



St Patrick's Parish



PARISH OFFICE: 142 Princes Hwy Pakenham 3810 Ph: 5941 7315

WEB: www.stpatrickspakenham.com.au

Parish Office Hours: Mon/Tue/Thu/Fri 9.00am-3.00pm, **Wed - Closed**

St. Patrick's Catholic Parish acknowledges the Bunurong people, the traditional custodians of this land, who 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.

Our Parish is committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children, young people and adults at risk. Any concerns, please contact the Safeguarding Officer via email safetyofficer@stpatrickspakenham.com.au

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C 23-24 August 2025

****Please Turn Your Mobile Phones Off Or Place Them On Silent Mode****

MASSES

SUNDAY

Saturday vigil: 6.00pm

Sunday: 9.00am, 10.30am

5.00pm (1st and 3rd)

WEEKDAYS

Mon: (Liturgy of the Word)

Tue: **5.00pm**

Wed: 9.30am

Thu: 9.30am

Fri: **7.45am**

Sat: **9.30am No Mass**

3.00pm Confirmation Mass

RECONCILIATION

Sat: 10.00am - 10.30am **[Not 30/08]**

EXPOSITION/BENEDICTION

Saturday: 10.15am - 10.45am **[Not 30/08]**

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturday: 11.15am

PARISH PRIEST

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PRESBYTERY

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FR JEFF'S DIARY

Mon: Away

Tue: Office/Reflection Day (Confirmation)

Wed: Office

Thu: Office

Fri: Sale

PARISH INFORMATION

BAPTISMS / RCIA / RCIC

Please contact the Parish Office

MARRIAGES

At least six months' notice requested.

CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

www.sale.catholic.org.au/professional-standards

KIDS HELPLINE: 1800 55 1800 or kidshelpline.com.au

(Concerned adults can call for advice)

CatholicCare: 1800 522 076 or

1 Rogers Street Pakenham

(Counselling Services)

ST PATRICK'S BREASTPLATE

I arise today, through the strength of heaven; Light of sun,
Splendour of fire, Speed of lightning, Swiftness of wind,
Depth of sea, Stability of earth, Firmness of rock.

I arise today, through God's strength to pilot me;

God's might to uphold me, God's wisdom to guide me, God's eye to look
before me, God's ear to hear me, God's word to speak for me, God's hand
to guard me, God's way to lie before me, God's
shield to protect me, God's hosts to save me, afar
and anear, alone or in a multitude. Christ shield me
today against wounding

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,
Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I
lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ in the heart
of everyone who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth
of everyone who speaks of me, Christ in the eye
that sees me, Christ in the ear that hears me.

I arise today through the mighty strength of the
Lord of all creation. Amen



CONFIRMATION: Will take place next **Saturday, 30th August at 3.00pm**,
with **Bishop Greg** presiding. On this joyful occasion, Bishop Greg will confer
the Sacrament on Confirmation on all of our parish candidates, strengthening
the gifts of the **Holy Spirit** they first received at Baptism.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE: St Vincent de Paul Pakenham conference will be
holding a Spring Appeal at all masses on 20th and 21st September. We are
asking for both continued prayer, as well as financial support, and, if you are
able to volunteer with us, 2 hours of your time once a month. A valid Working
With Children Check and other compliance apply for all volunteers. Further
information, please contact Theo 5941 7413 evenings please.

ST PATRICK'S LUNCHEON: We had a good turnout this month but there is
always room for more. In September we are going to Cardinia Club on
Racecourse Road on September 3rd at 12:30pm. if you would like to come
contact Kathy 0418 679 616 or just come on the day.

EUCCHARISTIC/ READING MINISTERS ROSTERS: Please remember to
collect your roster. If you are unable to attend on the day you are rostered,
kindly arrange a swap with another volunteer. Please familiarise yourself with
your allocated times, as **parish staff are not responsible** for finding a
replacement for you, especially on the day of your rostered service.

Thank you for generously giving your time to this ministry.

PARISH MINISTRIES AND GROUPS

SUNDAY MORNING CUPPA

After 9.00am Mass in the Hall

PADDY'S KITCHEN

Sundays between 4-4.45pm

Contact Tresa: 0421 931 888

MARTHA & MARY FRIENDSHIP GROUP ROSARY

Tuesday at 10.00am followed by a cuppa

LEGION OF MARY

Friday 10.30am

Contact Jilsa: 0450 070 262

or Winnie: 0422 179 999

SERVANT COMMUNITY

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Thursday at 7.00pm

Contact Jean-Claude: 0410 126 415

D'VINE KIDS

Children's Faith formation program:

Year 3-6 2nd Friday 7- 8.30 pm

THE VINE YOUTH GROUP:

1st 3rd and 5th Sundays 3.00-4.30pm.

SERAPHS OF ST PAT'S

Contact: Andrew 0468 366 820

ST PATRICK'S LUNCHEON GROUP

First Wednesday each month

Contact Kathy 0418 679 616.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

2nd Tuesday 10.00am

Helpline: 1800 305 330

MARY'S INTERCESSORY MINISTRY

Saturday at 10.00am

Contact Rochelle 0401 017 752

SEWING GROUP

Thursday 10.00am

Contact Cheryl via the Parish Office

PIETY STALL

Open Saturday and Sunday or by appointment through the parish office.

PARISH SCHOOLS

ST PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Meg Escalante (Principal)

Phone: 5943 9000

ST CLARE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Helen Staindl, (Principal)

Phone: 5940 6777

ST FRANCIS XAVIER COLLEGE

Julie Banda, (Principal),

Phone: 9707 3111

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELP

ORANGE DOOR: 1800 319 354

Monday - Friday 9.00am - 5.00pm

1800RESPECT: 1800 737 732

SAFE STEPS: 1800 015 188

NO TO VIOLENCE - MEN'S

REFERRAL SERVICE: 1800 766 491

Mon-Fri: 8am - 9pm,

Sat-Sun: 9am - 6pm

MULTI-CULTURAL CENTRE

AGAINST FAMILY VIOLENCE:

1800 755 988

WAYS Emergency

Accommodation: 9703 0044 or after

5pm 1800 825 955

LIFELINE: 13 11 14

BEYOND BLUE: 1300 22 4636

or <https://www.beyondblue.org.au/>

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Frs. Andrew Wise, Michael Willemsen & Peter Slater, Mary D'costa, Mary Robinson, Sarah Grech, Julie Hall, Mary Arokiam, Ana Grgic, Tamara Corteling, Amitha Liyanarachchi, Margaret Holland, Margaret Gudgeon & Umberto Tiberi.

[Names will be removed after one month, unless we are advised otherwise]

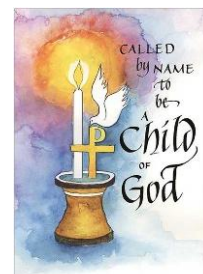
FOR THE SOULS OF: Felice Colasante, David Bourke, and Fr Andrew Bernard who died recently, and for Jason Jayawardena, Aloysious de Monte, Beryl Johnson, Irwin Van Ranzow, Peter Rawlings, Mile & Anna Kruljac whose anniversaries occur at this time.

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

PRAYER / MASS REQUESTS: Please contact the Parish Office.

BAPTISMS: This weekend we welcome Lucy Manhire.

Parents wishing to have their children Baptised are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session. Next session, 6.30 pm, Wednesday, September 3rd - in the Welcome room. Please enrol through the parish website or contact Andrea at the parish office on 5941 7315.



BULLETIN NOTICES: Must be sent to the parish office by 10.00 am Thursday.

ROSTERS

LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: Are on display in the foyer. Please check them regularly, and if you are unable to minister on your allocated date, ***it is your responsibility*** to swap with someone else.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Is also displayed on Notice board, please contact the parish office if you are unable to attend.

SACRAMENT INFORMATION 2025

Reconciliation and First Holy Communion: Enrolments are now closed. Preparation classes for Reconciliation begin on Wednesday, August 27th, followed by First Holy Communion classes on Wednesday, September 3rd, 10th and 17th. at 5.00pm. Parent/Information/Workshop for ***only parents*** on 28th August at 7.00pm in the parish hall.

CONFIRMATION: A special Blessing for all our Confirmation candidates at all weekend Masses this weekend. A reflection day will be held in conjunction with the schools during the day on **Tuesday 26th August** in the church hall.

RCIC: Children aged between 10-14 years who wish to become Catholic are invited to join the RCIC: *Rite of Christian Initiation for Children* program. All those interested, please email: sacraments@stpatrickspakenham.com.au

FOR NOTING

Zero Tolerance Policy: In every area of St Patrick's Parish we operate a **zero-tolerance policy**. All who choose to enter these premises should consider themselves bound by this policy. We will not tolerate violence of any kind, especially if it is directed towards parish staff. All violators of this policy will be asked to leave.

Holy Communion: For everyone coming forward to receive Holy Communion in the hand, on the tongue, or from the Chalice, you are expected to respond to the words: '***The Body / Blood of Christ***, with an audible Amen, ***before*** receiving either Eucharistic species.

Counselling/Spiritual Direction: It is important that people are aware, that Fr Jeff is **not** a qualified counsellor or Spiritual Director, whilst he is happy to meet with people when he is able, you may need to seek the assistance of a professional in these areas.

House Blessings: Can be organised via an email to the parish office or directly to Fr Jeff's email, but please be patient, since these are not urgent, they will only occur if / when Fr Jeff has the time.

Reconciliation: The Confessional is for the confessing of one's sins and the reception of absolution - not for spiritual direction. When confessing your sins, please keep it succinct - there is no need to describe what led you use bad language, to be angry, or unfaithful. If the priest needs clarification he will ask you.

YOUTH MINISTERING: Dear Parents and Youth, we will be starting dedicated Youth Ministering in the parish where our youth will be able to engage in ministerial duties during Mass on the 3rd Sunday of every month at 5pm, starting on September 21st. This Mass will be dedicated to youth and ministered by the youth of our parish each month. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer where the names of those interested can be recorded if they would like to participate and engage in ministerial duties. Training for Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist will be organised for eligible youth members. Please state your name, phone number, and which ministerial duties you would like to engage in during Mass. Please note, the Ministering Duties will be specifically for the 5 pm Mass on the 3rd Sunday of the month.

💎 **Support Our Parish Youth at ACYF 2025!** 💎

Our young people are preparing to join thousands of others at the Australian Catholic Youth Festival 2025 an unforgettable celebration of faith, friendship, and joy! 🌟

👉 You can help make this journey possible by supporting our fundraising:

- 🍔 Sausage Sizzles - \$200 each (6 events)
- 🍪 Brownies - \$200
- 🍪 Cookies - \$150
- 🍰 Cupcakes - \$150
- 🚗 Car Wash - \$200
- ✨ Professional Cleaning of St Patrick's Icon by KWS - \$750 each (2 needed)

💖 Every gift, big or small, will bring our youth one step closer to this inspiring event. Thank you for your generosity and prayers! 🙏

Donations:

BSB 083879

A/C 0987028430

St Patrick's Parish - Fundraising

Subject- ACYF2025 - BBQ or BAKE or Cleaning etc



UPCOMING LITURGICAL WORKSHOP: "Principles & Practice of Good Parish Liturgy - Preparation & Engagement" on Saturday 30 August 2025 from 9.30am - 3.00pm at St Michael's Parish, 121-123 High Street, Berwick. **Register at** <https://forms.office.com/r/YgrSgkbS0e> or use QR code.



TEACHING AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ENCOUNTER: A day for Catechists & Sacrament

Coordinators: Catechists and Sacrament Coordinators are invited to a special day of formation focused on helping young people grow in their faith through curiosity, creativity, and connection. Two sessions available:

Tuesday 16 September 10:00 am - 2:30 pm

St Mary's Chapter House, Foster St, Sale

Saturday 20 September 10:00 am - 2:30 pm

St Patrick's Parish Centre, 142 Princes Hwy, Pakenham

For more information and registration, visit: cdsale.org.au/events

GOD AND BEER AT ST GERARD'S - MAKING MISSIONARY DISCIPLES Monday 1st September

Dr Edward Sri is a theologian, author and well-known Catholic speaker who will be giving a talk on *Making Missionary Disciples* at St Gerard's hall on Monday 1 September at 6:30pm. Discover the true meaning of discipleship in ways that will transform our parishes, ministries, families and communities. Dinner available for purchase, 7.30pm for the talk.

Please register at <https://app.tickets.org.au/GodandBeer/GABSept2025> or use the QR code



REFLECTION by Nick Brodie

In his address for the ninth World Day of the Poor Pope Leo pulled no punches: 'Poverty has structural causes that must be addressed and eliminated.'

Christ calls us to follow a path of service to others, not self.

'All of us need charity, here and now', the pope reminds us. 'Charity is not just a promise; it is a present reality to be embraced with joy and responsibility.'

Reflecting that 'all this earth's goods, material realities, worldly pleasures, economic prosperity, however important, cannot bring happiness to our hearts', the pope wants us to consider our 'duty to shoulder our responsibilities in history, without hesitation.'

It is not enough for us to seek our own paths of personal wealth or even holiness without regard for others. We must look beyond ourselves and keep in mind, as the pope recollects, that 'tradition has constantly insisted on the circular relationship between the three theological virtues of faith, hope and charity.' We should therefore be supporters 'of policies aimed at combatting forms of poverty both old and new.'

'The city of God,' the pope points out, 'impels us to improve the cities of men and women. Our own cities must begin to resemble his.'

Entrance Antiphon

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;
save the servant who trusts in you, my God.
Have mercy on me, O Lord,
for I cry to you all the day long.

First Reading Isaiah 66:18-21

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

1. O praise the Lord, all you nations,
acclaim him all you peoples! **(R.)**
2. Strong is his love for us;
he is faithful for ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves, and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

Gospel Acclamation

John 14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;
no one comes to the Father, except through me.
Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 13:22-30

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed. 'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us", but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from". Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!" 'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. 'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

Communion Antiphon

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

Next Week's Readings

22nd Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24

Gospel: Luke 14:1. 7-14

Next Weekend is Social Justice Sunday

The theme for 2025-2026 is: ***Signs of Hope on the Edge: Serving Homeless People with Mental Ill Health.***

The Australian Catholic Bishops Statement can be accessed by visiting:

<https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2025/08/06/signs-of-hope-on-the-edge-social-justice-statement-2025-2026/>