

# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF MENTONE - PARKDALE

## SAINT PATRICK - SAINT JOHN VIANNEY



5th Sunday of Easter (Year C) : 19th May 2019

### FATHER MICHAEL'S MESSAGE

*One month to a bitter social change*

One month from today, 19<sup>th</sup> June, voluntary assisted dying will become legal in Victoria. We must recognize that this euphemism (VAD) attempts to mask that killing will be legal, that society will undergo radical change for the worse, that we need to learn from other's mistakes, and that it makes a mockery of our attempts at suicide prevention.

### KILLING

"Some advocates of voluntary assisted dying want to avoid terms like physician-assisted suicide because, they argue, such terms already imply moral judgements. These advocates seem implicitly to think that suicide is morally wrong.

Instead, and I am being careful to use morally neutral language here, they want killing yourself, or asking others to kill you, in certain circumstances, to be considered desirable and morally acceptable, unlike killing yourself in all other circumstances." (Bishop Tim Harris, Townsville)

The bishops of Queensland have said some people might argue against using the word "kill" because it was morally charged. "We disagree: 'murder' is morally charged; 'kill' is not. Killing is a clear descriptive verb."

"Voluntary assisted dying is the euphemistic phrase attached to the direct killing of a human for alleged humanitarian purposes. A community that kills the vulnerable, elderly, the sick, is not a progressive community, but a community of death." (Dr Timothy Coyle - 48 years' experience)

### CHANGE TO SOCIETY

"Assisted suicide and euthanasia enshrine in law a rejection of the duties we owe to others and of the claims others have upon us. It poses a threat to the social, legal, and cultural norms underlying civil society in Australia." (Peter Kurti, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for Independent Studies, Sydney, from his latest book, Euthanasia – Putting the Culture to Death)

"The sick, the elderly, the disabled, the chronically ill and the dying must never be made to feel they are a burden." (Dr Michael Gannon, former AMA president)

"Given the psychological vulnerability of the average old person, the sense they already have of being 'unproductive burdens' and the power of insensitive family or medical staff to reinforce this sense, such a decision will be made from a position of humiliation and weakness." (Dr David van Gend, Brisbane GP)

Voluntary assisted dying "creates a culture which chooses to make people dead rather than care for them in dying." (D van Gend)

"Death is a natural part of life and if the person is receiving good palliative care there really is no need for euthanasia." (T Coyle)

"The deeper question in (VAD) is how should we as individuals and as a society respond to the vulnerabilities inherent in aging and dying, inherent, in other words, in being human." (Catholic Bishops of Queensland, 2019)

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"Once termination of life is authorised the threshold is crossed. It is now much easier to liberalise the conditions governing the law. And liberalised they will be." (Paul Keating, former Prime Minister)

### OTHERS' MISTAKES

"In 2017, suicide was the leading cause of death in Australia among people aged between 15-44 years, and the second leading cause of death among those 45-54 years of age." (Aust. Bureau of Statistics)

"If we are rightly concerned about high rates of suicide, then surely we should also be concerned about claims that some circumstances make suicide legitimate? If we are consistent, our first concern is to

work out what we can do to help a person live whatever life they have in a meaningful way." (D van Gend)

"Supply has created demand. A culture of euthanasia undermines our capacity to deal with suffering, and that is very bad for society." (Theo Boer, Dutch bioethicist, who initially supported euthanasia, 2018)

According to Victoria's new assisted suicide laws, in order for a patient to access the assisted suicide regime, two doctors must agree that their terminal illness would otherwise kill them within 12 months.

When 54 year-old Victorian Troy Thornton could not find two doctors to do so, he flew to Switzerland and took his life. In the last hours of his life, Thornton explained why the Victorian laws had to "evolve" to include people like him – that "the focus on being terminal is wrong. It's about the right to choose how you die, no matter how old you are, no matter what sickness, or non-sickness you've got."

"A danger with concentrating only on the possible consequences is that we may tacitly accept the idea that encouraging or assisting suicide for seriously ill people would be a good thing if only it could be controlled. What is missing is the deeper question of the meaning of inherent human dignity, especially in relation to disability or various forms of practical dependence, and the human solidarity that is expressed or undermined by our actions." (David Albert Jones professor at St Mary's University, Twickenham, UK)

In the Netherlands, there was an 8% increase in demands for assisted suicide in 2017. In Quebec last year, in the first year of operation of a VAD law, the estimate of 100 deaths was surpassed fourfold – 400 deaths.

### CONCLUSION

**"PALLIATIVE CARE IS THE TRUE FORM OF ASSISTED DYING – ANYTHING ELSE IS ASSISTED KILLING"**

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# Notices for Parish Bulletin to the Parish Office by 12 noon Thursday

## Anniversaries

Alwin Arumainayagam, Eileen Nicholas, Thomas Walshe, Shirley Booker, Emilio Callegher, Marcelle & John Brennan, Graeme Riddle

## Prayer for the Sick



Bill Nixon, Yvonne Provis, Lindsay Brown, Jayden Beyrooti, Darren Lacey, Ann Curtain, Greg McLeod, John Hannan, Maureen Oswald, Jim Lacey, Patricia Walker, Rita Buckner,

Carmen Lotzniker, Hector Burra, Patricia M, Patricia Power, Nanette Woodbridge, Sebastian Wolfenden, Ellen Farrugia-Merlo, Monica Alderton, Anthony Mannion, Paul Smiles, John Wong and those on our continuing prayer list.

(PLEASE LET US KNOW IF A NAME SHOULD BE REMOVED)

## Prayer / Meditation

### Adoration of the Blessed

#### Sacrament:

Each day the Church is open from 8:30am to 6:00pm. Please choose a time (1/2 hour) to spend in Adoration. Each Friday the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration following the 9:15am Mass until 4:30pm, when Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is given.



### Rosary:

1. In St Patrick's Church the Rosary is prayed each day before morning Mass at 8:45am. All welcome.
2. The Rosary is also prayed on Thursday after 10:30am OLSC Mass and on Wednesday evenings, 5pm at Bridie's (9585 5142).

### Divine Mercy Devotions:

Are held in St Patrick's Church each Friday at 3:00pm, with the exception of Good Friday.



### Pope's Intentions: May 2019 The Church in Africa, a Seed of Unity

That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.

### Vocation View

God has chosen to dwell with us. Share your gifts with others to reveal his presence.

*Please pray for Vocations*

## Parish Events

### Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal - this weekend: 18/19 May

The 2019 Melbourne Catholic Archbishop's Charitable Fund – Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal, is focused on health care chaplaincy. Health care chaplains offer emotional, spiritual and sacramental support to patients and their families in Melbourne's major public hospitals, as well as hospitals in regional Victoria. The focus for 2019 is health care Chaplaincy. Health care chaplains offer emotional, spiritual and sacramental support to patients and their families. We are encouraged to offer prayers and a financial donation to help provide continued spiritual and emotional comfort to families facing illness, pain, grief and death.

### Reflection on "Christus Vivit" - Christ Lives

Pope Francis wants us to be alive no matter what age you are - Anyone interested in joining a prayer group each Thursday with reflections on "Christus Vivit" after 9:15am Mass. Please contact Sr Damian.

### Caritas; Project Compassion

Caritas has asked all parishes to return donations by 31st May 2019. This is so that all donations are accounted for and processed by 30th June as required by ATO.

**We request that you return your donations to the parish by next weekend 25/26 May** to assist parish office staff to comply with the above.



### Adult Classes in the Catholic Faith

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS) Is a process for preparing and welcoming new members into the Catholic Church.

Please contact Fr Michael if you are interested, 9583 2103

## 25/26 MAY 2019

### Parish of Mentone-Parkdale

#### Rosters

#### Readers:

- 6:00 pm - T Dillon (SP)  
9:00 am - N Perazzo, A Berghella (SJV)  
11:00 am - S Tobin (SP)  
5:00 pm - K Ady (SP)

#### Extraordinary Ministers:

- 6:00 pm - B Foley, H Foley (SP)  
9:00 am - G Sullivan (SJV)  
11:00 am - A Earle, A Iorianni (SP)  
5:00 pm - M Haryanto (SP)

#### Procession of Gifts

- 6:00 pm - B Campbell, J Renden (SP)  
9:00 am - Torpey Family (SJV)  
11:00 am - D Zuccala, J Vernon (SP)

#### Extraordinary Minister to the Sick

B Fitchet (SJV)

#### Counters: Team 10

T Busuttill, J Camerino  
C Burn

#### Sacristans:

#### St Patrick's - Group 2

N Goodwin, J Dillon  
F & J O'Donoghue (SJV)

#### Flowers:

G Costanzo (SJV)

#### Pilgrim Statues:

##### This Week:

Michael Family (SP)

##### Next Week:

Dillon Family, I Lachlan St (SP)

##### This Week:

Fitchet Family, 15 Belle Cres (SJV)

##### Next Week:

Pereira Family, 45 Warren Rd (SJV)

#### Adoration Roster:

Week 4 - St John Vianney

#### 1st Collection:

Presbytery: \$1,680.65

#### 2nd Collection:

Thanksgiving: \$1,954.04  
Loose Money: \$490.00

# Parish and Diocesan News

## Parish Events

### Parish Seniors Group Luncheon

St Patrick's and St John Vianney's parishioners and friends are invited to lunch at the **Longbeach RSL**, 4 Thames Promenade, **Chelsea** (see map on noticeboard in either church) on **Thursday, 20 June from 12:00 noon.**

**RSVP** by either –

· leaving a message with **David Carson** on **0419 001 968** no later than the Tuesday prior to lunch; OR

· adding your name to the **list** on the **noticeboard** inside the front doors of **St Patrick's Church.** Travelling by train? Meet on **Platform 2** at Mentone Station to catch the **11:30am** train to Chelsea where the station exit is towards the rear of the train.

### St Patrick's Church Choir

CD's and DVD's from the Easter Triduum will be available soon. Please leave your details at the Parish Office if interested in purchasing a copy.  
9583 2103.



### Kilbreda College 2019 Past Pupils of Distinction Awards.

If you know an outstanding past pupil from Kilbreda College, we encourage you to nominate them as a **Past Pupil of Distinction.** The criteria to be addressed when nominating a person are:

- Outstanding success in their life and career,
- Made a positive difference in the lives of others,
- Embodies Kilbreda College's motto of *Strength and Kindliness.*

#### Nominations close 14 June

You can submit your nominations at [www.kilbreda.edu.au](http://www.kilbreda.edu.au)

For all enquiries, please contact Denise Leonard at [denise127@optusnet.com.au](mailto:denise127@optusnet.com.au)

### Cuppa & Chat - Mentone

All parishioners are invited for a cup of tea or coffee following the 9:30am OLSC and 11:00am Masses **each** Sunday.



### St Bede's College 50 Plus years

**Friday 21st June, 11:30am** in the Function Room at St Bede's College (best entry via Gate 7 Palermo Street). Meet at St Bede's College for a tour before heading to The Mentone RSL over the road for lunch. Cost \$50. Contact: Jo Hynes 9582 5999  
**Bookings:** [www.trybooking.com/bayzz](http://www.trybooking.com/bayzz)

## Other Events

### Cause of Sainthood for the Blessed Margaret Pole

**Tuesday 28 May 6.30pm**  
**St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne**

Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Peter Elliott.

'Margaret died for the Faith. She was a martyr who died courageously because she was the target of *odium fidei*, or hatred of the faith, and that was the judgement of Pope Leo XIII in 1886 when he beatified Margaret Pole, the Countess of Salisbury. Inspired by her Australian descendant, the Earl of Loudoun, we pray in this Mass that she will be raised to the altars of Holy Church as Saint Margaret Pole. May she pray for us as we gather to promote her just cause.' – Bishop Peter Elliott



**RSVP:** Cause of Sainthood for Blessed Margaret Pole, C/O PO Box 2118, CAMBERWELL WEST 3123

### In Conversation with the Trinity of Love: A weekend Retreat with Elizabeth Delbridge

**Friday 31 May, 7pm, to Sunday 2 June, 3pm, Campion Centre of Ignatian Spirituality, 99 Studley Park Road, Kew**

Ignatius had a vision of the Trinity as 'like three keys on a keyboard'. We will use reflective collage as a devotional practice, as a way to respond to God. No experience is necessary as we are led step by step from contemplation in prayer to an active response expressed on the page. Treat it like an experiment — trust the process and let it unfold. How might we engage in prayerful conversation with the Holy Three using images that emerge from and enhance our prayers?

**Cost:** \$290 live-in, \$190 live-out

**Bookings:** [secretary@campion.asn.au](mailto:secretary@campion.asn.au) or 9854 8110



*"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; just as I have loved you, that you also love one another.*

*John 13:34.*

### Mass for Expectant Mothers

**Sunday 2 June, 11am**

**St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne**

The Life, Marriage and Family Office warmly invites all expectant mothers and their families to the Mass for Expectant Mothers. The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli at St Patrick's Cathedral.

**Registrations:** 9287 5587

or [www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily](http://www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily) or [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au).

Please note that registration closes on **Friday 24 May.** Expectant mothers who register will receive a small token of recognition.

### Woolworths Earn and Learn

The Earn and Learn Program through Woolworths is running again this year. If you or any of your family and friends shop at Woolworths ask them to collect the stickers for our two schools.

St John Vianney school share their points with their sister school in Indonesia.

The St John Vianney box is outside Woolies at Thrift Park.

In 2001, the Commonwealth and Victorian Governments introduced legislation that deals with the manner in which public and private sector organisations may record, use, store and disclose information, including health information, collected from individuals. This parish is committed to upholding and implementing the Privacy Principles set out in legislation. A copy of the Parish Policy is available by contacting the Parish Office.

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# The Liturgy for the Fifth Sunday of Easter Year C: 19th May 2019

## Mass Response

Psalm Response: I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, Alleluia!**  
I give you a new commandment;  
Love one another as I have loved you. **Alleluia**

Memorial Acclamation: We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection, until you come again.

Legend: "CWBII" Catholic Worship Book II

### 6:00 pm Vigil Mass (Saturday) - St Patrick's

Mass Setting: Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians - Connolly  
Gloria - Ostrowski  
Entrance: CWBII 443  
Offertory: words CWBII 552, tune 449  
Communion: CWBII 381  
Recessional: CWBII 519

### 9:00am (Sunday) - St John Vianney's

Mass Setting: Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians - Connolly  
Gloria - Ostrowski  
Entrance: CWBII 443  
Offertory: words CWBII 552, tune 449  
Communion: CWBII 564  
Recessional: CWBII 363

### 11:00am Choral Mass (Sunday) - St Patrick's

Mass Setting: Community Mass - Proulx  
Entrance: CWBII 312  
Offertory: *This joyful Eastertide* - Wood  
Communion: *Jesus bleibet meine Freude* — J.S. Bach  
CWBII 519  
Recessional: *Basse et dessus de trompette* from  
*Livre d'orgue* - Louis-Nicolas Clerambault  
Sina Mehdifar - organ

### 5:00 pm (Sunday) - St Patrick's

Mass Setting: Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians - Connolly  
Entrance: CWBII 443  
Offertory: words CWBII 552, tune 449  
Communion: CWBII 564  
Recessional: CWBII 363

### Readings Next Week:

#### Sixth Sunday of Easter: Year C

Acts: 15:1-2. 22-29  
Apocalypse: 21:10-14. 22-23  
John: 14:23-29

### MASSES THIS WEEK

(SP) St Patrick's Church; (SJV) St John Vianney's Church

#### WEEK DAY MORNING MASSES

**Monday, 20th May NO MASS**

**Tuesday, 21st May**

9:15 am (SP) Optional: St Christopher Magallanes,  
priest, and companions, martyrs

**Wednesday, 22nd May**

9:15 am (SP) Optional: St Rita of Cascia, religious  
10:30 am (SJV) Mass

**Thursday, 23rd May**

9:15 am (SP) Thursday of the 5th week of Easter  
10:30am (SP) **Ordinariate Mass**

**Friday, 24th May**

9:15 am (SP) Solemnity: Our Lady Help of Christians  
5:15 pm (SJV) Mass

**Saturday, 25th May**

9:15 am (SP) Optional: St Bede the Venerable,  
priest, doctor

#### WEEKEND MASSES

(Vigil) Saturday: 6:00 pm (SP)  
Sunday: 9:00 am (SJV)  
Sunday: 9:30 am (SP) **Ordinariate Mass**  
Sunday: 11:00 am (SP) (Choral Mass)  
Sunday: 5:00 pm (SP)

#### RECONCILIATION

After the 9:15 am Mass on Wednesday & Saturday  
mornings (SP) and 5:15 pm Saturday (SP)

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT  
THIS FRIDAY: BENEDICTION 4:30 (SP)**