St Patrick's

MURRUMBEENA

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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

The Ascension of the Lord—Year C - 29 May 2022

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD—REFLECTION

The Feast of the Ascension is really a Easter season. It is a time between one place, but have not yet arrived that describe the Ascension fit well redemption, the feast celebrates the allow us to focus on this theological turning point in the life of the the enthronement of Christ in the on earth.

Many of the Easter accounts have appearances of Jesus which were Christians' belief in his bodily Today we stand awestruck, watching heaven, there to be enthroned at



kind of liminal moment in the times; a moment when we have left at a second. While the narratives into the unfolding story of exaltation of Jesus. The readings point while we commemorate a church. We do this by considering heavens and the new body of Christ

directed our attention to the intended to strengthen the resurrection.

Jesus ascend into the clouds of the right hand of God. Today is a

day to be overwhelmed by the reality of the divinity of the one whom we have known in his humanity.

Christ who ascended into heaven in his body carries on what he began on earth through his new body, the community of believers. He teaches through its apostles and evangelists. He ministers through its prophets and pastors. We have not been left alone; we have his power, the same power with which he performed marvels when he walked the earth. We have not been left alone; we have each other. Together we make up the new body of Christ. Dianne Bergant CSA

MASS SCHEDULE—TUESDAY 31ST TO SUNDAY 5TH JUNE 2022							
ST PATRICK'S			ST KEVIN'S				
DAY	DATE	TIME	DAY	DATE	TIME		
Tuesday	31 May	No Mass	Tuesday	31 May	9.15 AM		
Wednesday	01 Jun	9.15 AM	Wednesday	01 Jun	No Mass		
Thursday	02 Jun	No Mass	Thursday	02 Jun	9.15 AM		
Friday	03 Jun	9.15 AM	Friday	03 Jun	First Friday 7.00 PM Mass followed by Adoration.		
Saturday	04 Jun	9.15 AM	Saturday	04 Jun	6.00 PM		
Sunday	05 Jun	9.00AM and 5.00 PM	Sunday	05 Jun	10.30 AM		

PARISH MASS COUNT This weekend 28-29 May our Parishes of St Patrick's and St Kevin's will carry out a Mass count.





CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN OF ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL WHO COMPLETED THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST COMMUNION THIS SATURDAY.

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.

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 Murrumbeena) If you need assistance *Ph*: **1800 305 330** If you know someone who needs help give

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED



Let's pray for those who have died recently:

Margaret Maher (Wife of the late Noel Stanislaus); Lionel Winton-Smith (Husband of Maria Winton-Smith); Leslie Denis Egan

Elizabeth Arnold, Aunt to the Somerville's and Friends.

And for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Relatives of Marian Poore: Catherine Flynn (Mother); Catherine A Flynn (Grandmother); Andrew Flynn (Father); John Flynn; Elizabeth Costello.

Andrew Flynn (Father); John Flynn; Elizabeth Costello.					
PRAY FOR THE SICK Let's also pray for the Sick 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, 5th June 2022:					
9am: Alma Rogers	5pm: Janet Curtis				
Reading Roster for Next Weekend– 4th/5th June 2022					
St Kevin's	St Patrick's				
Sat. 6pm Vigil- Vince Aquende	Sun. 9.00am - Joan Krutli				
Sun. 10.30am- Nicole Vine	Sun. 5.00pm – Kirsten Warboys and Leena Pious				



Dear friends in Christ,

It is a great joy to share this report from our local Church in Melbourne to the sixteenth Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops.

Pope Francis has invited the Synod to reflect on the following:

For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission

Such a momentous theme, and such a challenge for us all! Each of us has a humble but crucial role to play in the sharing of the Good News of Jesus Christ. The mission to share that Gospel has been with us since the beginning of the Church, and is done so in the strength of a new life offered by Jesus. In fact, that mission is the reason for the Church's existence.

Dioceses around the world are undertaking the shared journey of becoming a more Synodal Church in every kind of diversity and cultural context. It is heartening to consider that the various reports of local Churches will be submitted to the Synod in many languages, identifying challenges facing our sisters and brothers who wish to share the Gospel in their homes and local communities.

The Church in Melbourne has its own distinct history and story, and we offer this report on behalf of our people, conscious of the great changes taking place in our society and in contemporary Australia.

For Australian Catholics, the Synod takes place at a time in which we are also journeying with the Plenary Council, a pilgrimage of synodality in which all of us have been invited to give voice to what we have discerned the Holy Spirit is saying.

The path of synodality can be rocky, and it draws together Catholics who do not always agree with one another, or do not always share the same vision for the local mission. The journey of encountering difference, respectfully listening to others, and of hearing the Holy Spirit's call even in the midst of competing voices, is the challenge we must step towards. Australian Catholics are meeting that challenge with hearts on fire for Christ and for his beloved, including those who face loss, loneliness, deprivation or vulnerability of any kind.

In reading the various submissions made by our people, I was keen that we make the report public and strive for transparency in our journey together. The report is long, and I urge a patient and thoughtful reading of its contents in light of the hope Jesus offers us at every step of the synodal journey.

The report will now take its part in a combined national report, which will be sent to the General Secretariat for the Synod of Bishops as a Synthesis to be considered respectfully alongside contributions from other parts of the Church around the world.

On the path ahead, each of us is invited to do the hard yards of ongoing discernment, and you will see some key questions in the report with which to wrestle and pray. Also in our local context, this synodal path is connected with the parish work of Take the Way of the Gospel. If you have not yet given thought to this work, please read our Archdiocesan website and be involved in your local parish. The Body of Christ in Melbourne shares in a great opportunity at this time, to foster again our deep sense of communion with each other, and of an attentive prayerfulness for the wellbeing of those who have experienced great suffering, those with heavy burdens in their daily lives, and for the young as they look out on an uncertain future. As well as communion, I hope we will all re-discover the need for participation in the call to live a life of discipleship with the Lord, and to take our rightful place in the mission of the local Church. The following report is not made up of merely data and statistics, but should stir up in us a desire to love our local Church more and to further its mission with a lively and searching faith. May the Lord be our beginning and end in the mission ahead.

Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli ARCHBISHOP OF MELBOURNE



Parish Offerings 21/22 May	St Kevin's	St Patrick's
Church	\$639.50	\$524.20
Presbytery	\$359.55	\$396.00

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 Murrumbeena BSB: 083 347 A/c: 66364 4763 St Patrick's Presbytery BSB: 083 347 A/c: 16891 5271 St Kevin's Church Ormond BSB: 083 347 A/c: 64473 7358 Entrance Antiphon: Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is,' he had said, 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God!

Psalm: 46:2-3. 6-7. 8-9. R. v. 6

R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Second Reading: Eph 1:17-23

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians. May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of

glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Lk 24:46-53

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. Jesus said to his disciples: 'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.' Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY ASSISTING REFUGEE STUDENTS

MERCY CONNECT MELBOURNE/ Mercy Works Ltd. is currently recruiting volunteers to academically support Refugee and Asylum Seekers in Primary and Secondary schools across the Melbourne Archdiocese and also adult centre. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred but not limited to. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis RSM for an application form and further information. The training day is in July.

Email: <u>somml@bigpond.com</u> (preferred for contact) Website: www.mercyworks.org.au Tel: 9326 1895

PENTECOST SUNDAY – 5th JUNE 2022

We will continue the Novena to the Holy Spirit after the 9.15 am Mass from Tuesday, 31st May until Friday 3rd June.



Please take note of the times of Masses at St Patrick's and St Kevin's on first page of this Newsletter.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS AND ADORATION AT ST KEVIN'S CHURCH

There will be Holy Mass at 7.00 pm on Friday, 3rd June (First Friday of the month) at St Kevin's Church followed by Adoration.