



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
Monday	5/11	9.30am Communion Service
Tuesday	6/11	9.30am Communion Service
Wednesday	7/11	11.00 Mass at Shanagolden
Thursday	8/11	10.30am Mass McGregor Gardens
Friday	9/11	9.30am Mass in the church
Saturday	10/11	9.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6PM Vigil mass
Sunday	11/11	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 7:10pm Contact Theo 59417413. Next meeting November 16th
PADDY'S KITCHEN: Next Meal Sunday Nov 4th (Tonight) dinner served at 6pm in St. Patrick's Parish Hall.

+ We remember those who have died recently including Christina McMillan, Alice Troon, Elizabeth Juricic and those whose anniversaries occur about this time including Douglas Joseph **Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, let your perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen**

We pray for those who are sick including Maria Austin, Clyde Dias, Michael Bakker, Bob Grech, Ethel Luker, Philomena Molloy, Elizabeth Ware, David Gudgeon, Richard Pereira, George Hilder, Lyn Hardidge,
BAPTISMS: This weekend we welcome Xavier Wursthorn, Cooper O'Flynn & Oliver Savic 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 today, November 4th, at 2.45pm, in the library..

ST VINCENT DE PAUL ASSIST A STUDENT PROGRAM: This is an education program aimed at breaking the cycle of poverty for students in our neighbouring developing countries in Asia and the Pacific. Just \$70 can assist one of these students for one year – 100% of your donation goes towards uniforms, books and course fees. If you would like to support this program there are some payment forms on the table in the foyer, or contact Joy de Jong on 0408107502.

ST. PATRICK'S LUNCHEON GROUP: The group's next outing is on Wednesday 7th November at the Cardinia Club, Racecourse Road, Pakenham for a 12.30pm start. If you are able to attend please contact Kathy 0418679616 of k.symons54@bigpond.com All welcome.

PRAYER FOR STUDENTS AT EXAM TIME:

Loving God,
Be with me as I enter this exam.
Still my heart and open my mind.
Help me to write with confidence
and allow me to demonstrate all that I have learned.
Thank you for the many people who have prepared me for this time and thank you for the opportunity to bring my learning to this moment.
Be with me, as I enter this exam time. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE PARENTS AND FRIENDS OF THOSE UNDERGOING EXAMS:

Loving God, be with _____ as they commence this exam period.
Give them the confidence they need
and allow them to demonstrate their many gifts.
Give them courage and the confidence to know
that no matter what happens they are deeply loved
and that all will be well. Amen
And from us all, good wishes to those doing their VCE exams!

ST CLARE'S EARLY LEARNING CENTRE: St Clare's ELC is taking enrolments for 2019. for children aged 3 – 6 years in accordance with the National Quality Frameworks. We aim to develop independent children in being prepared for school and for life.
"We value each child as an individual with their own strengths, culture and family. We respect the rights of each child and their role within their own family. We will work to ensure that children are not discriminated against on the basis of gender, ability, economic status, lifestyle, ethnicity, language or culture". (from St Clare's Centre's Philosophy.)
St Clare's welcomes all children to our centre, many of our children attend many different schools in the community. We have an open door policy, so please come and visit the centre any day between the hours of 8.30am – 4.00pm or ring to make an appointment, 95 Majestic Drive, Officer, 0359 406 799.

THE SLOG: This is an event which raises much needed awareness and support for the local charity, the 4Cs Crisis Relief Centre. We are passionate about the cause as it supports our local community. Furthermore, we will be participating in the event by riding our bikes 80km on November 17th. For this we are asking you to sponsor us so we can, together, make a difference within our community. You can sponsor us online through the website <http://www.theslog.com.au> click on sponsor a rider and type (Tresa Andrews/James Andrews) to sponsor us. Thanks in advance. Cheers James and Tresa

AS WE CELEBRATE ALL SAINTS DAY (Nov 1st): Two hugely influential figures in the recent history of the Catholic Church and Caritas Internationalis, Pope Paul VI and Archbishop Oscar Romero from El Salvador, became saints on 14 October 2018:
Paul VI: The Great Light: Pilgrims from every continent flocked to Rome in 1950, declared a Holy Year by Pope Pius XII. The year was marked by five great exhibitions that were to demonstrate to visitors from all over the world the work of the Church. One of them was on the activities of Caritas organizations in helping people caught in conflict. The Caritas exhibit was opened by Monsignor Giovanni Battista Montini, Substitute Secretary of State.
This was before the Caritas confederation was formed. The Vatican had long wished to see closer international cooperation among as many Catholic charities as possible. In 1951, a meeting of the leading Caritas associations was initiated, again, by Mgr. Montini. At the start of the convention, Montini proposed the creation of an "international organism" for managing cooperation between individual Caritas's. His address would form the basis of a new set of statutes for a new organisation that would go on to become "Caritas Internationalis". Mgr. Montini would go on to become Pope Paul VI, author of landmark Church teachings Populorum Progressio and Evangelii Nuntiandi, tasking over leadership of the Second Vatican Council after the death of Pope John XXIII. "For us, Paul VI was the great light," said Pope Francis.

For peace is not simply the absence of warfare, based on a precarious balance of power; it is fashioned by efforts directed day after day toward the establishment of the ordered universe willed by God, with a more perfect form of justice among men." Paul VI

Oscar Romero: Saint of the Americas: Oscar Romero was the Archbishop of San Salvador from 1977 until he was assassinated in 1980. He became increasingly outspoken about human rights violations in El Salvador – particularly after the murder of his close friend Father Rutilio Grande in March 1977. During his three years as archbishop, Romero repeatedly denounced violence and spoke out on behalf of the victims of the civil war. In a time of heavy press censorship, his weekly radio broadcasts which were supported by Caritas organisations were often the only way people could find out the truth about the atrocities that were happening in their country. Caritas organisations helped rebuild the station when it was blown up.
On the day before his assassination, he urged soldiers and police not to follow orders to kill civilians, and stop the repression. "The peasants you kill are your own brothers and sisters," he preached. "When you hear a man telling you to kill, remember God's words, 'Thou shalt not kill'. In the name of God, and in the name of this suffering people, whose laments rise to heaven each day more tumultuous, I beg you, I beseech you, I order you in the name of God: Stop the repression!"
Archbishop Romero was shot dead on 24 March 1980, aged 62, while celebrating Mass. In the ensuing decade, some 70,000 Salvadorans were killed in the civil war. Romero is an inspirational figure to hundreds of millions of Catholics around the world. He didn't simply talk about the need to love your neighbour, but courageously named the injustices that plagued his country. He reminded us that Christ is found in people living in poverty, and that we cannot ignore the suffering of our brothers and sisters in need.

Let my blood be a seed of freedom." - Oscar Romero

OPEN HOUSE: The house at 5 Guest Road, designated to be the parish presbytery some time in the new year, will be open for you to have a look at before it becomes the priest's home. Please feel welcome to call in for a look, and a cuppa, on Sunday, November 18th, between 3:00pm and 5:00pm. From various discussions around the place, and various suggestions, the present presbytery will most likely be converted for use as the parish centre. This should be particularly helpful next year when the church becomes a building site

PADDY'S KITCHEN: Meal will be served at 6pm in the Parish Centre Sunday 4th November, A three course meal for families in need or who are finding life difficult at the moment

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: The next Parish Pastoral Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 7th Nov at 7:30 pm in the library. Items from parishioners for discussion can be left in writing or email at the parish office.

RCIA: The parish is holding an information meeting for RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) for people interested in finding out a bit more about the Catholic church, perhaps even about joining us. The Information session is next Wednesday, November 7th at 7:30pm in the Welcome Room at the parish centre. If you know anyone who might be interested to find out about the church, please consider bringing them along.

ABORIGINAL CATHOLIC MINISTRY: The ACM invites parishioners to their inaugural Art Installation launch titled "Our Survival Journey" to be held on 18th Nov 2018, at 434 St Georges Road, Thornbury. The day begins with Mass at 11:00am, followed by unveiling and blessing of art work with light refreshments to follow at 12:30. Please RSVP: Odette lo Castro at odette.loCastro@cam.org.au for more information and catering purposes.

FINANCE MATTERS: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Last week PG \$1840.50 Loose \$907.75 House \$727.30
This week PG \$1699.70 Loose \$855.85 House \$861.55

"And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices." MARK 12:33

Of all the gifts that God gives us the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of love, not out of obligation. Using our talent in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission is important, but it's more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones like love, mercy and forgiveness.

THIS WEEKEND	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
6pm	C George T Ridgeway	J Rodda G Wright H Pereira K Symons L George
9am	B Wiegerink T Lanigan	A Penton P Maxfield G Prestt B Barker N Boloski
10.30	J Obsioma L O'Flynn	D & J Estrada R Lappin B Kollaris J Mozina
NEXT WEEK	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
6pm	T Andrews J Parsons	P Pereira L Garvey M Vandiemmen T & O'Gorman
9am	P Velten D Rowlands	R & A Jayawardena J Schalks G Thompson M O'Brien
10.30am	R Pereira A Roas	M Hobbin R Lappin C Mayer I Merrigan R O'Brien

CHILDRENS LITURGY:
4/11 Volunteers Please 11/11 D Velten K Symons
CHURCH CLEANING:
9/11 K Venn & H Aurish
16/11 Lindsay & J C Pauguy
WELCOME TABLE:
4/11 6pm M Vandiemmen 9am A J Estrada 10.30 H O'Flynn
11/11 6pm KSymons 9am AJayawardena 10.30 J Pauguy
ROSARY STATUE:
4/11 Mendis/Fernandez Family 11/11M Mendis