# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF MENTONE - PARKDALE

### SAINT PATRICK - SAINT JOHN VIANNEY



6th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A): 16th February 2020

## PREEMINENCE OF THE MASS AS A LITURGICAL ACTION

The Eucharistic Action In The Presence Of of the sacrifice of the Cross are being The Blessed Sacrament enacted.

Part Two: Principles from Ecclesiology and The liturgy is the 'source and summit' of the Church's life (Vatican II, Decree on the

Last week, I drew on the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (2012) to reflect on the essence of the Mass, our Eucharistic celebration.

GIRM emphasizes that there are many ministries to be carried out by both ordained and baptized members of the local Church that has assembled for the liturgical celebration.

GIRM also gives the Church a handy synthesis of our Tradition about the nature of the sacrifice of the Mass. This week, I turn to how we actually carry out the celebration.

I've noticed many variations of behaviour among us regarding whether or not to genuflect when approaching the sanctuary of the church during the celebration of Mass. I imagine that there is uncertainty in people's minds, so here is the background for the procedure that I will describe next week.

With two exceptions, GIRM #274 requires that nobody who enters upon the sanctuary in a ministerial role genuflects. Why is this?

The exceptions are the entrance and recessional processions, and genuflections performed only by the ordained ministers. Why would others not genuflect? The short answer is that, while the Mass is

being celebrated, the reverences are made to the altar table on which the memorial of the Last Supper and the re-presentation of the sacrifice of the Cross are being enacted.

The liturgy is the 'source and summit' of the Church's life (Vatican II, Decree on the Sacred Liturgy, #7). Our devotional life is laudable, but it is not the 'source and summit' of the Church's life.

The Mass takes precedence over our devotion to the Reserved Sacrament in the tabernacle. The Mass is an action of the assembled faithful of the Church, presided by a bishop or priest.

Advisor for the translators of the Roman Missal, Paul Turner, explains clearly: "The point of the Mass is to participate in the miracle that will take place on the altar, not to exercise devotions to the reserved Blessed Sacrament." P. Turner Let us Pray. A Guide to the Rubrics of Sunday Mass #171, p 42

In the church building, the altar is the powerful symbol of Christ. The altar "in the gathering of the faithful will signify to the faithful the one Christ and the one Eucharist of the Church." (GIRM # 303) It is the table of the sacrifice of the Cross that inaugurates the Paschal Mystery of salvation.

Because it represents Christ whose name means 'the Anointed (by the Spirit at his baptism)', a new altar is anointed when the bishop consecrates it.

The altar "represents Christ Jesus, the living stone. (I Pet 2:4; cf. Eph 2:20)" (GIRM #298)

The altar is also the symbol of the table Christ shared at the Last Supper with his apostles, as well as being a symbol of the table of the heavenly banquet. (GIRM #296)

Taking into account all these considerations, it is clear that the altar is reverenced while Mass is being celebrated. It is no lack of respect that the altar is reverenced rather than the Reserved Sacrament. For it is on the altar, during the celebration of the Eucharist, that the summit of the church's activity is carried out (Vatican II, Decree on the Sacred Liturgy #7).

The incensation of the altar at the commencement of Mass is an act of reverence for this piece of furniture that possesses great symbolic significance. The incensation prepares the altar for the celebration of the liturgical mystery which is beginning to be celebrated.

It is incensed again once the gifts of bread and wine are placed upon the altar. This is because the gifts are now ready so that they may become the sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ when the Eucharistic Prayer is recited over them.

The incensations of the ordained minister and of the faithful may also be understood as a recognition that these anointed ones (by baptism and ordination) are disposed to offer themselves with Christ, and that the priest is deputed to represent Christ in the sacramental mystery. Also, this disposition is expressed representatively when some of the congregation carry out the Procession of the Gifts.

Next week: correct reverence of the altar and of the Reserved Sacrament.

Here are the plans for Bushfire Recovery assistance from CatholicCare.



We will have a special collection next weekend

CatholicCare Melbourne has been supporting Gippsland families since 2013 when we commenced management of the social service agency of the Diocese of Sale.

A key feature of the Bushfire Community Recovery Service for East Gippsland is that it is flexible and responsive to needs. Community Development workers will deliver tailored programs that strengthen community connections and resilience. It will provide therapeutic counselling, community development and pastoral care.

Counsellors and Chaplains will work with individuals and families.

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

### **Recently Deceased**

Jacobus Van Wees

### **Anniversaries**

Owen Finegan, Mary Pat Hubert, Angela Sampieri, Janine Hall, Steven Ward, James Ward, John Mardling

### **Prayer for the Sick**



Deacon Dr Joe Leach, Elaine Young, Frank Sampieri, Catherine Ternent, Gerald Kenny, Clodagh Dowley, Maroa Shelton, Paul Geri, Lisa Ambrosi, Nick Quill, Theresa Ahearn, Kathleen Cerato, Ron

Brown, Nancy Lopez, 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 Power, Nanette Woodbridge, Sebastian Wolfenden, Ellen Farrugia-Merlo, Anthony Mannion, Peter Zickert.

(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:

I. 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.

Ist Collection:

Presbytery: \$1,557.30

2nd Collection:

Thanksgiving: \$4,525.34 Loose Money: \$459.55

#### **Vocation View**

God in his wisdom predestined our glory before the ages began. Some people he predestines to be priests or religious might you be one of them?

Listen to the call!

**Pray for Vocations** 



Pope's Intentions: February 2020 Universal prayer intention -Listen to the Migrants' Cries

We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

### **Parish Events**

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM

To Catholic Parents whose children are not attending catholic schools:
This Sunday I6th February and also
23rd February at 10am in the Parish
Centre meeting room. Registration for parents whose children would wish to join the Sacramental Preparation Program for First Reconciliation.

## THE BIBLE STUDY AND SHARING GROUP

The Bible Study and Sharing Group has resumed. Meet each Thursday at 2pm in the Parish Centre.

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#### **CUPPA & CHAT**

Come along following morning Mass each Sunday (open after 9.30am Mass) to enjoy a Cuppa & Chat in the comfort of the new **Parish Community Centre.** 

# Parish Working Bee arranged by the Knights of the Southern Cross

There will be a gardening / working bee around St Patrick's Presbytery and Parish Community Centre on **Saturday 22nd February between 10am and 12 noon.** 

All are welcome to attend. Wear suitable outdoor work clothing, bring gardening gloves and any other gardening tools you may wish to use.

We will be having a working bee at the Parish on the fourth Saturday of each month. We hope to see you there.

### **22/23 FEBRUARY 2020**

### Parish of Mentone-Parkdale

### Rosters

### **Readers:**

6:00 pm - T Dillon (SP) 9:00 am - G Shea, A Berghella (SJV) 11:00 am - S Tobin (SP) 5:00 pm - N Hadzi (SP)

### **Extraordinary Ministers:**

6:00 pm - J Mount, P Mount (SP) 9:00 am - M Webster (SJV) 11:00 am - T Mengle, C DSouza (SP) 5:00 pm - M Haryanto (SP)

### **Procession of Gifts:**

6:00 pm - B Hickey, E Hoare (SP) 9:00 am - Hoppe Family (SJV) 11:00 am - G & J Kelly (SP)

### **Extraordinary Minister to the Sick:**

D Kidner (SJV)

### Flowers:

A Berghella (SJV)

### Counters: Team 2

H Commins, M Jensen S Stewart, B John

### Sacristans:

St Patrick's - Group 5 L Marshall, A loviero St John Vianney's B Fitchett

### **Pilgrim Statues:**

This Week:
Burford Family, 14 Stawell St (SP)
Next Week:
Soulsby Family, 21 Balcombe Rd (SP)

This Week:
Pereira Family (SJV)
Next Week:
Byrne Family (SJV)

### **Adoration Roster:**

Week 3 - Pope Pius X

### 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 **Mordy HQ** (Mordialloc Sporting Club) 528 Main Street (next door to St Brigid's Presbytery) on **Thursday, 27 February** from **12 noon.** 

RSVP by either -

- leaving a message with **David Carson** on **0419 001 968** no later than 1:00pm on the <u>Tuesday</u> prior to lunch;
- · adding your name to **the list** on the **noticeboard** inside the front doors of St Patrick's church.

You may find that, while level crossing removal works at Mentone are under way, taking the **903 bus** better than catching the train; especially, as the walk from the bus terminus to **MordyHQ** is far more direct and about half that from the Mordialloc train station.

Parkdale is now the nearest station with disabled parking and access to catch the train. There is ample parking available at Mordy HQ and on the road outside.

### **MEMOIR WRITING GROUP**



A meeting of the Memoir Writing Group will be held Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February (Ash Wednesday) at 10:15am in the Parish Community Centre (after the 9:15am Mass).

Any parishioner interested in finding out how to go about writing their memoir welcome to attend.

Writing your memoir is a great way to let your family and future generations know what you have done during your life and what you believe. As Catholics we can help pass onto others in the family what we believe and how our faith has affected different events and times in our lives. Remember we all have a story to tell and it is important that your family hear yours from you.

Anyone with queries can contact Jim Mount 0437 774045

Meeting sponsored by Mentone Knights of the Southern Cross

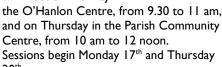
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#### **Accommodation wanted**

Are you able to offer accommodation for a single, quiet female seeking rental in the Mentone Parkdale area. If you are able to help please contact the Parish Office 9583 2103.

### Playgroup 2020 This week, two Play Groups will begin in the parish.

Named in honour of our patron saint, the Clovers Play Groups will meet on Monday in



Cost \$3– per family for cuppa. BYO child's snack/drink.

#### NO NUT PRODUCTS.

Parents/Carers to supervise children at all times.

Co-ordinator Jacinta Jones 0400 200 984.

## CATHOLIC CARE Bushfire Recovery Appeal

In partnership with the Archdiocese of Melbourne and the Diocese of Sale,

CatholicCare aims to reinstate Bushfire Community Recovery Service to help the children, youth and families of East Gippsland to rebuild their lives.



This service will support families and communities **for three years.** Our parish will be accepting your donations next weekend for the project; to help to rebuild the communities - a strong and resilient community.

Please give generously to bring hope and healing back to these devastated communities.

Envelopes will be available throughout our churches.

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.

## Other Events WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The World Day of Prayer 2020 host country is Zimbabwe and the theme is "Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk".



The World Day of

Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice

6th March 2020 at 10:30am at Parkdale Church of Christ, 176 Como Parade West

Our new representative for our Parish is Majella Webster

**Enquiries:** Coralie Scott WDP Convenor 9580 6224 at Parkdale Church of Christ or the Parish Office 9583 2103

### Youth:

## St Mary of the Cross Young Adult Group

Our Young Adults Group invites 16-35 years olds to our **launch event** on **Friday 28**<sup>th</sup> **February at 6pm** to kick start our weekly Lenten Series. Come along to meet new young people and enjoy games, music, food, scripture reading and praise! Dinner included.

Located in the Upper Room at St Brigids Church Mordialloc.

Any enquiries

email yag.stmaryofthecross@gmail.com

# Marriage Encounter Weekend Invest in your most precious asset......Your Marriage!

Married couples, come and learn how to keep/rekindle the passion in your relationship and how to keep your love growing! The weekend is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.

Next weekend is on 17-19 April 2020 in Melbourne

Other weekends on 17-19 July and 13-15 November 2020

Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided. Information/Bookings:

Phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au

Website: wwme.org.au

## 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A: 16th February 2020

### **Mass Response**

Psalm Response: (SUNG 6pm and I I am) Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord.

(9am, 5pm) Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;

you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

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: Gloria - Ostrowski

Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians - Connolly

CWBII 543 Entrance:

words CWBII 552, tune CWBII 449 Offertory:

Communion: CWBII 651

Recessional: CWBII 561

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

Gloria - Ostrowski Mass Setting:

Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians - Connolly

Entrance: CWBII 586

Offertory: words CWBII 552, tune CWBII 449

Communion: CWBII 555 Recessional: CWBII 561

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

Missa puerorum (Op. 62) - Rheinberger Mass Setting:

**CWBII 586** Entrance:

Offertory: Bonum est confiteri - Führer

Communion: Ave verum corpus - Mozart

Communion Hymn CWBII 651

CWBII 561 Recessional:

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

Mass Setting: Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians - Connolly

CWBII 491 Entrance: Offertory: CWBII 543 Communion: CWBII 555 Recessional: CWBII 561

### **Readings Next Week:** Seventh Sunday in Ordinary time: Year A

Leviticus: 19:1-2, 17-18 I Corinthians: 3: 16-23 Matthew: 5: 38-48

### **MASSES THIS WEEK**

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

### **WEEK DAY MORNING MASSES**

### Monday, 17th February **NO MASS**

Tuesday, 18th February

9:15 am (SP) 6th week in Ordinary Time

Wednesday, 19th February

9:15 am (SP) 6th week in Ordinary Time

10:30 am (SJV) Mass

Thursday, 20th February

9:15 am (SP) 6th week in Ordinary Time 10:30 am (SP) **Ordinariate Mass** 

Friday, 21st February

9:15 am (SP) Optional: St Peter Damian, bishop,

doctor

5:15 pm (SJV) Mass

Saturday, 22nd February

9:15 am (SP) Feast: The Chair of St Peter, apostle

### **WEEKEND MASSES**

(Vigil) Saturday: 6:00 pm (SP)

9:00 am (SJV) Sunday:

9:30 am (SP) Ordinariate Mass Sunday: 11:00 am (SP) (Choral Mass) Sunday:

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)