



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

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C 9-10 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: Liturgy of the Word

Wed: 7.45am

Thu: 7.00pm (Assumption Vigil)

Fri: 9.30am St Pat's - Year 3 & 6

11.30am St Clare's

7.00pm (Solemnity Assumption)

Sat: 9.30am

RECONCILIATION

Sat: 10.00am - 10.30am

EXPOSITION/BENEDICTION

Saturday: 10.15am - 10.45am

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturday: 11.15am

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Jeff Kleynjans

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PRESBYTERY

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SECRETARY

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FR JEFF'S DIARY

Mon: Away Installation of Archbishop of Hobart

Tue: Away Installation of Archbishop of Hobart

Wed: DOSCEL Board Visit

Thu: Office/Funeral Berwick

Fri: Office/St Clare's Officer

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

ST PATRICK'S BREASTPLATE

I arise today, through the strength of heaven; Light of sun,
Splendour of fire, Speed of lightning, Swiftmess 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,

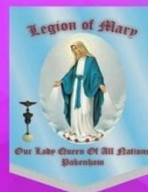
Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie

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



The Legion of Mary, Pakenham, is hosting a very special event to fundraise for the celebration of Mary Mother of Hope. Details of this special event will be in the parish bulletin.

We warmly invite all parishioners, families & friends to join us for a vibrant and fun filled



Bollywood Night



at St Patrick's Parish Hall, Pakenham

Friday, September 05, 2025 7:00pm - Midnight

Entry: \$15 per person

No charge for children 5 & under

BYO Food & Drinks

**AN EVENING
FILLED WITH
FUN, FOOD
AND MUSIC!**

We will provide:

Music for dancing by DJ Damien,

2 bottles of soft drinks &

nibbles for each table

Please bring coins/cash to purchase raffle tickets and the yummy food that will be available at the bake/food stalls.

Tickets will be sold after all weekend masses, commencing this weekend 2nd/3rd August.

Please invite your family and friends and book your table/s. Each table will have 10 seats.

**DOOR PRIZE
RAFFLES
AUCTIONS
BAKE STALL
AND SURPRISES!**

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

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:

Mary Robinson, Sarah Grech, Julie Hall, Frs. Andrew Wise, Michael Willemsen & Peter Slater, 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: Bishop Peter Elliott & Irene Robertson who died recently and for Annamma Joseph, Gwen Rosario, John Kleynjans, Patrick & Anestine Motha & Bede Fernando 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 Caspian Trividic-Humphrey, Kevin Garcia & Evie Talia Solomons.

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 13th, 20th & 27th, followed by First Holy Communion classes on Wednesday, September 3rd, 10th and 17th at 5.00pm.

Confirmation: For Children not attending St Clare's or St Patrick's, preparation classes for Confirmation will be on Tuesday, August 12th, & 19th, at 5.00 pm.

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

ST CLARE'S FEAST DAY: Congratulations to St Clare's celebrating 10 years and their Patron's Feast Day this weekend, beginning with 6:00pm Mass this Saturday in St Patrick's Church. All are warmly invited to join us for Mass, followed by pizza in the Parish Hall. Happy Feast Day.

COME & SEE: Bishop Greg warmly invites any young people from across our diocese to the Vocations Come and See event - a time for those discerning a call to the priesthood or religious life. Join us for prayer, hear vocation stories, ask questions, and take the next step in discovering where God might be calling you.

Date: 17th August, 2025 Time: 3:00- 4:00 pm

Venue: St Patrick's parish, Pakenham, 142 Princes Hwy, Pakenham, 3810

HOUSEKEEPING: The word 'Grievous' as contained in the Confiteor only has one 'i' and is pronounced 'gree-vus', not grevei-ous.

Also, 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 the Eucharistic species.

THE VINE YOUTH GROUP: We invite all secondary school students (Years 7 to 12) to join us this Sunday, 16th August, from 3:00pm to 4:30pm for our youth group gathering. **The Group** will meet on the **1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays** of each month.



2025 AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL: The ultimate Catholic youth experience!

ACYF is on again. It's going to be bigger, bolder, and more inspiring than ever! Join thousands of young people from across the country for Australia's largest gathering of Catholic youth!! **WHERE?** Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre. **WHEN? Sunday AFTERNOON, 30th November to Tuesday EVENING, 2nd December 2025. WHO? Anyone from Year 9 (in 2025) up to 25 years old. WHAT'S IN STORE?** Powerful keynote speakers, live music & concerts, interactive workshops, games & creative zones, justice discussions & community vibes, prayer, Mass, and a buzzing expo. Whether you're searching for meaning, a different community vibe, a new faith experience, or just an unforgettable experience – ACYF is your place to be! **INTERESTED?** contact your Parish Priest or Parish Office to register your interest.

TEACHING AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ENCOUNTER: A DAY FOR CATECHISTS AND 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

JUBILEE OF PRAYER GROUPS - SATURDAY, 16 AUGUST 2025: As part of the Jubilee celebrations, all are warmly invited to a special gathering honouring the many prayer groups in our diocese. The day will take place across two locations. Refer to notice board in 2nd Foyer for more details.

REJUVENATE RCIA IN YOUR PARISH: on Saturday, 23 August 2025 at Sion House, Warragul. Refer notice board for more details.

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. Refer notice board for more details.

FLAMES OF HOPE: As part of the Jubilee celebration, the Diocesan Pastoral Life and Mission Team is offering a day of prayer and reflection which is being facilitated by the Emmaus Spirituality Team. Refer to notice board in 2nd Foyer for more details.

STAY UPDATED ON DIOCESAN EVENTS: There are many exciting events happening across our Diocese! Stay informed and up to date by visiting the Diocesan Events Page. It's a great resource to find details on upcoming celebrations, gatherings, and important dates. Visit: <https://www.cdsale.org.au/events>



The Gospel and the Commonwealth

by Fr Michael Tate

Jesus lived in a remote part of the Roman Empire where the majority eked out an existence. One of the few ways in which redistribution of wealth could occur was by voluntarily giving to the poor. So Jesus instructs his followers: 'Sell your possessions and give generously to those in need.' We live in a very different society: 'The Commonwealth of Australia.' 'Common-wealth' indicates that the wealth of this nation, its people and resources, are meant to be directed to the common good.

So, we must respond to Our Lord's command in ways very different to what was possible in his day.

We have a compulsory taxation system which forces us to give up some of our possessions, some of our wealth to the common-wealth. Taxation and social justice policies help fulfil Our Lord's command to create a society more humane than anything remotely possible under the Roman Empire. And that would please Our Lord.

Why? In part because those in need are helped. But, perhaps in greater part, because it makes us larger hearted people. We have to arrive at the moment of death with a heart so capacious that it can include the billions of people, we hope, inhabit a heavenly existence.

We might pause for a moment to pray for our hearts to be expanded by our contribution to the common-wealth of all peoples throughout the world.

Entrance Antiphon

Look to your covenant, O Lord,
and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever.
Arise, O God, and defend your cause,
and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

First Reading Wisdom 18:6-9

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage. This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you. The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
They are happy, whose God is the Lord,
the people he has chosen as his own. **(R.)**
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. **(R.)**
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. **(R.)**

Second Reading Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-12

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended. It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and

Jacob, who were heirs with him, of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God. It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation **Matthew 24:42. 44**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready:

You know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

Gospel **Luke 12:35-40**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Antiphon

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord,
who gives you your fill of finest
wheat.

