

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF MENTONE - PARKDALE

SAINT PATRICK - SAINT JOHN VIANNEY



30th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) : 27th October 2019

FATHER MICHAEL'S MESSAGE

'He took me to the top of a great mountain and showed me the holy city of Jerusalem.' (Rev 21:10)

Next Friday and Saturday, the Church celebrates the liturgies of the Solemnity of All Saints and the Commemoration of All Souls. These observances usher in the last eight weeks of the civic calendar.

The Church's calendar ends each year with some weeks spent in prayerful reflection on the Last Things, theologically known as the *eschata*. *Eschatology* is the theology of Christ's triumph as our Saviour, Redeemer and Judge, as well as the theology of death, judgement, heaven and hell - the four 'last things'.

The Church's calendar for the following year begins with two week's reflection on the hope of a Saviour in the end times, before a two week reflection on the historical birth of the Saviour. In the liturgies of Advent, the Church celebrates both comings of Christ, in time at Bethlehem and at the fulfilment of time as King and Judge.

This week's liturgies of All Saints and All Souls encapsulate all the eschatological themes, preparing us for the extended reflection over the next six weeks. I like to consider the encyclical *Spe salvi* (*Saved in hope*) as Pope Benedict's gift to the Church of his last testament. He warns: "the iconography of the Last Judgement ... (gave) prominence to its ominous and frightening aspects, which obviously held more fascination for artists than the splendour of hope, often all too well concealed beneath the horrors."

All Saints and All Souls teach us to practise the virtue of hope in God who saves us in love. These observances are grounded in the article of the Profession of Faith, "I believe in the communion of saints."

The vision of the holy city, populated by all the saints, is our hope. The image of

purgatory, populated by the souls who need the purifying force of divine love, is also our hope.

On Friday, addressing God in the Collect of the Mass, we pray that, as 'we honor in one feast the merits of all your Saints, by the intercession of so many, you will grant us the abundance of your mercy for which we long.'

The communion that we shared in the sacraments, especially in the Eucharist, with those who have gone before us to the holy city is not sundered. It continues as an exchange of spiritual gifts, principally their intercession on our behalf and our praise of their holiness in the life of heaven.



On Saturday, the three formulas of the Collects make two professions of faith. First, that our prayer for the Holy Souls has a sure foundation in our and their belief that Christ has been raised from the dead. Second, that our hope for their resurrection may be strong (Collect of first Mass) or that their faith in the resurrection may merit eternal happiness (Collect of second Mass).

Once again, the Commemoration of All Souls is an expression of the 'communion of saints' as we pray for the Holy Souls and an expression of the 'communion in holy things' that we shared with them in life. (There is a play on words in the Latin language in which the word for 'saints' is also the word for 'holy things'.)

Our communion with them is manifest in our prayer, which is based on the truth that the purification in hope of the resurrection that they experienced will be our experience when we die. Our communion in holy things gives us the possibility of interceding with the

Father that the benefits that Christ bestowed on believers through his death and resurrection will be shared by the Holy Souls.

Our belief in Purgatory should not discourage a believer. It is "the state of those who die in God's friendship, assured of their eternal salvation." (Compendium of the Catechism, #210)

Pope Benedict wrestled in *Spe salvi* with the unbelief of the modern age. "In the face of this world's suffering, protest against God is understandable." The injustices in our world lead many to reject the notion of a just and all-powerful God. Pope Benedict countered that the inability of human beings to resolve injustices points to the only One who can, God.

The final judgement ushers in "a new heaven and a new earth" where God's peace will reign. This is our Christian hope.

The individual judgement is the decisive encounter of the person with the goodness of God. "Before his gaze all falsehood melts away.

This encounter with him, as it burns us, transforms and frees us, allowing us to become truly ourselves. ... In the pain of this encounter, when the impurity and sickness of our lives become evident to us, there lies salvation. His gaze, the touch of his heart ... is a blessed pain, ... enabling us to become totally ourselves and thus totally of God." Justice and grace are both at work. "Our defilement does not stain us forever if we have at least continued to reach out towards Christ, towards truth and towards love." (*Spe salvi*, #47)

What was once expressed as 'time spent in purgatory' is explained by Pope Benedict here in terms of our sight of the healing gaze of Christ and of our being touched by his heart. Anyone whose betrayal, small or large, has been forgiven knows of what the Pope has written. So, when we pray for the faithful departed as we offer Mass, our prayer is that they are enabled to be consumed by the same love that consumed Jesus on the Cross. That is purgatory.

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

Recently Deceased

Fr Christopher Toms, Fr Joseph Yu PE, Giovanni Natoli

Anniversaries

Vincenzo Bova, Cecil Manning, Eric and Anne Nelson, Eben John, Doug Ingram

Prayer for the Sick



Trevor Lawrence, Maroa Shelton, Paul Geri, Les Lacey, Lisa Ambrosi, Nick Quill, Oisín Slevin (infant), Margaret Hopkins, Theresa Ahearn, Jenny Jessep,

Kathleen Cerato, Bill Nixon, 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 M, Patricia Power, Nanette Woodbridge, Sebastian Wolfenden, Ellen Farrugia-Merlo, Anthony Mannion, John Wong, Sharon Kirkwood, Peter Zickert, 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.

1st Collection:

Presbytery: \$1,460.25

2nd Collection:

Thanksgiving: \$3,660.50
Loose Money: \$166.05

Vocation View

Be humble and allow God to do great things through you.
Pray for Vocations

Pope's Intentions: October 2019

Evangelization – Holy Spirit

That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the church.

Parish Events

Writing Your Memoir

Information Sessions – St. Patrick's Community Centre

Wednesday 30th October 10am and 8pm (sessions about 1 hour)

Writing a memoir is a great way to let future family generations know what you believe in and have learnt from life. It is an important way you can help pass on your Catholic faith to members of your family. For anyone who has children and grandchildren, the memoir can be dedicated to them and they kept in mind when writing it.

Along with other aspects of your life's journey, you can tell them when you experienced developments in your Christian faith and what it meant to you. Remember we all have a story to tell and it is important for your family and the generations to come that they hear yours from you.

Jim Mount will explain how he went about writing his memoir and the steps he took and then lead an open discussion. Writing a memoir is not as daunting an experience as you may think and it is very rewarding to you and your family. The hard part is to get started.

Anyone wanting further information can contact Jim Mount on 9580 9891 or 0437 774 045.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Sponsored by the Knights of the Southern Cross.

Amazing Home Away From Home

Mercy Place, Corben Home, 9-15 Brindisi St Mentone. Mercy Place health residential aged care, permanent care and dementia care, where highly qualified and compassionate care teams support you to live life well, the way you choose. Book a personal tour to see for yourself. Contact Manager Azra Campbell 9584 9934 or 0410 642 054.

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Parish of Mentone-Parkdale

Rosters

Readers:

6:00 pm - T Dillon (SP)
9:00 am - G Shea, A Berghella (SJV)
11:00 am - My-Nga Ly (SP)
5:00 pm - K Ady (SP)

Extraordinary Ministers:

6:00 pm - J Stoppa, R Razga (SP)
9:00 am - B Fitchet (SJV)
11:00 am - T Mengle, C DSouza (SP)
5:00 pm - N Maratas (SP)

Procession of Gifts:

6:00 pm - Lavery Family (SP)
9:00 am - Lowe Family (SJV)
11:00 am - N Chung (SP)

Extraordinary Minister to the Sick:

B Fitchet (SJV)

Counters: Team 9

J Goodwin, H Foley
T Terblanche, G Intemann, G Scandurra

Sacristans:

St Patrick's - Group 1

L Smith, L Terblanche
St John Vianney's
G & K Sullivan

Flowers:

A Berghella (SJV)

Pilgrim Statues:

This Week:

Blair Family, 51 Eighth St (SP)

Next Week:

Mount Family, 1/46 Third St (SP)

This Week:

O'Donoghue Family (SJV)

Next Week:

Williams Family (SJV)

Adoration Roster:

Week 3 - Pope Pius X

Parish and Diocesan News

Parish Events

2020 Columban Calendars

2020 Columban Calendars are now available

in St John Vianney's and St Patrick's piety stalls for \$9 each.

St John Vianney's piety stall is open every

Sunday after the 9:00am mass.

St Patrick's piety stall is open every Sunday after the 9:30am Ordinatee Mass and after the 11:00am mass.



Parish Seniors Group

The next luncheon for St Patrick's and St John Vianney's parishioners and friends is on **Thursday 21st November**.

Mark your diaries now!

Enquiries to **David Carson 0419 001 968**.

Other Events

"Assist A Student" program



The St Vincent de Paul Society would like to draw your attention to and provide information on

our "Assist A Student" program.

The "Assist A Student" program assists students in very poor circumstances in countries to our north to get to school. We all appreciate that education is the key in helping people to get out of the poverty cycle.

Some parishioners are already supporting the program. Would you be able and willing to support too?

It costs \$70 to assist one student for one year.

There are brochures and a poster at the back of the church that provide more information about the program.

If you would like to support the "Assist A Student" program, please take a brochure and complete the details on the back. You can either post directly to the address shown or you can drop the completed brochure into the piety stall at either church.

Thank you

St Vincent de Paul Society

East Parkdale and Mentone Conferences

Walking with God in Nature

Saturday 26th October, 10am

Werribee Gorge State Park, 204 Myers Rd, Pentland Hills.

This is an opportunity for you to spend some reflective time walking in silence within a faith community in Nature. It offers you the experience of listening to God speaking to you in Nature.

Meet at the Quarry Picnic Area carpark about half a kilometre beyond the entry gate at Werribee Gorge Park.

Cost: \$40 **BYO:** Lunch, water, a day pack, snacks to carry, hat and sunblock, wet weather gear, hiking poles.

Booking: secretary@campion.asn.au, (03) 9854 8110, www.campion.asn.au

The 2019 Annual Walter Silvester Memorial Lecture

Tuesday 29th October, 5.45pm

refreshments for a 6.30pm start

ACU Christ Lecture Theatre, Young St, Fitzroy

Archbishop of Melbourne, Most Rev. Peter A Comensoli will be delivering the lecture titled Towards the Plenary Council: On Reform in the Church. RSVP for catering purposes by 22nd October.

Booking: Anne Dowling (03) 9304 2926, Ronnie Maloney rmaloney1537@gmail.com

Catholic Theological College Open Day

Wednesday 7th November

Catholic Theological College, 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne

Program One: 4.30pm-6.30pm

Program Two: 6pm-8pm

The afternoon includes a guided tour of the campus, study options and courses for and reflections on CTC from both a lecturer and student. Light refreshments will be served. RSVP by Friday 1st November 2019

Bookings and Information:

Jenny Delahunt, jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au, (03) 9412 3314

Theology @ the Pub Update

Monday November 4th

It's already been one year since we were joined by the newly appointed Archbishop of Melbourne, so we are thrilled to be joined once again by Archbishop Peter Comensoli. Join us for dinner and a talk at The European Bier Cafe. Doors open on Level 1 at 6:30pm. The talk will commence at 7:30pm **Where:** European Bier Café Level 1, 120 Exhibition Street CBD MELBOURNE

Audience: 18 to 35 year olds; Priests and Religious of all ages welcome

Facebook: www.facebook.com/tapmelb/

Holding The Light: Ecumenical Service Of Remembrance

Sunday 1st December, 3-4pm

St Francis' Catholic Church, 326 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne

The Catholic community of Melbourne is hosting this annual event for 2019. 'Holding The Light: Ecumenical Service of Remembrance' is for Australian women and children killed by domestic or relationship violence during 2019.

RSVP: <https://www.thinkprevent.org/event-info/holding-the-light-a-service-of-remembrance-for-australian-women-and-children-killed-by-domestic-violence>

Lourdes Day Mass

Saturday 7th December, 10.30am

St Patrick's Cathedral

A blessing of the sick will follow the celebration of the Liturgy with water brought from the spring at the Shrine of Lourdes.

On this occasion we celebrate Our Lady's appearance to a young girl, Bernadette, in 1858 in Lourdes, France. Through a set of private revelations, Mary revealed herself as 'the Immaculate Conception'.

This is an occasion to come together in prayer with those who are sick, infirm or elderly and their carers. Each Mass participant will receive a gift pack containing a small bottle of Lourdes water (sourced from the Grotto), rosary beads and prayer materials. Individual blessings are available after Mass.



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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Mass Response

Psalm Response: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, Alleluia!**
God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;
and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.
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 595
Offertory: CWBII 458
Communion: CWBII 555
Recessional: CWBII 400

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

Mass Setting: Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians - Connolly
Gloria — Ostrowski
Entrance: CWBII 455
Offertory: CWBII 595
Communion: CWBII 555
Recessional: CWBII 448

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

Mass Setting: Community Mass - Proulx
Entrance: CWBII 595
Offertory: *Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake* - Farrant
Communion: *Jesu, Rex admirabilis* - Palestrina
CWBII 555
Recessional: CWBII 296

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

Mass Setting: Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians - Connolly
Entrance: CWBII 455
Offertory: CWBII 595
Communion: CWBII 555
Recessional: CWBII 448

Readings Next Week:

31st Sunday in Ordinary time: Year C

Wisdom: 11:22-12:2
2 Thessalonians: 1:11-2:2
Luke: 19:1-10

MASSES THIS WEEK

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

WEEK DAY MORNING MASSES

Monday, 28th October

NO MASS

Tuesday, 29th October

9:15 am (SP) 30th week in Ordinary Time

Wednesday, 30th October

9:15 am (SP) 30th week in Ordinary Time
10:30 am (SJV) Mass

Thursday, 31st October

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

Friday, 1st November

9:15 am (SP) Solemnity: ALL SAINTS
School Mass (SP)
12:00 noon (SJV) School Mass (SJV)
5:15 pm (SJV) Mass

Saturday, 2nd November

9:15 am (SP) The COMMEMORATION of ALL the
FAITHFUL DEPARTED (All Souls' Day)

WEEKEND MASSES

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