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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 St Patrick's and St Kevin's

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year B — 5th September 2021

REFLECTION

Jesus opens our eyes to the reality of God's presence in our midst, in the goodness of people and in the tenderness of life, even in its vulnerability. He opens our ears to hear the word of God spoken to us by others, revealed to us through the created world. There is an eschatological dimension to being open to the word of God, because we are opened to hear something from the future. The prophets always speak about this future in the present tense. They see it happening already. Isaiah proclaims, 'Here is your God!' and the world is transformed. Jesus says 'Be open.' The good news always opens us to future possibilities, to personal and communal transformation, to a new creation. With the word of God, the future invades our present. Although the eschatological future is already present to us, it is only unfolding, it has not yet opened completely. We still judge each other by appearances. We still miss the presence of God in the poor and the dispossessed, in those who suffer from disease or war or loneliness. We still shun those of another race, or those who have been shaped by another culture, or those who worship God in a different way. Although the eschatological future is already present, we have not yet put aside all of the biases of the past, we have not yet been fully transformed. But God has spoken, God has come to save us. God is trustworthy; God keeps faith forever.

By Dianne Bergant CSA

Prayer for All Fathers and Priests

God our Father, we give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old. We pray for young fathers, newly embracing their vocation; may they find the courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice.

We pray for our own fathers, who have supported us; may they continue to lead in strong, gentle ways.

We remember fathers around the world, whose children are lost or suffering; may they know that the God of compassion, walks with them in their sorrow.

We pray for men who are not fathers but still mentor and guide us with fatherly love and advice.

Most importantly, all our Priests, our spiritual Fathers, who guide, teach us and lead us to You and who feed and nourish us with Your Sacraments.

We remember fathers, grandfathers and great-grandfathers, who are no longer with us, but who live forever in our memory and nurture us with their love. Amen!

*Father's Day,
Sunday, 5th September 2021*



HAPPY
Father's Day

*Fr Siby, Bishop Elliott and
Deacon Leo wish a "Happy Father's Day" to
all fathers and grandfathers of
St Patrick's Murrumbeena and
St Kevin's Ormond.*

Holy Mass via Zoom

Starting from this Saturday 4 September until Saturday 23 October, there will be Holy Rosary at 8.45am, followed by Holy Mass EVERYDAY via Zoom. Please use the following link.

Join the Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82455707826?pwd=cVRKdUxRc2hYY3RHcWZ0ckgvSU93QT09>

Meeting ID: 824 5570 7826

Passcode: 723631

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Parish Priest: Rev Fr. Siby John SAC (siby.john@cam.org.au)

Bishop in Residence: Most Rev Peter Elliott

Deacon: Rev Pselio (Leo) Lemalu

Parish Secretary: Jennifer Bastian (Wed, Thu, Fri),

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Communion to the Sick/Housebound

Please inform the parish office with contact information if you, or someone you know, is sick/housebound and wants to receive Holy Communion.



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



To Celebrate Father's Day please join us for a Zoom "Cuppa" and a "catch-up" after the 8.45am Zoom Rosary and Mass this Sunday, 5th September 2021



THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY September 8

Immaculate Conception, Mary, my Mother. Live in me. Act in me. Speak in and through me. Think your thoughts in my mind. Love, through my heart. Give me your dispositions and feelings. Teach, lead and guide me to Jesus. Correct, enlighten and expand my thoughts and behaviour. Possess my soul. Take over my entire personality and life. Replace it with yourself. Incline me to constant adoration and thanksgiving. Pray in me and through me. Let me live in you and keep me in this union always.

Happy Birthday My Mother, My Queen!

There will be another opportunity to join us for a Zoom "Cuppa" and a "catch-up" after the 8.45am Zoom Rosary and Mass this Wednesday, 8th September 2021 to Celebrate the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Priest's Retirement Fund

Due to the continuing COVID-19 restrictions and Masses not being able to be said at Parishes, donations to the Father's Day appeal can be made through the Priests Retirement Foundation website via debit, credit card or Paypal where the donor's details are loaded and receipts can be issued.



Weekly Vaccination for our Soul

This tough and extended lockdown has been extremely hard for all of us. Many suffer physically, mentally and spiritually. We are getting exhausted. Many are losing hope and finding it hard to carry their burden alone. In Mt. 11: 28 Jesus said "come to me, all you who are weary and overburdened, and I will give you rest". Therefore, you are invited to join a Zoom meet on every Tuesday until lock down is eased, to watch videos that will nurture us spiritually and support us emotionally. A time to sharing and hear from each other and feel bonded as parish community. Time 7.30 Pm to 8.30 Pm every Tuesday. Starting from Tuesday 7th September. Zoom link same as Holy Mass Link

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Let's pray in faith, hope and love for the recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

One Month Death Anniversary of Maria Gagliardi (children: Nadia, Daniela and Rosemary Gagliardi),

Third Death Anniversary of Anna Holden (Marianne Somerville's Mum); and John Currie (Caroline Gojak's Father).

*ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM,
MAY THEIR SOULS REST IN PEACE, AMEN.*



Let's also pray for the Sick:

Sandra Brunton, Vera Oberzing, 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,

During this Covid Pandemic, we all are facing many challenges in our daily lives while disconnected with our regular religious worship pattern and our inability to attend Holy Mass. However, we need to continue praying to our Lord to save the world from this pandemic.

During the last few months' the Parish Thanksgiving contributions have reduced substantially, especially Offerings to the Presbytery to meet the cost of utilities and sustenance of the Parish Priest. I am therefore encouraging Parishioners to consider making an offering towards the Presbytery during this lockdown period.

Contributions can be made to the following Bank Accounts';

St Patrick's Presbytery BSB: 083 347 A/c No: 16891 5271

St Kevin's Presbytery BSB: 083 347 A/c No: 18207 5969

Thank you and God Bless you and your Families.

Nihal Lawrence

Finance Officer

Combined Parishes of St Patrick's and St Kevin's

Entrance Procession

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

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Say to all faint hearts,
'Courage! Do not be afraid.
'Look, your God is coming,
vengeance is coming,
the retribution of God;
he is coming to save you.'
Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
the ears of the deaf unsealed,
then the lame shall leap like a deer
and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy;
for water gushes in the desert,
streams in the wasteland,
the scorched earth becomes a lake,
the parched land springs of water.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God!

Psalm: Ps 145:7-10. R. v.1

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

Second Reading: James 2:1-5

A reading from the letter of St James.

My brothers, do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions between classes of people. Now suppose a man comes into your synagogue, beautifully dressed and with a gold ring on, and at the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed man, and say, 'Come this way to the best seats'; then you tell the poor man, 'Stand over there' or 'You can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't you see that you have used two different standards in your mind, and turned yourselves into judges, and corrupt judges at that? Listen, my dear brothers: it was those who are poor according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the heirs to the kingdom which he promised to those who love him.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha,' that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he

spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

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.

PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

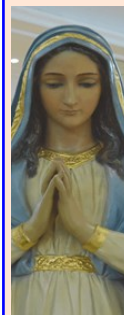
My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly with you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

PatCare

Hello every one, combined parishes St. Patrick's and St. Kevin's officially launched our "Pat Care ministry" on Wednesday 18 August via Zoom platform. This ministry aims to provide emergency help such as food, driving to clinics, visiting house bound etc. We have a number of dedicated parishioners ready to reach out to any one in need at any time in our parishes. Please reach out our Pat Care Coordinators **Teresa Leech on 0422 923 501, Maria Fernandez on 0405 327 041 or to the parish office on (03)95687365.** Any one in need please feel free to contact Pat Care and your Privacy will be kept confidential. If you wish to be part this ministry or want to know more about Pat Care you can contact Teresa Leech, Maria Fernandez or Fr Siby.

From Overall coordinator : Teresa Leech

Pope Francis' Prayer to the Virgin Mary for Protection from Coronavirus



O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of all People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.