

The Living Word

Second Sunday of Lent, Year A

1 March 2026

First Reading Gn 12:1-4

The call of Abraham, the father of God's people.

The Lord said to Abram, 'Leave your country, your family and your father's house, for the land I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name so famous that it will be used as a blessing.

'I will bless those who bless you:
I will curse those who slight you.
All the tribes of the earth
shall bless themselves by you.'

So Abram went as the Lord told him.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:4-5. 18-20. 22. R. v.22

*(R.) Lord, let your mercy be on us,
as we place our trust in you.*

1. The word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. (R.)
2. The Lord looks on those who
revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. (R.)
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Tm 1:8-10

God has saved us, and called us to be holy.

With me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy – not because of anything we ourselves have done but for his own purpose and by his own grace. This grace had already been granted to us, in Christ Jesus, before the beginning of time, but it has only been revealed by the Appearing of our saviour Christ Jesus. He abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 17:5

*Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus
Christ!*

*From the shining cloud the Father's
voice is heard:*

this is my beloved Son, hear him.

*Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus
Christ!*

Gospel Mt 17:1-9

His face shone like the sun.

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured; his face shone like the sun and his clothes



Reflection by *Dianne Bergant CSA*

The blessings upon which we meditate today are undeserved gifts from God. They were not earned. The graciousness of God transforms us in such a way as to effect new beginnings. It can be seen in the promises made to Abram. He leaves the past behind and moves into a new future. It can be seen in the psalm response. The Lord delivers us from death and inspires us to look to the future. It can be seen in the reading from 2 Timothy. Through Christ Jesus we are called to a new life of holiness; we escape the fetters of death and are brought into the freedom of the resurrection. We see it in the gospel, a glimpse into the future glory of Jesus which, through grace, we will be able to share. Lent is a time of new beginnings which find their origin in the abundant blessings of God.

The ultimate blessing of God is Jesus himself. As Abram was called to be the source of blessing for all others, as Peter, James and John were chosen to witness the transfiguration of Jesus, so today we too are invited to look to Jesus for inspiration during this holy season. Paul speaks of the salvation that Jesus brings as having come, not because of any works of righteousness that we might have performed, but because of the grace of God. Once again the Lenten readings focus on the merciful action of God in our lives, and in the end they point to Jesus.

became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order. 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.'

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (YEAR A)

1 MARCH 2026

Parish Sacramental Program 2026

First Reconciliation

Information day: Friday April 24th, 2026 at 4 pm.

Classes: will be held in the church from 4 pm to 5 pm on the Friday afternoon of the 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th of May & 5th, 12th, 19th of June 2026.

Celebration: will be held at St. Patrick's church on Friday June 26th, 4:30 pm.

Confirmation:

Information day: Friday July 17th, 2026 at 4 pm

Classes: will be held in the church from 4 pm to 5 pm on the Friday afternoon of the 24th, 31st of July, 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th of August, 4th, 11th of September.

Celebration: will be held at St. Patrick's church on Saturday September 12th, 2026 at 12:30 pm & 2:30 pm.

First Holy Communion:

Information day: Friday October 9th, 2026 at 4 pm

Classes: will be held in the church from 4 pm to 5 pm on the Friday afternoon of the 16th, 23rd, 30th of October, 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th of November, 4th of December.

Celebration: will be held at St. Patrick's church: Sunday December 6th, 10:45 am.

Please contact the parish office if you wish to enrol your child into our sacramental program in 2026, by emailing: kilmore@cam.org.au

St Patrick's Church - religious items for parisioners:

Donated books and religious items, from the Estate of Eva & Maria. Please feel free to take any items of interest. "Free"

CHURCHES

St. Patrick's, Kilmore

Our Lady Help of Christians, Broadford

Our Lady of the Way, Wallan

St. Michael's, Wandong

SUNDAY MASSES

Sat (Vigil)	5 pm, Broadford 6.30 pm, Kilmore
Sun	8.45 am, Wallan 10.45 am, Kilmore

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tue, Thu-Sat	9 am, Kilmore
Wed	9 am, Wallan
(Please note: out of school terms, Wednesday Mass will be at Kilmore)	

CONFESSION

During Adoration (Thu)

DEVOTIONS

Adoration & Benediction

Thu 9.30 am, Kilmore

Divine Mercy Chaplet

15 minutes prior to each weekday Mass, Kilmore

Rosary

after each weekday Mass, and Sunday 8.20 am (Wallan) & 10.20 am (Kilmore)

DONATE

To support our Parish and Priests, scan the QR code with your phone camera to donate.



First Collection (Presbytery Support)

Presbytery Account
BSB 083 347 | ACC 684 632 382

Second Collection (Church Support)

Church Account
BSB 083 347 | ACC 672 646 971

St. Patrick's Parish is committed to safeguarding the safety, wellbeing, and dignity of children, young people, and adults.



**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

Second Sunday of Lent
28 February – 1 March 2026

Sisilia is a 13-year-old girl living in remote Tanzania, who had to walk long distances to collect water every day. Thanks to Project Compassion, Sisilia's school and village now have safe clean water close by and she can spend more time studying so she can fulfil her dream of one day becoming a pilot.

Please donate today.

You can support Project Compassion 2026 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code.

Or online at: www.projectcompassion.org.au/donate

Or by calling: 1800 024 413

Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty this Lent.*



PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS: Pauline Duff, Brian O'Dwyer, Ben Boyd, and Laura Garland (Northern Region, Safeguarding Unit).
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ST PATRICK'S CHURCH OPEN DAYS: Please note that St Patrick's Church will be open from 9.30am to 2.30pm on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, for private prayer time.

PARISH DIARY

Sat, 28-Feb: SATURDAY OF THE 1ST WEEK OF LENT

NO 9 am Mass, St. Patrick's
5 pm Vigil Mass, Our Lady Help of Christians
6.30 pm Vigil Mass, St. Patrick's (First Reconciliation Commitment Mass)

Sun 1 Mar: SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

8.45 am Mass, Our Lady of the Way (First Reconciliation Commitment Mass)
10.45 am Mass, St. Patrick's (First Reconciliation Commitment Mass)
12 noon Baptisms, St Patrick's

Mon, 2 Mar: MONDAY OF THE 2ND WEEK OF LENT NO MASS

Tue, 3 Mar: TUESDAY OF THE 2ND WEEK OF LENT 9 am Mass, St. Patrick's

Wed, 4 Mar: WEDNESDAY OF THE 2ND WEEK OF LENT 9 am Mass, Our Lady of the Way 1 pm Funeral of Hans-Jurgen Prange, St Pat's RCIA Session 16 (7.30 pm, St. Patrick's Church)

Thu, 5 Mar: THURSDAY OF THE 2ND WEEK OF LENT 9 am Mass, St. Patrick's 7 pm Baptism Preparation Meeting, St Pat's

Fri, 6 Mar: FRIDAY OF THE 2ND WEEK OF LENT 9 am Mass, St. Patrick's 10.30 am, WDP, Our Lady Help of Christians 7 pm Stations of the Cross (Kilmore & Wallan)

Sat, 7 Mar: SATURDAY OF THE 2ND WEEK OF LENT 9 am Mass, St. Patrick's 11 am Baptisms, Our Lady of the Way 5 pm Vigil Mass, Our Lady Help of Christians 6.30 pm Vigil Mass, St. Patrick's

Sun 8 Mar: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT 8.45 am Mass, Our Lady of the Way 10.45 am Mass, St. Patrick's

LET US PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

Recently Deceased

Lorraine Anne Edelkamp, James Ahearn & Hans-Jurgen Prange

Anniversaries

Kathleen Heffernan, Arlene Footman, Sr. Margaret Mary, John James Johnstone, Mary Pleasance Clancy, Clay Barbuto, Ellen Anastasia Green, Benjamin Charles Mifsud, Christopher William McDonald, Kevin Bruce Lingard, Sheila Clancy, Angus Grant, Mavis Eades, James F. Stute, Eric Slater, Kevin Kelly, Patrick Gannon, Fr. Geoffrey Webb, Br. Aiden, Francis Leo Donovan and all anniversaries which occur at this time.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER, FOCUS ON NIGERIA— 6th March

KILMORE: Christ Church Anglican Church, 11 Union St, Kilmore, at 10am

BROADFORD: Our Lady Help of Christians, Broadford, at 10.30am.

The service is a great way for Christians in the area to gather together. Bring and Share Morning Tea to follow.

VOLUNTEERS ROSTER

THIS WEEKEND | 28 February & 1 March

Broadford (Sat, 5 pm)	Reader: E. Leahy EMHC: A. Leahy
Kilmore (Sat, 6.30 pm)	Reader: J. O'Callaghan EMHC: M. Chatfield PowerPoint: P. Duff
Wallan (Sun, 8.45 am)	Reader: N. Poulyin EMHC: J. Sapiano & T. Cooney PowerPoint: R. Quinn
Kilmore (Sun, 10.45 am)	Reader: M. Bourne EMHC: K. Archer PowerPoint: K. Curry
FLOWERS: H. Clancy HOME COMMUNION: TBA CLEANERS KILMORE: TBA	

NEXT WEEKEND | 7 & 8 March

Broadford (Sat, 5 pm)	Reader: J Dixon EMHC: A. Putker
Kilmore (Sat, 6.30 pm)	Reader: R. Emmanuel EMHC: C. Clancy PowerPoint: P. Duff
Wallan (Sun, 8.45 am)	Reader: C. Quinn EMHC: A. Moore & C. Banon PowerPoint: F. Thompson
Kilmore (Sun, 10.45 am)	Reader: A. Matthew EMHC: A. Liddle PowerPoint: K. Curry
FLOWERS: J. Jain HOME COMMUNION: H. Clancy CLEANERS KILMORE: L. Beaumont & C. Eid	

The Sick

Fr Prakash Cutinha, Pina D'Agostino, Theo Aitchison, Julie Ahearn, Bernadette McWhinney, Pa'i Su'a, Camilla Banon, Daisy Aguinaldo, Liam Heffernan, Nancy Ryan, Joan O'Brien
and all people who are in need of our prayers.

PLEASE NOTE: Names in the sick list will remain there for 4 weeks. If you wish for that person to continue to be prayed for, please advise the parish office again. If you are submitting the name of someone other than yourself and family, please obtain their permission.

Stations of the Cross will be held in the church at Kilmore and Wallan at 7 pm, each Friday during Lent.

Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Job Vacancies

Current vacant roles are listed on the Melbourne Catholic website:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

St. Patrick's Parish is a Child Safe Environment. All children are to be supervised by a parent/guardian at all times.