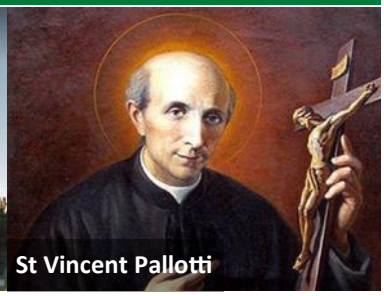
ST PATRICK'S AND ST KEVIN'S PARTNERED PARISHES

St Patrick's and St Kevin's Parishes are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults

All Saints Day - Solemnity — Sunday 1st November 2026







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This weeks Mass Times
Mon—7pm All soul's mass
Wed: 9.15 mass
Fri: **6th Nov - 7pm mass & Adoration**
Sat: : 9.15mass
Sun: 9am and 5pm

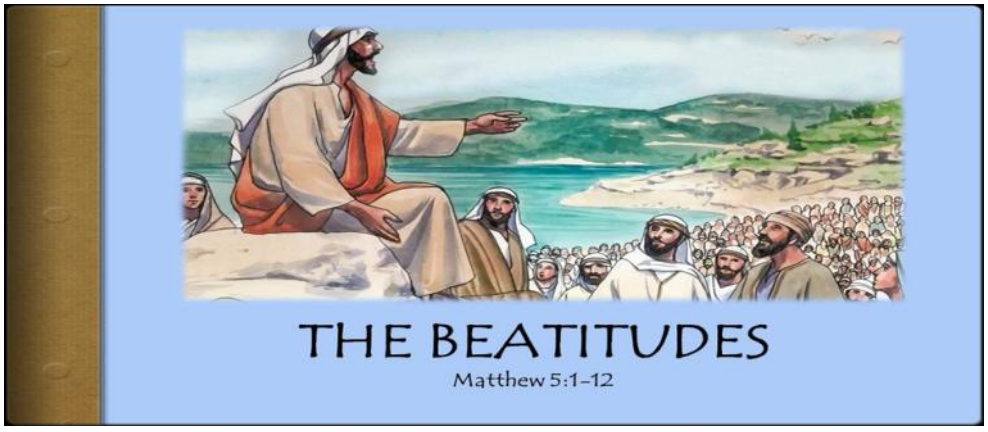
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This weeks Mass Times
Mon—9am All soul's Mass
Tues: **No mass**
Thurs: 9am mass
Fri : No mass
Sat: 6pm Mass (Confession at 5.30pm)
Sun: 10:30 am

Melbourne Cup Day
Parish Office closed on Tuesday 3rd Nov !

REFLECTION BY FR PETER FERWERDA

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints Day.
In the **First** Reading (Malachi 1:14 - 2:2, 8-10) the Prophet Malachi is critical of the Priests of his time because they displayed favouritism which caused distinctions and divisions amongst God's people. In the **Second** Reading (1 Thessalonians 2:7-9,13) St. Paul reminds the converts of his love and care for them, and how eager he was to preach the Good News of Salvation to them. In the **Gospel** (Matthew 23:1-12) Jesus tells His Disciples and the people that they must listen to what the Religious Leaders say and do what the Leaders told them to do, but not to be guided by what they themselves did, since they did not practise what they preached. This is a lesson for you and me too, because our pride can lead us to pretend what we are not. We need to nurture humility with the help of God's Grace in order to be ourselves and to experience true freedom. Jesus can read our hearts as He did with the Pharisees. Let us ask Him for sincerity in our dealings with others, and to help us recognize that anything good in us comes from God, and that we should praise Him for it. During His public life Jesus could draw out goodness in those whom He encountered, irrespective of whether they were branded as sinners by the Religious Leaders of the day. He touched the hearts of those who were searching for a deeper meaning in their lives such as the woman at Jacob's well, and the woman caught in adultery. Jesus could see that Peter had a good heart despite his faults and triple denial. May Jesus and His Blessed Mother lead each one of us to become what is pleasing in God's sight, so that when we meet Him He may see a reflection of Himself in us, who were all created in His Image and likeness.



READERS AND CUPPA SERVICE VOLUNTEER'S ROSTER

This weekend Oct 31st & 1st Nov (week 1)

St Patrick's Readers	St Kevin's Readers
Sun 9am: Joan Krutli	Sat 6pm Gerald Pereira
Sun. 5pm: Kirsten Warboys	Sun 10.30am: Stephanie Kunnel
Cuppa: Jane Lama/Anna	

Next weekend Nov 7th & 8th (week 2)

St Patrick's Readers	St Kevin's Readers
Sun 9am: Martina & Francis Ong	Sat 6pm Vigil : David Zammit
Sun. 5pm: Maureen Medaris	Sun 10.30am : Jude Kunnel
Cuppa : Francis / Danielle	



LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK

(Please inform the Parish Office if you are no longer sick)

Tony Reardon, Judy Reardon , Grayden Garman, Jeremy Van Dort, Dorothy Edwards, Hugh Mcgill, David Jansen, Daniel Sullivan, Anthony Wright, Craig Smith, Olivia Spencer, Monika Mensen, Fr. Shayne

RECENTLY DECEASED - Anna Bloss

DEATH ANNIVERSAY - Sebastiano Lentini

THANKSGIVING	CHURCH	PRESBYTERY
ST PATRICK'S	$687.55	$464.05
ST KEVIN'S	$463.25	$486.85

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

If you need assistance please call

1800 305 330

If someone needs help, please give them this number.

JOIN US FOR OUR PARISH ROSARY

Tuesday Nights 7:30pm

St Patrick's Church, Murrumbeena

Temporary Closure of St. Patrick's Church



Dear Parishioners,

Please be advised that **St. Patrick's Church will be temporarily closed from Monday, 9 November, to Saturday 28 November 2026**, to allow for essential maintenance and improvement works. These works will include replacing the old carpet and installing new vinyl flooring in the foyer, helping us to maintain and care for our church as a welcoming place of prayer, worship and fellowship.

During this period, all weekend Masses will be celebrated at St. Kevin's Parish, **Ormond**, at the following times:

- **9:00 am** – Sunday Mass
- **10:30 am** – Sunday Mass
- **5:00 pm** – Sunday Mass—

Please note that there will be no Saturday 6:00 pm Vigil Mass at St. Kevin's during the temporary closure.

Daily week day mass will be at St. Kevin's Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday and Saturday at 9am.

We sincerely apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you for your patience, understanding and cooperation. We are grateful for your continued support as we undertake these improvements for the benefit of our parish community. May God bless you and your families, and may we continue to grow together in faith, hope and love.

With prayerful best wishes,

The Parish Priest and Parish Leadership Team

Election Guide from the Victorian Bishops

Faith in Action: An election guide from the Bishops of Victoria

Ahead of the 2026 Victorian election, the Bishops of Victoria have issued an election statement highlighting key issues for Catholics to consider when deciding their vote. You are invited to read the statement and prayerfully discern how your vote can contribute to the common good.

View the statement online at: bit.ly/StateElection2026.

Please take copies of the statement from the church foyer.



REMEMBER IN NOVEMBER



The Holy Souls cannot help themselves. They can no longer earn merit. They wait to be saved and loved by God, and still being purified until they can see His face. We can still reach them. Charity does not end at the grave.

Here are five beautiful ways we can help the Holy Souls:

1. **Offer the Holy Mass .** This is the greatest gift you can give the dead. It is Christ Himself offered to the Father. Have a Mass said for someone you love. Offer your next Communion for a forgotten soul. St. Nicholas of Tolentino once offered Mass for seven days after a deceased friend appeared and asked for help. After those seven days, many souls were set free.

2. **Pray for them A Rosary.** The Divine Mercy Chaplet. The Stations of the Cross. One simple "Eternal Rest." Our Lady consoles her children in purgatory the same way she consoles us. Even a short prayer said with love is never wasted.

3. **Give alms in their name**. "Almsgiving saves from death and purges away every sin." (Tobit 12:9). Feed the hungry. Help a struggling family. Give quietly. Offer that act for a soul who can no longer give anything.

4. **Offer your sacrifices —** A headache, a long line, a fast. A kind word when it costs you. Nothing you suffer has to be wasted. Unite it to the Cross and give it away for someone waiting to enter heaven.

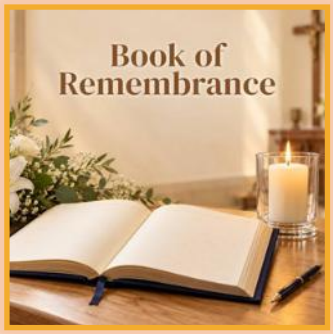
5. **Gain an indulgence for them** : The Church opens her treasury of grace and lets you apply it to the dead. A devout visit to a cemetery. A half hour of Adoration. A family Rosary. Reading Scripture for 30 minutes.
(For a plenary indulgence: Confession, Communion, prayer for the Pope, and detachment from sin.) They will not forget you.
Blessed Fulton Sheen said that when we enter heaven, souls will come toward us saying, "I am the poor soul you prayed for in purgatory." Start with one soul today. A parent. A friend. Someone no one else remembers.

Let us pray : Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.
St. Nicholas of Tolentino, patron of the Holy Souls, pray for us. Amen! 🙏

All Souls Day Mass—2nd Nov 9am at St. Kevin's, 7pm at St. Patrick's

Book of Remembrance

Our Parish Book of Remembrance will be placed in church from 1st November—30th November
We warmly invite Parishioners to inscribe the name of family members and friends who have gone before us as we remember and pray for our departed loved ones during the month of November.
The book of Remembrance will be brought to the Altar every Sunday along with the offertory gifts.





First Friday Devotion To The Sacred Heart

Please be advised that the First Friday devotional Mass will be held on

Friday 6th November

at St Patrick's Church at 7pm followed by Adoration

All Saints Day - Solemnity Sunday 1st Nov , 2026

Entrance Antiphon (Cf Psalm 104:3-4)

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints,
at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

First Reading - A reading from the book of Revelation (Revelation 7:2-4. 9-14)
I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel.
After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, 'Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.'
One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, 'Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, 'You can tell me, my Lord.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 23:1-6. R. see v.6)
Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face

Second Reading A reading from the first letter of St John (1 John 3:1-3)
Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is. Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

Gospel Acclamation - (Matthew 11:28)
Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel **A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (**Matthew 5:1-12)
Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them: 'How happy are the poor in spirit: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage.
Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted.
Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied.
Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them.
Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God.
Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God.
Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

Communion Antiphon (Matthew 5:8-10)
Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.