

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

The Baptism of the Lord —Year C — 9th January 2022

REFLECTION

Jesus's Baptism is Ours

What did it mean for Jesus to come up out of the waters of the Jordan to experience the special presence of the Holy Spirit as though it were a dove, gently hovering over him? As a Jew, he would have been reminded both of the Divine Wind hovering over the void-become-creation, and of the dove bearing an olive twig as God restored humanity's life on earth after the Flood. The Holy Spirit was empowering Him for a re-creative role on behalf of humanity.

His second experience was to sense God's delight and joy sounding, reverberating through every fibre of his body, every reach of his soul: 'You are my beloved Son, my favour rests on you.'

Any baby, any adolescent, any adult who is baptised shares in these wonderful experiences. The dynamic power of the Holy Spirit hovers over the person as a gentle presence, preparing the one baptised for a mission on behalf of humanity. And every baptised person senses, below the range of hearing, the echo of the same marvellous words: "You are my beloved son or daughter, my favour rests on you."

Is it any wonder that Our Lord adopted this water rite to incorporate his followers into such wonderful experiences as a power-full impetus to fulfil their mission to cooperate in God's saving plan for humanity? We could take a moment to pray in gratitude for the parent/s or other person/s who brought us into this tradition stretching over almost two millennia. May they be filled with all that flows from their being beloved sons and daughters of God.

(By Fr Michael Tate, Hon Professor of Law, University of Tasmania)

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays

St Kevin's: Monday to Friday at 9.15 am

St Patrick's: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 9.15 am

(Please note: There will be no Mass at St Patrick's on Tuesday 11th, Wednesday, 12th, Friday 14th and Saturday 15th Jan)

Weekends

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

St Patrick's: Sunday 8.30 am and Sunday 5.00 pm

Effective first Sunday in February (6th February 2022), the Sunday morning Mass at St Patrick's will be at 9.00 am.

Reading Roster for Next Weekend 15th/16th January, 2022

St Kevin's	St Patrick's
Sat 6.00 pm - Rosemary McGeoch & David Zammit	Sun 8.30am - Philip De Rose & John Murtagh
Sun 10.30am - Caroline Gojak	Sun 5.00pm - Teresa Leech

"CUPPAS" ROSTER—ST PATRICK'S SUNDAY, 16TH JANUARY 2022: 8.30 am: Monica & Nicholas; 5pm: Janet Curtis

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Entrance Antiphon: After the Lord was baptized, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord:

Here is my servant whom I uphold,
my chosen one in whom my soul delights.
I have endowed him with my spirit
that he may bring true justice to the nations.
He does not cry out or shout aloud,
or make his voice heard in the streets.
He does not break the crushed reed,
nor quench the wavering flame.
Faithfully he brings true justice;
he will neither waver, nor be crushed
until true justice is established on earth,
for the islands are awaiting his law.
I, the Lord, have called you to serve the cause of right;
I have taken you by the hand and formed you;
I have appointed you as covenant of the people and light of
the nations, to open the eyes of the blind,
to free captives from prison,
and those who live in darkness from the dungeon.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God!

Psalm: 28:1-4, 9-10. R. v.11

R. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own and would have no ambition except to do good. When the kindness and love of God our saviour for mankind were revealed, it was not because he was concerned with any righteous actions we might have done ourselves; it was for no reason except his own compassion that he saved us, by means of the cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit which he has so generously poured over us through Jesus Christ our saviour. He did this so that we should be justified by his grace, to become heirs looking forward to inheriting eternal life.

The word of the Lord.

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Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 3:15-16. 21-22

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke.

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.' Now when all the people had been baptised and while Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened and

the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily shape, like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

Communion Antiphon: Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

Let's pray in faith, hope and love for the recently deceased:
Giovanna Matarazzo (wife of late Giuseppe Matarazzo),
Bosidar Kostic (uncle of Marianne Somerville) and
Mrs Rosalind Nicholls (wife of Terry Nicholls).

Let's also pray for the Sick:
Gabrielle (Patrick Leech's sister), Ros and Terry Nicholls (Arcare), Frank Jackson, Han Kwee, Jack Mack, Michael Chew, Kurt Siegermeier, Coleen Parris, Thomas (Fr Siby's Dad), Rodney Gardner (grandson of Pat Gardner), Arnold Briones (brother-in-law of Mercy Patwaran)

Communion Ministry Roster—Feb-May 2022

Please check the St Patrick's Notice Board for both, the St Patrick's and St Kevin's Volunteers roster. It is the responsibility of each volunteer to organize communion with the assigned parishioner who is housebound or in Aged Care (Arcare/Claremont Terrace)

Distribution of Parish Newsletters

Each Volunteer has been allocated a housebound or former parishioner in Aged Care to distribute the parish Newsletter. Details on Notice Board.

STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE

Dear Parishioners,

The next batch of Thanksgiving envelopes starting Jan 2022 are now available for collection from the church foyer. 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 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.

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Finance Officer, Combined Parishes of St Patrick's and St Kevin's

BAPTISMS AT ST PATRICK'S AND ST KEVIN'S
Please contact the parish office for information
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Pope's Prayer intention for January 2022

For true human fraternity

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution. May their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.



St Vincent de Paul Society
VICTORIA
good works

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