

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR A - 27 NOVEMBER 2022

Reflection

We may be accustomed to think of Advent as the time when we prepare for the coming of God, but the readings also train our attention on our own journey to God. We see this most clearly in this first Sunday with readings that tell us the identity of the pilgrims, the destination toward which they travel, and the way of life that is required of them on their journey. As the Vatican Council has proclaimed: We are a pilgrim people.

Both the reading from Isaiah and the psalm response speak of the pilgrimage to the mountain of the Lord, the place where God can be found. Although the psalm speaks about Jerusalem and refers to the temple there, the broader theological significance of the mountain, the city and the temple is one and the same. They represent the presence of God in our midst, and this presence is the goal of our striving. There are clear directions about how we are to live while we are on this pilgrimage to God. In Isaiah we learn that we must put away our instruments of violence and hatred, our swords and our spears. Lest we pick them up again, we are told to convert them into life-producing implements, into ploughs and pruning hooks. Paul exhorts us to put away our deeds of darkness and self-indulgence and to clothe ourselves instead in the deeds of Jesus Christ. Matthew points out the need for alertness, attentiveness, a disposition that is open to a change of heart.

Dianne Bergant CSA



MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays

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

**First Friday: 9.15 am Mass and
Adoration.**

St Patrick's:
Wed 9.15am Mass;
First Friday: 7.00pm Mass and
7.30pm Adoration.

Sat 9.15 am Mass followed by
Adoration & Reconciliation.

**Tuesday 4th December 2022:
Healing Mass at 12 noon.**

Weekends

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

St Patrick's: Sun 9am and 5pm



**CONGRATULATIONS TO BABY AXEL GEORGE STANFORD
WHO IS BEING BAPTISED THIS WEEKEND AND A WARM
WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY!**

NATIVITY DRAWING FOR CHRISTMAS

Dear Children,

You are warmly invited to draw and colour nativity pictures to hang/stick in our Church. You can get help from your parents and others.



Please bring them to the Church or to the Presbytery (during office hours) on any day until Sunday, 18th December 2022. Let's make this Christmas more joyful!



You are invited to
St Patrick's and **St Kevin's**
CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

To be held at
Rovira House
On Sunday 11th December 2022
At 12 noon.

Please bring along a Share Luncheon Plate.
 Some Ideas: Casserole, meat platter, salads, prawn platter,
 quiches etc. Likewise Sweets etc. etc. etc..
 We look forward to it being a fun afternoon where we will be
 singing Carols and selling a Raffle ticket, to give you the
 opportunity to win a prize.



Be prepared to have fun.

PS: A list will be left in each of the foyers, so you can put your
 name down and what you dish of food you will be bringing.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



A Prayer for the First Sunday of Advent



Father, let your hope arise in our hearts! Lift our eyes up to
 see that you alone are where our hope comes from. Help us
 to shake off the anxiety, discouragements, and distractions
 that have filled this year.

May we pause to remember that we have **hope** in you.
 You know the end of our stories, and we give thanks
 because you have promised that it will be a victorious
 ending. Give us the grace we need to wrap up this year
 joyfully.

We invite your Spirit into this beautiful Advent season.
 Renew our sense of holy anticipation! Let us be those who
 are waiting eagerly for Jesus to come again.

More than anything, we ask that you be glorified in this
 season of expectation. Amen.

FIRST FRIDAY, 2ND DECEMBER
MASS AND ADORATION AT

ST KEVIN'S CHURCH 9.15 AM Mass and Adoration

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH:
 Mass 7.00 pm
 Adoration 7.30-10.00pm

**PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO morning Mass at
 St Patrick's on Friday, 2nd December 2022.**



MANDATORY "SAFEGUARDING" TRAINING FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF

There will be **MANDATORY "Safeguarding" Training for all Volunteers and Staff at Rovira House on Monday, 28th November at 6.00 pm**



Vigil Mass for World AIDS Day will be celebrated at St Francis' Church (corner Lonsdale and Elizabeth Streets, Melbourne) on Wednesday, 30th November 2022 at 5.30pm.

All are welcome!

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED AND FOR THOSE WHOSE DEATH ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME



FIRST DEATH ANNIVERSARY OF:

Barbara Brown (Mother of Angela Baptist and Grandmother of Fr James Baptist)

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Fred Cutting (Cousin of Tom Frost),

Hugh McGill (Husband of Margaret McGill), John Harper (Friend of Marian and Stephen Poore), Lizzy Stanley (daughter of Karly & Patrick Stanley), Earl Edwards (Husband of Dorothy), Rodney Gardner, Joan Egan, Yvonne Maher, Terry Nicholls (Arcare), Han Kwee, Jack Mack.



ROSTER



ST PATRICK'S CUPPA'S ROSTER — Sunday 4th December 2022

9.00 am: Celina and Philip De Rpse

5.00 pm: Danielle Flores

ROSTER



READER'S ROSTER — Saturday 3rd/Sunday 4th December 2022

St Kevin's

St Patrick's

Sat. 6pm Vigil – Yasmin Miranda

Sun. 9.00am - Joan Krutli

Sun. 10.30am - Vince Aquende

Sun. 5.00pm - Kirsten Warboys and Maureen Medaris

Parish Offerings 12th/13th Nov

St Kevin's

Patrick's

Church	\$755.60	\$783.00
Presbytery	\$491.00	\$419.00
Appeal for the Deaf	\$202.00	\$433.50

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS

CONGRATULATIONS to the children of St Patrick's and St Kevin's Parishes and St Patrick's School who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion last Saturday, 19th November 2022.

Congratulations to their parents! Congratulations and Thanks to the RE Teachers and the Parish Sacramental Coordinator, Vince Aquende, for the great job done in preparing these children for this Sacrament!

CHILDREN WHO RECEIVED THE FIRST EUCHARIST ON SATURDAY, 19TH NOVEMBER



Above: L-R: RE Teachers Anna Jepson, Luke Daidone, Alex Barrow (Prep Teacher) and Tim Moran

Cooper Wisdom and Parents William Righetti and Family



Eamon Burke and Parents



Vince Aquende, Parish Sacramental Coordinator

Kaylene Wong

Louis Patawaran Grinter



St Vincent de Paul Society
(Ormond or Murrumbena)
If you need assistance Ph: 1800 305 330 If you know



BAPTISMS AT ST PATRICK'S AND ST KEVIN'S
Please contact the parish office for information on
Tel: (03) 9568 7365.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: **To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.**

FIRST READING: *Isaiah 2:1-5*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

In the days to come
the mountain of the Temple of the Lord
shall tower above the mountains
and be lifted higher than the hills.
All the nations will stream to it,
peoples without number will come to it; and they
will say:

‘Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the Temple of the God of Jacob
that he may teach us his ways
so that we may walk in his paths;
since the Law will go out from Zion,
and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.’

He will wield authority over the nations
and adjudicate between many peoples;
these will hammer their swords into ploughshares,
their spears into sickles.

Nation will not lift sword against nation,
there will be no more training for war.

O House of Jacob, come,
let us walk in the light of the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Ps 121:1-2. 4-5. 6-9. R. see. v.1

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

SECOND READING: *Rom 13:11-14*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

You know ‘the time’ has come: you must wake up
now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when
we were converted. The night is almost over, it will
be daylight soon – let us give up all the things we
prefer to do under the cover of the dark; let us arm
ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live
decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken
orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no
wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord
Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: **Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your
salvation. Alleluia!**

GOSPEL: *Mt 24:37-44*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
Jesus said to his disciples: ‘As it was in Noah’s day,
so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in
those days before the Flood people were eating,
drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to
the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected
nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It
will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then
of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of
two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken,
one left. ‘So stay awake, because you do not know
the day when your master is coming. You may be

quite sure of this that if the householder had known
at what time of the night the burglar would come, he
would have stayed awake and would not have allowed
anyone to break through the wall of his house.
Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son
of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord, Jesus Christ!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: **The Lord will bestow his
bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.**

HEALING MASS

Tuesday, 6th December, we will
have a Healing Mass at St Patrick’s
at 12 noon.



A Starry Night in Murrumbena Village
Friday, December 2nd

Who is organising it? This event has been organised by a volunteer committee of local people who wanted to create a celebration for our community. We’ve been working on it for 5 months!

We got a grant from Glen Eira City Council to help fund it this year.

Who can come? It is for everyone in our community!

What will be happening? There will be loads of activities from 5:00 - 7:00pm - Buskers, face painting, balloon animals, henna hands, market stalls, a magician and great food and drink from our local traders!

7:00 - 8:30 pm - Come and join in on the Community Carols! St Patricks Primary, Murrumbena Primary and Hugesdale Primary are all performing as well as our Carols House Choir leading us in song! **Please bring a picnic rug or chair to sit on at the Carols!**

8:30pm - The Lighting of the Palm!

WRAPPING OF CHRISTMAS HAMPERS
Volunteers please note that this will take place on Saturday, 3rd December at 1.30pm at St Patrick’s Church.

A WORKING BEE
SUNDAY 4th DECEMBER
TO HELP CLEAN ROVIRA HOUSE

A working bee will be held on Sunday, 4th December at Rovira House at 12 noon to help with some cleaning or general tidying.

ST PATRICK’S CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS
Volunteers needed

On Saturday, 10th December, we will be decorating the church for Christmas. We will put up the Christmas tree, set up the Nativity scene and much more. Please come and join us if you have a spare hour.

Time: 1.00 pm
Thank you!
The Parish Leadership Team

GOD’S WORD “DAILY REFLECTIONS 2023”
Cost \$19.95

We encourage you to order this book. Please write your name, contact number and the number of copies required on the list in the church foyer.