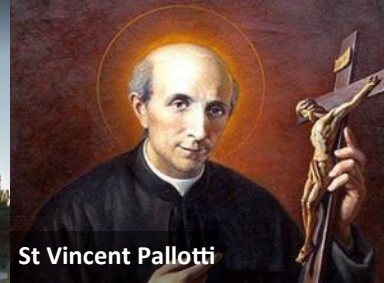


ST PATRICK'S AND ST KEVIN'S PARTNERED PARISHES

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

The Most Holy Trinity Year A

Sunday 31st May, 2026



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This weeks Mass Times

Wed: 9:15am
Fri: No Mass
Sat: 9:15am Mass and Benediction
and Confession
Sun: 9am and 4pm

St Kevin's Ormond
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This weeks Mass Times

Mon: 9am Mass
Tues: No Mass
Thurs: 9am
Friday: 7pm Mass First Friday
Sat: 5pm (Confession at 4:30pm)
Sun: 10:30 am

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER, TO THE SON AND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT, AMEN!

REFLECTION BY FR. NJOKU CANICE CHUKWUEMEKA

Today, just a week after Pentecost, the holy mother church celebrates the solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. Today's celebration is a song of praise to God, who has called us to share in this mystery. Two concise prayers and blessings include: "May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you," and "May the Almighty God bless you the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit."

These are called trinitarian formulas. In these, the Trinitarian God unites to perform the function for which they are being consulted. Paul knew this and so constantly employed this formula in concluding most of his letters (1 Cor, 16, 23; 2Cor 13, 14; Gal 6, 18; Phil 4, 2).

The first question that comes to mind at the first encounter with the doctrine of the Trinity is: "Three Persons in One God, how could that be? Indeed, it should provoke such a question. However, this question becomes meaningful if only one could humble oneself and ask the Holy Spirit to enlighten him through the church."

Hence, the Church teaches that: "The Trinity is One. We do not confess three Gods, but one God in three persons, the consubstantial Trinity. The divine persons do not share one divinity among themselves, but each is entirely God. The divine persons are distinct from one another. God is one but not solitary. Father, Son, Holy Spirit are not simply names designating modalities of the divine being, for they are distinct from one another" (CCC253-255, p.82-83).

In the first reading, we see the obedience and humility of Moses before God. This humility won him the favour of God. Here also, God proved that he is indeed a Father. This is because, although He was not happy with the ways of his people, He relented his anger. So, because of the prayer of Moses, he forgave them.

In the second reading, Paul encourages us to "be united and live in peace." He concluded with his usual benediction: "The grace of the Lord Jesus, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all." In this, Paul shows great interest in the unity of the Christian community.

In order words, by invoking the Trinitarian fellowship on them, he wishes that they emulate it and be united in heart and soul as the Most Holy Trinity. A divided family lacks the fellowship of the Trinitarian God and needs to give it a chance.

Today's gospel is very popular: "God sent his son so that through him the world might be saved." This sending is one way through which we share in the Trinitarian Community. They keep coming to us to unite and make us be like them. They continue to seek fellowship with us because they wish that we be united as they are.

Human words cannot perfectly explain this divine reality and mystery of the Trinity. So, no terminology or formulation is adequate to communicate it. We need God's enlightenment and grace to comprehend the trinitarian mystery and theology. Nevertheless, the Christian faith is trinitarian, and every Christian needs to partake fully in this mystery.

Finally, the Trinity is not an abstract theological concept. Instead, it is a reality that is to be believed and lived. The Trinity is someone to whom we pray, but it is also a community, the communion of three in one, the family in whose image we build up our human community. In appreciation of this fellowship and communion, let us praise the Most Holy Trinity: "Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen! Peace be with you all! Maranatha!

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READERS AND TEA SERVICE VOLUNTEERING LIST

This weekend 30th and 31st May (week 5)

Next weekend 6th and 7th June (week 1)

St Patrick's Readers	St Kevin's Readers
Sun. 9am: Rohan Paul	Sat 5pm Vigil: Ray Hickey
Sun. 4pm: Pious Joseph and Leena Pious	Sun 10.30am: Caroline Gojak
Cuppa: Monica Mensen and Maria Daree	

St Patrick's Readers	St Kevin's Readers
Sun. 9am: Joan Krutli	Sat 5pm Vigil: Gerald Pereira
Sun. 4pm: Kirsten Warboys	Sun 10.30am: Stephanie Kunnel
Cuppa: Jill Murtagh and Shef	



LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please inform the Parish Office if you no longer are sick

Bill Huang, Mark Sulikowski, Ken, Sonia Treweek, Susie, Anne, Anna, Fr Maurice, Norberto Fuerzas, Fr Shane Reade, Peter Drabbant, Hugh McGill, Charles, Grant Wellington, Chris, Ken, Fr Stanley, Dorothy Edwards, Rosemary Jack, Nathan Cairns, Craig Smith, Irene Kobylarz, Obinna Okoye, Madeleine Fisher, Daniel Sullivan, Bryn, Chris, Sheree, Leigh Nichols, Loraine, and Royce Nancarrow

FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED

Jessie Aaron Dean, Theresa Wilma Moses

FOR THE DEATH MEMORIAL

Martin White, Emilio Guerra, Dorris D'Mello,

THANKSGIVING	CHURCH	PRESBYTERY
ST PATRICK'S	\$903.40	\$467.10
ST KEVIN'S	\$401.50	\$411.35



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, Murrumbena

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

Funds raised through the Vinnies Winter Appeal will directly support our core programs, providing vital assistance to people experiencing or at risk of homelessness, poverty, and cost-of-living pressures.



PLEASE GIVE TO THE VINNIES WINTER APPEAL TODAY

Call **13 18 12**
scan the QR code or
go online at:
[donate.vinnies.org.au/
winter-appeal](https://donate.vinnies.org.au/winter-appeal)



MASS CHANGES ST KEVIN'S

There will be Mass this coming Monday 1st June at St Kevin's Church and there will be no Mass on Tuesday 2nd June.

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF ST PETER CLAVER ANNUAL MISSION DINNER

Sunday 14th June 1.00 pm

Tickets: \$50.00 per person.

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver Hall,
154 Cotham Road, Kew.

Proceeds will assist the missions.

Bookings close 5th June.

Bookings: Phone 9817 3715

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

Sunday 7 June 2026

**Begins 2pm at St Patrick's Cathedral,
1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne**

The procession will begin with a gathering at St Patrick's Cathedral at 2pm, walk through the streets of Melbourne's CBD, and conclude at Federation Square.

For more information,
contact : proclaim@cam.org.au
or (03) 9926 5761.



BIRTHDAY THANKS

Kathleen Thompson
would love to extend her
heartfelt gratitude to all
the parishioners whom
took the time out to help
celebrate her 95th
Birthday last week.



MANDATORY SAFEGUARDING REQUIREMENTS & TRAINING NIGHT

ATTENTION ALL VOLUNTEERS! LAST NIGHT OF TRAINING!

There will be a Safeguarding Essentials Training night for all volunteers to ensure our Parishes meets the new strict safeguarding guidelines set out by the Archdiocese.

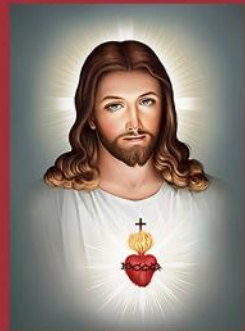
Tuesday 2nd June, 7.00-8.30pm at Rovira House, 5 Dalny Road, Murrumbreena

On the night we will help all volunteers to gain:

- A signed code of conduct form (to be updated every 3 years)
- Safeguarding Essentials Training updated: (to be updated every 3 years)

There will be assistance on the night to help you apply for a Working With Children Check if you have not applied for this yet: Please bring your passport, birth certificate, drivers license and Medicare card

We look forward in seeing you there.



First Friday Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Nine (9) Consecutive First Fridays

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART

Please be advised that the First Friday devotional Mass will be held on **Friday 5th June** next week

ONLY at St Kevin's Church at 7pm

and there will be

There will be NO 9:15am Mass on the first Friday at St Patrick's Church, Murrumbreena



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/united

CATHOLIC MISSION COLLECTION JUNE 6TH & 7TH

For Yamikani*, getting to school means walking long distances in pain, often without enough food or strength to make the journey. For many families in vulnerable and remote areas like rural Malawi, education has become an impossible choice.

But there is hope. Led by Fr Matthew Semba, a new primary school is being built, offering children a safe place to learn, grow, and look ahead with renewed possibility

This World Mission Month, you are invited to share in this mission, standing with families as they rebuild their lives and create a brighter future for their children.

ALPHA CONNECT PRESENTS THE SEARCH PROGRAM

**10 June 2026 to 19 August 2026 (Wednesdays)
7:30 to 9:00 PM**

Rovira House 5 Dalny Road, Murrumbreena

Ever wondered if there's more to life than the daily grind? Whether you're a lifelong Catholic or just curious about the "big questions,"

The Search by the Augustine Institute is for you.

The team who runs the Alpha Connect is inviting you to join us for a compelling video series exploring life, death, and the journey in between. Everyone is welcome!

Each session will start with a simple dinner, a video and a discussion. Ask questions freely or simply listen.

Feel free to email the team at alphamurrumbreena@gmail.com if you have any questions.

We look forward to embarking on this journey with you!



Entrance Antiphon Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

First Reading

A reading from the book of Exodus (Exodus 34:4-6. 8-9)

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there. He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness.' And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said, 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage.'

Responsorial Psalm Dn 3:52-56. R. v.52 (R.) Glory and praise for ever!

Second Reading

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (2 Corinthians 13:11-13)

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Gospel Acclamation See **Apocalypse 1:8** Alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John (John 3:16-18)

Jesus said to Nicodemus, 'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'

Communion Antiphon **Galatians 4:6** Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

LIFEBOAT FOUNDATION CARS WANTED

CAN YOU HELP VICTIMS OF CHURCH-RELATED ABUSE?

For fourteen years, the Lifeboat Geelong Foundation has been assisting victims of church-related sexual abuse from all over Australia. Generous supporters have donated a number of motor vehicles of varied value (from \$500 to \$20,000!), including cars from deceased estates or which are no longer required. Some have been directly gifted to a victim/survivor in need, while others have been sold to generate funds required to assist victims in a multitude of ways (counselling, rent, utilities and other domestic and personal necessities).

You could help this important work simply by bringing it to the attention of people who might consider donating an unwanted motor vehicle, such as a car from a deceased estate or which, for whatever reason, is no longer required.

Also, since the "Lifeboat Car Project" began in 2020, one single dedicated volunteer has overseen the process, which includes working with the donor to organise a Roadworthy Certificate and assisting recipients or purchasers of the vehicle with the required documentation for Vicroads. He now needs a rest – or at least some help!

So "Lifeboat" also needs a few people who are reasonably familiar with the usual car transfer regulations to assist donors of vehicles (and potential buyers) to negotiate the formal processes. If you or someone you know could help (maximum involvement with four cars per year), please contact

Fr. Kevin Dillon (0421 777 360 or frkdillon@outlook.com.au) for more information.

CONGRATULATIONS AND FAREWELL TO MATHEW

Dear Parishioners,

It is with mixed emotions that I inform you that our Parish Secretary, Mathew Sullivan, has submitted his resignation from his position at our partnered parish.

His last day will be on Friday 19th June.

Over the years, Mathew has served both parish communities with dedication, kindness, and professionalism. His commitment and willingness to assist parishioners, staff, and me have been greatly appreciated by all who have had the privilege of working with him. I personally will miss his support, care, love and faithful friendship.

We are deeply grateful for the many contributions he has made to the life and ministry of our parishes. While we will miss his presence in the parish office, we respect his decision and wish him every blessing and success in the next chapter of his journey.

Please join us in thanking Mathew on Sunday 7th June after the morning Mass in the foyer for his faithful service and in keeping him in your prayers. May God continue to guide and bless him always.

Yours Sincerely, Fr Siby John SAC