

# THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF MENTONE - PARKDALE

## SAINT PATRICK - SAINT JOHN VIANNEY



31st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B: 31 October 2021

Masses at St Patrick's and St John Vianney's this weekend (30/31 October)- no need to book

Dear Parishioners,  
It has been wonderful to see you back at church.

This weekend there will be no need to book for Mass, as St Patrick's is now permitted to hold 150 and St John Vianney's 50 parishioners.

The Mass times will be as normal, that is:  
St Patrick's - Saturday evening 6pm - Sunday 9.30am (Ordinariate), 11am and 5pm  
St John Vianney's - Sunday 9am

These Masses are for those who are fully vaccinated. Another Mass is arranged for those who have an 'unknown vaccination status', that is, are unvaccinated, have had a single vaccination or would prefer their vaccination status not to be known. Please contact me at [cameron.forbes@cam.org.au](mailto:cameron.forbes@cam.org.au) if you would like to attend this Mass, and I will contact you later today, along with those who have already registered their interest, with further details.

There will also be extra Masses at St John Vianney's at 10.30am on Monday and Tuesday to mark All Saints and All Souls Days. Many thanks to Fr Ramsay for celebrating these.

Thank you for your understanding as we working through these interim arrangements.

With best wishes and the promise of my prayers,

Fr Cameron Forbes PP

### Background on the Gospel Reading

As we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, our Lectionary skips a chapter that helps set the context for today's reading. If we were to read the sections skipped ([chapter 11](#) and part of [chapter 12](#)), we would hear about Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, his cleansing of the Temple, and the questioning of Jesus' authority by the chief priests, scribes, and elders. The context, therefore, for this Gospel is Jesus' growing exposure before the Jewish authorities. Jesus is being questioned and tested by the Jewish authorities, yet the scribe who addresses Jesus in today's Gospel seems to be an admirer; he is not testing Jesus.

The question posed in today's Gospel requires Jesus to interpret the Law of Moses. The Mosaic Law consists of the Ten Commandments and many additional commandments, numbering

*"The first is this:  
... 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'"*

*The second is this:  
'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' "*

*— Mark 12:29-31*

into the hundreds. For a devout Jew, adherence to the Mosaic Law is an expression of faithfulness to God's covenant with Israel. The ranking of these commandments was regularly debated among the teachers of the Law.

Jesus was not the only Jewish religious teacher to connect these two commandments, love of God and love of neighbour. Both of these commandments were central elements of the religious tradition that Jesus learned from his Jewish community. Indeed, these commandments continue to be

central aspects of contemporary Jewish religious understanding. Jesus' response to his questioners proposed an integral connection between these two aspects of the Jewish Law. Love of God finds its expression in our love for our neighbour. Many believe, however, that this connection was heard in a new and fresh way when spoken by Jesus.

The scribe who questions Jesus in today's Gospel engages in a positive dialogue with Jesus. He agrees with Jesus' teaching that the commandments to love God and love neighbour stand above the commandment to offer worship and sacrifice in the Temple. With this dialogue, Jesus appears to close the debate with the Jewish authorities. Mark reports that no one dared to question Jesus further.

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## Recently Deceased

### Anniversaries

Jacob & Xavier Jones

### 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. May their works of service be

### Vocation View

For all men and women now considering their vocation, that they will take heart in Jesus' call to serve Him as priests, deacons or in the consecrated life by our words of encouragement and pray-ers of support, we pray to the Lord.

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,



### 1st Collection:

Presbytery: \$1,197.60

### 2nd Collection:

Thanksgiving: \$5,938.00

Loose Money: \$240.20

## Parish Events

### Extra Masses:

Mass available on Monday at SJV at 10:30 am — All Saints  
And Tuesday at St Patrick's 9:15am and 10:30 am at SJV.

### 2022 Columbian Calendars

On Sale St Patrick's Piety Stall \$10.00 each. Piety Stall is open after 10am — 12:30am Sundays



## Other Events

### CatholicCare

New mental health service and free self-help guide!  
The demand for mental health services is becoming more and more prominent across the State, and for many regions, waiting lists to access services are becoming overwhelming long.

As a response to the increased need for mental health support, we've recently commenced a new state-wide mental health service with minimal wait times, called the Psychological Wellbeing Service (PWS).

We've also launched a free Mental Health and Wellbeing Guide created by our PWS team. Read more about our new service and download the guide below!

<https://www.catholiccarevic.org.au/news/198/new-self-help-mental-health-service-for-parents-families-and-individuals?>

## 6 / 7 November 2021

### Rosters

#### Readers:

6:00 pm - S Henning (SP)  
9:00 am - K Swadling B Atherton (SJV)  
11:00 am - My-Nga Ly (SP)  
5:00 pm - J Hughes (SP)

#### Extraordinary Ministers:

6:00 T Dillon (SP)  
9:00 M Webster (SJV)  
11:00 am - A Earle (SP)  
5:00 pm - A Moore (SP)

#### Sacristan (SJV):

D Atherton

#### Extraordinary Minister to the Sick (SJV):

J O'Donoghue

#### Flowers (SJV):

B McCann

#### Readings next week: Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

I Kings: 17:10-16

Hebrews: 9:24-28

Mark: 12:38-44

#### 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)

#### Cuppa & Chat

All are welcome each Sunday

to join us in the Par-

ish Community

Centre for a Cuppa and



On hold during lockdown

# SUNDAY READING

## **Entrance Antiphon** Cf. Ps 37:22-23

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help,  
O Lord, my strong salvation!

## **First Reading** Dt 6:2-6 A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

*Hear Israel, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.*

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

## **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 17:2-4. 47. 51. R.v.2

(R.) I love you Lord, my strength.

## **Second Reading** Heb 7:23-28 A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

*This one, because he remains for ever, has an eternal priesthood.*

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

## **Gospel Acclamation** Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

## **Gospel** Mk 12:28-34 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

*This is the first commandment, and the second is similar to it.*

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.

## **Communion Antiphon** Cf. Ps 15:11

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

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The archdiocese is committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults; a copy of our Child Safety Policy is on the noticeboard in the church foyer.

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## Mass Response

- Psalm Response: I love you, Lord, my strength.
- Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia!**  
All who love me will keep my words,  
and my Father will love them, and we will come to them. **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: CWBII 528 Joyful, joyful, we adore you  
Mass Setting: Mass in Honour of St Ralph Sherwin - Ostrowski (6pm only) Mass of our Lady Help of Christians (9am only)  
Offertory: CWBII 620 The Lord's my shepherd  
Communion: CWBII 520 In faith and hope and love (6pm only)  
Recessional: CWBII 449 Alleluia! sing to Jesus!  
Postlude: *Rhapsody no.2 Sur des Cantiques Bretons, Op.7, Camille Saint-Saëns (6pm only)*

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

- Entrance: CWBII 528 Joyful, joyful, we adore you  
Mass Setting: *Gloria - Ostrowski*  
*St Anne's Mass - James Macmillan*  
Offertory: CWBII 620 The Lord's my shepherd  
Communion: *Ave Verum, W.A. Mozart*  
Recessional: CWBII 449 Alleluia! sing to Jesus!  
Postlude: *Rhapsody no.2 Sur des Cantiques Bretons, Op.7, Camille Saint-Saëns*

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

- Entrance: CWBII 528 Joyful, joyful, we adore you  
Mass Setting: Mass of our Lady Help of Christians - Connolly  
Offertory: CWBII 620 The Lord's my shepherd  
Communion: *Hymn-Prelude on Rhosymedre, Ralph Vaughan Williams*  
Postlude: *Rhapsody no.23 Sur des Cantiques Bretons, Op.7, Camille Saint-Saëns*

## MASSES THIS WEEK

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

### WEEK DAY MORNING MASSES

- Monday, 1st** 10:30 am (SJV) **All Saints (Solemnity)**
- Tuesday, 2nd** 9:15 am (SP) **The Commemoration of ALL the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)**  
10:30 am (SJV) Mass
- Wednesday, 3rd** 9:15 am (SP) 31st week in Ordinary Time  
10:30 am (SJV) Mass
- Thursday, 4th** 9:15 am (SP) Memorial: St Charles Borromeo, bishop  
10:30 am (SP) **Ordinarate Mass**
- Friday, 5th** 9:15 am (SP) 31st week in Ordinary Time  
5:15 pm (SJV) Mass
- Saturday, 6th** 9:15 am (SP) 31st week in Ordinary Time

### WEEKEND MASSES

- (Vigil) Saturday: 6:00pm (SP)  
Sunday: 9:00am (SJV)  
Sunday: 9:30am (Ordinarate 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)**