

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PARISH, KILMORE

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30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)

26 October 2025

REVERENCE IN THE HOUSE OF GOD

A Gentle Reminder (I)

When we walk through the doors of our churches, we enter a sacred space set apart for encountering God. This is a place where heaven meets earth — a holy sanctuary where we gather as a family of faith to worship, pray, and be nourished by the Eucharist. Because of the profound mystery celebrated here, it's important that our behaviour, appearance, and attitudes reflect the reverence this space calls for.

DRESSING WITH REVERENCE

We used to say “Sunday Best” when referring to church attire, though its meaning has weakened over time. While our Lord loves us unconditionally and welcomes us as we are, dressing modestly and neatly is a beautiful way to show respect for the sacredness of the Mass and for those around us. Our outward appearance is a simple, visible way of offering God our best — a sign of the dignity of the occasion and our gratitude for His presence. It's not about fashion or formality but about honouring the sacredness of this holy place with humble reverence.

THE POWER OF SILENCE

Before Mass begins and after it concludes, the church is a place of prayerful silence. This quiet helps each of us prepare to encounter Christ and allows others to do the same. The church is not a social hall; it is a place of encounter with God. So, let us cherish the gift of silence and speak softly, if at all, during these moments. Our reverence in these times creates an atmosphere where the Holy Spirit can move freely in our hearts.

PHONES OFF, HEARTS ON

In our digital age, it's easy for phones and notifications to distract us from what really matters. Silencing or turning off our phones before entering the church helps us to be fully present to God and to each other. The Mass is a precious opportunity to listen to God's voice, to pray without interruption, and to immerse ourselves in the sacred mystery of Christ's sacrifice. By putting away distractions, we open our hearts more fully to the grace offered here.

Our collective reverence — through respectful dress, prayerful silence, and focused attention — enriches our parish community and deepens our encounter with Christ. When we honour the sacredness of the church, we also honour the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and in one another. Let us strive to create a welcoming and holy environment where all who enter can feel the peace and love of God.

Dear Parishioners, let us embrace this call to reverence as a way to deepen our faith and respect for the sacred. Next time you come to Mass, consider how your dress, your silence, and your attention can be a prayer in itself — an offering of love to God and to our parish community. Together, let us build a church where the presence of God is truly felt in every corner.

Rev. Fr Andrew Choi

CHURCHES

- ST. PATRICK'S**
37 Sutherland St, Kilmore
- OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS**
Cnr The Parade & McKenzie St, Broadford
- OUR LADY OF THE WAY**
30 Alcantara Blvd, Wallan East
- ST. MICHAEL'S**
33-35 Wandong Ave, 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

CONFESSION

30 minutes prior to each Mass
& 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)

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SUNDAY READINGS FOR THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON | CF. PS 104: 3-4

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.

FIRST READING | Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14, 16-19

The Lord is a judge
who is no respecter of personages.
He shows no respect of personages
to the detriment of a poor man,
he listens to the plea of the injured party.
He does not ignore the orphan's supplication,
nor the widow's as she pours out her story.
The man who with his whole heart serves God
will be accepted,
his petitions will carry to the clouds.
The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds,
until it arrives he is inconsolable,
nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him,
acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement.
And the Lord will not be slow,
nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM | Psalm 33(34):2-3,17-19,23

R: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **(R)**

The Lord turns his face against the wicked
to destroy their remembrance from the earth.
The just call and the Lord hears
and rescues them in all their distress. **(R)**

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;
those whose spirit is crushed he will save.
The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.
Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. **(R)**

SECOND READING | 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing. The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that

through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!
God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;
and the Good News of reconciliation
he has entrusted to us.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL | Luke 18:9-14

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else: 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON | Cf. Ps 19: 6

We will ring out our joy at your saving help
and exult in the name of our God.

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS

(All Souls' Day, 2 Nov)

First Reading	2 Maccabees 12:42-45
Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 62(63):2-6.8-9
Second Reading	Philippians 3:20-21
Gospel	Luke 7:11-17

BLESSING OF GRAVES

ON ALL SOULS' DAY (SUNDAY, 2 NOV)

- **Kilmore Catholic Cemetery at 12.30 pm**
- **Broadford Cemetery at 2 pm**
- **Wallan Cemetery at 4 pm**

Everyone is cordially invited to join in prayer for our beloved deceased.

VOLUNTEERS ROSTER

THIS WEEKEND 25 & 26 OCTOBER	
Broadford (Sat, 5 pm)	Reader: E. Leahy EMHC: A. Leahy
Kilmore (Sat, 6.30 pm)	Reader: R. Emmanuel EMHC: J. Jain PowerPoint: P. Duff
Wallan (Sun, 8.45 am)	Reader: N. Poulyin EMHC: T. Cooney & J. Sapiano PowerPoint: F. Thompson
Kilmore (Sun, 10.45 am)	Reader: D. Selar EMHC: C. Mathew PowerPoint: K. Curry
FLOWERS: H. Clancy HOME COMMUNION: TBA CLEANERS KILMORE: TBA	

NEXT WEEKEND 1 & 2 November	
Broadford (Sat, 5 pm)	Reader: A. Leahy EMHC: A. Donovan
Kilmore (Sat, 6.30 pm)	Reader: M. Fleischmann EMHC: M. Chatfield PowerPoint: P. Duff
Wallan (Sun, 8.45 am)	Reader: C. Banon EMHC: M. Hoban & P. Hutchinson PowerPoint: R. Quinn
Kilmore (Sun, 10.45 am)	Reader: K. Archer EMHC: C. Dodd PowerPoint: K. Curry
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LET US PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

Recently Deceased John Leahy Brian Battersby	The Sick Fr Prakash Cutinha, Fr Martino Jung, Pina D’Agostino, Theo Aitchison, Bernadette McWhinney, Julie Ahearn, Isaac Filgate, Maureen Murphy, Michael Pratt, and all people who are in need of our prayers. <i>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.</i>	Seminarian Ben Eid
Anniversaries Patrick Finlayson, Norm Denham, Theresa Bartolo, Josephine Schembri, Tony McDonald, John Joseph Leahy, Kevin Chard, Peter Smith, Norah Harrington, Brian McEntee, Michael Joseph O’Connell, Patricia D’Elia, Therese Archer, Robyn D’Elia, Lawrence Zanelli, Maree Bradshaw, Sylvia O’Donnell, Mario Falzon, Margaret Cunningham and all anniversaries which occur at this time.		Diaconate Ordination The Archdiocese of Melbourne joyfully celebrates the Ordination to the Diaconate of Dominic Lawes on 24 October(Fri), and Rhys Lowther on 1 November(Sat). Please keep Dominic and Rhys in your prayers as they prepare for this sacred ministry. LET US PRAY FOR VOCATIONS EVERY DAY!!

PARISH DONATIONS (COLLECTIONS AT MASS)

- First Collection (Presbytery Support)**
St. Patrick’s Presbytery Account (BSB 083 347 | ACC 684 632 382)
: support of the priests in our parish, the Archbishop,
as well as the sick and retired clergy across the Archdiocese.
- Second Collection (Church Support)**
St. Patrick’s Church Account (BSB 083 347 | ACC 672 646 971)
: assist in covering the maintenance and operational
expenses of our parish buildings and supports the programs
and ministries within our church community.

A **Donation QR code** is available on the first page of bulletin.

If you use a **Thanksgiving Envelope** each Sunday, you may place your total contribution in one envelope, and please note the amount allocated to each collection on the back of the envelope.

If you wish to set up or update **regular direct transfers** for one or both collections, please contact the Parish Office for assistance.

PARISH DIARY

- Sun, 26th: Welcoming RCIA Participants & First Communion Sacramental Program Children Commitment Mass (10.45am)**
- Wed, 29th: Safeguarding Committee Meeting (3pm)**
RCIA Session 7 (7.30pm)
- Thu, 30th: Funeral | John Leahy (11am, St. Patrick’s)**
There is NO 9 AM MASS this day.
- Fri, 31st: Sacramental Program for First Communion Session 4 (4pm)**

SUNDAY ROSARY

This Sunday, the **Luminous Mysteries** of the Rosary will be prayed prior to Mass (at 8.20 am at OLW, Wallan and at 10.20 am at St. Patrick’s, Kilmore).

All are welcome to spend prayerful time with Mother Mary before Mass.

WORD OF A SAINT

Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles
(Feast: 28 October)

“Therefore ... the two saints, Simon and Jude, help us to constantly rediscover again and to live untiringly the beauty of the Christian faith, and to know how to give a strong and at the same time clear testimony”

Pope Benedict XVI,
General Audience, 11 October 2006

DID YOU KNOW?

“LITURGY OF THE WORD”

In the celebration of the Mass, the **Liturgy of the Word** occupies a place of profound **importance**, for it is through the **sacred Scriptures** that **God reveals Himself** to His people.

The **readings**—drawn from the **Old Testament**, the **Psalms**, and the **New Testament**—unfold the mystery of divine **salvation** and prepare the assembly to receive the living **Christ** in the **Gospel**. Here, the **Word of God** is not merely read, but truly **proclaimed**, becoming a source of **life** and **nourishment** for the faithful. The **homily** that follows deepens the understanding of this **Word**, inviting believers to enter more fully into the mystery of **faith** and to embody its **truth** in their daily lives. The **Profession of Faith** and the **Prayer of the Faithful** express the community's **response** and its **communion** with the Church universal.

Thus, the **Liturgy of the Word** is not an isolated moment but an essential **encounter** with **Christ**, who **speaks** and leads His people toward the sacred banquet of the **Eucharist**.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

ST. PATRICK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal: Mr Michael Bourne
03 5782 1579 | spkilmore.catholic.edu.au

OUR LADY OF THE WAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal: Mr Terry Cooney
03 8609 1784 | ourladywallan.catholic.edu.au

ASSUMPTION COLLEGE

Principal: Mr Paul Finneran
03 5783 5000 | assumption.vic.edu.au

FIRST COMMUNION SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

CHILDREN'S COMMITMENT MASS

As our parish children prepare to receive their **First Holy Communion** in December, they will take a special step in their faith journey by making their **Commitment to Prepare for the Sacrament** during the **10.45 am Mass this Sunday**.

Let us keep these children and their families in our prayers and support them with love and encouragement as they continue to grow in faith.

WELCOMING OUR RCIA PARTICIPANTS

This Sunday at the **10.45 am Mass at St. Patrick's**, we warmly welcome all participants of our **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Program**, who are preparing to receive the **Sacraments of Initiation — Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation** — at the Easter Vigil next year.

Candidates are:

- **Mason, Mitchell, Ryan, Caitlin, Panchani, Craig, and Troy** will receive all three Sacraments of Initiation;
- **Emma, Laura, and Jessika** will receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation**, as they have already been baptised in the Catholic Church;
- **Ashwina, Bailey, and Kylie**, who were baptised in the Anglican Church, will be formally welcomed into **full communion with the Catholic Church** in December. They will then receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** together next year.

As they begin this special journey of faith, let us keep them close in our prayers and accompany them with love and encouragement.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE – OUR LADY OF THE WAY CHURCH

Choir practice is held every Wednesday from **5.30 pm to 6.30 pm** at **Our Lady of the Way Church**.

If any children are interested in joining the choir, please speak to **Bernadette** or call **0411 353 600** for more information.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS – ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH CLEANING

Our churches are sacred spaces where faith flourishes, and caring for them is our shared responsibility. We are seeking more volunteers to help with cleaning at St. Patrick's Church. Volunteers will serve just **once a month**—a simple yet meaningful way to give glory to God. If you can help, please **contact the Parish Office for details**.

Thank you to all who already give their time so generously.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS – ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH GARDEN

With summer near, we're seeking volunteers to assist Don in tending St. Patrick's Church Garden once a month. Any time you can offer is appreciated. If interested, please contact the parish office with your name and phone number. Don will reach out to arrange dates.

Thank you for helping care for our parish grounds!

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE NEXT SHAMROCK

As the December Christmas edition of our parish magazine, *Shamrock*, approaches, we warmly welcome your contributions.

Your input is greatly appreciated! If you'd like to write an article, please contact Marg or Gabrielle at stpatsparishmagazine@gmail.com.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

40 Days for Life is a global pro-life campaign using prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigils to end abortion. Melbourne's campaign ends on 2 November. Join in prayer to help save lives.

More info: www.40daysforlife.com/melbourne