

WELCOME TO ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PARISH Glen Innes

Sunday Cycle A (Year of Matthew) Weekday Cycle 2

22ND MARCH 2020

4TH SUNDAY of LENT

We *live* our faith through offering our:

TIME—TALENT—TREASURE

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Keeping in touch at St Patricks

<http://gleninnesparish.org.au/blog>

Faithful to the Teaching of the Apostles

Faithful to Prayer

Faithful to the Breaking of the Bread

Alive in the Community of the Spirit

Sharing what we have with those in need

Acts 2:42-4

Mass Online

Mass for you at Home

<https://10play.com.au/mass-for-you-at-home>

Daily Mass with the Holy Father

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VJHI8bIOLWg&feature=emb_logo

Mass on Demand

<https://www.youtube.com/user/cathnews>

31 CLUB GLEN INNES There are a zillion vocations in the world, but Bishop Kennedy has specifically asked for Prayers for Vocations to the Priesthood: During March we continue our daily prayer for vocations. Sun 22nd—E. Holder; Mon 23rd M. Campbell; Tues 24th—M. Willis; Wed 25th— M. Mathewson; Thurs 26th—M. Munro; Fri 27th— J. West; Sat 28th— K. Newsome.

SUPPORT YOUR PRIESTS AND YOUR PARISH

1st COLLECTION (supports the clergy & presbytery)

BSB 082-105 Account No 001023535

2nd COLLECTION (supports St Patrick's Parish)

BSB 082-105 Account No 001000335

reference with your Planned Giving Number and your name. Last weekends Planned Giving \$763.00 from 324 envelopes, Loose money \$37.00 and EFT \$150.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

THE DECEASED: Gordon John Williamson, Joyce Tarrant, Eric Boan, (recently deceased), Middy and John Solomon

THE SICK Fr. Bernie Melville (Manilla) Hazel Charles, Jill Hankinson, Pat Solomon, Rod Culbert, Daniel Owens, Simon O'Brien, Peter Hodge, Ave Pearce, Mia Henderson-Johnson, Michelle Owens, Christian Vimpany, Samantha Murphy, Ellie, Hope Spicer, Fay Lucas, Leigh & Irene Owens, Vicki Stevens, Vonnie Heffernan and Joseph Chacko.

Pope Francis Lenten Message: *In this Lent of 2020, I would like to share with every Christian what I wrote to young people in the Apostolic Exhortation Christus Vivit: "Keep your eyes fixed on the outstretched arms of Christ crucified, let yourself be saved over and over again. And when you go to confess your sins, believe firmly in his mercy which frees you of your guilt. Contemplate his blood poured out with such great love, and let yourself be cleansed by it. In this way, you can be reborn ever anew" (No. 123).*



ATTENTION PARISHIONERS FROM ST PATRICK'S GLEN INNES NSW

As from Midday today Monday 23 March 2020 the St Patrick's Church building

WILL BE CLOSED,

This remains so until further notice.

Committed Catholics are urged to pray daily and on Sundays Access the Mass

Online, Reading the Readings of the

Day, Making a Fervent Spiritual

Communion and Pray the Rosary

as a Family

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POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER TO MARY DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of Your People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. **Amen.**

Prayer for Our Bishop

Heavenly Father, in these trying times when the spirit of the age threatens Christian values, give our bishop holiness of life and wisdom to direct and guide our diocesan family so that we may grow in your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

MAKING CHURCH MATTER

HELLO PARISHIONERS OF St PATRICKS IN THE LOCK DOWN OF CHURCHES

We are back in the Early Days of European Settlement in Australia when Catholics had no Churches, no Priests and therefore no Sacramental Life and especially hard no Sunday Mass.

They held to the faith through prayer, study of the Catechism, the Prayer Reading of Sacred Scripture, and of course the centuries old Family Rosary. And they cared for each other as neighbours. It was far from being an easy time for our forebears in the Faith. Quite the opposite....

Given our obligation to "flatten the curve" through Sanatising, Social Isolation and avoiding touching our faces...to slow the impact of the Covid-19 Virus.... I have made the following decisions in full consultation with our parish leaders:

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will no longer take Holy Communion to the Housebound and the Sick. Fr Gleeson will do that in cases of emergency.

Parishioners are asked to pray daily, and seriously for some time, seeking God's protection and an abundance of healing grace in our world at this time. I will be in regular contact via emails out, SMS Broadcasting, with parish leaders via WhatsApp Groups and by phone to parishioners. My job will be to pastorally care over the phone, by email, and messaging...to help allay fears of people who will be in social isolation and naturally very worried, and to pray for you as I celebrate daily Mass in spiritual communion with the whole Body of Christ the Church throughout the world.

I will only enter Nursing Homes when permitted, in cases of emergency,, and upon request.

Committed Catholics are urged to pray daily and on **Sundays Access the Mass Online, Reading the Readings-of-the-Day Make a Fervent Spiritual Communion. And Pray the Rosary as a Family. Catholics should pray the ANGELUS 9am, 12noon, and 6pm when they hear the Bell chime.. This is an ancient devotion of our Faith.**

As Fr Francis Afu pointed out Monday, in his **Praying with the Church "the universal Church, and the Diocesan Church and the Parish Church are quiet...it is a time now for the Domestic Church"** the foundation stone of all the others levels of Church. It is worth reading reflectively....

<https://dabar.online/2020/03/23/what-is-a-domestic-church/>

Those who have forgotten how to pray the Rosary can download a **How to Pray the Rosary** on this link: <https://whereteris.com/printable-rosary-guide-for-the-covid-19-pandemic/>

We need to care for each other as best we can: Over the past week we have established the **St Patrick's Pastoral Companions**. A number of parishioners have offered to be Companions to the housebound, the shut-ins, the sick and the elderly should they need a pastoral companion. Companions who are trained and will NOT enter homes. They will endeavour to make contact daily with their "neighbour" and see that they are going OK - checking if they need anything. Should they need a bit of shopping this can be done and left at the front door. Social Distance is maintained at all times. Registering for a Pastoral Companion please phone: John Adams who is co-ordinator of this parish pastoral ministry.

0408 698 030

New Procedures for People Seeking Care and Support from the Glen Innes SVdP Conference.

Care and support will continue to be offered to people in need on Wednesdays and Thursdays between 1:00pm and 3:00pm.

From Monday, 23rd March, community members seeking care and support from the St Vincent de Paul Society in Glen Innes are asked to ring and make an appointment.

Walk-in interviews will not be available.

To book an interview ring **0499 416 474.**

This number is only available for booking interviews.

Members of Conference, when available, will respond to unexpected emergencies.

The Vinnies Shop in Bourke Street will continue to open Mondays to Fridays between 10am and 3:30pm.

ACT OF SPRITUAL COMMUNION

Unable to attend Mass your are encouraged to make and Act of Spiritual Communion.

My Dearest Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,

and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot, at this moment, receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You

as if You were already there

and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me

to be separated from You. **Amen.**

Prayer for Pope Francis

V. Let us pray for Francis our Pope.

R. May the Lord preserve him, give him a long life, make him blessed upon the earth, and may the Lord not hand him over to the power of his enemies.

V. May your hand be upon your holy servant.

R. And upon your son whom you have anointed.

Let us pray. O God, the Pastor and Ruler of all the faithful, look down, in your mercy, upon your servant, Francis, whom you have appointed to preside over your Church; and grant, we beseech you, that both by word and example, he may edify all those under his charge; so that, with the flock entrusted to him, he may attain life everlasting.

Through Christ our Lord. **R. Amen**

The Parish of St Patrick's Glen Innes and the Diocese of Armidale are committed to the care wellbeing and protection of children Lyoung people and vulnerable people in our communitLJ MaLJ our message be that child protection and the dignitLJ of everLJ person is the responsibilitLJ of everLJ adult' glensafeguarding@armidale.catholic.org.au or Phone (61) cjt† q6€6