

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 St Patrick's and St Kevin's

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year B — 29th August 2021

REFLECTION — Holiness: Contagion, not Quarantine

Many religious leaders have thought that some foods or some people are such a threat to the holiness of their followers that contact with 'unclean', 'defiling' foods or people must be avoided. Our Lord was totally opposed to the idea that holiness was something secured or gained by being quarantined or separated from any-thing or any-person. On the contrary, he could touch a leper or have a meal with a prostitute. Rather than defilement flowing from the leper or prostitute to Jesus, his life flowed into them repairing their broken humanity, healing them bodymindspirit, holistically, making *them* holy. The fact is that God, embodied in Jesus Christ, is contagious. The 'contagion of Divine Life' is meant to flow into the inner depths of personality, into the heart. When this occurs, the Divine Life in the human person causes 'holiness'. We have to strive to put ourselves in the way of this 'contagion of Divine Life'. We become holy when we allow ourselves to be touched by our Lord Jesus Christ. How do we do this? By hearing of His life in the Gospel, by being nourished by His life in Holy Communion, by being touched by the plight of those in whom He is to be found. St James in the second reading describes some who are particularly vulnerable in a patriarchal society with no social security system: the widows and orphans. No doubt, we can identify equivalent groups in our own society and overseas. We could take a moment to pray that we might be more conscious of the Holy Spirit germinating something in our hearts, making us holy from the inside out, that our holiness be authenticated by good works so that we may be holy as the Lord our God is holy.

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

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

Holy Mass via Zoom

Due to the ongoing lockdown, Fr Siby is inviting parishioners to join in Holy Mass via Zoom everyday at 9am until Thursday 2 September. Please use the following link.

Join the Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88092454140?pwd=Q0dEYkdRZW8vT0JVVXVRaUViciUyZz09>

Meeting ID: 880 9245 4140

Passcode: 803959

New to St Patrick's and St Kevin's? Connect with Us

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),

Finance: Nihal Lawrence (Tue, Wed, Fri)

Principal— St Patrick's Primary School: Jenny Hawkins

Email: principal@spmurrumbeena.catholic.edu.au

THERE WILL BE NO MASSES THIS WEEKEND AT BOTH CHURCHES DUE TO THE LOCKDOWN

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

Jamberoo Abbey Online Retreat

a retreat about Hope

About: This retreat is based on Charles Peguy's Little Girl Hope from the book, "The Portal of the Mystery of Hope" Hope is both a virtue and a mystery. It is desirable yet elusive. Many dismiss it, misunderstand it, shrug it off and turn their backs on it, extolling faith and charity instead. Whilst faith and charity are absolutely critical in these times of uncertainty and fear in society, there is now a need for hope as never before since World War II.

Date: Retreat begins Sunday, September 5, 2021. All videos and texts will be available on our website for as long as you need access.

Details: There are 6 conferences with 2 being uploaded each week. There are also questions for reflection. Take your time as there is no need to complete the 2 conferences within 1 week.

Cost: The cost of the retreat is \$250. Pensioners can apply for a reduced price. See website for details.

Contact: Register online at:
jamberooabbey.org.au/retreats/online-retreats

Glen Eira Community Groups workshop to consult on draft Council Plan 2021-2025 and Community Wellbeing Plan 2021-2025
Zoom Meeting on Wednesday, 15th September 2021
10.00 am-12.00 noon

The City of Glen Eira will be finalising their draft Council Plan 2021-2025 and the Community Wellbeing Plan for 2021-2025 and have invited community groups to attend an online interactive workshop to provide your feedback. If you would like to join their Zoom Meeting, please click on the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87192824553?pwd=cnBnUXJnbk5qZythbWtKOWRRcG1rdz09>

Meeting ID: 871 9282 4553

Passcode: 515271

THE INFORMATION SESSION FOR THE PERMANENT DIACONATE IS CANCELLED

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

For all deacons, guardians of the service in the Church, that their faithful service to the Word, altar and to the poor may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church¹. Let us pray to the Lord.
LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

An opportunity to spend a weekend improving your communication.

This experience gives you the tools to keep your passion alive in a gentle, nurturing environment, away from pressures distractions of daily living. The weekend we offer is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.

Please check our website for more details.

We have two options: An on-line/virtual weekend:

10 -12 September 2021 or

a non-residential weekend: 16 - 17 October 2021

in west Gippsland. (Book early to avoid disappointment)

Information/Bookings: Phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or

Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: wwme.org.au

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

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St Patrick's Murrumbena

St Kevin's Ormond

6 Dalny Road

Envelopes : My Pledge will be \$ _____

(Parish: \$..... / Presbytery: \$.....)

Every: week ; month ; quarter ; Annually

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"CDFpay for St Kevin's Parish, Ormond"

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St Patrick's Presbytery BSB: 083 347 A/c: 16891 5271

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Every: month/ quarterly/ annually

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Credit Card number: _____

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

Entrance Procession

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

First Reading: Deut 4:1-2, 6-8

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God!

Psalm: Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1

R. The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading: James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

A reading from the letter of St James.

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created.

Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves.

Pure, unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8. 14-15. 21-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the

washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me.

The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations. You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.'

He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Communion Antiphon: How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

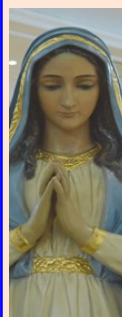
My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly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



Pope's Prayer intention for August 2021

"Let us pray for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel."

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.