



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

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A 7- 8 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 (1st and 3rd)

WEEKDAYS

Mon: 10.00am Exposition Blessed Sacrament
6.30pm Mass

Tue: 10.00am Exposition Blessed Sacrament
6.30pm Mass

Wed: 9.30am Mass
Exposition Blessed Sacrament

Thu: 9.30am Exposition Blessed Sacrament
6.30pm Mass

Fri: 10.00am Exposition Blessed Sacrament
6.30pm Mass

Sat: 9.30am Mass
10.00am Exposition Blessed Sacrament

RECONCILIATION

Sat: 10.00am - 10.30am

EXPOSITION/BENEDICTION

Sat: 10.00 - 10.45 am

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Saturdays: 11.15am

PARISH PRIEST

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FR JEFF'S DIARY

Mon: Day Off

Tue: Office

Wed: Office, Liturgy Meeting

Thu: 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

KIDS HELPLINE: 1800 55 1800 or

kidshelpline.com.au

ST PATRICK'S BREASTPLATE

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



PRAYER OF GRATITUDE FOR THE LAMP:

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of our youth. We pray that everyone who attended The Lamp Youth Festival at St Patrick's, may come away feeling refreshed, renewed and healed by Your grace. May their hearts remain open to Your Son, and filled with the joy and love of Your Holy Spirit. Holy Mary keep us close to Jesus your Son, our Saviour, remembering that 'Our hearts are restless until they rest in you.' Amen



NOTE TO LECTORS / READERS: Please do not adjust the microphone. The lectern mic is multidirectional and has been positioned for optimal sound quality. It does not need to be adjusted. Thank you for your cooperation.

BETHLEHEM OLIVEWOOD ITEMS: On Feb 14th & 15th there will be a display of handcrafted olivewood religious items for sale. These items are hand-crafted in Bethlehem, in the Holy Land, by Catholic families there. Your purchases help to support these families as well as preserving the Holy Sites in Bethlehem. Over 600 families rely on this work as their main source of income, but with the ongoing conflict, hardly any pilgrims are visiting. By purchasing any of these items, you are offering much-needed support to the Christian community in Bethlehem and helping to keep the faith alive in the Holy Land.

WELCOME: This weekend we welcome Shubham Sharma, our RCIA Catechumen, who will be formally welcomed into the Church at Easter. Please keep Shubham in your prayers.

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- 8.30pm

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. Michael Willemsen, & Peter Slater, as well as Sundeep K, Rehman S, Albert Michael, Albert John, Yvonne J B, Fazlur Rahman, Liam Shadforth, Lyn Vogrig, Carmen Reimers, Yvette Baldsing, John Burhop, Rina Rocca, Anthony Morrill,

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

THE SOULS OF: Ennas Albarnas & Julie Hall who died recently, as well as Gerard Verhaegh, Terrance Augustine, Neil Watson, Anthony Barker, T K Yusuf, Thomas Pulickal, John Almeida, and Cecilia Carmody, 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.

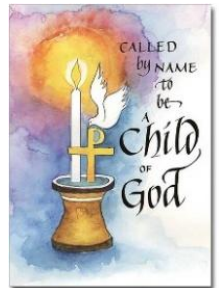
BAPTISMS: Parents wishing to have their children Baptised are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session. Next session, 5.30pm, Wednesday, March 4th, in the Welcome room.

Please enrol through the parish website or contact Andrea at the parish office on 5941 7315. This weekend we welcomed...

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



RITE OF ELECTION FOR CATECHUMENS AND THE FORMAL RECOGNITION OF BAPTISED CANDIDATES:

For this year's Rite of Election at St Mary's Cathedral, Sale (Sunday, 22 February at 3:00 pm), Bishop Greg Bennet has invited Chris Harkin to convene a diocesan choir.

If you would like to lend your voice to this beautiful ceremony, Chris would be pleased to hear from you. Music will be sent via email for individual practice, followed by a rehearsal at the Cathedral on the day of the ceremony from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm. To express your interest, please contact Chris Harkin via text on 0419 772 668 or email: chris@harkin.com.au

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.

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

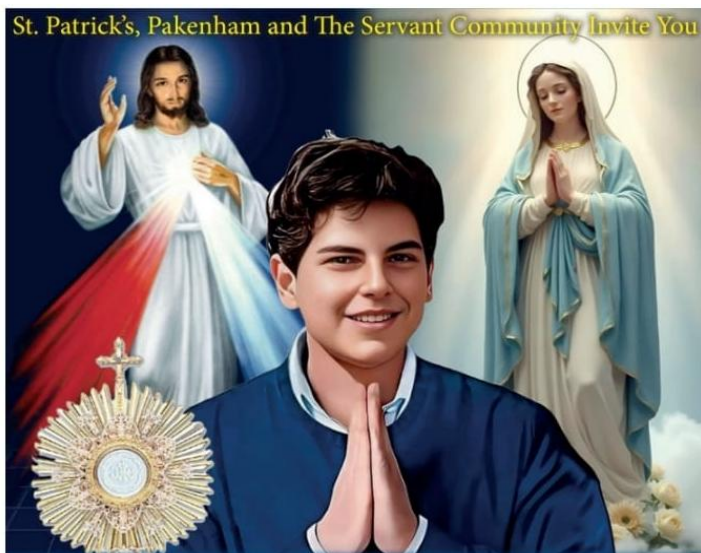
HOLY HOURS FOR VOCATIONS – DIOCESE OF SALE

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.

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 3rd 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 **vention 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.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK: On the 11th of February 2026, we celebrate the 34th **World Day of the Sick** with the theme: *"The compassion of the Samaritan: loving by bearing another's pain."* This day, established by St John Paul II, calls us to follow the example of the Good Samaritan through concrete gestures of closeness to those facing illness, isolation, and poverty.

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.

ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 18th: To mark the beginning of Lent, Masses for Ash Wednesday are as follows: 7.30 am in the Church, 9.30 am in the Church with years 3-6 and staff from St Patrick's Primary School, 11.40 am at St Clare's Primary School, and 7.30 pm in the Church.

St FRANCIS PRAYER: For the Year of St Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O, Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

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REFLECTION: The attributes of Salt

Why does Jesus compare us to salt? Salt, as we know, is a preservative and flavour agent for food. As Christians, we are called to preserve the goodness and truth of God in a world that often leans toward moral decay. By living out the values of love, justice, and mercy, we act as a stabilizing force in our communities. Salt also enhances flavour, bringing out the best in food without overpowering it. As Christians, we are called to enhance the lives of those around us by reflecting Christ's love and truth, by adding depth and richness to the lives of others, and by pointing them toward the abundant life that Jesus offers. To be 'salt' in our generation requires a commitment to living in a way that is both truthful and loving, and also means being willing to have the hard conversations, to stand up for what is right, and to offer genuine care. This kind of life enriches relationships, communities and offers lasting impact. By embracing the role of salt, we fulfil our call to preserve and enhance the world around us, offering a rich and enduring witness that points others to the fullness of life found in Christ alone. During his short life, St Carlo Acutis was a great example of the kind of 'salt', Jesus wants us all to be.

Entrance Antiphon**Psalm 94:6-7**

O come, let us worship God
and bow low before the God who made us,
for he is the Lord our God.

First Reading**Isaiah 58:7-10**

Thus says the Lord:

Share your bread with the hungry,
and shelter the homeless poor,
clothe the man you see to be naked
and turn not from your own kin.
Then will your light shine like the dawn
and your wound be quickly healed over.

Your integrity will go before you
and the glory of the Lord behind you.
Cry, and the Lord will answer;
call, and he will say, 'I am here.'

If you do away with the yoke,
the clenched fist, the wicked word,
if you give your bread to the hungry,
and relief to the oppressed,
your light will rise in the darkness,
and your shadows become like noon.

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm**Ps 111:4-9. R. v.4**

(R.) A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

1. He is a light in the darkness for the upright:
he is generous, merciful and just.
The good man takes pity and lends,
he conducts his affairs with honour. **(R.)**
2. The just man will never waver:
he will be remembered for ever.
He has no fear of evil news;
with a firm heart he trusts in the Lord. **(R.)**
3. With a steadfast heart he will not fear;
open-handed, he gives to the poor;
his justice stands firm for ever.
His head will be raised in glory. **(R.)**

Second Reading**1 Corinthians 2:1-5**

When I came to you, brothers, it was not with any show of oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell you what God had guaranteed. During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus, and only about him as the crucified Christ. Far from relying on any power of my own, I came among

you in great 'fear and trembling' and in my speeches and the sermons that I gave, there were none of the arguments that belong to philosophy; only a demonstration of the power of the Spirit. And I did this so that your faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God.

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation**John 8:12**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
the man who follows me
will have the light of life.
Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew**5:13-16**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men.

'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.'

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

Communion Antiphon**Cf Psalm 106:8-9**

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy,
his wonders for the children of men,
for he satisfies the thirsty soul,
and the hungry he fills with good things.

Next Week's Readings**First Reading****Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20****Second Reading****Corinthians 2:6-10****Gospel****Matthew 5:17-37**