

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B

28 July 2024

First Reading

A reading from the second book of the Kings

2 Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. 'Give it to the people to eat,' Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over."' He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 144:10-11, 15-18. R. v.16

(R.) The hand of the Lord feeds us;
he answers all our needs.

1. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God. **(R.)**
2. The eyes of all creatures look to you
and you give them their food in due time.
You open wide your hand,
grant the desires of all who live. **(R.)**
3. The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
who call on him from their hearts. **(R.)**

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Ephesians 4:1-6

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 7:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us;

God has visited his people.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

John 6:1-15

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee – or of Tiberias – and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover. Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

The gospel of the Lord.



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ST PATRICK'S PARISH

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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.

SAFEGUARDING: Our Parish is committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children, young people and adults at risk.

CHURCH RENOVATION FUNDRAISING

Thank you for your kind support and generous donations. Fund Raising brochures are available in the church foyer.



As 16/07/2024	Sponsored Already	Pledged	Money Paid
Pews	34	45,000.00	48,616.33
Stations of the cross	10	40,000.00	39,120.96
Bricks	54	13,750.00	14,059.32
Gold Sponsors	9	90,000.00	85,000.00
General Donation e.g, dinner, sausage sizzle, plants etc		121,616.79	121,616.79
Community Raffle		15,314.00	15,314.00
		325,680.79	323,727.40

Mass Times

Monday	9.30 am (Liturgy of the Word & Communion)
Tuesday	6.00 pm
Wednesday	9.30 am
Thursday	9.30 am (Liturgy of the Word & Communion)
Friday	9.30 am 1.30 pm Funeral Prayers Nancy Gallon
Saturday	9.30 am (Mass followed by Reconciliation and Exposition) and 6.00 pm
Sunday	9.00 am & 10.30 & 5.00 pm

OUR OFFERINGS TO OUR PARISH

Stewardship envelope (1st Collection): \$950.80 and cash: \$1098.85 Presbytery (2nd collection): \$932.30

If you would like to donate online:

St Patrick's Parish Pakenham – Donations

Bank: National Australia Bank, BSB: 083-879

Account Number: 75 577 0740

Children's Liturgy—Roster

Andrea & Rebecca Sat 27th Jul 6.00 pm

Trent & Approved Volunteer—Sun 28th Jul 9.00 am

Christine V & Approved Volunteer —Sun 28th Apr 10.30 am

Shingai & Approved Volunteer Sun 7th Jul 9.00am

Christine V & Approved Volunteer Sun 7th Jul 10.30am



Flower Arrangement Roster
Abing Balaba 27th Jul
Huong Arancibia 3rd Aug

SPECIAL MINISTERS AND READERS ROSTER

27th/28th Jul	Special Ministers	Readers / POF	
6.00 pm	Greg W	Kathy S	Volunteer
9.00am	Jilsa G Cecilia M Pam M	Mick O	Sue C
10.30am	Violeta O Jane E Chantal M	Dot R	Lyn O
5.00pm	Anne B	Rochelle P	Lawrismin G
3rd/4th Aug	Special Ministers	Readers / POF	
6.00 pm	Kathy S	Rishen P	Charlotte M
9.00am	Cecilia M Johanna S Gloria T	Chrismeen F	Prymani F
10.30am	Wangui G Marie H Angela S	Jane E	Chiara R
5.00pm	Rose A	Kimberely I	Liz S

St. Patrick's Parish Centre Phone: 5941 7315

Presbytery: 5941 3874

Parish News & Events

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: Kevin Cavanagh, Baby Luka, Claude Allas, Mohan Thamburaj, Annette Tanner, Mary Upston, Umberto Tiberi, Joso Kruljac, Francisco Ramos Piga, & Evie Minnis.

Recently Deceased: Nancy Gallon & Ljubica Tomicic

Death Anniversaries: Alma Bulljeans, Pierre Alexandre Clelie & P M Thomas.

Eternal rest grant unto them , O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace."

BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Hayley & James Roberts, Jack & Ella Williamson along with parents Alexander Roberts & Loren Cleary and Christopher Williamson & Lauren Bull.



Parents who would like to have their children baptised are required to attend baptism preparation. The next one is on Wednesday 7 August 2024 in the church at 6.00 pm. Please enrol through the parish website/contact Andrea at 5941 7315 the parish office.

PARISH MINISTRIES AND GROUPS

PADDY'S KITCHEN: Serves dinner and dessert as take away every Sunday between 4-4.45pm. Contact Tresa Andrews on 0421 931 888 or email on stpatrickspaddys@gmail.com.

MARTHA AND MARY FRIENDSHIP GROUP: Rosary at 10.00 am on Tuesdays followed by cuppa in the Hall.

LEGION OF MARY : All are welcome to join every Friday at 10.30 am. Contact Jilsa at 0450 070 262 or Winnie at 0422 179 999.

SERVANT COMMUNITY CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: Every Thursdays at 7.00 pm— Praise, Worship and Healing Mass on first Thursdays of the month. For details: Jean-Claude at 0410 126 415.

D'VINE KIDS: CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM: Year 3-6 kids from 7—8.30 pm **Aug 7th, and Sep 13th**

THE VINE YOUTH GROUP: Years 7-12 from 7-8.45 pm — **Aug 2 & 16th, Sep 6th & 20th, and Oct 4th & 18th**

HEARTS ON FIRE- YOUNG ADULTS GROUP: Ages 18-40. For details contact the parish office on 5941 7315 or email heartsonfire@stpatrickspakenham.com.au

SERAPHS OF ST PAT'S MENS GROUP: Every Sunday at 6:00 p.m., we gather for music, fellowship, talks, and more. Additionally, our choir performs on the **first and third Sunday** of every month during the 5:00 p.m. mass. For further details, contact Andrew Zacharias on 0468 366 820.

ST PATRICK'S LUNCHEON GROUP: Meets for lunch every first Wednesday of the month. Contact Kathy at 0418 679 616.

ST PATRICK'S GIFT SHOP: Open before and after weekend Masses or by appointment through the parish office.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Meets every 2nd Tuesday at 10.00am in the Parish—Help Line is 1300 305 330.

SEWING GROUP: Meets every Thursday at 10.00am Contact Cheryl through Parish office.

MARY'S INTERCESSORY MINISTRY: Rosary and Chaplet of Mercy before the Blessed Sacrament every Saturday morning at 10am interceding for families, our church, priests and the world. Contact Rochelle 0401 017 752

CONTACT DETAILS OF VARIOUS SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY

NATIONAL SEXUAL ASSAULT, FAMILY AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: Call 1800 Respect / 1800 737 732,

SAFE STEPS: 1800 015 188

NO TO VIOLENCE: MEN'S REFERRAL SERVICE: 1 800 766 491 Mon-Fri: 8am-9pm; Sat-Sun: 9am-6pm

MULTI-CULTURAL CENTRE AGAINST FAMILY VIOLENCE: 1800 755 988

WAYS EMERGENCY ACCOMMODATION: 9703 0044, **Lifeline** 13 11 14, **BEYOND BLUE** 1300 22 4636

KIDS HELPLINE: 1800 55 1800 or kidshelpline.com.au (Concerned adults can call for advice)

CATHOLIC CARE: Counselling services 1800 522 076, Or visit 1 Rogers Street, Pakenham.



GRANDPARENTS' DAY

The IV World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be observed on July 28, 2024, with the theme "Do not cast me off in my old age" (cf. Psalm 71:9). This theme highlights the loneliness experienced by many elderly individuals, who are often marginalized in today's throw-away culture. As we prepare for the Jubilee, the day aims to honor the wisdom and contributions of grandparents and the elderly, promoting intergenerational bonds and addressing loneliness. The event encourages us to support and cherish the elderly, reflecting on the Biblical truth that "It is not good for man to be alone" (Gen 2:18).

For more information visit: <https://tinyurl.com/v9xtc35x>

Do not cast me off
in my old age

cf. Ps 71:9



World Day
for Grandparents
and the Elderly

28 July 2024



Parish News & Events

REMINDER: We are in the process of printing a Souvenir Booklet for the Church Blessing, which will include the names of those who have contributed towards the Stations of the Cross, Bricks, Pews, and 'Gold Sponsorship.' If you do not want your name(s) included in the booklet, please inform the parish office as soon as possible (by 30th July) via phone or email at parishoffice@stpatrickspakenham.com.au.

BLESSING OF OUR RENOVATED CHURCH: As we near the completion of the Church Renovation project, we are preparing for the blessing of the Church at 3:00 pm on Sunday, the 25th of August 2024. There will be no 5:00 pm Mass on Sunday, 25th of August.

IDEAS OR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST WELCOME: As we move to the new church building in mid-August, please speak to Fr Janeesh if you have ideas or expressions of interest regarding what to do with the old Altar, Church Pews, and other items in the Hall. Alternatively, you can send an expression of interest to the parish office if you are interested in any items we will no longer be using.

LANDSCAPING WORKS: Please be mindful of the walkway to the Hall entrance as landscaping work is currently underway. Thank you for your understanding.

CALLING ALL SINGERS: Join us in preparing for the Blessing of our beautifully renovated church on Sunday, 25th August 2024, at 3pm. We would love to have you be a part of our choir! Choir practice sessions will be held in the church at 7:30pm on the following dates: Wednesday, 31st July, Tuesday, 6th August, Wednesday, 14th August and Tuesday, 20th August. Come and lend your voice to this joyous occasion. We look forward to singing with you!

ST PATRICK'S LUNCHEON GROUP: we had a great turnout for our lunch last month. Hope to see everyone and more at Railway Hotel, Main Street (near the station) on August 7th at 12.00 for our next lunch. If you would like to come contact Kathy 0418 679 616.


PADDY'S KITCHEN BBQ FUNDRAISER: Please come along with family and friends to Bunnings 855 Princes Hwy Pakenham on Saturday 3rd August 2024 from 9 am to 4 pm.

D'VINE KIDS: Join us for fun, fellowship and faith as we celebrate Jesus and St Clare Yrs3-6, bring a friend. Friday 9th Aug 7.00 am—8.30 pm at the school stadium.

SAFETRAC ONLINE TRAINING FOR PARISH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS: As part of the Diocesan Safeguarding Policy released late last year, all parish staff and volunteers are required to undertake Safeguarding training. Please check your email as the roll out of the training has begun. The Password: welcome123 does not work, please follow these instructions: "Generate a password at the log in page by clicking on the 'Forget your Password'. Create a password link, make sure to fill in the form correctly with your username, email address, and the 6-digit code. Please allow up to 10 minutes for this to be delivered to your email address (please check the Spam/Junk Folder in case you didn't receive the email)." There will be further instructions for those who have not completed it or do not have a computer. We ask for your co-operation to undertake this online training as soon as possible as part of our parish commitment to promoting a safe environment for our children, youth and adults at risk. Thank you.

HOME VISITS: Looking for volunteers to accompany for visits to take communion to the sick and aged at home. Please contact the office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: If your child is in Grade 4 or above and has already received their sacrament of Baptism and Reconciliation we invite you to participate in the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Please join us in preparing your child for this special day. We will have mandatory preparation meeting for the children and parents. The first of the meetings is on Wednesday 7th August 2024 at 4.30 pm. Please use this link on the QR code to register your child's participation for the preparation. We look forward to jointly preparing your child for their First Holy Communion. If you require further information, please contact Chiara at the Parish office or directly via email at sacraments@stpatrickspakenham.com.au



**CONSECRATION OF
NEW ALTAR AND CHURCH OF
ST PATRICK, PAKENHAM**

**Sunday
25th August 2024
at 3.00 pm**

Most Rev Gregory Bennet, Bishop of Sale
will preside over the Ritual Mass of Consecration of the
new Altar and the Church

Venue: St Patrick's Catholic Church
142 Princes Highway, Pakenham

We invite you to join us for this joyous occasion and
celebrate with fellowship after the Consecration

D'VINE

