318

ST PATRICK'S PLAYGROUP: Contact Morwena 0401189649

## 32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

We remember those who have died recently including James Daly, Willem Alards and those whose anniversaries occur about this time including Mary Richmond, Eugin Costa, Ivan Sember, Luc Claude & Jean Claude Salece, Jean paul Lumyick Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, let your perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

We pray for those who are sick including:, David Gudgeon, Angel Tan, Calvin Furnell, Richard Pereira, Val Battams Matt Cunningham, Tom Cervasio. We pray for all who care for the sick and worry about them. May their works of service be richly blessed. (Names can only be placed on this list by the sick person or a family member)

BAPTISMS: This weekend we welcome Valentina Galli & Ryan Silva for Baptism "Receive the light of Christ. Parents and Godparents this light is entrusted to you to keep burning brightly" (Rite of Baptism). The next Baptism Preparation session is 3<sup>rd</sup> December at 2.45pm

CHILDREN'S FRIENDSHIP GROUP: This group will resume after the holidays . Every 2nd Saturday from 5-5.45pm and every 4<sup>th</sup> Friday 7-7.45pm in the Parish Library. Dates are: 24/11 & 9/12.

WELCOME DINNER: A dinner will be held in the parish centre this Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm to welcome all our new parishioners this year.. We'll look forward to saying hello!

ALL SOULS NOVEMBER MASS: All are invited to gather for an All Souls Mass at the Pakenham cemetery on Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00pm. Parishioners should feel free to invite friends and neighbours who may like to join in this Mass. A blessing on the graves of loved ones will follow. All are welcome. (Bring a folding chair!!)

BISHOP PATRICK VISITING: Next Saturday evening Bishop Pat will be with us for the 6:00pm Mass to celebrate Confirmation for three of our parishioners. He will be a welcome visitor amongst us. All are invited to join in a 'cuppa' in the hall after Mass. Please, if possible bring a plate of something to share for supper.

SOUP KITCHEN MEETING: The meeting to consider the beginning of a "Soup Kitchen" type project in our parish is on this Thursday (16/11) at 7:30pm in the parish hall. This project could give parishioners a way to respond to the Holy Father's call for us to be a church for the poor, meeting a need in our community. There are many, varied roles involved in such a project and all can play a part. Anyone with any experience in this field is also invited to come and share their wisdom and suggestions. Please come along!

PAKENHAM CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT: Pakenham Community Carols choir is looking for singers to join them for the Pakenham Community Carols by Candlelight, which will be held on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2017. We are specifically looking for men to join us. This is an enjoyable community event and only a short term commitment. Practice is weekly on Wednesdays starting 8th November, 5pm at St. James Anglican Church, 41 Pakenham Road, Pakenham,

THE SLOG: The Slog is a cycling event which raises much needed awareness and support for the local 4C's Crisis Relief Centre. You can sponsor us through the website www.theslog.com.au or cash can be left at the Parish Office during the weeks before. \$2 or more are tax deductible. If you sponsor through the website click on Tresa Andrews or James Andrews to sponsor us.

WEST REGION PARISHES MEETING: On Wednesday (15/11) representatives from the regional parishes of our Diocese, Pakenham, Berwick, Narre Warren, Cranbourne and Clyde North, will gather at St Thomas's parish office, Clyde North, 50 Heather Grove, Cranbourne East, for the regular meeting. This group discusses church and parish issues of concern to us all. Any parishioner who would like to join in is welcome to do so

SENIORS ANOINTING MASS: All Seniors are invited to 11am Mass on 29<sup>th</sup> November followed by a light lunch. Please fill in your name on the sheet provided in the foyer.

**REMEMBRANCE DAY:** Decades have passed since the Armistice that ended World War 1, "The War to end all Wars." Since that time, conflicts have continued to rage around the globe, but we still hold fast to the idea that peace is possible, and people continue to work towards that goal.

Remembrance Day in Australia commemorates the noble sacrifices of armed forces and civilians during times of war. At the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, one minute of silence is observed across the country to mark the cessation of hostilities on the Western front during WW1 after over four years of gruesome warfare.

The moment in 1918 when hostilities ceased was originally named Armistice Day, becoming a time when allied nations honoured the brave sacrifices made by all who fought and lost their lives during the First World War. At the end of the Second World War, the Australian and British governments renamed November 11 Remembrance Day to mark and remember all who have fallen in times of war. The ritual of observing one minute of silence was first proposed by Australian journalist Edward Honey in 1918 and continues to be universally practiced on Remembrance Day each year.

Unlike ANZAC Day, Remembrance Day is not a public holiday in Australia but services are held at 11am at War Memorials and cenotaphs in suburbs and towns across the country. Traditionally, the Last Post is sounded by a bugler followed by one minute of silence. After the minute of silence, flags are raised from half-mast to masthead as Rouse is played.

The freedom we enjoy was secured at a price. Since Federation, Australian units have served in the Boer War, the Boxer Rebellion, World War I, World War II, Korea, the Malayan Emergency, the Indonesian Confrontation, Vietnam, the Gulf War, the War against Terrorism in Afghanistan and Irag, and in many Peace Keeping Operations around the world.

They gave their lives to ensure that the things we hold dear as Australians would endure for future generations.

Lord, you have always held troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Help us all strive for peace.g We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Saviour. Amen

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR: In his apostolic letter to close the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis suggested the Catholic Church set aside one day each year when communities can "reflect on how poverty is at the very heart of the Gospel." He designated this day as the "World Day of the Poor." It will be celebrated on the thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary time (two Sundays before the season of Advent each year).

The inaugural World Day of the Poor is Sunday, 19 November 2017. The Holy Father has written, "It would be a day to help communities and each of the baptized to reflect on how poverty is at the very heart of the Gospel and that, as long as Lazarus lies at the door of our homes (cf. Lk 16:19-21), there can be no justice or social peace. This Day will also represent a genuine form of new evangelization (cf. Mt 11:5) which can renew the face of the Church as she perseveres in her perennial activity of pastoral conversion and witness to mercy."

ST. PATRICK'S SOCIAL GROUP: Indoor Bowls are at 12.30p.m. in the Church Hall followed by a cuppa on the following Friday dates: November 17<sup>th</sup> & December 1st.

"Social Club Mystery Bus Tour on Wednesday, 6th December leaving Pakenham football ground carpark Olympic Way at 9.15a.m and returning approx. 3p.m. As the Social Club is paying for the bus your only expense will be Lunch. Friends are also invited. Please contact Kathy 0418679616, Richard 0407832326. Bookings by 1st December **BOARD NEEDED:** A retired 69 year old, male, hospital technician (former seminarian in Rome) is looking for a room or a bungalow to rent in a guiet home. Please contact Eric at 0432 540542

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**FINANCE MATTERS** Last week PG\$2085.00 Loose \$547.60 House \$782.05 This Week PG\$2309.00 Loose \$686.25 House \$728.85

# 12th November, 2017

## FOR CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS A NOTE FROM OUR

SAFETY OFFICER: Let us find the courage needed to take all necessary measures and to protect in every way the lives of our children, so that such crimes may never be repeated. In this area, let us adhere, clearly and faithfully, to 'zero tolerance'.

Pope Francis, December 2016

### HOW PARENTING CHANGES: Activities:

1st baby: You take your infant to Baby Gymnastics, Baby Swing, & Baby Story Hour

2nd baby: You take your infant to Baby Gymnastics.

3rd baby: You take your infant to the supermarket and the dry

CHURCHKEEPING !!! A couple of points to make for a better gathering time: Quite a few parishioners have expressed their concern at the level of audible conversation in the church during mass, especially in the thanksgiving time, after Communion. Please do your best to keep your chatting for after mass, and if it can't wait, then a respectful whisper could suffice. Thanks to those who are taking their bulletin home or returning it to the table in the foyer after Mass. It takes a while to tidy up all the bulletins left in the pews.

And please, if you take a chair from the hall for use in the fover at Mass would you please return it to the hall after Mass. Having said that, it is always, always preferable that people gather together in the body of the church for Mass. The fover is really for the people with little children who might need a bit more space, and not a serious alternative to being in the midst of the worshipping community

#### CHURCH CLEANING THIS WEEK: C McCowan & G Dias CHILDREN'S LITURGY: This week D & G Velten

Next Week: N Boloski & T Naso

ROSARY STATUE: 12/11 Bernadette Ekanayake 19/11 R Perera

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	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
n	D Dominic D Thomas	S Dominic M Wiwczaruk H Judd W & B Vail
n	P Velten A Minnis	N Ward C McCowan N Boloski G Thompson R Jayawardena
30	J Fanchette A Raos	S Torres A Stowers H Yuke M Weliwatte S Gupta
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n	J Colvin C George	Q Pereira S Fernando H Francis S Torres T Andrews
n	RJayawardena G Thompson	P Velten A Penton AJ Estrada R & A Jayawardena
30am	S Gupta M Byers	R Lappin M Hobbin U Tiberi A Parma I Merrigan

"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." - MATTHEW 25:13

Many of us have put off doing something because we think we are too busy. We've all said, "I'll do it later when I have time." Unfortunately, too many of us apply this attitude to our Faith. Jesus' call is urgent, in the here and now, in your current circumstances. Don't delay, how is God calling you to use your gifts today?