

TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B

12th/13th October 2024

Entrance Antiphon

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

Psalm 129:3-4

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

First Reading

A reading from the book of Wisdom Wisdom 7:7-11

I prayed, and understanding was given me;
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;
compared with her, I held riches as nothing.
I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,
for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,
and beside her silver ranks as mud.
I loved her more than health or beauty,
preferred her to the light,
since her radiance never sleeps.
In her company all good things came to me,
at her hands riches not to be numbered.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 89:12-17. R. v.14

- (R.)** Fill us with your love, O Lord,
and we will sing for joy!
1. Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger forever?
Show pity to your servants. **(R.)**
 2. In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Give us joy to balance our affliction
for the years when we knew misfortune. **(R.)**
 3. Show forth your work to your servants;
let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. **(R.)**

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Hebrews 4:12-13

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Mark 10:17-30

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth. Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.' Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Cf Psalm 33:11

The rich suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

REFLECTION See Page 3



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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.



Mass Times

Monday	9.30 am (Liturgy of the Word & Communion)
Tuesday	6.00 pm
Wednesday	9.30 am
Thursday	9.30 am
Friday	9.30 am Funeral 11.00 am (Ron Blackwood)
Saturday	9.30 am (Mass followed by Reconciliation and Exposition) and 6.00 pm
Sunday	9.00 am, & 10.30 am

OFFERINGS TO OUR PARISH

Stewardship envelope (1st Collection): \$1046.00 and

cash: \$1349.45 Presbytery (2nd collection): \$800.35

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

Kathy S & Chandima Sat 12th Oct 6.00pm

Donna & Approved Volunteer Sun 13th Oct 9.00am

Ruth & Matt Sun 13th Oct 10.30am

Christeen & Gladys —Sun 20th Oct 9.00 am

Rebekah & Madison—Sun 20th Oct 10.30 am



Flower Arrangement
Huong Arancibia 12th Oct
Catherine George 19th Oct

As 31/09/2024	Sponsored Already	Pledged	Money Paid
Pews	37	43,500.00	56,066.89
Stations of the cross	10	40,000.00	39,370.96
Bricks	62	15,750.00	16,059.32
Gold Sponsors	9	90,000.00	85,000.00
General Donation e.g, dinner, sausage sizzle, plants etc		129,145.79	129,145.79
Community Raffle		15,314.00	15,314.00
		333,709.79	340,956.96

SPECIAL MINISTERS AND READERS ROSTER

12th/13th Oct	Special Ministers	Readers /POF
6.00 pm	Tresa A	Mele I Jane P
9.00am	Rose D Pam M Nicky W	Caitlin L Claus Z
10.30am	Christine F Ian M Sili F	Jane E Chiara R
5.00pm	No Mass	No Mass
19th/20th Oct	Special Ministers	Readers /POF
6.00 pm	Andrea J	Kathy S Andrea M
9.00am	Chrismeen F Rick S Eddie C	Mick O Dot C
10.30am	Sili F Violeta O Angela S	Jane E Anna R
5.00pm	Rose A	Niru F Tanvi G

St. Patrick's Parish Centre Phone: 5941 7315

Presbytery: 5941 8031

Parish News & Events

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sick: JecJec Delosrayes, Reuben and Philomena Jacob, Jaime Reyes, Mohan Thamburaj, Lan Prajno, Kevin Cavanagh, Annette Tanner, Umberto Tiberi & Evie Minnis.

Recently Deceased: Ron Blackwood, Erwin Tianero, Geoff Shears, Lucia Cruz & Anacorita Llorico

Death Anniversaries: Michael Burns & Paul Faidutti
Eternal rest grant unto them , O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace."

BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Savanaka Frank, Brandon Fernando & Darcy Tosin along with parents Thavian Frank & Jasmine Sardea, Illippuli Perera & Bothalage Fernando and Christopher & Cassandra Tosin.



Parents who would like to have their children baptised are required to attend baptism preparation. The next one is on **Wednesday 6 November 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 Thursday at 7.00 pm— Praise, Worship and Healing Mass on first Thursday 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 **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

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.



Persecution of Christians

- by Bernard Tounji

During August, Burkina Faso, a small landlocked country in Western Africa, faced a horrifying tragedy. Islamist extremists in Barsalogo brutally attacked and killed 200 civilians and soldiers. Just days later, the Diocese of Nouna was targeted. Jihadist insurgents captured and tied up male Christians 12 years and older and took them to a nearby church where they were executed for their faith. The Diocese of Nouna has endured relentless assaults, with numerous churches being ransacked or burned. A moving story from Zekuy highlights this suffering: a local catechist, hearing the approach of attackers on motorcycles, escaped into the woods with the Blessed Sacrament. As he and others hid in terror, their church was desecrated - sacred images were destroyed and the tabernacle was vandalised. Since May, approximately 100 Christians have been murdered in the Zekuy-Doumbala region. Many more have been kidnapped ,their fates unknown.

Parish News & Events

CONFIRMATION: Confirmation classes for children attending non catholic schools have commenced. Our next session will be on Wednesday **16th of October 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. **Confirmation Mass celebrations will be on Saturday the 19th of October at 3.00pm and 6.00pm.**

DIOCESAN CONSULTATION PHASE TWO: Your voice is important in shaping our Parish and Diocese and you are invited participate in the Diocesan Consultation Phase Two – ‘Looking To The Next Five Years’ is to listen to what pastoral priorities and actions the Holy Spirit is calling each of us, our parish communities and the whole Diocese to undertake, to give renewed life and purpose to our shared life and mission as Catholics. Your opinion matters and you are encouraged to attend any of the following scheduled sessions in the month of October, please



Date	Time
12 Oct	7.15pm
17 Oct	7.30 pm
20 Oct	9.45am
20 Oct	11.45am
20 Oct	5.45 pm
25 Oct	7.00pm

refer dates and times in table provided. For more information you may contact Wangui Gaciabu at gacrose@gmail.com

MISSION SUNDAY APPEAL NEXT WEEK: This World Mission Month, we invite you to extend your generosity to help enhance our services. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope and tangible assistance to individuals. Should you wish to donate envelopes will be left in the foyer and a leaving collection will be taken after every Mass next weekend.



CHANGE TO PARISH OFFICE WORKING HOURS:

With effect from next week the Parish office will remain **closed on Wednesdays**. New Parish Office working hours are as follows: Monday & Tuesday – 9.00am – 3.00pm, **Wednesday – Closed**, Thursday & Friday – 9.00am – 3.00pm.

VICTORY IN CHRIST: Come and be part of a Powerful experience as we learn the secret to winning with Christ everyday! - Organized by The Risen Lord Community: Tuesday 15 October - St Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, Cranbourne East at 7.30pm, Wednesday 16 October - St Michaels Catholic Church, Berwick at 7.30pm - **(Program in Sinhala)** Thursday 17 October - Sacred Heart Church, St Albans at 7.30pm. Weekend Retreat - Friday 18 October - 7.30pm to 9.30pm & Saturday 19 October - 1.30pm to 7pm St Scholastica's Primary School Hall - 348 Burwood highway, Burwood.

COME AND SEE: Bishop Greg has called for the young men of our Parishes of the Diocese particularly those who sense a call from God to life as a priest. Or, who simply want to come and enquire. It will be an opportunity to meet and greet those living the life, to pray with them and have all your questions answered. "The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it" Mt13:45. Come join us at St Thomas the Apostle Parish, 5 Fiorelli Blvd, Cranbourne East Vic 3977, on Sunday, 27th October 2024 from 3:00pm - 4: 30pm.

Legion of Mary & Servant Community

Invites you to the **October Rosary Devotion**
On 17/10/24 (Thursday) At 7:00pm
Reflection on Mother Mary (By Father Avinash)
Praise & Worship - Followed By Fellowship
(Please bring a plate to share)

Senior youth- school years 6-12

The Vine

YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE YOUR SAY...

Friday 18th Oct, 7:00-8:45pm
St Patrick's School Stadium

food

fun

faith

While our session will still involve our usual fun, food and faith there will be some time to become involved in the Diocesan Consultation Process. This is an exciting opportunity for our young parishioners to be involved through discussion and sharing.

We are currently in phase 2 of the Diocesan Consultation and parents are encouraged to find out more by visiting the parish website or facebook page.

All children to be signed in and out by a parent/guardian
 More info: St Patrick's Parish 59417315