

The First Sunday of Advent, Year C : 28 November 2021

Mass Response

- Psalm Response: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.
- Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, Alleluia!**
Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation. **Alleluia!**
- Memorial Acclamation: We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection, until you come again.

6:00 pm Vigil Mass (Saturday) - St Patrick's and 9:00am (Sunday) - St John Vianney's

- Entrance: O come, O come, Emmanuel
- Mass Setting: Mass in Honour of St Ralph Sherwin - Ostrowski **(6pm only)** Mass of our Lady Help of Christians **(9am only)**
- Offertory: Come, thou long-expected Jesus
- Communion: Hark! A herald voice is calling **(6pm only)**
- Recessional: Hark! A herald voice is calling **(9am only)**
- Postlude: *Präludium und Fuga in G BuxWV 149* – Dietrich Buxtehude **(6pm only)**

11.00am Choral Mass (Sunday) - St Patrick's

- Entrance: O come, O come, Emmanuel
- Mass Setting: *Gloria* - Ostrowski
St Anne's Mass – James Macmillan
- Offertory: Come, thou long-expected Jesus
- Communion: *Wachet auf! Ruft uns die Stimme* – Jacob Praetorius
- Recessional: Hark! A herald voice is calling

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

- Entrance: O come, O come, Emmanuel
- Mass Setting: Mass of our Lady Help of Christians - Connolly
- Offertory: Come, thou long-expected Jesus
- Communion: Hark! A herald voice is calling
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MASSES THIS WEEK

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

WEEK DAY MORNING MASSES

- Monday, 29th** NO MASS
- Tuesday, 30th** 9:15 am (SP) Feast: St Andrew, apostle
- Wednesday, 1st December** 9:15 am (SP) Wednesday of 1st week of Advent
10:30 am (SJV) Mass
- Thursday, 2nd** 9:15 am (SP) Thursday of 1st week of Advent
10:30 am (SJV) **Ordinate Mass cancelled for today.**
- Friday, 3rd** 9:15 am (SP) Memorial: St Francis Xavier, priest
5:15 pm (SJV) Mass
- Saturday, 4th** 9:15 am (SP) Saturday of 1st week of Advent

WEEKEND MASSES

- (Vigil) Saturday: 6:00pm (SP)
- Sunday: 9:00am (SJV)
- Sunday: 9:30am (Ordinate Mass) (SP)
- Sunday: 11.00am (Choral Mass) (SP)
- Sunday: 5:00pm (SP)

RECONCILIATION

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

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

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF MENTONE - PARKDALE

SAINT PATRICK - SAINT JOHN VIANNEY



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For Catholics, the new Liturgical Year commences with the first Sunday of Advent. In this new liturgical year, the Church not only wishes to indicate the beginning of a period, but the beginning of a renewed commitment to the faith by all those who follow Christ, the Lord. This time of prayer and path of penance that is so powerful, rich and intense, endeavours to give us a renewed impetus to truly welcome the message of the One who was incarnated for us. In fact, the entire Liturgy of the Advent season, will spur us to an awakening in our Christian life and will put us in a 'vigilant' disposition, to wait for Our Lord Jesus who is coming:

'Awaken! Remember that God comes! Not yesterday, not tomorrow, but today, now! The one true God, "the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob", is not a God who is there in Heaven, unconcerned with us and our history, but he is the God-who-comes.'

The Season of Advent is therefore a season of vigilant waiting, that prepares us to welcome the mystery of the Word Incarnate, who will give the 'Light' to the womb of the Virgin Mary, but essentially this time prepares us not only to welcome this great event but to incarnate it in our lives. We could say that the true light enters the world through the immaculate womb of Mary but it does not stay there. On the contrary, this light flows out into our dark, obscure, sinful lives to illuminate them, so that we can become the light that illuminates the world. For this reason, let us live this time of waiting not only to celebrate a historical memory but to

repeat this memory in our lives and in the service of others. To wait for the Lord who comes, means to wait and to watch so that the Word of Love enters inside us and focuses us every day of our lives.

As Blessed John Henry Newman reminded us in a homily for the Advent Season: "Advent is a time of waiting, it is a time of joy because the coming of Christ is not only a gift of grace and salvation but it is also a time of commitment because it motivates us to live the present as a time of responsibility and vigilance. This 'vigilance' means the necessity, the urgency of an industrious, living 'wait'. To make all this happen, then we need to wake up, as we are warned by the apostle to the Gentiles, in today's reading to the Romans: 'Besides this you know what hour it is, how it is full time now for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed'" (Rm 13:11).

We must start our journey to ascend to the mountain of the Lord, to be illuminated by His Words of peace and to allow Him to indicate the path to tread (cf. Is 2:1-5). Moreover, we must change our conduct abandoning the works of darkness and put on the 'armour of light' and so seek only to do God's work and to abandon the deeds of the flesh (cf. Rm 13:12-14). Jesus, through the story in the parable, outlines the Christian life style that must not be distracted and indifferent but must be vigilant and recognize even the smallest sign of the Lord's coming because we don't know the hour in which He will arrive (cf. Mt 24:39-44)

Kenshi candles

Please support our parish through the purchase of a Kenshi candle for \$38. Final orders will be taken up to **December 16** depending on availability of stock.

The range of scents are:

- . Caramel & Vanilla
- . Coconut & Lime
- . Frangipani & Jasmine
- . Gardenia & Lily
- . Passionfruit & Lime
- . Sage & Sea Salt
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Orders can be placed through either email to mpecandles@bigpond.com OR directly to the church office OR through the Sunday mass collections as described below.

Placing your order and payment Ordering by Email

Step 1: mpecandles@bigpond.com
Step 2: Include your name, the scents ordered and the date of your payment.
Step 3: Payment is to the church account: BSB: 083-347 and Account Number 68-156-2913. Please place your surname in the reference field.

Cash orders or orders by Cheque can be made through a sealed envelope with your name, contact and candle order details clearly written on the front: placed in either the first or second collections, or directly to the church office during opening hours on a weekday. You will be notified of a collection time for your candles.

Ordination to the Priesthood

Dear Parishioners,
God had appointed me to St Patrick's and St John's as a deacon to introduce me to priestly ministry. Despite the set-backs I have learnt a lot from the priests' and the faithful here on what it means to be a priest of Jesus Christ. A week from now, I will be ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Melbourne and it would be an honour for me if the community here could be there. **10am, St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne.**

Kind regards,
Rev. Jaycee Napoles

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Recently Deceased

Fr Christopher Seton OLSC

Anniversaries

Fr Anthony Kenny, Lawrence Cornelius, Jim Soulsby

Prayer for the Sick

We pray for those

who are sick. Fr Alex Lim, Vanessa, Mary Taylor, Brad Castricum, Melissa Tonkin, Joy Websdale, Vicki Rhodes, Jim Lacey, Chris Taylor



We pray for all who care for the sick and worry about them.

Vocation View

Make your decision to follow Jesus during THIS Advent Season. Delaying until "one" of these days is "none" of these days. Follow now

Please pray for Vocations

Prayer / Meditation

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Each day the Church is open from 8:30 am 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.



1st Collection:

Presbytery: \$1,251.45

2nd Collection

Thanksgiving: \$3,378.00

Loose Money: \$366.70

Parish Events

Visiting Parishioners with

Communion

Volunteers are being sought who can take Communion to parishioners in our parish who are unable to attend Mass. Taking Communion to these parishioners can occur directly after a Mass on a weekend or weekday. For more information, contact the Parish office during office hours, phone 9583 2103.

Also, if you know of a parishioner, or parishioners, who are unable to attend Mass, and who would wish to be visited and offered Communion at home, please provide those details to the Parish office during office hours. Thank you.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

SVDP East Parkdale Conference will celebrate our 50th Anniversary on **Sunday 28th November**. Please join us in the Mass and then a cuppa and a catch up after Mass.

VINNIES CHRISTMAS APPEAL

St Vincent De Paul Mentone and East Parkdale will hold our annual Christmas Appeal on **Sunday 28th November**.

Envelopes will be available at each of the Masses across the weekend. If you would you like to contribute to our Christmas Appeal and would like to donate online, please do so by visiting <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/donation-hub> Please remember to indicate who you are donating to Mentone or Parkdale East

A very big thank you from the Mentone and Parkdale Vinnies

NOTE:

The 10.30 am Ordinariate Mass next Thursday, December 2nd has been cancelled. The clergy will be attending the funeral Mass of Fr Christopher Seton OLSC, at Holy Cross Church, South Caulfield, at 11 am.

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Rosters

Readers:

6:00 pm - P Mount (SP)
9:00 am - B Fitchet, B Atherton (SJV)
11:00 am - S Tobin (SP)
5:00 pm - V Mathers (SP)

Extraordinary Ministers:

6:00 J Mount (SP)
9:00 J O'Donoghue (SJV)
11:00 am - My-Nga Ly (SP)
5:00 pm - A Moore (SP)

Sacristan (SJV):

D Atherton

Extraordinary Minister to the Sick (SJV):

J O'Donoghue

Readings next week: Second Sunday of Advent Year C

Baruch: 5:1-9

Philippians: 1:3-6,8-11

Luke: 3:1-6

Rosary:

1. In St Patrick's Church the Rosary is prayed each day before morning Mass at 8:40am. All welcome.
2. The Rosary is also prayed on Thursday after 10:40am OLSC Mass and on Wednesday evenings, 3pm at Bridie's (9585 5142)

Thanksgiving Envelopes

The next issue of envelopes is in the church foyer for collection. They are in alphabetical order.



Thank you to everyone for your continued support.

HYMNS

Entrance Hymn:

O come, O come, Emmanuel!

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here,
until the Son of God appear.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to you, O Israel.*

O come, true wisdom from on high,
and order all things far and nigh;
to us the path of knowledge show,
and teach us in her ways to go.

O come, O come, great Lord of might,
in ancient times on Sinai's height
you gave your chosen tribes the law,
in cloud and majesty and awe.

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Offertory Hymn:

Come, O long expected Jesus

Come, O long expected Jesus,
born to set your people free;
from our fears and sins release us,
in your heart our rest shall be.

Israel's strength and consolation,
hope to all you shall impart;
dear desire of ev'ry nation,
joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Born, your people to deliver,
born a child and yet a king,
born to reign in us for ever,
now your gracious kingdom bring.

By your own eternal Spirit
rule in all our hearts alone;
by your all-sufficient merit
raise us to your glorious throne.

Charles Wesley, alt. / Public Domain

Communion Hymn:

(6pm only)

Hark! a herald voice is calling

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"Christ is near," it seems to say;
"cast away the dreams of darkness,
waken, children of the day!"

See, the Lamb so long expected
comes with pardon now from heav'n;
let us meet him with repentance,
pray that we may be forgiv'n.

So, when next he comes in glory,
and earth's final hour draws near,
may he then as our defender
on the clouds of heav'n appear.

Honour, glory, virtue, merit,
to the Father and the Son,
with the co-eternal Spirit,
while unending ages run.

Latin probably 9th century tr
Edward Caswall alt. / Public Domain

Recessional Hymn:

(9am & 11am)

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