

St Patrick's

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St Patrick's and St Kevin's Parishes are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Welcome to the Combined Parishes of St Patrick's and St Kevin's

Fifth Sunday of Easter—Year C — 15 May 2022

REFLECTION

Everything is new! There is a new law of love, a new heaven and earth that is established in the church, a new depth of communion there, and a new glory of God that shines forth from its members.

The new commandment that Jesus announces is more than tolerance or mutual respect. It requires self-sacrificing love. Perhaps the greatest obstacle to this love is the diversity discussed last Sunday. It is hard enough to love those who are like us; how can we possibly love those who are different? And how can we love those who do not love us? It is no wonder that the commandment is called new. It calls for something completely different.

The new commandment is the law of the new heaven and the new earth that are established in the new Jerusalem. Standards are entirely different there. The greater ones serve; the meek possess the earth; happy are the poor; woe to those who laugh. This is clearly a city that comes down from heaven, not one made by human hands. It is a city that embraces all who come to it. God dwells in the midst of this city, in the heart of this people. God dwells with them and they dwell with God.

Through this new love, this new heaven and new earth, this new depth of communion, the glory of God is manifested in a new way. The eschatological future is anticipated in the present. The age of fulfilment has dawned.

Dianne Bergant CSA

MASS SCHEDULE—MON 16TH TO SUNDAY 22ND MAY 2022

ST PATRICK'S		
DAY	DATE	TIME
Tuesday	17 May	No Mass
Wednesday	18 May	9.15 AM
Thursday	19 May	No Mass
Friday	20 May	9.15 AM
Saturday	21 May	9.15 AM
Sunday	22 May	9.00AM and 5.00 PM

ST KEVIN'S		
DAY	DATE	TIME
Tuesday	17 May	9.15 AM
Wednesday	18 May	No Mass
Thursday	19 May	9.15 AM
Friday	20 May	No Mass
Saturday	21 May	6.00 PM
Sunday	22 May	10.30 AM

PARISH MASS COUNT

Over the next three weekends of 14-15 May, 21-22 May and 28-29 May our Parishes of St Patrick's and St Kevin's will carry out a Mass count.



MASS TO COMMEMORATE THOSE WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE COVID PANDEMIC
Sunday 22 May, 11am · St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne



In recognition of the significant impact of COVID in our families and communities, Archbishop Comensoli will celebrate a memorial Mass for all those who have died during the COVID pandemic and could not be mourned properly due to pandemic restrictions. Parishes and individuals are invited to submit the name(s) of those you would like remembered during the Mass by visiting the Holy Souls Chapel (inside St Patrick's Cathedral) during May or online <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GZKP7QF>. The names will be placed in a book on the Sanctuary, to be prayed for during all Masses over the weekend of 21–22 May

Communion Ministry Roster—Feb-June 2022

Thank you to all our volunteers who have been committed to taking communion to the sick/housebound/aged care. Please keep records for us to revisit and discuss the needs of parishioners in late June when we will establish a new roster. If you wish to be added to the Communion Ministry, please ring the parish secretary, Jennifer Wed-Fri on 9568 7365. Any further queries, please contact: Yasmin (St Kevin's) on 0433 336 83 and Teresa (St Patrick's) on 0422 923 501. If any extraordinary minister is going away, it is imperative that they notify the coordinator who can then make alternative arrangements.

Note: Communion Service at Arcare is on the First Wednesday of the month at 11.00 am.

Communion Service at Claremont Terrace is on the Second Sunday of the month at 10.30 am.

PATCARE RENEWAL

Patcare is a 3 month short term emergency ministry in our parishes. Thank you to those who have been assisting to this current time.

During the months of May/June, please consider volunteering in the general areas of good provision, visitation to the sick, welcoming new parishioners, transport assistance for those who need it, distribution of newsletters to housebound and the aged care.

The distribution of the newsletters will now become part of PATCARE and the volunteers committed to this will continue till late June when we reassess this ministry.

Regarding the other areas, you will be on a roster and NOT asked to do more than you feel comfortable with. A clipboard will be available outside each parish during the months of May/June. Please write your full name, mobile/landline number and area(s) of preference if you have one.

A follow-up meeting will be held later in June to further elaborate your role. Thank you in anticipation! We have exciting new ideas regarding renewing this ministry which is so important. Should you have any queries, please contact Teresa on 0422 923 501.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Let's pray for those who have died recently:



Elizabeth Arnold, much loved
Special Aunt to the Somerville's and
Friends. Passed away on
Sunday 8th May 2022.
God Bless You, Auntie Bobby!



Leslie Denis Egan (Husband of Joan Catherine Egan and Father of Timothy and Matthew Egan);
Edward Holt Jr. (Nephew of Mercy Patwaran); Margie Holt Briones (sister of Mercy Patwaran);
Jerald Elias (Uncle of Joe Elias); Dena Hooper (Joan Hooper's daughter-in-law);

And for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Marie Ellen Lusby on the 2nd Anniversary of her death (11th May).
Relatives of Marian Poore: Catherine Flynn (Mother); Catherine A Flynn (Grandmother);

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Let's also pray for the Sick



Margaret Maher; Rosemary McGeoch; Rodney Gardner, Margaret McGill, Maria Sheila P Mangubat,
Joan Egan, Yvonne Maher, Gabrielle (Patrick Leech's sister), Terry Nicholls (Arcare), Frank Jackson, Han Kwee,
Jack Mack, Michael Chew, Kurt Siegermeier, Coleen Perris.

"CUPPAS" ROSTER—SUN, 22nd May 2022:

9am: Celina and Philip De Rose

5pm: Nola and Russell Kenner

Reading Roster for Next Weekend— 21st/22nd May 2022

St Kevin's

St Patrick's

Sat. 6pm Vigil— Maria O'Hagan

Sun. 9.00am - Philip De Rose

Sun. 10.30am- Vince Aquende

Sun. 5.00pm – Janet Curtis

FOLLOW-UP TO AUSTRALIAN BISHOPS CONFERENCE MAY 2021

Last May the Australian Bishops decided to celebrate Laudato Si' Week from 16 – 24 May during each year of their seven-year Laudato Si' Action Plan journey. These dates allow both Laudato Si' Week, and National Reconciliation Week from 27 May – 3 June, to be celebrated appropriately by Australian Catholics. The dates were announced in the Social Justice Statement *Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor*.



Monday 16th May 2022: Welcome to Laudato Si' Week 2022

From the Encyclical: "The urgent challenge to protect our common home includes a concern to bring the whole human family together... for we know that things can change." Laudato Si' n 13.

Prayer: Gracious God, you are good to all and compassionate to all your works. As we commence Laudato Si' Week, we are mindful of your generous love in all creation, we acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we live, we accept your invitation to engage with the wisdom of Laudato Si'. With Pope Francis, concerned citizens and all creation, we commit to the call and challenge of the week ahead, so that, in prayer and protest, silence and song, reflection and renewal, we might live the Easter promise of love's triumph. We make this prayer in the name of Jesus, our risen Lord, through the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Tuesday 17th May 2022: Goal 1—The Cry of the Earth

From the Encyclical: "Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience." Laudato Si' n 217

Prayer: God of peace, you call us to act out of love, not fear. The earth is full of wonders that sing of your goodness. May we, your friends, make known the glorious splendour of your kingdom. Incline the ear of our heart to the cry of the earth, oceans and skies. Humble our desire for dominance over creation. Soften our engagement with our brother earth and sister sky, our cousin, the kookaburra, and friend, the spreading fern. Lead us move from awe to awareness, tears to togetherness, and from wonder to work for justice for all. We make this prayer in the name of Jesus, our risen Lord, through the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Wednesday 18th May 2022: Goal 2—The Cry of the Poor

From the Encyclical: "Strategies for a solution demand an integrated approach to combatting poverty, restoring dignity to the excluded, and at the same time protecting nature." Laudato Si' n 139

Prayer: God of mercy, you draw near to hear the cry of the poor. From the edges, hear our cry. From women in abusive relationships, hear our cry. From parents struggling to care for children, hear our cry. From those dispossessed of land and lore, hear our cry. From those excluded from public spaces and policy, hear our cry. From those made poor by unjust structures and systems, hear our cry. From our humble hearts, hear our cry. We make this prayer in the name of Jesus, our risen Lord, through the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Thursday 19th May 2022: Goal 3—Ecological Economics

From the Encyclical: "The emptier a person's heart is, the more he or she needs to buy, own and consume." Laudato Si' n 204

Prayer: God of justice, you govern the peoples with equity. You gift us with creation as a common good, not a commodity. You gift us with sisters and brothers made in your image, not as tools. You gift us with minds that question, not quell. Help us to imagine an economy that: promotes connection and community, honours dignity and dialogue, leads to gratuity, not greed. May our reflection today give a soul to the economy of tomorrow. We make this prayer in the name of Jesus, our risen Lord, through the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Friday 20th May 2022: Goal 4—Adoption of Sustainable Lifestyles

From the Encyclical: "Reusing something instead of immediately discarding it, when done for the right reasons, can be an act of love which expresses our own dignity." Laudato Si; n 211

Prayer: Loving God, your mercy towers to the heavens, and your faithfulness to the skies. May your love temper our desire for more. May your love shape lifestyles that lead to life for all. May your love guide our steps towards sustainability. May your love be enough. We make this prayer in the name of Jesus, our risen Lord, through the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Saturday 21st May 2022: Goal 5—Ecological Education

From the Encyclical: "Ecological education can take place in a variety of settings: at school, in families, in the media, in catechesis and elsewhere. Good education plants seeds when we are young, and these continue to bear fruit throughout life." Laudato Si' n 212

Prayer: God of truth, you are good and your kindness ensures forever. In your Son, Jesus, you give us a teacher who: fills our minds with questions and concerns, daring and discomfort, opens our eyes to the brokenness and blessedness of our world, enlarges our hearts with love for all, and propels our bodies toward those in most need. Humbly, we place before you our unknowing and desire for truth. Help us to learn from our land, from the First Peoples, the young, and those made poor. We make this prayer in the name of Jesus, our risen Lord, through the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Parish Offerings 7/8 May	St Kevin's	St Patrick's
Church	\$687.70	\$766.10
Presbytery	\$456.90	\$545.65

STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE

Dear Parishioners,

Thanksgiving Contributions can be Direct Credited to the Parish Bank Accounts as follows. Please indicate your Thanksgiving Envelope number as your reference.

St Patrick's Church Murrumbidgee BSB: 083 347 A/c: 66364 4763
St Kevin's Church Ormond BSB: 083 347 A/c: 64473 7358

St Patrick's Presbytery
St Kevin's Presbytery

BSB: 083 347 A/c: 16891 5271
BSB: 083 347 A/c: 18207 5969

Entrance Antiphon: O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

First Reading: Acts 14:21-27

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God!

Psalm: 144:8-13. R. cf. v.1

R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

Second Reading: (Apocalypse) Rv 21:1-5

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse.

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.'

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia!

I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 13:31-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified.

If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon.

My little children, I shall not be with you much longer.

I give you a new commandment: love one another;

just as I have loved you, you also must love one another.

By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: I am the true vine And you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

Congratulations to the children who will be receiving Baptism next weekend.

Grace Sinistaj,

Faye Sinistaj,

Eleanor Hammond

Patrick McWhirter,

Eve Whiteman-Keecher

Jianna Tamayo

May they continue their faith journey through the grace of the Holy Spirit and with the guidance and example of their Parents and Godparents.

BAPTISMS AT ST PATRICK'S AND ST KEVIN'S

Please contact the parish office for information on Tel: (03) 9568 7365.



St Vincent de Paul Society
(Ormond or Murrumbidgee)

If you need assistance **Ph: 1800 305 330** If you know someone who needs help give them this number.

AUSTRALIAN PILGRIMAGE
"IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP"

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop" commencing in Melbourne on 18 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 29 October 2022. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry. For further information, contact

national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or 89124818.