

# 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**

**Feast of The Holy Family — Year C — 26th December 2021**

## REFLECTION



The optional readings for the feast of the Holy Family provide us an opportunity to reflect on 'family values' in a slightly different way. Here the pivotal theme is the union that we enjoy with God, a union of love that makes us children of God, members of the family of God. All other families find meaning and inspiration in this fundamental gathering. The stories of Hannah, Elkanah, and Samuel as well as Mary, Joseph and Jesus are examples of how the plan of God unfolds within the everyday occurrences of family life.

It is out of love that we are called to be children of God. As children of God, we are also joined to God's own Son, who has commanded us to love one another as God has loved all. If we are faithful to that commandment, Christ remains in us. We are bound to Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The human family plays a significant role in the fashioning of the broader family of God. The larger family that God initiates is specified in unique historical families, as strange and as complex as those family relationships may be, with their joys and sorrows, their barrenness and their fruitfulness. There is no way of separating this human family and the broader people of God. The plan of God does not unfold in a vacuum, but in the everyday family situations that include separation and misunderstanding as well as joy and celebration.

By Dianne Bergant CSA

**PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU SIGN IN WITH THE QR CODE AND MASK IS MANDATORY FOR INDOORS**

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE			WEEKEND MASS TIMES		
DAY	ST PATRICK'S	ST KEVIN'S	DAY	ST PATRICK'S	ST KEVIN'S
Monday 27th Dec	<b>NO MASS</b>	<b>9.15 AM</b>	Saturday Vigil		<b>6.00 PM</b>
Tuesday 28th Dec	<b>NO MASS</b>	<b>9.15 AM</b>			
Wednesday 29th Dec	<b>9.15 AM</b>	<b>9.15 AM</b>			
Thursday 30th Dec	<b>NO MASS</b>	<b>9.15 AM</b>			
Friday 31st Dec	<b>9.15 AM</b>	<b>9.15 AM</b>	Sunday	<b>8.30 AM</b>	<b>10.30 am</b>
Saturday 1st Jan 2022	<b>9.15 AM</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>		<b>5.00 PM</b>	

**Our Parish Office will be closed on Monday, 27th and Tuesday, 28th December 2021 and on Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th January 2022**

**THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO DONATED TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF FLOWERS FOR OUR CHURCHES AT CHRISTMAS!**

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

**Roster for "Communion to the Housebound/Sick"**

A new "Communion" roster will be drawn up beginning February 2022. Please advise of those who are housebound or sick who need to be added to the list. Thank you.

Yasmin 0433 336 483 / Teresa 0422 923 501  
Ministry to the Housebound and Sick

**"CUPPAs" ROSTER—ST PATRICK'S SUNDAY, 1ST JANUARY 2022**

9.00 am: Teresa and Patrick Leech  
5.00pm:

**Reading Roster for Next Weekend 1st/2nd January, 2022**

St Kevin's	St Patrick's
Sat. 1st Jan 6.00 pm - Yasmin & Ashani Miranda	Sun. 2nd Jan 9.00am - Joan Krutli
Sun. 2nd Jan 10.30am - Vince Aquende	Sun. 2nd Jan 5.00pm - Kirsten Warboys & Maureen Medaris

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

Neil Stapleton (brother of Michael Stapleton), Mrs Barbara Brown (Mother of Angela Baptist and Grandmother of Fr. James Baptist), Thomas Uil (Father of Michael Uil); Bruce Thompson (Husband of Valerie Thompson), Sr Eileen Jones (Presentation Nun), Sheila Sullivan.



*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:**

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)

**STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE**

Dear Parishioners,

The next batch of Thanksgiving envelopes starting Jan 2022 will be available for collection from the church foyer from Friday 24th December 2021. 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

Thank you and God Bless you and your Families.

*Nihal Lawrence*

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

**Collection for Weekend 11th/12th December 2021**

	<u>Church</u>	<u>Presbytery</u>
St Kevin's	\$692.60	\$310.20
St Patrick's	\$684.00	\$486.25

**Collection for Last Weekend 18th/19th December 2021**

	<u>Church</u>	<u>Presbytery</u>
St Kevin's	\$1,073.60	\$419.20
St Patrick's	\$502.30	\$282.20

**Entrance Antiphon:** The shepherds went in haste and found Mary and Joseph and the infant lying in a manger.

**First Reading:**

A reading from the book of Samuel.

When a year had gone by, the husband Elkanah went up again with all his family to offer the annual sacrifice to the Lord and to fulfil his vow. Hannah, however, did not go up, having said to her husband, 'Not before the child is weaned. Then I will bring him and present him before the Lord and he shall stay there for ever.

When she had weaned him, she took him up with her together with a three-year old bull, an ephah of flour and a skin of wine, and she brought him to the temple of the Lord at Shiloh; and the child was with them. They slaughtered the bull and the child's mother came to Eli. She said, 'if you please, my lord. As you live, my lord, I am the woman who stood here beside you, praying to the Lord. This is the child I prayed for, and the Lord granted me what I asked him. Now I make him over to the Lord for the whole of his life. He is made over to the Lord.'

**The word of the Lord.**

**R. Thanks be to God!**

**Psalm:**

**R. How happy they who dwell in your house, O Lord.**

**Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2, 21-24**

A reading from the first letter of St John.

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed, all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is. My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants. His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

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**R. Thanks be to God!**

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!**

**May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you. Alleluia!**

**Gospel: Luke 2:41-52**

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke.

Every year the parents of Jesus used to go to Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover. When he was twelve years old, they went up for the feast as usual. When they were on their way home after the feast, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem without his parents knowing it. They assumed he was with the caravan, and it was only after a day's journey that they went to look for him among their relations and acquaintances. When they failed to find him they went back to Jerusalem looking for him everywhere.

Three days later, they found him in the Temple, sitting among the doctors, listening to them, and asking them questions; and all those who heard him were astounded at his intelligence and his replies. They were overcome when they saw him, and his mother said to him, 'My child, why have you done this to us? See how worried your father and I have been, looking for you.' 'Why were you looking for me?' he replied. 'Did you not know that I must be busy with my Father's affairs?' But they did not understand what he meant.

He then went down with them and came to Nazareth and lived under their authority. His mother stored up all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom, in stature, and in favour with God and men.

**Communion Antiphon: Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among us.**

**We are looking for Volunteers to help give out newsletters to our housebound parishioners. Please enter your name on the sheet left in the church foyer. Thank you!**



Child Safety is Everybody's Responsibility  
For information and Child Safety matters you can contact the Parish  
Child Safety Committee via [celticparishes@gmail.com](mailto:celticparishes@gmail.com)



**Pope's Prayer intention for December 2021**

"Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit." — Pope Francis"



**St Vincent de Paul Society**  
VICTORIA  
*good works*

The Murrumbena Conference of St Vincent de Paul Society provide emergency food and assistance to families and people doing it tough in the Ormond and Murrumbena 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](mailto:svdp3163@hotmail.com)