

# TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B

28/29 September 2024

## Entrance Antiphon

All that you have done to us, O Lord,  
you have done with true judgement,  
for we have sinned against you  
and not obeyed your commandments.  
But give glory to your name and deal with us  
according to the bounty of your mercy.

## First Reading

### A reading from the book of Numbers

**Numbers 11:25-29**

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again. Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look', he said, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

### The Word of the Lord.

## Responsorial Psalm Ps 18:8. 10. 12-14. R. v.9

**(R.)** The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

1. The law of the Lord is perfect,  
it revives the soul.  
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,  
it gives wisdom to the simple. **(R.)**
2. The fear of the Lord is holy,  
abiding for ever.  
The decrees of the Lord are truth  
and all of them just. **(R.)**
3. So in them your servant finds instructions;  
great reward is in their keeping.  
But who can detect all his errors?  
From hidden faults acquit me. **(R.)**
4. From presumption restrain your servant  
and let it not rule me.  
Then shall I be blameless,  
clean from grave sin. **(R.)**

## Second Reading

### A reading from the letter of St James

**James 5:1-6**

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your

clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

### The Word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

**See John 17:17**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word, O Lord, is truth:

make us holy in the truth.

Alleluia!

## Gospel

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

**Mark 9:38-43. 45. 47-48**

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. 'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

### The Gospel of the Lord.

## Communion Antiphon

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,  
by which you have given me hope.

This is my comfort when I am brought low.

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# ST PATRICK'S PARISH

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## Parish Team

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## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

St. Patrick's Catholic Parish acknowledges the Bunurong and Wurundjeri people, the traditional custodians 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 30/08/2024	Sponsored Already	Pledged	Money Paid
Pews	37	43,500.00	55,918.41
Stations of the	10	40,000.00	39,270.96
Bricks	61	15,500.00	15,809.32
Gold Sponsors	9	90,000.00	85,000.00
General Donation e.g, dinner, sausage sizzle, plants etc		127,265.53	127,265.53
Community Raffle		15,314.00	15,314.00
		<b>331,579.53</b>	<b>338,578.22</b>

## Mass Times

<b>Monday</b>	<b>9.30 am (Liturgy of the Word &amp; Communion)</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9.30 am</b> <b>Funeral: Luigi Vogrig 11.00 am</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9.30 am</b> <b>(Liturgy of the Word &amp; Communion)</b> <b>and 6.00 pm</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00 am, 10.30 am &amp; 5.00pm (1st and 3rd)</b>

## OUR OFFERINGS TO OUR PARISH

Stewardship envelope (1st Collection): \$1316.00 and

cash: \$1579.40 Presbytery (2nd collection): \$963.75

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

Shingai & Approved Volunteer Sun 6th Oct 9.00am  
Christine V & Approved Volunteer Sun 6th Oct 10.30am  
Kathy S & Chandima Sat 12th Oct 6.00pm  
Donna & Approved Volunteer Sun 13th Oct 9.00am  
Ruth & Matt Sun 13th Oct 10.30am



**Flower Arrangement**  
**Chani Rajapakshe 28th Sep**  
**Abing Balaba 5th Oct**

## SPECIAL MINISTERS AND READERS ROSTER

28th/29th Sep	Special Ministers	Readers /POF
6.00 pm	Jennifer D	Braden P Andrea M
9.00am	Chrismeen F Primani F Jilsa G	Elda M Ivan O
10.30am	Christine P Wangui G Chiara R	Janett D Maria Duque
5.00pm	No Mass	No Mass
5th/6th Oct	Special Ministers	Readers /POF
6.00 pm	Tresa A	John F Braden P
9.00am	Bernadette B Cecilia M Maria W	Jilsa G Alex Z
10.30am	Jane E Menaka M Chiara R	Ivan C Christine P
5.00pm	Anne B	Pam B Jessey A

**St. Patrick's Parish Centre Phone: 5941 7315**

**Presbytery: 5941 8031**

# Parish News & Events

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Sick:** Jaime Reyes, Mohan Thamburaj, Lan Prajno, Kevin Cavanagh, Claude Allas, Annette Tanner, Umberto Tiberi & Evie Minnis.

**Recently Deceased:** Anthony Bernard

**Death Anniversaries:** Frances Thaveed, Assunta Mammarella, Grace Paul & Maria Escalante.

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

## BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Eduardo Zavier Reyes along with parents Eduardo Reyes & Victoria Sheen.



**Parents who would like to have their children baptised are required to attend baptism preparation. The next one is on Wednesday 2 October 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](mailto: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 **Oct 11th, Nov 8th & Dec 13th**

**THE VINE YOUTH GROUP:** Years 7-12 from 7-8.45 pm — **Oct 18th, Nov 1st & 15th & Dec 6th .**

**HEARTS ON FIRE- YOUNG ADULTS GROUP:** Ages 18-40. For details contact the parish office on 5941 7315 or email [heartsonfire@stpatrickspakenham.com.au](mailto: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](http://kidshelpline.com.au) (Concerned adults can call for advice)

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



## SEASON OF CREATION REFLECTION

by Nick Brodie

Twice in today's Gospel Jesus refers to the everlasting fire of hell. Better to lose a hand or an eye than endure that, he says, making some dramatic points about sin and sacrifice.

At this moment in human history Jesus' choice of imagery and his message about dramatic action are especially pertinent. As Pope Francis declares in his encyclical *Laudato Si'*, climate change is an imminent threat to our world. For Christians, this raises two issues directly relevant to this passage from Mark.

On the one hand, we have a duty to protect ourselves and each other from catastrophe by checking our own sinful behaviours and habits. We should seriously consider what we can do to reduce our reliance on fossil fuels through personal usage, investment options, and political choices. We cannot dodge responsibility on this issue. Our faith demands action.

On the other hand, we also have a duty to find common cause with everyone else who shares this concern. Pope Francis encourages us to work with people of other religions 'for the sake of protecting nature, defending the poor, and building networks of respect and fraternity.' When it comes to protecting our common home, 'Anyone who is not against us is for us.'



# Parish News & Events

**WE WELCOME FR JEFF KLEYNJANS AS OUR NEW PARISH PRIEST:** Fr Jeff, is in many ways a local, having been educated at St Michael's Primary Berwick, St Agatha's Primary Cranbourne and St Francis Xavier College Beaconsfield. He was ordained in 2006 and has been Assistant Priest at the Cathedral in Sale and St Michael's Traralgon. Fr Jeff now transfers to St Patrick's, having been Parish Priest of St Michael's Berwick since 2016. **Welcome Fr Jeff.**

**THANK YOU:** The Parish Office would like to thank all the parishioners for the valued contributions towards Fr. Janeesh's Farewell gift.



**ROSTERS FOR READING & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** The new rosters have been uploaded on our website till the month of March 2025. You will find them under the tab "MINISTRIES". A hard copy is available in the foyer. **Please use the contact numbers on the back of the hard copy rosters to make any changes if you are unable to attend.** An active Working With Children Check (WWCC), is required. Please renew your card and ensure you are linked to our parish. Contact our office if you require assistance.



**ST PATRICK'S LUNCHEON GROUP:** Is pleased to be back for the October lunch. We are going to Castello's on the Princes Hwy near KFC at 12.30pm. Hope to see some new faces there. Contact Kathy 0418 679 616.

**CONFIRMATION:** Confirmation classes for children attending non catholic schools have commenced our next session will be on the **2nd of October 2024 at 5.00 pm**. The links with dates and times are on the website. Bookings to receive the Sacrament is filling up as well and we only have availability for the 3.00pm Mass. Please make sure the children are booked in.

**RCIA:** We are planning for an open day for all those who are keen in finding out what it means to be a Catholic. To be enriched with faith, hope and love and to know of The Almighty's promise to us. If you are aware of anyone who might be interested, please contact Chiara our Sacrament Co-ordinator at the parish office or email at [sacraments@stpatrickspakenham.com.au](mailto:sacraments@stpatrickspakenham.com.au).

You can also make an enquiry via this link. <https://stpatrickspakenham.com.au/rcia-2/> Watch this space for more details about the open day dates and times. We are very excited this year as we already have approximately 9 possible candidates/catechumens. We plan to start the RCIA formation sessions from 13th November 2024 through to Easter Vigil, 19 April 2025.

**MIGRANT AND REFUGEE MASS AT 3.00 PM ON SUNDAY**

**THE 29 SEPTEMBER:** "God walks with His people", is the title chosen by Pope Francis for his Message for the upcoming World Day of Migrants and Refugees



The Holy Father reminds us that all of us, God's people, are migrants on this earth, on our way to the "true homeland", the Kingdom of Heaven. **St Michael's Parish** will host this wonderful occasion for all our cultures to celebrate the diversity within our Diocese. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Greg Bennet, together with Fr Jeff, Fr Paul and priests and deacons from our Diocese, followed by a sit-down function in the Stadium. All are welcome.

**SALE DIOCESAN CONSULTATION PHASE ONE REPORT: Strengthening Parish Communities Post-Pandemic** The Diocesan Consultation Report highlights how many parishes have experienced a renewed sense of community following the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. Despite the isolation, parishes adapted through virtual gatherings and have emerged stronger, with a deeper appreciation for in-person connections and sacramental life. To read more about how our Diocese has navigated these times and the positive outcomes, visit our diocesan website for the full Phase 1 report. at <https://www.cdsale.org.au>



**POPES PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER: FOR THE CRY OF THE EARTH:** We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake personally care for the world in which we live in.

**CAST INTO THE deep** LUKE 5:4

WITH BISHOP GREG BENNET

A TIME OF MISSION IN A SYNODAL CHURCH  
HOSTED BY THE CCR SALE DIOCESE

SATURDAY 12 OCT | 10.30AM - 4.00PM  
ST ITA'S PARISH: 50 VICTORIA ST, DROUIN

CONTACT LINDSAY 0432 375 391 OR ANUSHKA 0436 961 111 FOR ENQUIRIES.  
PLEASE BRING A PLATE (FINGER FOOD) TO SHARE.