

THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B

2nd/3rd November 2024

Entrance Antiphon

Cf Psalm 37:22-23

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;
be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help,
O Lord, my strong salvation!

First Reading

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow. 'Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 17:2-4. 47. 51. R.v.2

(R.) I love you Lord, my strength.

1. I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes. (R.)
2. Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be to the God that saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown love for his anointed. (R.)

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 7:23-28

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him. To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and

uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 12:28-34

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Cf Psalm 15:11

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

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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

Day	Time
Monday	9.30 am (Liturgy of the Word & Communion)
Tuesday	6.00 pm
Wednesday	9.30 am
Thursday	9.30 pm Funeral Prayers—Martina Ramsdale 1.00 pm
Friday	9.30 am
Saturday	9.30 am (Followed by Reconciliation and Exposition) and 6.00 pm
Sunday	9.00 am & 10.30 am

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

OFFERINGS TO OUR PARISH

Stewardship envelope (1st Collection): \$762.00 and cash: \$1445.70 Presbytery (2nd collection+Baptism): \$1046.60
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 3rd Nov 9.00am
Christine V & Approved Volunteer Sun 3rd Nov 10.30am
Kathy S & Chandima Sat 9th 6.00pm
Donna & Approved Volunteer Sun 10th Oct 9.00am



Flower Arrangement
Legion of Mary—2nd Nov
Carmel Logan 9th Nov

SPECIAL MINISTERS AND READERS ROSTER

2nd/3rd Nov	Special Ministers	Readers /POF
6.00 pm	Kathy S	Jeanette C Charlotte M
9.00am	Primani F Joe S Alex Z	Ben W Cynthia B
10.30am	Dot R Chiara R Menaka M	Treshi K Maria Duque
5.00pm	Matt F	Joan S Liz S
9th/10th Nov	Special Ministers	Readers /POF
6.00 pm	Winston V	Jane P Mele I
9.00am	Susira F Gloria T Gladys A	Chrismeen F Fiorella D
10.30am	Angela S Christine P Sili F	Anna R Jonathan M
5.00pm	No Mass	No Mass

St. Patrick's Parish Centre Phone: 5941 7315

Presbytery: 5941 8031

Parish News & Events

PLEASE PRAY FOR

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

Recently Deceased: Fransisco Ramos Piga & Martina Ramsdale

Death Anniversaries: Ferdinand Ravina, Antonio Ciancio, Narciso & Carolina Birondo, Ivka Vukelic, Les North, Marie Tirchett, Doreen & Terrence Augustine, Irene & Desmond Clancy

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

BAPTISM

This weekend we welcome Isaiah Sewera along with parents Rodney & Chantelle Sewera.



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 — **Nov 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.



REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

The Dual Command

Jesus does not command us to love 'God' in the abstract. Teaching Jew to Jew he says: 'You shall love the Lord your God' – the Lord who had rescued the Jewish people from slavery. So, commanding a love which responds to an initiative of Divine Love. Why wouldn't one respond 'heart, mind, strength, soul' in gratitude for the gift of life itself, for some particular person or incident, for the beauty and grandeur of nature, for rescue from some situation which seemed to engulf us? And if the Lord God loved you in such a way, why wouldn't you love yourself?

Then you can properly 'Love your neighbour as yourself'. There is nothing sentimental in his teaching from Leviticus 19:18 and the preceding verses. Jesus was pointing to the system of social justice which looked after the poor and which did not exploit workers. It is up to us as global citizens of the 21st century to recognise as 'neighbours' those beyond our borders and to love them in the practical 'Levitical' way. Fulfilling the Dual Command, we guard against the extremes of religious piety or social activism and become Christian humanists loving God and neighbour.

We might pause a moment to pray in responsive gratitude to the Lord God, and to commit ourselves to loving our neighbour, hoping to hear the words of Jesus Christ: 'You are not far from the Kingdom of God.'

Parish News & Events

CLOSURE OF PARISH OFFICE: The parish office will be closed on Monday and Tuesday the 4th and 5th of November 2024.

CUPPA AFTER MASS: After 9.00am Mass in the Parish Centre. Please do not use the Welcome Room—thank you.

MISSION SUNDAY APPEAL: A sum of \$540.20 was collected. Thank you for your generous contributions.

SAVE THE DATE 7 DECEMBER 2024:

“Maranatha “ Come Lord Jesus ! As we approach the most wonderful time of the year, with it comes the joy of Christmas carols new and classic !!! We invite all Parishioners to join us for an evening of carols at the St Patrick’s school hall on Saturday 7th December from 7:00 pm - 10:30 pm. Bring your family and friends for a real community gathering to bring the Christmas cheer. More details on registration will be published in the coming weeks.

ST PATRICK'S LUNCHEON GROUP: Last month we had a great lunch. Our November lunch is at Cardinia Club, Racecourse Road on Wednesday 6th at 12.30 pm. If you would like to come you will be most welcome. If you wake up that morning and decide you would like to come you can still come along. Message Kathy 0418 679 616.

ATTENTION PARISH MUSIC MINISTERS

LITURGY FORMATION: We invite all our

parish musicians and choir members to a special **Liturgy Formation Workshop:** Saturday, 30th November 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm in the church. The session will be run by Sophy Morley, who has been a Liturgist in our Diocese for over 25 years. Sophy is also a *Consultant for the Australian Catholic Bishops National Liturgical Council* and is currently a member of the *Australian Pastoral Musicians Network Executive*. Sophy will present an interactive session covering important aspects of liturgical music and preparation. Please **RSVP to the parish office** (so we know how many people to expect) We look forward to seeing you there!

SHINE A LIGHT: In today’s Gospel, Jesus reminds us that the greatest commandment is to love God and our neighbour as ourselves. Domestic violence violates this commandment by harming those we are called to love and protect. For the next 2 weeks, parishes across the Diocese of Sale will unite in Shining the Light on

Domestic Violence, praying for its end. We are called to stand together to create a safer, more compassionate community. When someone talks to us about their experiences of domestic and family violence, we can choose to act like the crowd or like Jesus. Of the two choices, only Jesus’s led to healing. We see his actions reflected in the 3Rs to break the cycle of domestic and family violence: Recognise, Respond and Refer. From

October 27th to November 17th, parishes across the Sale Diocese will unite in **Shining a Light** on domestic violence and praying for its end. Let us stand together to create a safer, more compassionate community. **We will be having a special liturgy on Friday November 15th at 7.30pm to pray, in a special way for an end to domestic and family violence.**

JOHN 15:5 "I AM THE VINE , YOU ARE THE BRANCHES..."

Years 3-6

D Vine Kids

SAINTS OF GOD MOVIE AND DRESS-UP NIGHT!

Saints movie night- come dressed as your favourite saint or wear something white to celebrate All Saints Day

HOW: DRESS UP AS YOUR FAVOURITE SAINT OR WEAR SOMETHING WHITE
WHEN: FRIDAY 8TH NOV, 7:00-8:30PM
WHERE: PARISH CENTRE
MORE INFO: PARISH OFFICE

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Courage, they said, get up he is calling you
- Mark 10:49

SHINE A LIGHT
Take a stand to end domestic violence.

JOIN US IN PRAYER DURING MASS