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Dear Parishioners,

We are again back to stage four lock down at least for next five days starting Midnight tonight. We have gone through stuff lockdown in the past and that made Australia proud around the world. On Ash Wednesday 17 February, we enter into another kind of lock down as Catholics. This is a spiritual lockdown against all evils in us and preparing spiritually for Easter. It's true that no one likes any kind of lock down or restrictions on our freedom, but we know for sure they are for our own physical and spiritual wellbeing. Once an Old Chief told his grandchildren, "there are two Wolves fighting inside me- one is vicious, bad, angry, unforgiving, biting, gossiping, greedy, Jealous – the other is kind, cares for others, makes peace, kind, compassionate, forgiving". The grandchildren asked, "which wolf is going to win"? The old chief said: "Whichever one I feed". Lent means to open myself to Jesus more and more, to struggle against the bad wolf in me, trying really hard to live like Jesus. In the book of Genesis 3:8 we read "The man and his wife heard the sound of Yahweh walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from Yahweh among the trees of the garden". Lent is the time to come out to hear the voice of God and not hide from Him. In the Gospel of Mark 7:34 we read "Then looking up to heaven he (Jesus) sighed; and said to him, Ephphatha, that is Be opened". Jesus invites us to 'Be open' to his voice in the Holy Mass as well as through the reading of the Holy Bible, other spiritual readings and spiritual exercises. As we enter the season of lent, let's make a sincere effort not feed the bad wolf but the good wolf. My prayerful blessing to everyone on your Lenten spiritual journey.



Fr Siby John, SAC

LENTEN SPIRITUAL RENEWAL JOURNEY 2021

With Fr Pat Jackson, SAC

A series of Sessions for our Parishes

Tuesday, 23 February, 7.00pm— St Kevin's
 Wednesday, 3 March, 7.00pm— St Patrick's
 Tuesday, 9 March, 7.00pm— St Kevin's
 Wednesday, 17 March, 7.00pm— St Patrick's
 Tuesday, 23 March, 7.00pm— St Kevin's

Note: All evenings begin with 7.00pm Holy Mass followed by one hour session.

Prayer during the Year of St Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
 Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
 To you God entrusted his only Son;
 in you Mary placed her trust;
 with you Christ became man.



Blessed Joseph, to us too,
 show yourself a father
 and guide us in the path of life.
 Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
 and defend us from every evil. Amen.

ONLINE BOOKING FOR WEEKEND MASSES

Weekend Mass goers are required to book through Trybooking (details below) to secure a place.

St Patrick's	St Kevin's
8.30am Mass- www.trybooking.com/BOQFA	6.00pm Vigil Mass- www.trybooking.com/BOQEQ
5.00pm Mass- www.trybooking.com/BOQFL	10.30am Mass- www.trybooking.com/BOQFI
<i>Booking times: 7.00am Monday to 5.00pm Saturday</i>	<i>Booking times: 7.00am Monday to 10.00am Saturday</i>

For online booking assistance, contact **Pious Joseph (0415343821)** for St Patrick's Murrumbena and **Vince Aquende (0400949914)** for St Kevin's Ormond.

If all spaces were not taken, parishioners can use QR code in the churches before Mass starts.

There will not be any manual booking for Weekend Masses. You are required to come 15 minutes early to check in.

For Weekday Masses, there is no online booking, you can either manual book on arrival or use QR code in the church.

Fitted Mask in the church is mandatory until further notice.

Ash
Wednesday



MASS TIMES:
9.15am — St Kevin's Church
12.30pm — St Patrick's School
7.00pm — St Patrick's Church

FOR THE INFORMATION OF PARISHIONERS—LENT 2021

An extract from the Vicar General's Letter

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fasting and Abstinence from meat.

On all other Fridays, except solemnities, the law of the common practice of penance is fulfilled by performing any one of the following:

- Prayer-** for example, Mass attendance; family prayer; a visit to a church or chapel; reading the Bible; making the Stations of the Cross; praying the Rosary; or in other ways.
- Self-Denial-** for example, not eating meat; not eating sweets or dessert; giving up entertainment to spend time with the family; limiting food and drink so as to give to the poor of one's own country or elsewhere; or in other ways. Project Compassion is a major means of expressing our self-denial in Australia.
- Helping Others-** for example, special attention to someone who is poor, sick, elderly, lonely or overburdened; or in other ways.

Father Joe Caddy, AM
VICAR GENERAL

The full text of the Letter is available in the church foyer

St Patrick's Church cleaning on Fridays after Mass.

You are welcome to join.



Reading Roster for Next Weekend— 20-21 February 2021

St Kevin's	St Patrick's
Sat. 6pm Vigil— Rosemary McGeoch and David Zammit	Sun. 8.30am- Philip De Rose and John Murtagh
Sun. 10.30am- Margaret McGill	Sun. 5.00pm— Maree Nailon and Elena Perrotta