



# 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 [safeguarding@stpatrickspakenham.com.au](mailto:safeguarding@stpatrickspakenham.com.au)

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A 31st January - 1 February 2026

**\*\*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 (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>)

#### WEEKDAYS

Mon: **9.30am**

**Mass The presentation of the Lord**

Tue: 6.00pm

Wed: 9.30am

Thu: 8.00am

Fri: 9.30am

Sat: 9.30am

#### RECONCILIATION

Sat: 10.00am - 10.30am

#### EXPOSITION/BENEDICTION

Sat: 10.00 - 10.45 am

#### BAPTISMS

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays: 11.15am

#### PARISH PRIEST

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#### FR JEFF'S DIARY

Mon: Day Off

Tue: Funeral - Trafalgar

Wed: Office

Thu: Council of Priests - Warragul

Fri: Office

#### 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](http://www.sale.catholic.org.au/professional-standards)

KIDS HELPLINE: 1800 55 1800 or

[kidshelpline.com.au](http://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



**THE LAMP 2026:** Is approaching fast, and, as the hosts, the St Patrick's parish community invites all Youth and Young people ages 12-25 to take part in this exciting and FREE day of fellowship, spiritual growth, catechesis, Reconciliation and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, as well as inspired leadership with **Josh Angrisano, Bishop Greg Bennet**, and others, on **Sat Feb 7, 11.30am to 7.00pm**, followed by a pizza dinner. Exploring the theme: ***By His Wounds We Are Healed And Forgiven***. There will also be an opportunity to visit the St Carlo Acutis First Class relic and associated exhibition. Please register via QR Code or follow the link to register <https://forms.gle/mXebdHBAjcDdkd2i6>. Save the date and get excited!



**THE LAMP - ENTHUSIASTIC VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!:** As this year's hosts of the LMAP event for young people, we are seeking volunteers 18+ to assist on the day to ensure we maintain a safe, welcoming, and a smoothly-run, day-long event. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the foyer if you are willing and able to spare an hour or two to help. WWCC required. Thank you for your generosity!!

**CBS:** Discover the Word: Community Bible Study Information Sessions: Every Monday at 7.00pm. For more information, please contact Sarah Johnson on 0438 935 917.

## **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- 8.30pm

### **THE VINE YOUTH GROUP:**

1<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> 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 Fazlur Rahman, Liam Shadforth, Lyn Vogrig, Carmen Reimers, Yvette Baldsing, Amitha Liyanaarachchi, John Burhop, Rina Rocca, Tamara Corteling, Carmel Clemann, Anjali Hase, Anthony Morrill, Mary De Costa & Ana Grgic.

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

**THE SOULS OF:** Fr Bernie Krotwaar who died recently, Doreen Perera, Raja Singham, Neil Cornelius, and Kathleen Carey, and all the faithful departed 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 email or contact the parish office for information. Please **do not use** the St Vincent de Paul envelopes in the foyer for your Mass requests. Donations can be made by cash to the office or transferred to our Donations account St Patrick's Parish Donations BSB 083879 Account No 75 5770740, please mention a reference in the description.

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

**ROSTERS:** For all Ministries are on display in the foyer. Please check them regularly, and if you are unable to assist on your allocated date, ***it is your responsibility*** to swap with someone else.

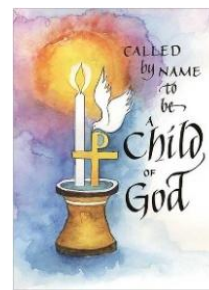
**BAPTISMS:** Parents wishing to have their children Baptised are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session. Next session, 5.30pm, Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, in the Welcome room.

Please enrol through the parish website or contact Andrea at the parish office on 5941 7315.

**RCIA:** Preparation classes on Tuesdays, 7.00pm – 8.30pm **(please note the change of day)**

**RCIC:** For children aged 10-14 years are invited to join the *Rite of Christian Initiation for Children* program.

All those interested, please email: [sacraments@stpatrickspakenham.com.au](mailto:sacraments@stpatrickspakenham.com.au)



**SIGN OF PEACE:** Given that the virulent threat previously associated with Covid19, (which caused us to stop shaking hands), has now passed; if people would like to return to offering a handshake for the Sign of Peace, please feel free to do so. That said, please respect those who wish to refrain from doing so.

**MONETARY COLLECTION VOLUNTERS:** Please note: The First Collection (Church) will be taken up after the Homily, and the Second Collection (Presbytery) will be taken after the Prayer of the Faithful.

**MARY'S INTERCESSORY GROUP:** Invite you, as a parish, to pray the devotion of the ***First Five Saturday's***, starting with Mass at 9.30am on ***7th of February 2026***, for the reparation of sins against the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This devotion consists of receiving Holy Communion, reciting five decades of the Rosary, going to Confession and meditating for fifteen minutes on the Mysteries of the Rosary for five consecutive months. Our Lady assures us of her assistance at the hour of our death, with the graces we need for the salvation of our souls.

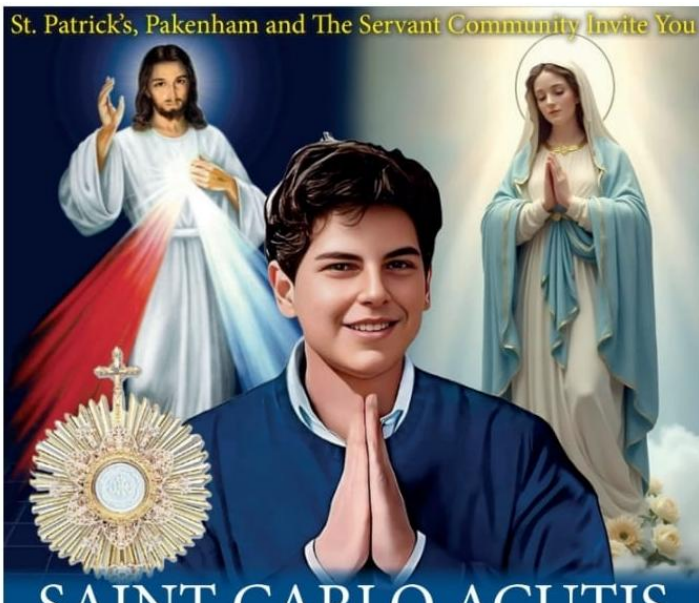
**ROOM FOR RENT:** Would prefer a female student or couple. Please contact Rose Dias on 0413641074 for further information.

**ST PATRICK'S LUNCHEON GROUP:** It's time for our first lunch for 2026. We will be eating at Castello's on the highway next to KFC on 4<sup>th</sup> February at 12.30pm. It will be great to see some new faces. You can contact Kathy on 0418 679 616 or just come along

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY:** For prayer with the Word of God. The Pope's January intention urges Christians to rediscover the "spiritual power of Sacred Scripture as a privileged place to encounter Christ."



St. Patrick's, Pakenham and The Servant Community Invite You



## SAINT CARLO ACUTIS

Born: 3 May 1991. Died: 12 October 2006 (age 15 years), Italy  
Canonised: 7 September 2025

**First-Class Relic, Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition  
and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

**St. Patrick's Church 138-142 Princes Hwy, Pakenham**

**Saturday 7 February (after 6pm Mass);  
Sunday 8 to Sunday 15 Feb, 2026 (10am to 8:30pm)**

Purchase St. Carlo books/comics/merch (Cash/PayID/Efpos)  
Get a 3<sup>rd</sup> Class relic (donation)  
(Proceeds will go towards the Parish Adoration Chapel)

**EVENING PROGRAM: (The exhibition will be open from 10am till 8:30pm):**

**Monday 9 February**  
6:30pm - 7:00pm Holy Mass - Fr. Antony Santhiyagu  
"Eucharist: Living Bread from Heaven!"  
7:00pm - 7:30pm Kate Hobbs (Lay Apostolate of Friends of St. Carlo Acutis Australia)  
"The Story of St. Carlo's Life - To always be close to Jesus"

**Tuesday 10 February**  
6:30pm - 7:00pm Holy Mass - Fr. Jeff Kleynjans "The joyful holiness, trust, and witness of St Carlo's faith, flowing especially from his love for Jesus in the Eucharist"

**Wednesday 11 February**  
6:30pm - 7:00pm Tommy Canning (Sacred Artist from Scotland)  
"Art inspired by the Treasure of our Catholic Faith"  
(A powerful talk/video presentation on his inspirational artwork)  
7:00pm - 7:30pm John Canavan "Carlo's weakness - His devotion to Divine Mercy"  
(also John's personal witness with  **veneration of St. Faustina's First-Class Relic**)

**Thursday 12 February**  
10:00am - 8:30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Friday 13 February**  
6:30pm - 7:00pm Holy Mass - Fr. Vipin Edwards  
"Baptism a call to holiness"

 *"Carlo Acutis is an invitation to all of us, especially young people, not to squander our lives, but to direct them upwards and make them masterpieces." - Pope Leo XIV*

**St. Carlo Acutis said:**  
"To always be close to Jesus, that's my life plan"  
"The Virgin Mary is the only woman in my life."  
"The more Eucharist we receive, the more we will become like Jesus, so that on earth we will have a foretaste of heaven."

**For further information contact:**  
Rochelle: 0401 017 752  
Melissa: 0497 971 102



This first-class relic of St. Carlo Acutis and this beautiful hand-carved wooden statue from Assisi will be on display for veneration the whole week.

**HOLY HOURS FOR VOCATIONS - DIOCESE OF SALE:** The Diocese of Sale invites all parishioners to join in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament to ask the Lord for an increase in vocations.

- **Feb 28th:** St Laurence O'Toole, Leongatha (4:30 - 5:30 PM)
- **Mar 14th:** St Joseph's, Wonthaggi (5:15 - 6:15 PM)
- **Mar 28th:** St Agatha's, Cranbourne (4:30 - 5:30 PM)
- **Apr 26th:** Our Lady Help of Christians, Narre Warren (4:45 - 5:45 PM)

Please join us as we unite in prayer for the future of our Church.

**COME LET US PRAISE THE LORD:** Are you looking for a space to pause, reflect, and lift your heart in prayer? You are warmly invited to join St Mary's Cathedral for an evening of **Praise and Worship**. On Friday Feb 13 from 6.30 - 8.00pm at St Mary's Cathedral, 47 Foster Street, Sale

## REFLECTION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE – by Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart

The verses of today's Gospel are called the Beatitudes. Sometimes they are called the Be Attitudes because they tell us the kind of attitudes we need to develop and the way we need to be.

Do these Beatitudes sound like good news or bad news? Why?

Who are the most peaceful and contented people you know? What do they have in common with the attitudes of the Beatitudes?

What are the attitudes of consumerism and materialism? How do commercials and ads encourage people to buy products? How are these attitudes different from those of the Beatitudes?

What attitudes would make a better world? What attitudes would make a more selfish and self-centred world?

How could you rewrite the Beatitudes in language that most teenagers today would more easily understand?

**Entrance Antiphon****Psalm 105:47**

Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

**First Reading****Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13**

Seek the Lord all you, the humble of the earth, who obey his commands. Seek integrity, seek humility: you may perhaps find shelter on the day of the anger of the Lord. In your midst I will leave a humble and lowly people, and those who are left in Israel will seek refuge in the name of the Lord. They will do no wrong, will tell no lies; and the perjured tongue will no longer be found in their mouths. But they will be able to graze and rest with no one to disturb them.

**The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm****Ps 145:7-10. R. Mt 5:3**

**(R.) Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!**

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith forever,  
who is just to those who are oppressed.  
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,  
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **(R.)**
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,  
who raises up those who are bowed down,  
the Lord, who protects the stranger  
and upholds the widow and orphan. **(R.)**
3. It is the Lord who loves the just  
but thwarts the path of the wicked.  
The Lord will reign for ever,  
Zion's God, from age to age. **(R.)**

**Second Reading****1 Corinthians 1:26-31**

Take yourselves, brothers, at the time when you were called: how many of you were wise in the ordinary sense of the word, how many were influential people, or came from noble families? No, it was to shame the wise that God chose what is foolish by human reckoning, and to shame what is strong that he chose what is weak by human reckoning; those whom the world thinks common and contemptible are the ones that God has chosen – those who are nothing at all to show up those who are everything. The human race has nothing to boast about to God, but you, God has made members of Christ Jesus and by God's doing he has become our wisdom, and our virtue, and our holiness, and our freedom. As scripture says: if anyone wants to boast, let him boast about the Lord.

**The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation****Matthew 5:12**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad;

Your reward will be great in heaven.

Alleluia!

**Gospel****Matthew 5:1-12**

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit:

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle:

they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn:

they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right:

they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful:

they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart:

they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers:

they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

**The Gospel of the Lord - Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

**Communion Antiphon****Cf Psalm 30:17-18**

Let your face shine on your servant.

Save me in your merciful love.

O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

**Next Week's Readings****First Reading****Isaiah 58:7-10****Second Reading****1 Corinthians 2:1-5****Gospel****Matthew 5:13-16**