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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

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year B — 31st October 2021

REFLECTION

The Dual Command

Jesus does not command us to love 'God' in the abstract. Teaching Jew to Jew he says: 'You shall love the Lord your God' – the Lord who had rescued the Jewish people from slavery. So, commanding a love which responds to an initiative of Divine Love.

Why wouldn't one respond 'heart, mind, strength, soul' in gratitude for the gift of life itself, for some particular person or incident, for the beauty and grandeur of nature, for rescue from some situation which seemed to engulf us? And if the Lord God loved you in such a way, why wouldn't you love yourself?

Then you can properly 'Love your neighbour as yourself'. There is nothing sentimental in his teaching from Leviticus 19:18 and the preceding verses. Jesus was pointing to the system of social justice which looked after the poor and which did not exploit workers. It is up to us as global citizens of the 21st century to recognise as 'neighbours' those beyond our borders and to love them in the practical 'Levitical' way.

Fulfilling the Dual Command, we guard against the extremes of religious piety or social activism and become Christian humanists loving God and neighbour.

We might pause a moment to pray in responsive gratitude to the Lord God, and to commit ourselves to loving our neighbour, hoping to hear the words of Jesus Christ: 'You are not far from the Kingdom of God.'

(Fr Michael Tate, Honorary Professor of Law, University of Tasmania)

REMEMBERING OUR BELOVED ONES ON ALL SOULS DAY, TUESDAY 2ND NOVEMBER HOLY MASS AT 9.15AM



Plenary indulgence for souls in purgatory can be obtained by visiting a church or cemetery and reciting an Our Father, Hail Mary and the Creed, which can now also be done on any day in November.

A plenary indulgence remits all temporal punishment due to sin. It must always be accompanied by a full detachment from sin. A Catholic who wishes to obtain a plenary indulgence must also fulfil the ordinary conditions of an indulgence, which are sacramental confession, reception of the Eucharist, and prayer for the pope's intentions.

Sacramental confession and reception of the Eucharist can occur up to about 20 days before or after the indulgenced act. With the decree for pandemic conditions, those who cannot leave home, such as the sick and the elderly, can still obtain an indulgence by reciting prayers for the deceased before an image of Jesus or the Virgin Mary.

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, believers have honoured and prayed for the dead from the earliest days of Christianity. "From the beginning, the Church has honoured the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God," the catechism states in paragraph 1032. "The Church also commends almsgiving, indulgences, and works of penance undertaken on behalf of the dead." "Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them," it says.

Welcome back to God's House

It would be easier for the world to survive without the sun than to do without Holy Mass. ~ St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina

Dear Parishioners,

Good news – we will begin weekend Masses on 30th and 31 October. No booking required

The arrangements for weekend Masses are as follows:

- Vigil Mass on Saturday 30th October at 6 pm at St. Kevin's for people who are fully vaccinated only.
- Holy Mass on Sunday 31 October at 8.30 am at St. Patrick's for people fully vaccinated only.
- Holy Mass at 10.30am at St. Kevin's for people fully vaccinated only.
- Holy Mass at 5pm at St. Patrick's for people fully vaccinated only

How do I prove I am vaccinated?

Those who wish to attend any weekend Mass are required to produce evidence of your full vaccination either via the QR code linked to the Service Victoria app or by producing a hard copy of your full vaccination certificate. I apologise in advance for the difficulties this may cause parishioners, but unfortunately the requirement to prove vaccination status is mandated by the State Government and failing to comply will lead to huge fine. Please I ask that you don't get upset if a volunteer parishioner asks you for your full vaccination certificate

Daily Mass

St. Kevin's starting Monday to Friday at 9.15 am.

St. Patrick's on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 9. 15 (No mass on Thursday at St. Pat's)

Your vaccination status is not required during weekday mass - both the vaccinated and unvaccinated are welcome.

Will there be Holy Mass for the unvaccinated or half-vaccinated?

Yes, of course - you will definitely be able to attend Holy Mass. But you will need to call me, and I will make alternative arrangements, that is, different Mass times. The Parish office phone number is 9568 7365.

Fr Siby

PLEASE NOTE: WEARING OF MASKS IS MANDATORY FOR AGES 12 YEARS AND ABOVE.

All Saints day, Monday 1st November

All baptized Christians who have died and are now with God in glory are considered saints. All Saints Day is intended to honour the memory of countless unknown and uncanonised saints who have no feast days. On this day, we thank God for giving ordinary men and women a share in His holiness and Heavenly glory as a reward for their Faith. This feast is observed to teach us to honour the saints, both by imitating their lives and by seeking their intercession for us before Christ, the only mediator between God and man (I Tm 2:5).



The Church reminds us on this day that God's call for holiness is universal, that all of us are called to live in His love and to make His love real in the lives of those around us. Holiness is related to the word wholesomeness. We grow in holiness when we live wholesome lives of integrity, truth, justice, charity, mercy, and compassion, sharing our blessings with others.

"CUPPAs" ROSTER AT ST. PATRICK'S SUNDAY, 7TH NOVEMBER 2021

Marianne Somerville

BAPTISMS AT ST. PATRICK'S AND ST. KEVIN'S

Please contact the parish office for information.

Reading Roster for Next Weekend— 6th/7th November, 2021		
St Kevin's St Patrick's		
Sat. 6pm Vigil– Ashani Miranda & Yasmin Miranda	Sun. 8.30am - Joan Krutli	
Sun. 10.30am- Vince Aquende	Sun. 5.00pm – Kirsten Warboys & Maureen Medaris	

REGULAR WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

ST PATRICK'S

9.15am on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays (Saturdays Adoration & Confession after Mass)

ST KEVIN'S 9.15am—Monday to Friday (Thursdays Adoration after Mass)

WEEKEND MASS TIMES		
DAY	ST PATRICK'S	ST KEVIN'S
Saturday Vigil		
Sunday	8.30 AM 5.00 PM	6.00 PM (5.30PM Confession) 10.30 AM

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE UNIVERSITY O'DIVINITY

Catholic Theological College

2021 Knox Public Lecture Thursday 4th November at 7.00pm – 8.30pm

Professor Eleanor Bourke Truth Telling & the Yoo-rrook Justice Commission

Bookings and Info: ctc.edu.au/knoxpublic-lecture

MANDATORY VACCINATIONS FOR PARISH EMPLOYEES AND VOLUNTEERS

THERE WILL NOT BE AN EVENING

FIRST FRIDAY MASS AND ADORATION

ON 5TH NOVEMBER AT ST KEVIN'S

All religious workers, that is, people (paid and volunteers) who work at or in connection with a place of worship will be subject to Mandatory Vaccination (Workers) Directions.

Religious workers in our Parishes would typically perform (but not limited to) roles such as Parish Secretary, Bookkeeper, sacristans, volunteers, musicians and domestic support.

The following key dates apply:

By 15 October all workers need to be vaccinated or show that they have a booking for vaccination by 22 October 2021 – latest booking for first dose 26 November 2021 – latest booking for second dose.

In order to continue working, workers must provide a hard copy of Vaccine information to the Parish engaging them. The Parish must hold this information in confidence and not disclose it to any person except as required by law.

PatCare Ministry—Going Forward

Patcare is a short term (3 months emergency ministry) in the areas of providing transport, food and visitation to aged care facilities / housebound. Given the current situation of lockdown and the impact of Covid -19, thank you to all volunteers so far, who in the next couple of weeks will be provided with the necessary information required by the Archdiocese for the ministry to begin formally. We welcome any new volunteers from either parish so we can assist a greater cohort of parishioners. We look forward in anticipation, to hearing from you. Please contact CO- ORDINATORS MARIA FERNANDEZ 0405327041 Or TERESA LEECH 0422923501 or the PARISH OFFICE (03)95687365 if you

have any queries or would be happy to volunteer. Thankyou.

Children's Week-23 to 31 October 2021

The theme this year is 'Children have the right to choose their friends and safely connect with others', drawn from Article 15 of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. Information technology is now used in virtually every home in Australia. The Archdiocese of Melbourne has produced a number of useful resources on many aspects of child protection, including online safety.

Protecting God's Children resource and suggested reading list; Feel Safe and Be Safe at Our Church' poster Electronic Communication including Social Media' fact sheet Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy

Let's pray in faith, hope and love for the recently deceased.

Ann Moodie (cousin of Teresa Leech), Sheila Sullivan, John Bowen (brother of Bernadette Gunasekera), Santa Sabato and William McNamara



Let's also pray for the Sick:

Neil Stapleton, Frank Jackson, Han Kwee, Jack Mack, Michael Chew, Kurt Siegermeier, Coleen Parris, Thomas (Fr Siby's Dad), Denis and Gabrielle (Patrick Leech's siblings), Tessa Keane, Rodney Gardner (grandson of Pat Gardner).

STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE CARD

Dear Parishioners,

Due to the current Lockdown, we understand that Parishioners are unable to use the Thanksgiving Envelopes. However 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 St Kevin's Presbytery BSB: 083 347 A/c: 18207 5969

Thank you and God Bless you and your Families.

Nihal Lawrence Finance Officer

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Entrance Antiphon: Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

First Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

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

Psalm: Ps 17:2-4. 47. 51. R. v.2 R. I love you Lord, my strength.

Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him. To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever

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

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 12:28-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord you God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon: You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

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Pope's Prayer intention for October 2021 Intention for evangelization - Missionary disciples

"We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel."

— Pope Francis"



Child Safety is Everybody's Responsibility
For information and Child Safety matters you can contact the Parish
Child Safety Committee via celticparishes@gmail.com



The Murrumbeena Conference of St Vincent de Paul Society provide emergency food and assistance to families and people doing it tough in the Ormond and Murrumbeena Areas. For assistance Ph: 1800 305 330

If you know someone who needs help give them this number.

Also the Conference is looking for Volunteers to ensure this good work continues. If you have some spare time and feel you would like to help in this area please contact us on svdp3163@hotmail.com



THE LAST OF THESE SERIES organised by the Archdiocese of Melbourne. Refer to details below.

Lockdown Light—Week Eight

A weekly series bringing 'light' to this time of lockdown ...
Well and truly done with sourdough starters? Not interested in another DIY project? To help fill the void during lockdown, each week we'll suggest some inspiring content to bring 'light' to this difficult time. Pop on the kettle and check out the recommendations below.

Podcasts for Christian living: Parenting Teens

In this podcast, Catholic speaker, Jason Evert discusses how to keep and open and ongoing dialogue with your children around topics related to love, dating and other serious issues as well as tips for internet and phone safety. Listen here: www.bit.ly/ChristianLiving8

Getting to know your Bible: The Acts of the Apostles—The Church begins.

Getting started: In this interesting video introduction to the Book of Acts, The Bible Project provides an overview of Pentecost and the beginning of the early Church. Watch at:

www.bit.ly/BibleGettingStarted8

Going deeper: In this video, Bishop Barron speaks about the spread of the Gospel during the early Church, challenging us to share in the same work as St Paul and the early Apostles in proclaiming the message of Jesus to the world. View here:

www.bit.ly/BibleGoingDeeper8