

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

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C - 4 SEPTEMBER 2022

Reflection

The wisdom tradition from which the first reading is taken is rooted in the fact that life is a series of choices. The epistle and the gospel reading provide us with examples of the way Christians should choose. Finally, the psalm's description of the fleeting nature of life sets the context and tone of our decision-making. Discipleship demands that, in the face of all the choices available to us, we keep our priorities straight. In the gospel, Jesus insists that we must be single minded. We must cling to the one thing necessary, and that one thing is authentic discipleship. In choosing Jesus, we choose other things as well. We choose new relationships with the very people to whom we have already been committed. Those who were slaves, or lower class, or employees, or providers of service are now regarded as sisters and brothers in Christ. In choosing Jesus, we also choose the cross. We choose to live in a way that calls us to travel the high road: to forgive offences committed against us; to live simply so that others can simply live; to take responsibility for the moral character of society.

The fleeting nature of life as characterised in the psalm forces us to look at the meaning of life. When the day dawns for us to return to dust, what will we have gained from life? The realisation of our finiteness and the transitory nature of life should help us to set our priorities right and should give us the courage to remain faithful to them.

Dianne Bergant CSA



MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays

St Kevin's:
Tues 9.15 am and
Thurs 9.15am Mass followed by
Adoration.

**St Patrick's: Tues, Wed; 9.15am
Fri 9.15 am and Sat 9.15 am
Mass followed by
Adoration and Reconciliation.**

Weekends

**St Kevin's: Sat 6.00 pm
Reconciliation on Sat at 5.30pm.
Sun 10.30 am**

**St Patrick's: Sun 9.00 am and
5.00 pm**

Confession on
Saturdays after 9.15 am Mass

Wishing All Fathers of St Kevin's Ormond and St Patrick's Murrumbeena

A "Happy Fathers Day"!

On this very special day of yours, we would like to acknowledge that despite your many obligations to your family and to your work, you are also much dedicated to our parishes and to the community. You are much appreciated.

A Prayer

O God, Father of us all, We thank you for having given us Dads to represent you on earth. On your behalf they care for us, provide for us and love us. Please bless them with good health, peace and joy. Amen.



From Fr. Siby John, Bishop Peter Elliott, Deacon Leo, Parish Staff and the Leadership Team

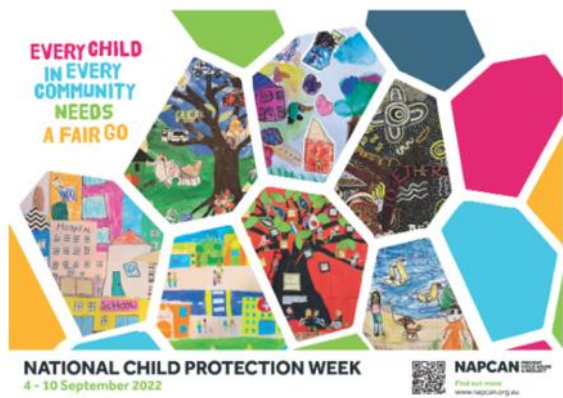


PLEASE NOTE CHANGES TO MASS TIMES WITH EFFECT FROM TUESDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2022

St Kevin's: Tues 9.15 am and Thurs 9.15am Mass followed by Adoration
St Patrick's: Wed, Fri and Sat 9.15 am Mass



NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK - 4TH TO 10TH SEPTEMBER 2022



National Child Protection Week (4-10 September) is an annual event starting on the first Sunday of September. This year's theme 'Every child, in every community, needs a fair go' aims to spread the message that we need to work together to make sure that every child **grows up safe and supported**.

We know that many Catholic organisations have special events planned for Child Protection Week and have been busy in their preparations for this important week. Participating in community safeguarding awareness raising activities, such as Child Protection Week, is one way that Catholic entities can partner

with their local communities to promote greater safeguarding awareness (see [NCSS Standard 3 - Partnering with families, carers and communities](#)).

This year NAPCAN has developed a [Children's Activity Booklet](#) which contains activities to help foster conversations with children about being safe and well. There are also a range of posters and activity sheets available for free download - [Posters and Activity Sheets - NAPCAN](#).

Throughout the week NAPCAN are offering a series of free webinars exploring this year's theme of growing up safe and supported, from a range of sector leaders. You can view the schedule and register [here](#).



MESSAGE FROM THE CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF MELBOURNE



Love calls to us throughout our lives, leading us sometimes in directions we might never have expected. This Sunday is Father's Day, an opportunity to reflect on the ways the love we experience from our earliest days—the love shared within our families—can continue to enrich and shape our lives. These human experiences of love point us to an even greater love, though—to the One who *is* Love.

Last Sunday, as we marked Social Justice Sunday, we were reminded of what Catholic Social Teaching refers to as the 'preferential option for the poor'—the idea that the call of God's love is perhaps most insistent in the face of human suffering.

This year **the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has called us to focus especially on the tragedy of domestic abuse**, and to work towards a world in which all homes are places of peace and safety, and the life and dignity of each person is honoured and valued. We look at a few of the ways the Church in Melbourne responds the cries of those whose lives have been torn apart by abuse, and seeks to nurture families and relationships that reflect the Good News of Christ.



**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 Murrumbena)**
If you need assistance Ph: 1800 305 330 If you know



CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY CLUBS AND CHAPLAINS

Are you a tertiary student in Melbourne? If so, you may be interested to know that each university campus across Melbourne has a Catholic Club and a Catholic Chaplain who support Catholic students.



Check out the details at udiscile.melbournecatholic.org



Father's Day Appeal Sunday, 4th September 2022

Please give generously to the Priests Retirement Foundation mission to enable them to provide complete care to the retired clergy within the Archdiocese of Melbourne, due to either age or sickness which includes, but is not limited to the provision of suitable accommodation and health care and medical out of pocket costs.

Special envelopes are in the pews.



Inner Healing & Forgiveness through Meditation on Jesus September 16 – 17, 2022

Prayer & Meditation through gentle postures and breathing in the Holy Spirit, heals body, mind and soul).

Gospel of John 17:11; "Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me..."

Retreat begins at 5.30pm on Friday 16th September and concludes at 4.30pm on Saturday 17th of September.

Guided by Fr. Gilbert Carlo SVD Contact: At 22 Woodvale Road, Boronia, Victoria 3155.

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I acknowledge the Boonwurrung and Wurrundjeri people of the Kulin Nation as the traditional custodians of the land on which I live and work. I pay my respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging and extend that respect to the First Nations Peoples of other communities with whom I connect.

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Interludes of Your Making - Spiritual Journaling' (via Zoom), Saturday 10 September 2022, 10am-3pm (You are invited to step aside for a personal interlude - a day to be supported as you quietly listen to your heart and allow the Spirit within to lead you gently forward. Through intervals of creative expression and private reflection, individuals can foster new ways of attuning, sensing and articulating inner experiences. Playful use of mixed media expands the contemplative attentiveness. A focused process facilitates a gentle unfolding of self-understanding and meaning. Spiritual journaling will enable participants to notice emerging possibilities, capture otherwise fleeting insights and ponder a path of growth and change. This is a private, companioned journey with no necessity to share. You can enter into your process at your own pace. No art experience is necessary. The outcome will be fresh awareness of your inner self. Led by Margaret Trainor, qualified in spiritual direction and art therapy. Cost \$60. Book and pay via www.heartoflife.melbourne, email secretary@heartoflife.melbourne.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY In Faith, Hope and Love, let us pray for repose of the souls of ...

Ernest Perris (Husband of Colleen Perris); Regina Rowling (Cousin of Melissa Parkinson); Alan Patrick Murtagh (Brother of John Murtagh);



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Roy Bowry (Nephew of Salome Wiley); John Harper (Friend of Marian and Stephen Poore); 18-month-old Lizzy Stanley (daughter of Karly & Patrick Stanley); Earl Edwards (Husband of Dorothy); Helmut and Cheryl Grosser (Parents of Dr Olivia Grosser-Ljubanovic); Rodney Gardner, Margaret McGill, Joan Egan, Yvonne Maher, Terry Nicholls (Arcare), Han Kwee, Jack Mack.

ROSTER



CUPPA'S ROSTER — Sunday 11th September 2022

9.00 am: Marianne Somerville & Kathleen Thompson

5.00 pm: Leena and Pious Joseph

ROSTER



READER'S ROSTER — Saturday 10th/Sunday 11th September 2022

St Kevin's

St Patrick's

Sat. 6pm Vigil – Jim Dargan and family

Sun. 9.00am - Kathleen Thompson & Marianne Somerville

Sun. 10.30am - Jube Kunnel

Sun. 5.00pm – Maureen Medaris

Parish Offerings 27/28th August

St Kevin's

St Patrick's

Church

\$550.80

\$769.40

Presbytery

\$461.80

\$491.30

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

FIRST READING: Wis 9:13-18

A reading from the book of Wisdom

What man can know the intentions of God?
Who can divine the will of the Lord?
The reasonings of mortals are unsure
and our intentions unstable;
for a perishable body presses down the soul,
and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind.
It is hard enough for us to work out what is on
earth, laborious to know what lies within our reach;
who, then, can discover what is in the heavens?
As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had
you not granted Wisdom and sent your holy spirit
from above? Thus have the paths of those on earth
been straightened and men been taught what
pleases you, and saved, by Wisdom.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God!

PSALM: 89:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. v. 1

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

SECOND READING: Philemon 9-10. 12-17

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Philemon

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him – I could say – a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave any more, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Lk 14:25-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.

'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

The Gospel of the Lord!

R. Praise to you, Lord, Jesus Christ!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

NEED TO DISPOSE OF A VEHICLE?

Disposal of a car from a deceased estate, or when a family member has had to relinquish their licence or go into residential care, can be a challenging process - getting a roadworthy, taking photos to advertise on the internet, cleaning and polishing, taking calls (if they come), even garaging it until a prospective buyer turns up (if indeed they do!).

If you need to dispose of a vehicle either from a deceased estate or which is no longer required, please consider gifting it to the "Lifeboat Geelong Foundation", a registered charity with tax deductible status which for nine years has been providing pastoral and practical support to nearly 150 victims / survivors of church-related sexual abuse.



Many of these suffer post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and have limited or no employment. A donated vehicle could vastly improve their quality of life.



If you would like to explore the possibility of gifting a potentially suitable vehicle to "Lifeboat", contact Fr. Kevin Dillon on

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Adam Kaali (0411 486 605, or
adam-kaali@hotmail.com).

