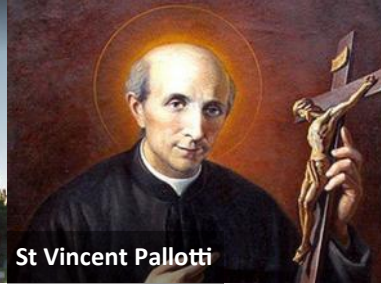


ST PATRICK'S AND ST KEVIN'S PARTNERED PARISHES

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

Twenty—Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Sunday 20th September, 2026



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This weeks Mass Times
Wed: 9.15mass
Fri: 9.15 mass
Sat: 9.15 am Mass
(Benediction and
Confession)
Sun: 9am and 4pm

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This weeks Mass Times
Mon : No mass
Tues: 9am (Mass &
Benediction)
Thurs: 9am mass
Fri : No mass
**Sat: 5pm Mass (Confession at
4:30pm)**
Sun: 10:30 am

Daily Reflection
The Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard

The Generosity of God : Matthew 20:1-16

Responding to God's call: People may begin following and serving God at different times in life. What matters is responding to His invitation, remembering that both the call and our ability to respond are gifts of God's grace.

God's generosity: The vineyard workers all receive the same wage, representing **eternal life**. Eternal life is a gift from God, not something we can earn or demand. While everyone can receive complete happiness in heaven, people may experience God according to their capacity for love.

Avoiding comparison: The workers who started early became jealous when others received the same reward. The parable teaches us not to compare ourselves with others or become resentful when God blesses them. Instead, we should respond with **gratitude, joy, and generosity**.

Main message: We should be grateful for God's gifts, accept His invitations to serve, and rejoice when others receive His mercy and blessings.

The parable teaches that God generously calls everyone to Himself at different times, and we should respond with gratitude rather than jealousy or comparison.

Prayer: Lord God, you promised to shepherd your people and care for your children, and you fulfilled this promise by sending your Son to lead us to eternal life. Help me recognize your voice and faithfully follow your call. Give me the grace to become a good shepherd in my family, leading those entrusted to me toward the pastures of eternal life.

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For Further Reflection:

<https://www.christianity.com/bible/bible-verses-about-blessings-40>.

READERS AND TEA SERVICE VOLUNTEERING LIST

This weekend 19th & 20th Sept (week 3)

Next weekend Sept 26th & 27th (week 4)

St Patrick's Readers	St Kevin's Readers	St Patrick's Readers	St Kevin's Readers
Sun 9am: Des Morvell & Jason Xu	Sat 5pm Vigil: David Zammit	Sun 9am: Marianne Sommerville	Sat 5pm Vigil : Maria O Hagan
Sun. 4pm: Pious & Leena Joseph	Sun 10.30am: Caroline Gojak	Sun. 4pm: Maureen Medaris	Sun 10.30am : Nicole Vine
Cuppa: : Joan Krutli / CathieNankervis/ Marisa Leon	No morning tea this Sunday	Cuppa : Jane Lama / Ann Guera	Morning Tea



LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK
(Please inform the Parish Office if you are no longer sick)

Kathleen Thompson, Dorothy Edwards, David Jansen,
Hugh McGill, Peter Mulligan, Daniel Sullivan, Vlad,
Mirjana Plavljanic, Natalie Cheung,

RECENTLY DECEASED

Anna Bloss & Stanley Graham

THANKSGIVING	CHURCH	PRESBYTERY
ST PATRICK'S	\$742.25	\$475.35
ST KEVIN'S	\$413.20	\$312.40

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



The Serra Group will be joining St Patrick's Church every Saturday in September morning Mass to pray for the Priesthood and Vocations—Heavenly Father, help us respond to, and live out, our mission in the Church. Help all your people to know their vocation in life and assist them to prepare for it. For your greater glory and for the service of your people, call many to be Priests and Religious. Give those whom you call the grace to respond generously and to persevere faithfully. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

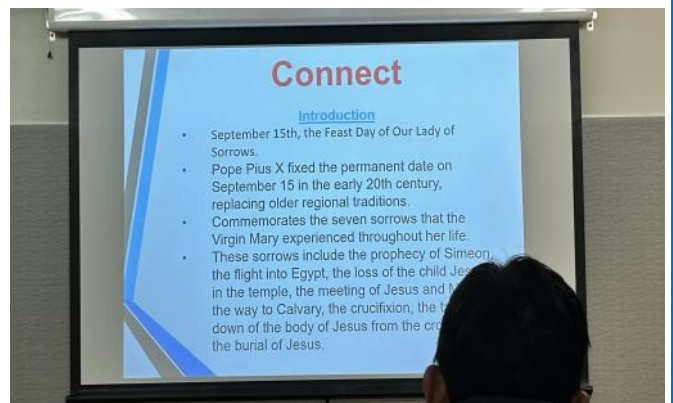


ALPHA CONNECT

On Tuesday 15 September , Martina & Francis lead the participants through the Rosary of Our lady of Sorrows. This day is also celebrated by the church as

The Feast of Our lady of Sorrows

Alpha connect meet once a month on a Tuesday .
We look forward to seeing you all again !





RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Started on Wednesdays 9th Sept @ Rovira House.
We have 4 participants and 2 more to join .
Please keep them all in your prayers as they go
through this journey of faith together.



Social Services Sunday: 20 September 2026

This Sunday, we give thanks for the thousands of staff and volunteers across Catholic social services who accompany people experiencing poverty, disadvantage and marginalization throughout Victoria. As we celebrate Social Services Sunday, we recognize the need for encounter. Passion for connection and meeting others creates the kinship that is imperative in times of hardship and for building strong communities. Through these encounters, we recognize the dignity of every person and stand alongside those who may otherwise go unheard. Catholic social services put

this call into practice every day through accompaniment, advocacy, and practical support. This Social Services Sunday, we are invited not only to give thanks for this work, but to consider our own contribution: Who is experiencing hardship around us? Who is already walking beside them? How might we strengthen and support that work?

Please visit the website for details : <https://css.org.au/social-services-sunday-20-september-2026/>



Requiem Mass Anna Bloss

Anna Bloss passed away peacefully on Monday 14th September after a short illness.

She will be remembered with great affection for her kind and caring nature and will be missed by all who knew her and loved her.

May the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the angels and saints welcome her into eternity.

She will be remembered in rosary on Tuesday evening at 7.30.

Her Requiem Mass will be held in St Patrick's Church on Thursday 24th September @ 10.30am.

May she rest in Peace !

Summer Mass Times

Daylight Saving is on the 4th Oct
when clocks move forward one hour at 2:00 AM

Please note from the 3rd & 4th Oct (weekend masses) :

The 5pm mass at St. Kevin's will move to 6pm

The 4pm Mass at St Patrick's will move to 5pm

New Printer

Thanks to the finance committee and our book keeper Sue Leong for organizing the printer. Also, thanks to Kathleen for allowing us to print at the Fatima center for a number of weeks.



Entrance Antiphon (Cf Sirach 36:18)

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

First Reading - A reading from the book of Isaiah ([Isaiah 55:6-9](#))

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near. Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks. Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

Responsorial Psalm ([Ps 144:2-3. 8-9. 17-18. R. v.18](#))

(R.) The Lord is near to all who call him.

Second Reading A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians([Philippians 1:20-24. 27](#))

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake.

Gospel Acclamation - ([Acts of the Apostles 16:14](#))

Alleluia, alleluia! Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son. Alleluia!

Gospel A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew ([Matthew 20:1-16](#))

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

Communion Antiphon (Psalm 118:4-5)

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

FR. SIBY AWAY 1st Week of October !!

Fr Siby will be going to Sydney on Wed 30th Sept to attend the National Divine Renovation Summit and will be back on Monday 5th October .