

# St Patrick's Parish

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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 SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C 4th & 5th October 2025

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

#### **MASSES**

SUNDAY

Saturday vigil: 6.00pm

9.00am, 10.30am Sunday:

5.00pm (1st and 3rd)

**WEEKDAYS** 

Mon: No - Liturgy of the Word

Tue: 6.00pm Wed: 9.30am Thu: 8.00am Fri: 8.00am Sat: 9.30am RECONCILIATION

Sat: 10.00am - 10.30am

**EXPOSITION/BENEDICTION** 

Sat: 10.15am - 10.45am

**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 Wed: Office

Thu: Consultors - Warragul

Fri: Traralgon

#### 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/professionalstandards

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 eve 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

#### MISSIONARIES AROUND THE WORLD:

Heroes of the kingdom of God - In Leo XIV, we have a Pope who was a missionary, in Peru for almost 20 years. "Padre Roberto", as he was known, would ride for hours on a mule in order



to reach the most remote villages. Sometimes he would even spend the night with the sheep in a stable. Photos of him as bishop show him in gum boots, wading through mud and water in order to help out after a flood. We will be having a special collection on the weekend 18th and 19th of October after all the weekend masses. Envelopes have also be left in the foyer should you wish to donate that way.



# 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday 7- 8.30 pm

THE VINE YOUTH GROUP:

 $1^{\text{st}}$   $3^{\text{rd}}$  and  $5^{\text{th}}$  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

2<sup>nd</sup> 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. Michael Willemsen & Peter Slater, as well as Robert Gudgeon, Anjali Hase, Anthony Morrill, Alessia Curcio, Mary D'costa, Mary Robinson, Tenille Labrooy, Ana Grgic, Margaret Gudgeon & Umberto Tiberi. [Names will be removed after one month, unless we are advised otherwise]

FOR THE SOULS OF: Prudence Candappa, Lez Kalman, Jelka Scurla & Lorraine Heywood who died recently, and T. Francis, Hashim Twaakyondo, Lauri Hodgkisson, Thomas Daly, Agnes Lim, Terrence Austine, Giovanni Mamoliti, Antonio Ioculano, Eliceo & Angela Prosperi Porta Thomas Daly, 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. n.b. Due to an influx of requests we might have to share them with priests who can celebrate them on your behalf.

**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.

**BAPTISMS:** Parents wishing to have their children Baptised are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session. Next session, 6.30 pm, Wednesday, October 1st - 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:** A reflection day for all candidates will be held in conjunction with the schools during the day on Friday, **10**<sup>th</sup> **October**, in the church hall. Frist Holy Communion celebrations will he held on the weekends 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> of October at the 6.00pm and 10.30am Masses.

RCIA: Open day - 'Come and See' will be held this Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October in the Church Hall at 11.30am. Preparation classes commence on Wednesday 15 October from 7.00pm to 8.30pm

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* 

**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 donating toward the cost of each activity. The listed costs cover ingredients, materials, and other necessary expenses for each item:

Sausage Sizzles - \$200 each (5 events, one sponsored)

Brownies - \$200 Cookies - \$150

Cupcakes - \$150

Car Wash - \$200

Professional Cleaning of St Patrick's Icon by KWS - \$750 each (2 needed) - see image

Every gift, big or small, helps our youth take one step closer to this inspiring event. **Thank you for your generosity and prayers.** 

**SHEILA's FAVOURITE RECIPES:** Books are still available for sale at the office \$5.00 each. All proceeds go to the church Building Fund.



**SAFEGUARDING ONLINE TRAINING:** Commenced on 1st of September via Safetrac. Volunteers whose three-year cycle is due please check your emails and complete this module, if you are unable to complete this course on your own please feel free to contact Terry are Safeguarding Officer who will be able to assist you with this.

RISEN LORD COMMUNITY: October retreats. See notice board for more details - All are welcome.

# D'Vine Kids



Faith Formation Program Faith, Fun & Food

# The Holy Angels



When: Friday 10th October, 2025

Time: 7-8:30pm

Who: primary years 3-6

Location: St Patrick's Parish

Centre, Pakenham

Children to be signed in & out by a parent/guardian More info: 59417315

**SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE FOR THE HOLY LAND:** Join Caritas for a short, reflective



service to honour all the lives lost on October 7th and in the two-year conflict that has followed. The service will be led by Caritas Australia's Mission Facilitator, Michael McGirr, and will also include a message from Bishop Tim Harris, Chair of the Bishops' Commission for Social Justice, Mission and Service. This gathering is open to people of faith and goodwill who wish to pause, pray, and act for peace, justice and compassion.

Register at https://tinyurl.com/yjy6cu74

INVITATION TO THE JUBILEE OF MIGRANTS: The Morwell and Lumen Christi Parishes warmly invite you to the Jubilee of Migrants celebration, in honour of the Jubilee Year 2025: Pilgrims of Hope. Join us for a Solemn Mass celebrated by Bishop Greg Bennet, honouring the richness of Migrants and Refugees in our community this Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> October. At 2.30pm Location: Sacred Heart Church, Morwell. Following the Mass, everyone is invited to a vibrant Multicultural Celebration. There will be food, dance, music, and performances showcasing the beauty of our diverse cultures.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: Live Your Best Life in Love... October 10-12: St Paul's Retreat Centre, Wantirna South. Starts Friday evening at 7pm and finishes Sunday afternoon around 4:30pm Information/Bookings: Please phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: wwme.org.au

**THE CHRISTIAN MEDITATION SESSIONS:** Are held on the first Tuesday of every month from 7.30pm-8.30pm at St Michael's Parish Support Centre. Please register if attending so that we can organise the evening effectively. All are welcome.

# **REFLECTION** by Fr Michael Tate

#### Breast Feeding into Heaven

The loving gaze of a mother towards her newborn simply gives rise to the obligation to feed the baby. There is no special reward for doing her motherly duty. This is how Jesus sees 'good works'. If we perceive our relationships with people correctly, then so-called 'good works' are no more than our duty and don't deserve special congratulatory access to Heaven.

If we saw human beings as 'formed from the dust of the earth... a manifestation of God in the world, a sign of his presence, a trace of his glory' (St John Paul II, *Evangelium Vitae* 34.2), then that perception leads to certain ways of relating which are obliging. Like the servant in the story, we will have done no more than our duty.

Nevertheless, doing that sort of duty you and I are becoming the sort of creature who can love unreservedly. We are being readied to receive the free gift of heavenly life.

We might take a moment - to pause and get our perception of human beings correct so that our response might prepare us for the free gift of heavenly life.



Entrance Antiphon Cf Esther 4:17

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

## First Reading Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen; to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear and you will not save? Why do you set injustice before me, why do you look on where there is tyranny? Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is contention, and discord flourishes. Then the Lord answered and said. 'Write the vision down, inscribe it on tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its own time only: eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait, for come it will, without fail. See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

The word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

# Responsorial Psalm Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (R.)

- Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us.
   Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)
- 2. Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)
- 3. O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R.)

## Second Reading 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are

in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

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### Gospel Acclamation

1 Peter 1:25

Alleluia, alleluia!
The word of the Lord stands for ever;
it is the word given to you, the Good News.
Alleluia!

## Gospel

Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you. 'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately"? Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."

The Gospel of the Lord – Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

#### **Communion Antiphon**

Lam 3:25

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

# Next Week's Readings 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading – Kings 5:14-17 Second Reading – St Paul to Timothy 2:8-13 Gospel - Luke 17:11-19

**THANK YOU**: To everyone involved with our Jubilee celebration of Marian Spirituality, your commitment helped to make this an event to be proud of! Special thanks to Katrina Venn, for all your efforts, over and above the call of duty.

