



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT 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
Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 9:00am & 10:30am
WEEKDAY LITURGY TIMES

Day	Date	Time / Service
Monday	01/10	9.30 Liturgy of the Word & Communion Service
Tuesday	02/10	10.30 Funeral Mass Kath Short
Wednesday	03/10	11.00 Mass at Shanagolden
Thursday	04/10	9.30 Mass in the Church
Friday	05/10	9.30am Mass in the Church
Saturday	06/10	9.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6PM Vigil mass
Sunday	07/10	9am & 10.30 Mass

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 9.30am or any time by arrangement with Father.
MARY'S INTERCESSORY PRAYERS: Saturday 10:00-10.30am
SHANAGOLDEN ROSARY GROUP: Email jane.parsons@vmch.com.au for prayer requests
ST PATRICK'S GIFT SHOP: Open before and after all weekend masses or by appointment. Jessey 0406901318
ST. PATRICK'S PLAYGROUP: If you would like information please call Christine 0438364881
CATHOLIC CARE: Counselling Services 1800522076
1 Roger Street, Pakenham Catholic Care
SEWING GROUP: Every Thursday from 11am – 2.30pm in the parish library Contact Cheryl 0417124811.
EXERCISE GROUP: Every Thursday in the parish library 10am Chair Exercises available. Contact Bev 59401890
ST. PATRICK'S PRAYER GROUP: Meets in the Welcome Room 7:10pm start. Contact Theo 59417413.
Next date 5th October 2018
Paddy's Kitchen: Sunday 7th October commencing at

+ We remember those who have died recently including Kath Short, Bernie Gramc, Vincenza Santo and those whose anniversaries occur about this time including Sheila Doland
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 Clyde Dias, Romeo Santilli, Michael Bakker, Josephine Charabie, Bob Grech, Ethel Luker, Philomena Molloy, Elizabeth Ware, Michael Bakker, David Gudgeon, Richard Pereira, Val Battams, George Hilder, Lyn Hardidge, Belinda O'Flynn.

BAPTISMS: This weekend we welcome Mason Gouloupoulas, Wesley Pennington, George Matthys and their parents. *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 is October 7th, at 2.45pm, in the library..

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: Over the coming weeks (starting next week), in our parish, we will be introducing the parish 'action plan' to ensure our parish community is part of, and contributes meaningfully to, PC 2020. – **considering together the future to which God is calling the Church in Australia.** Everyone can be involved – Your voice, our voices collectively are important! All parishioners and interested people will be invited to come together to discuss, tease out and discern: **What do YOU think God is asking of us in Australia?** Please note the question is not of the church alone, but says "us in Australia". For more information visit: plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au or talk to any of the Parish PC 2020 Team: Sandie Downy; Katrina Venn; Garry Forrest; Tresa Andrews; Mick O'Brien; Angharad Dorian; Victoria Mawen; John Ruys and Siji Dominic. The PC2020 team currently is calling for small group facilitators. Contact Sandie Downey @59417315



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: The next meeting of the council will be on 2nd Oct at 7:30pm in the parish library. All parishioners are welcome to raise matters of interest to put before the PPC.

PURCHASE OF A HOUSE: Last week I advised of the purchase of a house at 5 Guest Road, Pakenham, which will, in due course, become the presbytery. Bishop Pat is strongly suggesting to all priests that they consider moving to accommodation off the church property, often isolated buildings on large church properties, into a neighbourhood. The property will be available in a few weeks time. I asked last week for your suggestions as to what might be suitable use of the present presbytery. A couple of written responses have been given already. Thanks to those who took the time. The Finance Committee would appreciate hearing the ideas of parishioners on this topic. We'd be sure that large building, would adapt well to other uses. Your thoughts (in writing, please!)? Fr BB.

ST. PATRICK'S LUNCHEON GROUP: Our October lunch is at the Cardinia club on October 3rd between 12-12.30. Please contact Kathy 0418679616 or ksymons54@bigpond.com.

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE: The Centre for Liturgy (Australian Catholic University) will be offering a Short Course in Preparing and Celebrating Catholic Funerals in the Diocese of Sale. This course is presented to us by leading scholars and practitioners: Prof Clare Johnson, Fr Denis O' Bryan and Ms. Wendy Goy (Tobin Brothers Funerals). The course runs over two days at St Patrick's Parish Centre, Pakenham. Sessions 1 & 2, Saturday 13th October 2018, and sessions 3 & 4, Saturday 10th November 2018 both from 9:30 am -1:30 pm with light lunch to follow. Registration is essential by Tuesday 9th October 2018. For further information, check out the flyer in the foyer. The parish will be happy to subsidise the fees of those who attend from St. Pat's parish.

ALL WELCOME: Come along for a day of fun and help raise money for cancer research 6th October 9.30-3.30 \$25.00 per person (and some extra change for raffles and auctions) in the Parish Centre. Bring along a project of your own - scrapbooking, card making, knitting, sewing etc. Contact Sandie Downey to book a seat 0413753514

WELCOME DINNER: The 2018 Welcome Dinner will be held on October 26th. 6.15 for a 6.30 meal All new parishioners, over the last 12 months, are welcome. If you are new in the parish and don't hear from us in the next few days, please make yourself known to Fr Bermrd, Marianne or Siji or at the Parish Office.

PLANNING YOUR GOLDEN YEARS: This is the name of a day the parish is planning in the hall, on **October 16th, from 10:00am to about 12:30pm** with the session concluding with lunch.

Topics that we hope to cover include; a lawyer speaking about preparing wills and Power of Attorney, both legal and medical; a funeral director to speak about the arrangements that can be made when that time becomes necessary; someone to speak about Advanced Care planning, so people can make clear the wishes they have for themselves when they may not be able to make good decisions about their on-going health care; and a talk about leaving clear plans for the type of funeral people might want, leaving details for family members to follow. There will be ample time for questions on the day. We'd presume there will be a few laughs to be had, as well as the serious stuff!! (Please note: There is absolutely no connection between this session and the more formal sessions on 16/10 and 10/11 from Australian Catholic University on preparing Catholic funerals.)

THE BULLETIN: How good it would be if groups in the parish would take a small amount of time to write a few sentences of news from your group, for the bulletin. So much goes on around the parish, yet so little of it is shared in print. The bulletin is loaded onto the parish website each week, so a much wider audience can access it than those in the church. Also, if you are not taking your bulletin home would you please return it to the desk in the foyer after Mass.

PARTS OF THE MASS: THE SIGN OF PEACE: The exchange of peace has been part of the Roman liturgy since earliest times. Originally it occurred before the Presentation of Gifts in response to Jesus' exhortation in Matthew 5:23-24: "If you bring your gift to the altar, and there recall that your brother has anything against you, leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift."

In the late fourth century the Sign of Peace moved to its present location immediately after the Our Father. This position links it with the last petition of the Lord's Prayer that we be forgiven "as we forgive those who trespass against us" and with the reception of Eucharist which follows. In the Middle Ages the gesture came to be limited to the clergy alone and was eventually replaced by the priest's kissing of the altar. The 1969 Missal of Paul VI issued after the Second Vatican Council restored the Sign of Peace to the Mass. This was in line with the renewed emphasis on the communal aspect of liturgical worship, and also embodied the reminder from the Council that Christ is present in the assembly.

In 2005 members of the Synod of Bishops on the Eucharist investigated a proposal that the Sign of Peace might be better placed elsewhere in the Mass because having it just before Communion causes problems if it is not conducted appropriately. A long and extensive process of consultation revealed that the great majority of bishops' conferences preferred the present practice so no change was made.

Interestingly, the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) tells us: "In the dioceses of Australia the most common form of the gesture of peace is the handshake, although different practices according to region and culture are not excluded. However, it is appropriate that each person offer the sign of peace only to those who are nearest and in a sober manner." (GIRM 82)

The Sign of Peace needs to be kept in proportion and not occupy more time than other more important elements of the celebration. The Sign of Peace is about imparting to others the blessing of Christ's peace not shaking hands and saying Hello to as many people as possible in the available time: hospitality is practised as people arrive for Mass, not when it is almost over!

VOLUNTEER OVERSEAS - THE CAGLIERO PROJECT, SALESIANS OF DON BOSCO: We are seeking volunteers for working with disadvantaged young people in Salesian communities throughout Cambodia, Samoa, Zambia & Solomon Island. Volunteer opportunities exist for English Teachers, Youth Workers, Youth Ministers, among others. We are seeking enthusiastic volunteers for January 2019 departure. Our volunteers placements run for 6-12 months and are centered around working with young people in educational settings. We have multiple volunteers' opportunities throughout Cambodia, Samoa, Timor Leste, Thailand and the Solomon Islands. We aim to utilise the skills and talents of our volunteers in order to provide the best possible contribution to the host community. go to serve. However, serving as a Cagliari volunteer will probably be the most rewarding thing you ever do!
For more information: <http://cagliari.org.au/> Applications close October 15, 2018. Contact: Lauren Hichaaba, Director, Cagliari Project. Email: lhichaaba@salesians.org.au

IONA/MARYKNOLL BRANCH OF THE CWA: We are having a Retreat Day at St Joseph's Iona on Tuesday 2nd October. The retreat will be given by Sr Audrey from 9.30 Morning & Afternoon tea provided BYO lunch. Please call Veronica 59457687 if you wish to attend..

ST CLARE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL TWILIGHT MARKET: We are planning on running a Plant stall at our Twilight Market on Friday 23 November and need your help. Now that Spring has arrived we are asking people to start collecting cuttings/seeds and potting them up ready for selling at our market. If this is something you can help us with and are happy to care for these plants until the week of the market it would be greatly appreciated.

THIS WEEKEND	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
6pm	T Ridgeway C George	M Wiwczaruk M Vandiem H Judd M Roche L. George
9am	T Lanigan B Wiegerink	C Martin N Ward P Velten H Francis A Penton
10.30	R Lappin A Roas	U Tiberi I Merrigan A Stowers H Yuke C Mayer
NEXT WEEK	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
6pm	A Mendis E Fernando	P Pereira L Garvey M Vandiem T & F O'Gorman
9am	G Thompson M O'Brien	A Penton P Maxfield G Prestt B Barker N Boloski
10.30am	A & J Arul	D & J Estrada C Faamausili B Kollaris J Mozina

PLEASE NOTE: New Rosters are available in the foyer.
CHILDRENS LITURGY: 30/9 D Velten R Kollaris
6/10 Volunteers needed
CHURCH CLEANING: 5/10 M Wiwczaruk & A Watts 12/10 R & M Hau
WELCOME TABLE: 30/9 6pm M Vandiem 9am B Hinds 10.30 I Merrigan 6/10 6pm M Vandiem 9am A J Estrada 10.30 H O'Flynn
ROSARY STATUE: 30/9 L & R Fortinez 6/10 P & J Ferry

FINANCE MATTERS: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Last week PG \$1949.90 Loose \$798.70 House \$714.05
This week PG \$2339.35 Loose \$692.40 House \$918.40
"Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward." MARK 9:41
Does your life reflect the life of Jesus? Remember, we were made in His image. We tend to forget this. When others see you, do they see the face of Jesus? When you look at others, do you see the face of Jesus in them?