

# 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

**Fourth Sunday of Lent —Year C — 27 March 2022**

### REFLECTION

After many years in the desert journeying towards the land of promise, it must have been difficult for the people of Israel to comprehend that they had finally arrived. A new stage in their lives was beginning and it was fitting to rejoice and remember what God had done by celebrating the Passover. The God who had nourished them in the desert would no longer provide manna; it was no longer necessary since now they had their own land which had been provided by God's graciousness.

For Paul, God's graciousness and mercy were nowhere more apparent than in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. In the second letter to the Corinthians, much of chapters two to six are taken up by Paul sharing his understand and experience of apostolic life with them. There had been considerable friction between Paul and the community and this, no doubt, had called Paul to reflect on the sort of reconciliation and harmony for which he longed and worked. Misunderstood and hurt, Paul looks to the heart of the gospel message, a message of a new creation through forgiveness. As Jesus had reconciled us to God by his own death, so we are called to be reconciled to one another.

The call to reconciliation and graciousness is continued in today's Gospel. The timeless beauty of the parable of the loving father and his two sons calls us to look to our own hearts. Are we ready to forgive and be forgiven? Will we share in the new creation that Jesus died to bring us?

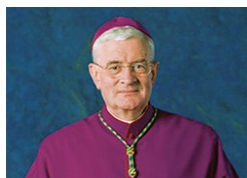
Fr Christopher Monaghan CP



**Most Rev Bishop Peter J Elliott joined Pope Francis and all the Bishops of the world in making the Consecration of Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, On Friday, 25th March 2022, the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, at the 9.15 am Mass at St Kevin's Church, Ormond.**

**Thank you to all those who joined us on this day, as a gesture of the universal Church to lift up to God through our Blessed Mother Mary, the cries of the people of Ukraine who are inflicted with immense suffering, to place them under the protection of Mary and to seek God's peace through Mary's intercession.**

**Most Rev Bishop Peter J Elliott**





CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE  
OF MELBOURNE

On Friday 25 March, the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, Pope Francis will consecrate Ukraine and Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Archbishop Peter A Comensoli will join him in making this act of consecration at Friday's 7am Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral.

Friday's act of consecration places the warring countries of Ukraine and Russia, and their peoples, under the protection of Mary, and seeks God's peace through Mary's intercession.

'Pope Francis has invited the bishops of the world to join him in making this act of consecration and I will indeed be doing so at the 7am Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral on Friday,' Archbishop Comensoli said.

'I would like to extend this to every parish and community within the Archdiocese, and have invited all the clergy to do so at all Sunday Masses for this weekend. The people of both Ukraine and Russia desperately need our spiritual work of mercy, and our union with them in prayer. May conversion of hearts and minds be foremost in our prayer, along with prayer for the safety and protection of the people in those cities of Ukraine being targeted.'

(Archdiocese of Melbourne)

**Let's pray for those who have died recently:**

**Pat Gardner (mother of Phillip Gardner)**



**Fr Kevin Mogg AM, who passed away just shy of his 90th birthday, an outstanding leader and pastor in our community for more than 65 years, founding Catholic Social Services Victoria (CSSV);**

**Thomas (Fr Siby's dad);**

**Catherine Klose (mother of Andrew Klose, mother-in-law of Kitty O'Sullivan)**

**And for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:**

**Andrew Flynn, Mary Skillern, Marie Leahy and Ingrid Fastner (relatives and close friend of Stephen & Marian Poore);  
Tarcisia Mirabito (mother of Giovanna Mirabito); Rosemaree Williamson (sister of Leonie Broman);  
Frank Gagliardi and Domenico Gagliardi (father and grandfather of Rosemary, Daniela and Nadia Gagliardi);  
Santa Sabato (mother of Stefano, Caterina, Antonietta and Rose) on the 6-month Anniversary of her death;  
Lilly D'Souza (mother of Ida Joby) on the First Anniversary of her death; and  
Michael O'Sullivan (father of Kitty O'Sullivan)**

**Let's also pray for the Sick:**

**Luis Patwaran (husband of Mercy Patwaran), Rodney Gardner, Dena Hooper (Joan Hooper's daughter-in-law) and Yasmin Slater (Joan Hooper's grand-daughter), Margaret McGill, Maria Sheila P Mangubat, Joan & Les Egan, Yvonne Maher, Gabrielle (Patrick Leech's sister), Terry Nicholls (Arcare), Frank Jackson, Han Kwee, Jack Mack, Michael Chew, Kurt Siegermeier, Coleen Perris.**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Weekdays**

**St Kevin's: Monday to Friday at 9.15 am**

**St Patrick's: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 9.15 am**

**Weekends**

**St Kevin's: Saturday 6.00 pm and Sunday 10.30 am**

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

**Reading Roster for Next Weekend 2nd/3rd April 2022**

<b>St Kevin's</b>	<b>St Patrick's</b>
<b>Sat 6.00 pm</b> - Rosemary McGeoch	<b>Sun 9.00am</b> - Joan Krutli
<b>Sun 10.30am</b> - Vince Aquende	<b>Sun 5.00pm</b> - Kirsten Warboys and Maureen Medaris

**"CUPPAs" ROSTER—ST PATRICK'S SUNDAY, 3rd APRIL 2022:** 9am: Marita & Geoff Boling; 5pm: Pious & Leena Joseph

## PATCARE

Patcare is an emergency short term service in the areas of visitation to the sick and housebound, providing limited transport and also providing food according to the needs of the parishioner. Currently, we have 8 enthusiastic volunteers and if you feel you may be interested, your service would be much appreciated. The roster allows for flexibility and not too great a demand on your time. Please contact the main or emergency coordinator if you are interested in helping others especially at this difficult period of Covid.

Main Coordinator: Maria Fernandez 0405 327 041

Emergency Coordinator (Feb-April): Cathie Nankervis 0409 140 332.

## Distribution of Parish Newsletters

Each Volunteer has been allocated a housebound or former parishioner in Aged Care to distribute the parish Newsletter. If an aged care facility is in lockdown, it can be left with staff at front door. **Note:** Details re addresses/location of newsletter on noticeboards at both churches. Thank you!

## Communion Ministry Roster—Feb-June 2022

Please check the St Patrick's and St Kevin's Notice Boards for the Communion Volunteers roster. Each volunteer who has been trained is assigned a parishioner in aged care or is housebound. It is the responsibility of each volunteer to contact the parishioner, to keep a record in their record folder of when communion was given and then to notify the coordinators. Thank you to those volunteers who have offered to visit Arcare and Claremont Terrace for a communion service.

**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.

### Emergency Coordinator for both Parishes:

**Until end March:** Jane Biasuzzo 0411 283 200;

**April-May-June:** Teresa Leech 0422 923 501 (when calling Teresa, please keep in mind that Perth is 2 hours behind us)

### St Kevin's (April-May-June) Main Coordinator:

Yasmin Miranda 0433 336 483

**Congratulations to the children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend.**



## Appeal for the people of Ukraine Emergency Relief to aid Refugees

Salesian Missions Australia has launched an Emergency Appeal to aid our Salesians of Don Bosco (SDB's) in Ukraine and surrounding communities to bring aid to refugees. To help support refugees you may wish to donate to the Salesian Missions Australia via:

Mail: Salesian Missions Australia, P. O. Box 264, Ascot Vale, Vic 3032

Give now: <https://www.givenow.com.au/salesianmissionemergencyrelief>

Phone: (03) 9377 6060 (Mon-Thur 9am – 3pm)

Email: [salmiss@salesians.org.au](mailto:salmiss@salesians.org.au)

Donations are tax deductible.



St Vincent de Paul Society  
VICTORIA  
*good works*

The St Vincent de Paul Society has launched emergency flood appeals to assist residents in Queensland and New South Wales with their immediate needs as well as longer-term recovery. Donations to the Vinnies Queensland Flood Appeal will allow Vinnies' volunteer members to provide flood-impacted families with emergency food, clothing and material aid to keep them going through this extraordinarily difficult time, he said in an email to Vinnies' donors. [https://www.vinnies.org.au/page/Find\\_Help/Flood\\_appeal/](https://www.vinnies.org.au/page/Find_Help/Flood_appeal/)

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
Stations of the Cross will be held at  
St Kevin's on Fridays after the 9.15 am Mass  
AND at St Patrick's on Fridays at 7.30pm.



## Project Compassion Sunday 26 & 27 March 2022



From her life as a child soldier in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Rosalie is now a business owner, a community leader and a role model for other ex-combatants seeking to readjust to civilian life.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 to help women like Rosalie succeed in the future providing hope For All Future Generations.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations**. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au), or by calling 1800 024 413.



## STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE

Dear Parishioners,

If you have not yet collected your "Thanksgiving" envelopes, please contact the parish office. The 'TAP & GO' donation machines in the Parishes are active for your convenience.

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 Murrumbena 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

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**Entrance Antiphon:** Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

**First Reading: Joshua 5:9-12**

*A reading from the book of Joshua.*

The Lord said to Joshua, ‘Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you.’

The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morrow of the Passover they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God!**

**Psalm:** 33:2-7. R. v. 9

**R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.**

**Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21**

*A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.*

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God’s work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on his reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men’s faults against them, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appealing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ’s name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

**The word of the Lord.**

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**Gospel Acclamation:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! I will get up and go to my Father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

**Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32**

*A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke.*

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained, ‘This man’ they said, ‘welcomes sinners and eats with them.’ So he spoke this parable to them:

‘A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, “Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me.” So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

‘When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants

who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, “How many of my father’s paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants.” So he left the place and went back to his father.

‘While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your Son.” But the father said to his servants, “Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found.” And they began to celebrate.

‘Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. “You brother has come” replied the servant “and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back save and sound.” He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, “Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property—he and his women—you kill the calf we had been fattening.”

‘The father said, “My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it is only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.”’

**Communion Antiphon:** You must rejoice, my son, for your brother was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.

**Dear Parishioners**

**As you know by now, my dear Dad, Thomas John, passed away in Kerala on Sunday, 6 March. I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to Archbishop Peter, Bishop Peter Elliot, Fr Barry Tobin and you all for your prayers and kind words during his sickness and his passing. My family also wishes to acknowledge and thank you for your prayers and kindness - my mother Katrina, brother Joby, sister-in-law Nisha, my niece Christina and nephews Johnly and Noel. I, like them, have been comforted by your support during this difficult time. The funeral took place on Tuesday, 8 March –between 400 and 500 people attended - and I was joined by seven priests who celebrated a Requiem at St. George’s Catholic Church, North Kerala.**

**“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.” Psalm 46:1**

**Fr Siby**