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 safeguarding@stpatrickspakenham.com.au

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 21-22 November 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: 9.30am Service of the Word
Tue 6.00pm
Wed: 9.30am
Thu: 8.30am
Fri: 8.30am
11.00am Funeral Mass – Ann Wright
Sat: 9.30am

RECONCILIATION
Sat 10.00am - 10.30am
EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION
Sat:10.00am - 10.45am

BAPTISMS
Designated Saturdays: 11.15am

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FR JEFF'S DIARY
Mon: Away
Tue: Away
Wed: Away
Thu: Clergy Advent Reflection Day Maryknoll
Fri: DOSCEL PBF - Warragul

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)
Catholic Care: 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

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY, FR JEFF! Who is celebrating his birthday on 25 November. The parishioners and staff wish him a very happy and blessed birthday. Please keep him in your prayers and may God bless you abundantly, Fr Jeff, and grant you many more years of health, happiness and blessings.

WELCOME FR HILARION FERNANDO: This weekend, we warmly welcome Fr Hilarion Fernando, who will be celebrating the 9:00am and 10:30am Masses. We are delighted to have him with us.

CHRISTMAS DONATIONS - SUPPORTING PADDY'S KITCHEN: This Christmas, let's come together to share the joy of giving by supporting Paddy's Kitchen! We are inviting parishioners to donate unopened, in-date cereals, chocolates, and cookies to help bring a little extra joy to those in need this Christmas. Every donation, big or small, makes a difference. Thank you for your kindness, generosity and for helping us spread the true spirit of Christmas together!

ST VINCENT DE PAUL - CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL: As in previous years the Christmas tree has been erected with tags. Parishioners can take a tag off the tree, purchase a gift for the child of that age group, and return it **UNWRAPPED** by Friday the 11th of December. Hampers will delivered on Monday the 12th of December. Monetary donations to be placed in the poor box situated in the foyer. Gift Cards to be handed over to Andrea at the parish office on any working days except Wednesday. Thank you for your continued support.

PARISH MINISTRIES AND GROUPS

SUNDAY MORNING CUPPA
After 9.00am & 10.30am Masses in the Hall

PADDY'S KITCHEN
Sundays between 4-4.30pm
Contact Tresa: 0421 931 888

MARTHA & MARY FRIENDSHIP GROUP ROSARY
Tuesday 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 7.00pm
Contact Jean-Claude: 0410 126 415

D'VINE KIDS
Children's Faith formation program: Is on Hold

THE VINE YOUTH GROUP:
2nd & 4th Sundays 3.00–4.30pm.
Contact: Matt or Ruth 0487388767

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 10.00am
Contact Rochelle 0401 017 752

SEWING GROUP
Thursday 10.00am
Contact Cheryl 0417 124 881
Email: cbillingsmith@yahoo.com.au

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: Fr Peter Slater, Phillip Taskis, Margaret Gudgeon, Tim Bayard, Michael & Nancy Johnson, Dr Down, Anthony Morrill, Diana Butterworth, Keith Patten, Tilla Perera, Sailesh Shankar, Sharon Bailey, Glen Williams, Rose Carter and Lyn Vogrig

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

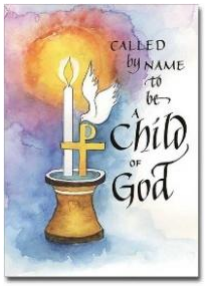
THE SOULS OF: Ann Wright, Francis Sinnatambou and France Saminaden Poulle who died recently and Robert Nulliah and all the faithful departed whose anniversaries occur at this time.

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

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.

SACRAMENT INFORMATION



BAPTISMS: Parents wishing to have their child/ren Baptised are required to first attend a Baptism Preparation Session.
Next session, **5.30pm, Wednesday, 2nd December** in the Church.
Enrol via the parish website or call Andrea on 5941 7315.

RCIA FOR 2026-2027: For further questions or enquiries, please contact our Sacrament Coordinator: Mary Robinson at: **sacraments@stpatrickspakenham.com.au**

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.**

SACRAMENTS AT ST. PATRICK'S: 2027 program, save the date fliers and posters will be released soon. Any queries contact Mary Robinson - Sacrament Coordinator at **sacraments@stpartickspakenham.com.au**

RCIA 2026-2027: Please keep our current RCIA participants in your prayers as they continue to learn and deepen their faith. They will be welcomed into our parish community on Sunday the 29th November at the 9am Mass through the ***Rite of Welcome***. Any parishioners who can assist with being sponsors for our RCIA participants this year or anyone who would like to come along to support the weekly reflection gatherings, please reach out to Mary Robinson - Sacrament Coordinator at **sacraments@stpartickspakenham.com.au**

NOVEMBER MASS OFFERINGS: Are now fully booked, and we are unable to accept any further intentions for November or December. If you wish to have a Mass offered for your loved ones, we warmly invite you to submit your intentions for the new year. Thank you for your understanding and patience as we remember and pray for our departed loved ones.



IMPORTANT NOTICE: RISK ASSESSMENTS FOR ALL PARISH EVENTS - All parish events and activities must have a risk assessment completed by the **Parish Safeguarding Officer** *before* the event takes place. To allow sufficient time for the assessment to be completed and any necessary safety measures to be put in place, organisers are required to provide as much notice as possible. **A minimum of one week's notice is required.** Please note that any event notified with *less than one week's notice* cannot go ahead, and will need to be rescheduled.

Why are risk assessments important?
Risk assessments are essential to ensure the safety and wellbeing of everyone attending or involved in parish events, including volunteers, staff, parishioners and visitors. They help identify potential hazards, assess risks, and put appropriate measures in place to prevent accidents, injuries or other incidents. They also ensure that events are properly planned, that organisers understand their responsibilities, and that the parish meets its duty of care to everyone involved. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in providing adequate notice to the Parish Safeguarding Officer **safeguardingoffice@stpatrickspakenham.com.au** so that risk assessments can be completed in good time.

The safety and wellbeing of our parish community must always be a priority. No parish event should proceed without a completed risk assessment.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

SCAM TEXT/EMAIL ALERT: Please note that a scam email or text is circulating, falsely using my name. If you receive any suspicious emails claiming to be from me., please ignore and delete them. Do not click on any links or open attachments – Thank you Fr Jeff.

MILITARY ORDINARIATE COLLECTION: Will be taken up this weekend at all Masses

CHRISTMAS EVE MIDNIGHT MASS CHOIR: A warm invitation is extended to all interested singers to join in the caroling at Midnight Mass. Choir practices will be held each Wednesday, starting on 25th November at 7.30pm until 23rd December. Please come and join in! Contact: Liz Merrigan 0413 290 581

ST PATRICK'S LUNCHEON GROUP: Our final lunch for the year has arrived. We are meeting at Railway Hotel on Main Street (near the Station) at 12:30 on December 2nd. If you would like to join us contact Kathy 0418679616 or come along on the day.

SHARE YOUR MUSICAL GIFTS: Do you enjoy singing or playing a musical instrument? St Patrick's Parish warmly invites musicians and singers to come forward and share their talents with our parish community. Whether you sing or play the piano, guitar, keyboard or another instrument, we would love to hear from you! If you are interested in being part of our parish music ministry, please contact the Parish Office on 03 5941 7315 or **parishoffice@stpatrickspakenham.com.au**

PACIFIC CHOIR: The Pacific Choir is looking for musicians to join them at the 10:30am Mass on the 3rd Sunday of each month. If you play an instrument and would like to be part of this vibrant choir, please contact Matt or Ruth on 0487 387 8767. **Everyone is welcome!**

EXPLORE THE BIBLE TOGETHER: Community Bible Study will wrap up on the 23 November and resume on 8 February 2026. with the current focus on the Acts of the Apostles. For more information, please contact Claus on 0424 246 621.

PARISH WEBSITE: Our parish website will be temporarily unavailable for a couple of weeks while we migrate to a new one. For enquiries during this time, please contact the relevant staff:
Andrea: Planned Giving, Baptisms, Letters of recommendation, Mass Offerings and general parish enquiries.
Mary Robinson: All Sacramental enquiries, including Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation, RCIA and RCIC. **Katrina Venn:** Pastoral Care. **Terry Wynne:** Safeguarding enquiries.
Fr Jeff / Fr Edward - House/Car Blessings / Weddings etc.
The relevant email addresses are listed on the left-hand side of this bulletin and will also be displayed on the noticeboards in the foyer. We apologise for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience and understanding during this transition.

YOUTH NEWS

FUNDRAISER FOR WORLD YOUTH DAY IN SEOUL KOREA 2027: We will be hosting several fundraising events to raise money for all our parish youth participating in this fantastic opportunity to travel to Korea for the World Youth Day in 2027. **Biryani fundraiser this weekend**. Our 1st big fundraiser will be held on the 5th Dec, '***Christmas Karaoke***' 🎤 so get your groups ready to sing. Enquire about ticket sales. Please help us, reach our target of $150,000 before April 2027. We also humbly ask any businesses who might be able to assist to help with donations and sponsors. For all donations, please contact Andrea at the parish office, Fr Jeff or Fr Vipin.

PURCHASE A CARITAS AUSTRALIA GLOBAL GIFT THIS CHRISTMAS: With Caritas Australia's Global Gifts, you can give a meaningful Christmas card that helps create lasting change for vulnerable communities around the world. Whether you're shopping for family, friends or colleagues, you'll find a gift that continues to make a real difference long after Christmas Day. Each Global Gift card you buy helps make the world a little better every day. Your gift can change lives by putting food on a family's table or helping a young girl stay in school. Give a gift this Christmas that reflects the true spirit of giving and makes a lasting impact.
Browse the full range of Global Gifts: https://www.caritas.org.au/global-gifts

Two Gospels - Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

John immersed, baptised, his followers in water, symbolising the washing away of the sins of the *past*. But he could not empower people by drenching them in the dynamic life of God. John anticipates 'Someone' (not named!) who *does* have the power to inundate, baptise, people with the Holy Spirit.
From the heading of St Mark's Gospel, *we* know that that 'Someone' is 'Jesus Christ, Son of God' who came to flood our lives with that Divine Power which can effect a completely new *future* for humanity.
That is why St Mark took the term 'gospel' (good news) which was used on inscriptions announcing an Emperor's birth or victory, and used it to describe his inspired rendering of the mission of Jesus Christ, which was to inaugurate the 'Kingdom of God', overcoming the pretensions of all Emperors of any kind throughout history.
We could pause for a moment to thank God for the Good News of our being baptised with *water* in the 'Name of the Father and of the Son and of the *Holy Spirit*.'

Entrance Antiphon **Revelation 5:12; 1:6**
How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

First Reading **Ezekiel 34:11-12.15-17**
The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them. As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.
The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm **Ps 22:1-3, 5-6, R. see v.1**
The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose. **(R.)**
2. Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.
He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name. **(R.)**
3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **(R.)**
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading **1 Corinthians 15:20-26. 28**
Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.
The Word of the Lord - Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation **Mark 11:9-10**
Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

Gospel **Matthew 25:31-46**
Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him, and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'
The Gospel of the Lord - Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Antiphon **Psalm 28:10-11**
The Lord sits as King for ever.
The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Next Week's Readings
First Reading
Isaiah 40:1-5. 9-11
Responsorial Psalm
Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8
Second Reading
2 Peter 3:8-14
Gospel
Mark 1:1-8